

LEVIN.

Dec. Mrs Frost presided. Officers elected: Pres., Mrs Frost; Vice-Pres., Mrs J. W. Gibson and Mrs E. Hollard; Sec., Mrs H. Walker; Treas., Mrs Koberstein; Cradle Roll, Mrs Sawtell; "W.R." Agent, Mrs J. W. Gibson. Decided to donate £2 2s to Atkinson Memorial Fund, £1 15s to Willard Home, and £1 1s to Wellington Radium Fund. The Secretary, Treasurer, and Cradle Roll Superintendent all reported good work done during the year. Three new members. Musical and elocutionary items were rendered, games and competitions indulged in, and an inspiring address from Mr J. W. Gibson, lately returned from a trip to Japan and the Old Country.

INGLEWOOD.

Nov. 30. Mrs J. B. Simpson presided, 16 present. Visiting Committee reported several visits to invalids and nursing homes.

Dec. 5. Waist-line tea party. About 50 present. The President, in welcoming visitors, urged the claims for membership, and that a determined effort should be made to increase the membership. Musical and elocutionary items were rendered. Afternoon tea was handed round. The sale of aprons materially augmented the funds of the Union. Mrs F. Brown hoped that future meetings would show increased attendance and membership.

PONSONBY.

Nov. 15. Decided to institute a cup of tea for every meeting, to meet the needs of tired mothers. Our Cradle Roll now numbers over 50 babies, and brings us into touch with mothers not connected with temperance work. Our meetings are educational, and the fortnightly attendance keeps up well. Decided to remain in session till December 20, and resume third Tuesday in January. Nobody wants a long recess from our happy meetings.

MAUNGATUROTO.

Dec. Cradle Roll afternoon at Mrs Wright's. Two delegates from Batley were present. Mrs Wright was in the chair, welcomed the visitors warmly, and spoke of the organisation and purpose of the W.C.T.U. Musical, vocal, and instrumental items were rendered, and much enjoyed. A paper on "Character" was given by Mrs L. E. Cullen.

WHANGAREI.

Dec. 4. Annual pay-up social. Mrs Galpin in the chair. The following officers elected:—Pres., Mrs Goodall; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Lochore, Sampson, Curtis, and Galpin; Maori Work, Miss Dreadon; Sec., Miss Rowsell; Treas., Mrs Gibson; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Lovatt; "W.R." Agent, Mrs McKinnon. A varied programme was rendered. Song, "My Task," Miss Harrison (encore); Misses Heaven and Parkes, song; recitation, Mrs Curtis. Afternoon tea was tres-bon. Cakes, fancy work, flow-

ers, vegetables, and plain sewing were sold, which resulted in augmenting our funds. The afternoon closed with thanks to retiring officers, and welcome to new ones.

Y's Column.

NELSON.

Nov. 19. Business meeting. Good attendance. The balance-sheet read. Decided to send a delegate to Convention. Miss Ruth Hay elected. Decided to donate £1 to the new Y Branch at Richmond.

Dec. 3. Wind-up social. Gifts for Christmas tree at Mental Hospital. Good attendance. The evening was spent with games. Five new members initiated. Supper, closed with singing "Auld Lang Syne."

PICTON.

Nov. 4. President in chair. Attendance good. Mrs Burrough addressed the meeting.

Nov. 28. The social proved a success, parents, friends, and members of the W.C.T.U. being in attendance. Two competitions, and also musical items, etc., were greatly enjoyed, after which supper was handed round.

HASTINGS.

Nov. 13. The annual meeting. Fair attendance. The following officers were elected:—Pres., Miss E. Beale; Sec., Miss D. Dodge; Treas., Miss McArthur.

Nov. 27. Closing social. The room was tastefully decorated by the members with flowers and coloured paper, a feature of the decorations being the initials Y.P.C.T.U. made with frosted ivy leaves. The evening was spent in various games and charades, etc., and two items contributed by Misses Bullen and Hawthorne, both being recalled. The judging of the fancy dresses was made by vote, Miss C. List (Good Luck) being the winner. During the evening the Union welcomed ten new members into the Y Branch. Supper was dispensed by the members, and a very enjoyable and happy evening concluded with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne."

AUCKLAND.

Nov. 7. We were the guests of the Mother Branch at a social evening. Fair attendance. Mrs W. Cook presided. Kipling's Recessional was sung. Musical and elocutionary items were given, which were much appreciated. An address was given by Miss Melville on "The League of Nations—For What Does it Exist?" She pointed out: 1st, what it has done for New Zealand. By signing we became an independent nation; 2nd, what is the League of Nations doing for the world. It has organised 52 countries, and enabled them to meet on neutral ground and discuss

International questions. It has stopped war, stayed the ravages of plague, established a court of international justice, and last, but not least, it has fed millions of starving children, this alone fully justifying its existence. Miss Melville then spoke at length to the young people on the need of individual responsibility. Mrs Cook thanked Miss Melville very heartily on behalf of those present for her very fine address. Supper was served. Mr Mill, President of the Y Branch, thanked the ladies of the W.C.T.U. for their kindly interest in us as their children.

Dec. 5. Present about 20. Mr Francis E. Mills, President, took the chair. A review of the year's activities, which was most encouraging, showing a large increase in membership. The President stating that we had a very good chance of winning the Banner. Balance sheet showed credit of £10. Delegate elected for Convention. Mr F. E. Mille then gave an address on "Service," emphasising the need of each shouldering individual responsibility for the benefit of the community. Cornet solos were rendered by Master Percy Purselove. An Initiation Service after closed our meeting.

CARTERTON.

Dec. 10. First Y annual meeting. Mrs Peryman presided. Attendance good. Meeting opened with devotions. Election of officers: Pres., Miss P. Preddy; Sec., Miss N. Anderson; Treas., Miss J. Conwell; "W.R." Agents, Miss K. Tyler and Miss O. Anderson. The report showed seven business meetings and six socials to have been held this year. Twenty-nine new members have been gained since February 13th. Treasurer's report showed balance of £4 4s 6½d. A discussion of work for next year followed.

REPORT! REPORT! REPORT!

Notable Days.—Please note that the address of our Notable Days Superintendent has been altered, and is now "Mrs X. Jones, 247 Gill Street, New Plymouth."

Flower Mission and Relief Work.—Mrs Griffin, Gilbert Street, New Plymouth, has been appointed Superintendent of this Department. Reports already sent to Mrs Peryman will be forwarded on to Mrs Griffin, to whom all reports should now be sent.

Ministry of Friendship.—All assisting in this department should report to Miss M. S. Powell, 130 Cliffs Road, St. Clair, Dunedin.