

FOR GOD, AND HOME, AND HUMANITY.

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WHAT THE BREWERS WANT.

They want to capture the youth and make drunkards of them to fill the coffers of the brewers. Read carefully the following extracts:—

"We must have sufficient faith to keep on advertising . . . a continual and never ceasing pressure and persuasion is essential not only to preserve old and regular customers but to capture the younger generation growing up."---"Brewers' Guardian," June, 1928.

"It is not so much a question as to whether existing beer drinkers can be made to drink more beer, but as to whether their sons and daughters will take customarily to this beverage."—"Brewers' Journal."

Sir Edgar Sanders, Director of the Brewers' Society, made the following declaration before the Birmingham and Midland Counties Wholesale Brewers' Association on June 15th, 1933, and it becomes the Brewers' manifesto:—

'I am not saying that the present drinker should drink more, but rather that we want new customers. We want to get the beer drinking habit instilled into thousands, almost millions, of young men who do not at present know the taste of beer. These young men if they start with what beer they can afford to-day, as they grow up they will afford better beers to the great advantage of the brewing industry."

"The chief customers of the publichouse are the elderly and middle-aged men. Unless you can attract the younger generation to take the place of the older men, there is no doubt we shall have to face a steadily falling consumption of beer."

"If we can once attract a new class of customer we shall see the brewery trade turn round and start the ascending scale."

He referred to the decline of threatre going in the States, and said:— "That is what may happen unless we do something to attract and secure the younger customer, who, in turn, will become the mainstay of the public-house. Unless steps are taken to say to him that England's beer is the best and healthiest beverage he can consume, and to bring before him all the goodwill and contentment that the public-house imparts in England, and to carry on this goodwill, we shall certainly see "the Trade" on a declining basis."

Sir Edgar also states:-

"We shall see that the continuance of our advertising is contingent upon the fact that we get Editorial support in the same paper. In that way it is wonderful how you can educate public opinion generally without making it too obvious that there is a publicity campaign behind it all."

INCREASING NUMERICALLY.

(A paper read at Wanganui District Convention.)

On looking back over the years, since the Women's Christian Union was first formed in New Zealand, one cannot be anything but appalled at the standstill attitude towards the temperance question, not only in Wanganui but throughout New Zealand. Nor is this state of affairs peculiar to the W.C.T.U., but kindred societies have the same sad tale to tell. It is not the purpose of this paper to attribute blame but to try to find the causes for this halt, also a remedy.

We are a band of Christian women with an ideal that should appeal to women. Every one who has felt the redeeming power of our Lord and Saviour can subscribe to our motto, "For God and Home and Humanity." And yet we must admit that we have

not advanced numerically as we should have done. I think one reason is, that we have allowed seeming defeat to obscure our vision and have forgotten that one on the side of God can never be in the minority.

When the great fight began in New Zealand the need was very apparent. Every town had a very large number of hotels, many of which were simply drinking shops, eleven p.m. licenses were the order of the day. All the attendant degradation and evil resulting from the sale of intoxicants, the suffering of women and children, the poverty stricken homes, where often the furniture, even the clothes, were sold for drink, was very apparent. The poverty of unemployment which we all deplore. and rightly so, is not to be compared with the misery of the habitual drunkard's home. So well did the veterans in the temperance cause do their work. that now what is familiarly known as the "Trade" has become outwardly so respectable that unthinking people are deceived. No question is ever settled till it is settled right, and the very seeming respectability of the liquor traffic is our greatest danger. Satan as an angel of light is more deadly, than in his true colours, and we should take heed of this. We pledge ourselves to fight till death or victory. There can be no complete victory till our Saviour comes to reign, so for us it must be a fight that shows no quarter.

Another cause for our standstill position is that we have allowed our disappointment at not gaining total abolition of the liquor traffic to blind our eyes, and instead of going forward, we have retreated. We have not realised the true nature of the fight or the strength and determination of our enemy. We have grown weary, perhaps unconsciously, in well-doing. We are disappointed because America will probably repeal the 18th Amendment.

but it is now some years since the "World Call." A well-known missionary paper in the United States issued a warning note in regard to the lack of temperance teaching in schools and colleges, Christian camps and other gatherings of young people.

Have not we in New Zealand made this same mistake, while much of the temptation to elder people has been removed, we have neglected to educate our young folk. If we have done our duty to the children, why this persistent cry about the amount of alcoholic liquor drinking among the young people? We are pledged to fight till death or vic-Do tory. Have we counted the cost? we realise that there cannot be victory till Jesus comes to reign, and then reward will only be to those whose lamps are trimmed and burning? One very familiar complaint we hear is: Your uninteresting. meetings are so feel we have wasted our afternoon. Apparently the blame is attributed to those who officer the meetings, but I would like to point out that every member of the Union should have a sense of responsibility and make a contribution to its success. We are not all talented in the same way, but everyone has a talent. Our Saviour teaches us by parable, that it is a grevious sin to waste our talents or opportunities for service. A cheerful smile and a warm handshake can do a lot to brighten a meeting; a little word of love to some one in trouble and finding the way hard. We can tell the leader of the devotional period we have enjoyed her session. Then there are so many departments of the work under 24 or more Superintendents. What an interest could be created if 24 sisters came with just one item of interest concerning a department. There are always orphanages and homes for the aged that we can help. We can do all in our power by word and deed to discourage the sale of Art Union tickets-even the schools now have their Art Unions to raise money. It seems to me that if we realised what a menace to the child these things are, we would be too much in earnest to be dull.

Sisters, we should realise that we are making a stand against evils that are sending men and women to perdition, and searing, if not altogether ruining, the lives of little children.

We do not meet for entertainment. That the meetings are not worth while is a suggestion of the evil one.

Then there are our noontide devo-Do we always remember as noontide comes round to pray for the work of the Union? Do we stop to think that if there are only some faithful ones in every land a continuous prayer is ascending to the Father's throne? But how much added power there would be if all were faithful in Our Saviour when on this service. earth was a kind and loving friend to women. He lifted them from degradation to the position the Heavenly Father intended them to have. "To whom much is forgiven the same loveth much."

We, at this distant time, cannot annoint our Savour's feet with costly ointment, but we can be loyal to the work He has entrusted to us. Let us confess that the giants of evil have made us feel like grasshoppers in our own eyes, and returning, use all our influence in the cause of righteousness till death or our Lord's return to reign.

A membership of 10,000 is our Jubilee aim. Shall we make the realisation of this our gift to Him Who died to redeem us, and give us an inheritance that passeth not away? We can, if we will in His strength, to Whom all things are possible.

"This is my Father's world,

Oh, let me not forget

That though the wrong seems oft, so strong,

God is the ruler yet."

DAY BY DAY.

I heard a voice at evening softly say: Bear not thy burdens into tomorrow, Nor load this week with last week's load of sorrow;

Lift all thy burdens as they come, nor try

To weigh the present with the by and by.

One step and then another, take thy way—

Live day by day.

Live day by day.

The path before thee doth not lead astray.

Do the next duty. It must surely be The Christ is in the one that's close to thee.

Onward, still onward, with a sunny smile,

Till step by step shall end in mile by mile.

I'll do my best," unto my conscience say—

Live day by day.

Live day by day.

Why art thou bending toward the backward way?

One summit and another thou shalt mount.

Why stop at every round the pace to count

The past mistakes if thou must still remember?

Watch not the ashes of the dying ember. Kindle thy hope. Put all thy fears away—

Live day by day.

- "Atlantic Monthly."

What right, what true; what fit we justly call,

Let this all be my care—for this is all.
—Pope.

Partly, joy lies in mere constant living ir. Christ's presence, with all that implies of peace, of shelter, and of love, partly in the influence of that Life upon mind and character and will; and partly in the inspiration to live and work for others, with all that brings of self-riddance and joy in others' gain.—Henry Drummond.

SPECIALS.

The Kohimarama St. Helier's W.C.T.U. held their monthly meeting on the 16th The Loyal Temperance of May. Legioners were the guests of honour Mrs. H. Kasper presided. Mrs. C. Perkins gave a devotional talk to the mothers and children. The L.T.L. members went through all their exercises, led by Hazel Phillips; they also sang two songs. Musical items were rendered by Mesdames Lewis Eady and Riffel, and recitations by Ian Erkkler and Esme Beaner. Mrs. Kasper gave a blackboard temperance lesson. The children had a happy time playing games, and afternoon tea was served by Misses Phillips, Maughan and Mitchell.

TIMARU BIRTHDAY BANQUET.

A most successful banquet; about 120 members and friends sat down to tables bountifully filled and beautifully arranged with gold and bronze chrysanthemums.

The President welcomed the guests and expressed pleasure at the large attendance.

The toast list honoured was: "The King," "The Mayor and Mayoress," proposed by the President, responded to by the Mayoress; "The New Zealan' W.C.T.U.," proposed by Mr. J. C. Butcher, and replied to by Mrs. Norrie; "Pioneers and Absent Friends," proposed by Mrs. H. Brown; "Kindred Societies," proposed by Mrs. Minifie, and replied to by Rev. J. W. McArthur (Alliance) and Mr. Bunt (Rechabites Lodge); "Y Department," proposed by Mrs. Rawson and responded to by Mrs. Head (Supt.) and Miss Sapwell (President of Y's).

During the evening an excellent musical programme was provided by Mrs. A. C. McInnes, Mrs. A. Symons, Mrs. Pinkerton and Miss G. Milne. Mr. H. Brown gave a humorous reading. The singers were accompanied by Mrs. A. Wheeler.

After the thanks of the Union had been expressed to the performers by the Secretary a very happy function concluded with the Doxology.

RICCARTON-PEACE DAY.

May 10. Under the auspices of the Riccarton W.C.T.U. a League of Nations meeting was held. Mrs C. W. Barrell welcomed the guests. Musical items rendered by Mesdames Woodward and Greenway, and recitations by Misses Elsie and Mollie Kennard. Mrs B. H. Low gave a comprehensive address on: (1) What the League of Nations stands for, and what it has done; (2) Disarmament and its problems. Mrs Low told of Dr. Shearer being paid by armament firms to undermine the work of the Disarmament Conference, and concluded her address with facts and figures telling of the costliness up to date of the late war. Votes of thanks to the speaker concluded a profitable meeting.

PEACE DAY.

Auckland district held their Peace meeting on 30th May. Mrs. Kasper presided. Large gathering of members and visitors. Mrs. John Cook led the devotions, after which the Rev. E. S. Emmitt gave a most instructive address on the work of the League of Nations and all that it stands for—"Its many successes and its many disappointments." Two fine sacred solos rendered by Mrs. Hipwell. Several ladies were enrolled as members of the local League of Nations Union. The resolution passed at the recent Convention in Wellington regarding private traffic in arms was endorsed by all present.

NORTH BRIGHTON.

North Brighton's 8th birthday was celebrated on May 15th. Mrs. S. G. Goring presided. Good attendance. Greetings received from Styx, Linwood, and New Brighton Unions, also from Mrs. Richards and Mrs. Lowry, and N. Canterbury District Executive.

Miss B. A. Harband, J.P., ex-President, was presented with a beautiful bounuet.

Statistics dealing with the progress of the temperance movement in Canada, India, Stockholm, Finland, Scotland South Africa, Denmark and Belgium were the subject of a most interesting address by Mrs. Lowry, who also intimated that the W.C.T.U. World Convention would be held in Stockholm in July, and that New Zealand would be represented by the Misses A. and C. During supper the birthday McLay. cake, made by the President, and beautifully decorated by Miss Iris Aston, was cut by Miss Harband. The evening's programme was enjoyably varied, with items by Miss Cooper and Mesdames Chapman. Goldman and Lawson. Mrs. Irwin was the accompanist. A special vote of thanks was extended to the speaker and the artists.

WARKWORTH L.W.R.

A meeting of the Cradle Roll children with their mothers, and members of the W.C.T.U., was held in the Methodist Church on Thursday, May 10, at 2 p.m. There was a good attendance. Mrs.

Hugh Kasper addressed the children and was listened to with the deepest interest.

Mrs. Kasper spoke on the words, "Look not upon the wine when it is red, it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder." She graphically symbolised the likeness of strong drink to the serpent—the beauty of it and the fascination, the crushing and the bitterness. Also the words of Noah, the lamb, the lion, the ape and the pig. Showing just the quietness of the lamb, the boastful strength of the lion, the silliness of the ape and the degradation of the pig, as the different stages in the effect of strong drink on even the best of men.

Two little girls, Joy and Hilda Poole, sang "Children of Jerusalem" very sweetly, and it was much enjoyed.

While the children were given a sitdown tea in the Vestry by the Cradle Roll Supt., Miss Grimmer, and her helpers, Mrs. Kasper spoke more to the mothers. Three new members were initiated into the W.C.T.U. and four little White Ribboners had the White Ribbon fastened on to their wrists.

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded Mrs. Kasper by acclamation.

Afternoon tea was handed around and social chat indulged in.

A very happy afternoon was brought to a close with the Benediction.

Mrs. Kasper presided over a splendid meeting of the Y's at the residence of Mrs. F. Kasper the previous evening, and also paid a visit to the Leigh Branch of the W.C.T.U.

These visits are a wonderful help to the out districts, and were it only possible for the organisers to spend a few days per year in a house to house canvas to gain interest and members, with a meeting at the end of the few days, it would give untold help and uplift to the small Unions working under difficulties.

MISS HENDERSON ON BREWERS' CAMPAIGN.

Mrs. Mulcock presided at Sumner Union. Miss Henderson gave an address on the attitude of the British Brewers' Association towards declining returns. Sir Edgar Saunders, presiding at the Annual Meeting, declared people spent too much on sport and the cinema, leav ing the brewers to go by the board. The customers drinking at bars were mostly older men and women. capital, said Sir Edgar, in breweries and licenses, is jeopardised. By some means you must turn youth on to absorbing more beer, the tradition of British brewing must be maintained. We need the young people to drink and drink our beer in thousands, almost in millions. Every form of industry advertised, so must beer making. They owed it to the Chancellor of the Exchange who had reduced the duty on their product. They owed it to the Press, who had advocated this. They could do the Press a good turn by giving it this advertising, provided they would give beer editorial space.

The Press rose in indignation at the suggestion that its honour could be thus impugned. The Church also was in arms against the insidious and devilish campaign to be entered on, to blight the youth of the nation.

So beer seems to have over-reached itself in its efforts to re-establish itself in regard to former profits.

Miss Henderson advocated more support of the White Ribbon Paper.

A Bring and Buy realised 17/6. Tea hostesses were Mrs. Voyce and Mrs. Wright.

FAREWELL SOCIAL TO THE MISSES McLAY.

A farewell evening social was given last month by members of the Auckland District Unions and the Y Branches to bid "God-speed" to the Misses A. M. and C. M. McLay, Dominion Organisers, who leave for England shortly to attend the W.C.T.U. World Conference to be held in Stockholm.

A happy social time was spent with music, recitations and a competition. Miss Appleby, District Y President, presented a handbag to Miss C. M. McLay, a gift of love from the Y Branches, and Mrs. Kaspar, on behalf of the District, presented Miss A. M. McLay with a gift of money. The sisters will later attend the International Temperance Congress in London, when Miss C. M. McLay will speak on "The Native Race and Alcohol."

DEVONPORT ENTERTAINS.

May. Mothers of Little White Ribboners were entertained by Devomport W.C.T.U. Mrs. J. Williams welcomed the mothers and commented on the large gathering present. Mrs. Neal gave an instructive address on "Advice to Mothers," and quoted several substitutes for alcohol. Duets were rendered by Mesdames Burnett and White; solos by Mrs. Prentice, and elocutionary items by Mesdames Burnett and White. Afternoon tea served.

"THE EVILS OF GAMBLING."

The following was given by Capt. Allott to the Kaiapoi Union:—

Extracts quoted from the Classics showing that there has always been this gambling spirit and that it was always deplored by the men who had the best interests of mankind at heart.

Only three things can justify my receiving a pound from any man—

- (a) That I have given him a pounds worth of goods.—The Law of Exchange.
- (b) That I have done him a pounds worth of labour.—The Law of Service.
- (c) That he gives it to me freely out of kindness.—The Law of Love.

Great Britain was spending £170,000,-000 on gambling, and for every 20/- she spends on making children fit to live in the world she spends 40/- on making the world unfit for them to live in.

We must fight this spirit with the help of God, by prayer, by faith, by action and example, and by propaganda, and at all times to do all in our power to abolish this frightful blight on our fair land.

AUCKLAND HONOURS ITS PIONEERS.

May 8. A very enjoyable function under the auspices of the Auckland Union was held in the Banquet Hall of the Farmers' Union on Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Cook presided. The object of the gathering was to honour some of the old members who had been in the membership of the Union for 30 years and over. Three had joined when Mrs. Clement Leavitt organised the Union in 1885-Mesdames C. Blomfield, Player and Miss Bigelow, others being Mesdames Atkinson, H. M. Smeeton, Rule, Ready, Thorpe, Walker, Skinner, Hutchinson, Targuse, Misses Fabb and Mears. The President, on behalf of the Union, presented each with a long service badge and a posy of flowers. Songs in Maori and English were contributed by Mrs. King, recitations by Misses Kendal and Brooke. A very interesting talk on the Cathedrals which she had visited while in England was given by Mrs. Kendrick. There was a large gathering of mem-An enjoyable afternoon was brought to a close by a delightful afternoon tea.

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT W.C.T.U. QUARTERLY MEETING.

MRS. HIETT'S ADDRESS.

Before an interested audience Mrs. Hiett, Dominion Vice-President of the W.C.T.U., delivered an inspiring address in the Gore Methodist Hall on Wednesday afternoon on the aims and ideals of the organisation in New Zealand.

Mrs. Hiett was introduced by the President of the district, Mrs. R. R. Macgregor, who referred to the amount of work accomplished by the speaker in the interests of the Union.

Mrs. Hiett chose as her subject the

motto of the organisation-"For God, Home and Humanity." For God, as high as Heaven; for Home, as deep as a mother's love; for Humanity, as wide as the earth's bounds. There are no limitations. We pledge ourselves to abstain from strong drink. This evil thing dishonours God, wrecks home, and destroys humanity.

"My desire," said the speaker, "is to stir up your pure minds, not only to hold fast to your pledge, but to progress, to achieve, to advance in this Godgiven work for the emancipation of our race from the thraldom of the liquor traffic." Mrs. Hiett launched an appeal to the members never to rest till the evil was wrested from the land. Going on to speak of the brewers' manifesto, she stated that Sir Edgar Saunders. President of the British Brewers' Association, in the most callous speech she had ever read, said: "We must attract and secure the younger customer, who in turn will become the mainstay of the public-house." And again, "We want to get the beer drinking habit instilled into thousands, almost millions of young men who do not at present know the taste of beer." Later in the manifesto he said: "We must put bottled beer in the home for regular use in the domestic circle, to appeal specially to women to use beer as a domestic beverage." 'Australian Brewers, and doubtless, New Zealand Brewers, were taking up this plan and commencing with insidious advertisements; and the temperance organisations were just marking time, owing perhaps, as Mrs. Taylor said, to the fact that they had had no poll for seven years. They had settled down instead of being on the war path, by teaching the young, by resolutions to the Churches and by keeping the work and the need before the people. The liquor trade was ever awake, and its desire was for the degradation of the race.

Referring to the motto, "For God," the speaker said strong drink ever caused man to dishonour God. Man's chief end was to glorify God and to enjoy Him for ever. There was no glory to God in the drunken man, woman, youth or maiden. Lawlessness, impurity. cruelty, and crime were the accompaniments to the taking of alcohol, and the product of strong drink was inferior quality and goodness in the descendants of its addicts, God-dishonouring all along the line. The God-honouring way was the highway of the soul. The

speaker went on to ask if strong drink had ever contributed one jota to the highest and best in the human soul. It was obvious that the drinkers were travelling the low and sordid way, the way that led from God, and causing them who came after to lose the way of true liberty. The speaker went on to quote personal experiences of men who came of drunken parents. themselves were not addicted, but their children were physical and mental weaklings. Mrs. Hiett asked her hearers if they desired the God-dishonouring custom to come back. Some would say to them that there were sly grog and keg-parties here. But if the open saloon came back these evils would still exist. "It is the drink traffic that is the cause of these evils. It is the drink traffic Before No-License we are fighting." came to Oamaru they had sly grog selling to a greater extent than now. At Dunedin it also existed. "We have after-hour trading. We have all the evils intensified that uninformed folk think are found only in the No-License towns. To allow the open bar to come The only back is not the remedy. remedy is the end of the liquor traffic.' It was for them to be alert, ever praying, and teaching the young. Even with sly grog selling, they did not see the revolting sights common in licensed cities-drunken men and women and young girls. These were sights to appal the stoutest hearted. Thank God for every woman and girl who had given her pledge, "Till death or Victory," to remove the stumbling-block out of the

The speaker deprecated the use of alcohol at marriage ceremonies, where the foundations of a home were laid. Sir George Paish had said, "Abolish drink from the world and there will be no unemployment." Sir Murray Hislop. of England, said recently, "If the sum spent on drink to-day were turned to the cotton trade, there would be no talk of lock-outs, work would be found for all, and a market for the goods."

"May I quote," continued the speaker, "our Dominion President? 'Can we women not make some attempt to discover where civilisation has gone wrong and where national life has lost the path to happiness-and lost the key to life?" The speaker asked if women had honestly set out to discover what is wrong with a world that can produce for man's needs far more than he can consume and yet cannot provide him with the work and the means to use this overflowing abundance. She believed that if with full purpose of heart in the name of their Saviour they would go steadily forward, educating the young people and seeking to break down the fabrication of lies as to the merits of drink, they would do much towards solving some of the problems that seem so vast.

Delegates were present from Invercargill North, South and Central, Waikaka Valley and Gore.

A discussion on the abolition of the liquor traffic then took place, several members voicing their opinions. Mrs. Sired gave impresions of the Conven-

tion, and later a recitation. Both items enjoyed by all present.

Resolution: "That this convention reaffirms its conviction that the liquo traffic is a menace to the best interest and welfare of the citizens of New Zealand, and that its abolition would be beneficial to the individual, the home and the nation. It therefore urges even Christian congregation to unite in moral crusade of education in order to create a national conscience that will render continuance of the liquor traffic impossible.

Decided to send a letter of congratulation to Miss C. E. Kirk, who has been elected Dominion President of the National Council of Women.

DISTRICT EXECUTIVES.

NORTH CANTERBURY.

April 3. (Held over for lack of space.) 20 present. Miss Henderson spoke of need for organising fresh Unions and deepening interest in the District. Mrs. Lowery to be Honorary Organiser, Mrs Barrell presented report of Jubilee Convention. Congratulations to Mr. Cliff Deans, new President of Dominion Y Conference.

CORRECTIONS.

In the second paragraph of School of Methods report from Hastings a line was omitted. It should have read as follows:-our apologies to reporter and

This was followed by Miss McLay with a survey of the fundamental departments, i.e., L.W.R. L.T.L. or Band of Hope and Y's, and a short outline of the Brewers' Campaign, and the qualities of leadership wanted to combat this by the W.C.T.U. of New Zea-

UNION REPORT.

In the South Invercargill report last month Miss Langskaill was stated as delegate for North Invercargill Union. She was delegate for Winton Union.

WHITE RIBBONER HONOURED.

At the recent break-up in connection with Trinity Methodist Sunday School Mrs. Emily H. Orr was presented with the certificate of honour awarded by the British Sunday School Union for fifty years' continuous service in one Sunday School. In making the presentation the Rev. H. E. Beilhouse referred to Mrs. Orr's splendid record as a Sunday School worker, and spoke of the high esteem in which she was held by the staff.

Mrs. Orr is a member of the Kaikorai W.C.T.U. and was for some time its President.

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WHITE RIBBON MONTH.

We hope every Union will remember to do its best in our White Ribbon Campaign month. Already we have received new names for our roll, and we hope next month to give the number of new subscribers obtained by each Union and District.

Who will head the list?

UNEMPLOYMENT FUND.

We are pleased to notice that Women's Societies are asking for a statement of accounts showing how the Unemployment Funds are being spent This statement is long overdue, and M.P's should press for it as soon as possible after the assembling of Parliament.

does the Minister hesitate to publish the statement of accounts and clear away the atmosphere of doubt and uncertainty and put an end to rumour's tongue. Women are vitally concerned in this and should use every legitimate means to press for a complete statement.

THE WHITE RIBBON.

The public supply the funds, many of them feeling the pinch of paying 1/in the pound out of very small incomes. Many women on small salaries are paying, not out of their abundance, but from their own deep need are giving. and most give without murmur, while they believe that the money is being used for those worse off than themselves

But why tax small incomes to subsi dise wealthy companies, and allow them to get cheap jobs done? Why use money so hardly earned to advance a third mortgage on hotel property? Are third mortgages of any value to-day? Would any member of Unemployment Board advance his own money on such security? We hope that all Women's Societies will keep on demanding such a statement of expenditure until they obtain it. And if this Government refuses to furnish details of how they have used money given for one special purpose only, then it is time another Government was placed in charge of the national funds; a Government which will render an account of its stewardship to the people who have contributed the money.

GENERAL ELECTION

The Labour Party have expressed their determination to press for a General Election this year. Should this be seriously considered in the House the question may then arise in regard to Licensing Poll. The W.C.T.U. were in active opposition to the last po tponement of the Licensing Poll, and would oppose any further postponement. All Unions should be on the alert upon this matter and be prepared to promptly take any action recommended by our Legal and Parliamentary Superintendent, Miss Henderson.

IN MEMORIAM.

By the passing of Mrs. Pomfret on May 7th, the Wairea Branch of the W.C.T.U. lost one of its most devoted Her splendid loyalty and members. keen interest in all branches of the work was an inspiration to all. was one of the first members and held the office of President for one year, and was a Vice-President at the time of her death.

Many will miss her bright and happy personality. She was a patient of the hospital for the last three months and endeared herself to all with whom she came in contact. Her suffering was patiently endured, and she inspired others with hope and courage.

A prominent worker in Church and Sunday School and Band of Hope, and active in every branch of social work. she will be much missed. Our hearts go out to her sister, husband, son and daughter in their loss of one so beloved.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

N.Z. Fund.

Oxford, £2; Havelock North, 10/-.

N.Z. Headquarters Fund.

Miss F. J. Cook, £1; Mrs. Sorensen, f1: Mrs. I. C. Jones, f1; Mrs. Krahagen, £1; Mt. Albert, 10/-; Styx, £2/2/-; Collingwood, 15/-.

Organising Fund.

Mt. Albert, £1/10/-; Oxford, £1/11/6; Styx. £1/1/-.

Million Shilling Fund.

Rakaia, 6/-.

Jubilee Copper Trail.

Raetihi 240, Blenheim 324, New Brighton 72, New Plymouth 120, Otoro-

World Missionary Fund.

Port Albert, 6/6; Sefton, 8/6.

Will Branch Treasurers please note that when in doubt of an officer's address a glance at the leader page of the "White Ribbon" will settle the matter. Some payments have been long in reaching me, owing to being insufficiently addressed.

M. B. LOVELL-SMITH, June 11, 1934. Treasurer

P.O. Box 528, Christchurch.

WHAT FRANCES WILLARD SAYS.

The world is slowly making the immense discovery that not what woman does but what she is makes home a possible creation. Home is but the efflorescense of woman's nature under the nurture of Christ's Gospel. She will come into government and purify it, into politics and cleanse that Stygian pool. as the waters of Marah were cleansed; for woman will make homelike any place she enters, and she will enter every place on this round earth.

Countless worlds are ever circling Through the boundless realms of space.

And the God whose hand has made them Keeps each orb in its true place.

All revolve in perfect order, Harmony complete we see,

Yet the God whose will they follow Is the God who thinks of me.

Oh, the peace this knowledge gives me, 'Mid the cares and toils of life,

And how surely it can lift me Far above earth's din and strife. For I know the darkest shadows

At my Father's bidding flee. And I sing through days of sadness For I know He thinks of me.

-W.R.

Love and Heaven-are the only gifts not bartered: They alone are freely given.

-A. A. Procter.



Via Crucis, Via Lucis.

"The way of the Cross is the way of Light,

In darkness the thickest its rays are seen."

How differently we look upon the Cross now, to the way the Jews beheld it. To them it was the symbol of disgrace and shame unutterable. To us, who view it through the centuries of Christian culture, it is the sign of consecration to service.

How lofty was the courage of St. Paul when he took his stand beside the Cross and boldly said: "I glory in the Cross of Christ." And well may the poet sing—

"In the Cross of Christ I glory, Towering o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of earthly story, Geaners round its head sublime."

But is there not a tendency to banish the Cross from our life to-day? Do we not hear all around us plea for ease and comfort?

In our schools the cry is ever to make the work as easy as possible. We spoon feed our pupils, and then wonder that they do not develop into leaders. The cry everywhere is for ease and amusement. Even our Churches sometimes fail to keep up the high ideal of the Master. When Jesus called his disciples He did not promise them a life of ease, they were to take up their cross and follow Him.

So pampered have our people become by the various social services of a paternal Government, that only a short time ago we read in our daily papers of a man whose chimney caught fire. He rang up the police station and said: "What are you going to do about it?"

Can we imagine any of the sturdy band of pioneers, who built up homes in this colony, asking for help under such circumstances? They went out into the virgin forests and there carved out a home. They passed through flood and flame, but they built towns and cities, laid highways and railways, a left a civilization for those who followed.

Can we imagine our pioneer women grumbling because their husbands had to go from home to find employment? No! They stayed alone, week after week, milked cows, tended the garden, cared for their families and did each day's duty nobly and well. They had no picture shows, no wireless, no telephones, no motor cars, but they had homes where mother was the central

figure, the stay of the household, the guardian of her children.

But all this is changed. Home life is fast dying out, service and sacrifice are becoming obsolete. Personal responsibility is shirked, and get the Government to do it is the constant cry. The Bible, with its lofty code of ethics, its high standard of duty, is banished from our schools, is fast disappearing from our homes, and a well-known and able minister expressed the opmion "That even in our Bible Classes we study everything but the Bible."

But we cannot alter the eternal laws of God and we cannot banish the Cross from our lives. The Master is still calling to us, "Take up thy cross and follow me"; and in many loyal hearts a response is given.

Is a life of ease conducive to spiritual growth? The creeper grows by clinging, but the sturdy oak braves the gales of centuries. Deep into the ground it drives its tap root, and the harder blows the gales the deeper its roots strike. So strong characters are formed by meeting and conquering difficulties. And after all it is character which is a nation's most valuable asset. Whatever else we may teach our children, if we fail to train them into strong, self-reliant manhood and womanhood, then we have failed at the point which matters most.

Not goods or wealth are the nation's best asset, neither are they the individual's best possession. Character is a man's most valuable possession, and it is the only thing he will take out of this world with him. Shoulder the cross, bear it nobly, and win the crown of character. No cross—no crown.

Prayer changes things.

Faith still works miracles.

God has not lost His power or tender love.

Then bring to Him your fevered heart's request.

Commit your way to Him, yield Him the helm,

And cast on Him the burden of your soul.

No good thing He'll withhold

Who gave His only Son.

Feer not to call. He listens for your erv.

Prayer changes things

SUPERINTENDENT'S COLUMN.

BIBLE-IN-SCHOOLS.

In 1925 the Advisory Committee of African Education appointed by the Colonial Office laid down as a ruling principle that . . . the greatest importance must be attached to religious teaching and moral instruction. Both is Schools and in Training Colleges the should be accorded an equal standing with secular subjects.

History shows that devotion to some spiritual ideal is the deepest source of inspiration in the discharge of public duty. Such influences should permeate the whole life of the School.—An extract from "A Saint in Kenya."

Dear Comrades,-

The Bible-in-Schools Bill is coming before the House of Parliament nex month. Will you please get in touch with the Member for your district, asking him to support the measure?

Wherever possible arrange yourselves or join with those who will do so, in united meeting with good speakers in support of the movement.

May I ask each member of the W.C.T.U. to pray daily regarding this important measure until the Bible-in-Schools Enabling Bill is on the statut-books of New Zealand.

MARGARET C. COOK, Dominion Supt. Bible-in-Schools.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

Sunday in England.

Arthur Mee, the well known editor of "The Children's Encyclopedia," and author of "The Book of Everlasting Things," etc., says about the English home and the English Sunday, and his words are as haunting as they are true:

No greater service can be rendered to this country in these trying days that to save for the next generation the most precious possession the last generation had. Two things this country has that have been an influence beyon all words of mankind-tne English home, and the English Sunday. English home has sown in us the love of home, and of homeland, too, and is the pride of the homeland that ha been the inspiration of our race to the ends of the earth. The English Sunday has been, perhaps, the greates single factor in shaping the character of our race. It has given us time to think and time to rest. It has give our minds and bodies the chance the need. It has helped us to realise that there is a glory beyond the glory of this world, and it has kept us fit to build up the noblest and freest land beneath the sun, and to send out out strength to spread happiness and freedom wherever the sun shines. It easy to let these priceless blessings go but when our English home is gone and our English Sunday, something will have departed from the life of our children, and from the life of our people for which there can be no compensation A glow will have gone out of the world and life will never be quite so beautiful again.

SOCIAL HYGIENE.

The sex factor in human life is of permanent importance. It is rich in beautiful possibilities. Those who attain a harmonised sex life and discover the spiritual values that attach to true sex experience, are released for creative effort and live with energy and joy. On the other hand, sex mishandled is a destructive force. It has disrupted many societies. Its wandering from the true way paralyses the true life of individuals and make harmonious and happy social life an impossibility. It is not too much to say that only men and women who have discovered the true way in sex can build the Kingdom of God.

Christ's exacting standard of conduct in connection with sex, coupled with infinitely tender way of dealing with all failures due to passion mishandled. offer us the one reliable guidance for this part of life. His teaching is not primarily negative. The narrow way in sex is the way that leads to life. Only when the strong sex urge that is in us is held in check and then coupled to love, loyalty and service, does the individual attain to true adjustment, and become inwardly harmonised.-Dr. A. Herbert Gray, in "Christianity and the Crisis."

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

Arthur Mee (Editor of "My Magazine") says:-

"Christianity is 150 times as old as the League of Nations, and it has not succeeded yet. Men have been trying to free slaves for a hundred years and they are not all free yet. Men have been fighting ignorance five hundred years, and yet it is still enthroned in high places. We have been trying to people the British Empire for a century, yet one half is empty, and most of the other haif is ill-developed. It took hundreds of years to open the doors of a University to a Non-Conformist, It took a century to give our people votes. And the League of nations, with the stupendous task before it of converting all nations, all peoples and all creeds is not 15 years old.

"It is an everlasting wonder that it has succeeded so far. Those who would save the world must save it through the League, and the surest hope of the League is in the hearts of the people."

N.B.—This must have been written about two years ago. The 150 above should now read about 135.

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- (3) Be short and to the point.

NORTH AUCKLAND DISTRICT.

Aratapu-Te Kopuru.—Six present, Mrs. Taylor presided. Meeting held at Mrs. Dew-bury's Coast residence, Glink's Gully. An article written by the late Rev. S. Chadwick was read. A telegram of good wishes sent to Misses McLay. Afternoon tea was served. Dargaville.—May 8. Mrs. Wordsworth

gave a very fine interesting account of Convention. Mrs. Hay was welcomed. Two new members joined. Reported that Cradle Roll party was a very enjoyable afternoon. Mrs. party was a very enjoyable afternoon. Mrs. Roberts presided and gave interesting talk. Pianoforte solos, Mrs. Dunsford and little Bruce Wykes; Songs, Mrs. Hilliam and Mrs. Olson; Reading, Rev. Neal; Address, Army Chaplain Brownlee; Recitation, Mrs. Jolly; Competition. Presentation of Certificates by Mrs. Wordsworth. Afternoon tea. small chil-Mrs. Wordsworth. Afternoon tea, small children wearing paper hats. Bring and Buy stall proved a great sucess.

Maungaturoto.—May 30. Seven present. eport of Dominion Convention written by Mrs. Barker, Whangarei, read by Secretary.
Secretary reported donation of f1 to delegate's expenses. Letters re N.A. Convention at Russell in August. White Ribbon paper read and discussed.

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Devonport.—May 16. Mrs. Williams presided. Final arrangements were made for Mothers' Day. Mrs. Williams continued her talk on the welfare of the child. Papers were read in connection with the White Ribbon and Peace Day. Refreshments were handed round.

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Grey Lynn.—May 10. Fair attendance.

Mrs. Singleton presided. Flowers with texts were received for the Prison Chaplain. Books were also brought for the Maori Dept. Mrs. Singleton presented a detailed report of the recent Jubilee and mambers discussed it with Convention, and members discussed it with great interest. The Grey Lynn Union was proud to be the recipient of one of the

proud to be the recipient of one of the Jubilee Blue Ribbons for increased membership. Afternoon tea served.

Henderson—May. Mrs. Platt in the chair. Report given by Mrs. Knaggs re Band of Hope. Decided by members to collect 2/6 per month towards helping Band of Hope pay hire of hall for their meetings. Peace Day, Mrs. Hunter gave a most interesting talk on the aims and work of the League of Nations, and everyone enjoyed

teresting talk on the aims and work of the League of Nations, and everyone enjoyed the afternoon. Tea was served.

Leigh.—May 24. At Mrs. Grigg's. Good attendance. Mrs. Grigg presided. Mrs. Morley read "The Christ of the Friendly Road." Mrs. Shepherd a poem. "Comfort." Mrs. Grigg read another portion of "Early History of the Temperance Movement in New Zealand." Hostesses, Mrs. Grigg and Miss Shepherd Mrs. Kasper's meeting on May 10th was well attended, and her address on

Shepherd Mrs. Kasper's meeting on May 10th was well attended, and her address on the "Early Temperance Movement in America" was well appreciated. Supper was provided by the W.C.T.U. members.

Mt. Albert.—May. Mrs. Turner presided. A discussion on ways and means of interesting non-attending members. Decided to make Memorial Day (July) a special "Guest Afternoon." Mrs. Turner gave interesting extracts on Peace and Arbitration. Miss Cunningham gave Temperance fact. Miss Cunningham read a very fine sermon entitled Cunniagham read a very fine sermon entitled Building.'

Otahr.hu.—May 17. Mrs. Eccersal in the chair. Peace Day commemorated, also Peace prayer offered up. Remits from the Doprayer offered up. Remits from the Do-tainion Convention read and discussed. Af-

ternoon tea served.
Onehonga.—May 10. Secretary reported Onehunga.—May 10. Secretary reported on Maori Girls' Y Union at Kurahtma. Members were asked to attend the Peace meeting on May 30th. Miss Campbell gave an account of the wonderful work done by Kagawa the Japanese reformer, and stated that in Japan 53 towns had No License and two million people had joined Temperance Societies. Discussion followed. Recitations were given by Mrs. Sibbin and Miss Joan Mountjoy, and Convention numbers of the W.R. distributed to visitors.

May 23.-Home meeting at Mrs. bourn's. Mrs. Mountjoy gave an interesting description of her visits to Parliament House, bourn's. Dental Clinic, Musicipal Milk Dept., and Women's Rest Room at Wellington. Miss Jean Mountjoy gave an account of the horse life and early years of Mary Slessor. Recitation by Mrs. Hodder, reading by Mrs. Stacey and some fancy work was passed round for inspection. Dainty Externoon tea was handed round by our bastess and her dangeties.

Papakura,-June 5. Mrs. Garlick presided. Part of the President's address at the Jubilee Convention read by Miss Cooper.

Ponsonby,—May 17. Miss Read presided. Devotional talk by Mrs. Christopher, two solos by Miss Jean Black. Resolved "That this branch of W.C.T.U. strongly protests against the action of the Metropolitan Milk Board increasing price of milk to fivepence and urges them for the sake of the little children to come to a more reasonable price." Mrs. Tarker Brown gave interesting talk on The History of the Jewish People." Miss Read recited "The Good Samaritam."

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Remuera.—May 15. Good aftendance, Mrs.
Kasper presided. Mrs. Robuson reported
on April National Council meeting. Dison April National Council meeting. Discussed remits passed at Dominion Convention. Sister Grace gave an address on prayer.

Miss Molly Fear played pianoforte solos.

Two new subscribers for White Ribbon.

Sylvan Avenue.—May 23. Miss Pudney presided and led devotions. The Temperance fact was read and subjects for future meetings were discussed.

ings were discussed. A number of interesting extracts from "Fifty Golden Years" were

ad. One new member initiated.

Waiuku,—May 25. Mrs. Ballantine preled. Eleven present. Miss Hosking agreed sided. Eleven present. Miss hosking agreed to interview the Sunday School Superinten-dents about entries for the Szientific Tem-perance Examinations. Mrs. Smith invited the members to have the Zuly meeting at Smith invited her residence at Kohe Kohe, when members will take part in reading a paper for White Ribbon Day in the form of a dialogue.

SOUTH AUCKLAND.

Cambridge.—May. Mrs. Martin presided, 30 adults present and a number of children. Cradle Roll afternoon. The children were presented with gifts from a prettily decorated tree. Several children gave creditable musical and elecutionary items. A plane sole from Mrs. Skellern. Mrs. Craig addressed the adults; very helpful. Afternoon tea served. Reported that Mrs. Seal had addressed a special evening meeting on Bel-shazzar's implous feast. Musical items were

rendered.

Hamilton.—June 7. Fair attendance, Mrs.
Jones presided. Convention Memorial Service read at devotions. Paper read on White Ribbon, Decided to send for four dozen left over copies, members promising to distribute them. Viscar's welcomed from Carterton and Taumaruta! Unions. The postponed report of Convention was given.

A Bring and Buy did good business. Teaserved.

Tauranga.-June 5. Average attendance One new member. President in chair. De-cided we get a bundle of spare copies of the Short Ribbon for distribution. dress by Mrs. Christian on "Medical Tem-Afternoon tea.

Te Awamutu.—May 17. Mrs. T. N. Olson presided and spoke on "Peace and Arbitra-tion" as dealt with at Convention. Mes-dames Bright, Wilson and Alexander also read extracts on the subject. A letter re the visit of Miss Andrew was read, it was decided to invite her in conjunction with the Women's Division. Other business was the film "Little Women." Mr. W. Mills sang "Still, still with Thee" very pleasingly. Afternoon tea served.

TARANAKI DISTRICT.

Peace Day celebrated. Hawera,-May. Mrs. Exley presided. Good attendance. Adjutant Armstrong spoke of Peace in the Home Life and received a vote of thanks. Posies and letters to be sent to Mrs. Squire and Mrs. Hill. Mrs. W. Simpson aranging for a Bring and Buy at June meeting in aid of Seamen's Rest in New Plymouth. Afternoon tea served.

Inglewood.—April 12. Evening meeting

Mrs. Mackinder gave report of Convention.
Pianoforte solo by Miss Nicholls, solos by
Miss Fenwick. Hearty vote of thanks to

Mrs. Mackinder.

April 26.-Hearty meeting. Welcome to Portions of Dominion President's address were read. Decided to hold further series of Sunday afternoon meetings to com-mence on May 12th. Miss Wright gave a beautiful item "Mother." (Omitted last month.—Ed. W.R.) (Omitted last

New Plymouth .- May 30. Miss Drew re elected as our representative on National Council. A letter was read from Mrs. Pery man re White Ribbon Campaign. Decided to give a reading on White Ribbon at next meeting, nine members to take part. dress by Mrs. Ayckbourne on Peace-the subject, properly speaking, was War on War. An anti-war movement has been starfed in Plymouth, and members W.C.T.U. were invited to a public meeting.

WANGANUI DISTRICT.

Aramoho.-May 31. President in the chair. Very good attendance. A very cheerful re-port of Band of Hope was given. Increased interest being shown in this department our work. Several members attended Peace meeting and a splendid address was given by Mrs. Purnell of Honolulu. Visit to be by Mrs. Purnell of Bonolulu. Visit to be paid to Jubilee Home on June 14th. Ar-rangements made to draw up syllabus for another six months. Competition for sponge cake: Mrs. H. Good first; Mrs. Nicholson Community singing enjoyed. ternoon tea.

Wanganai East,-May. Good attendance Secretary to write re Miss Andrew's lecture on Pan-Pacific Conference. Members urged to attend Peace Day meeting. Arrangements made to celebrate White Ribbon Day. Excellent paper on life of Frances Willard was read. Mrs. Hornley reported favourable re

plies re organis L.T.L. Sympathy with Mrs. Francis Diagram.

Ohakune.—May 17. Fair attendance pre-sided over by Mrs. Farr. Mr. E. Farr gave interesting address on Gambling and recived hearty vote of thanks. Invitation accepted to attend newly joined Band of Hope Social Afternoon tea.

Wanganui,—May 21. Chair occupied by Mrs. A. H. Duxfield, who stated that the three aims of the W.C.T.U. were Peace, Mrs. A. H. Duxners, three aims of the W.C.T.U. were rea-three aims of the W.C.T.U. were rea-purity and Prohibition, A pianoforte solo Purity and Prohibition, A pianoforte solo dered by Mrs. H. Cave, vocal solos by Miss M. Spurdle, and a recitation by Miss: Edna Watts. "War and Peace" was the subject of an address by Mr. Frank L. Purnell, B.A., B.D., pastor of Ingestre Street Church of Christ.

MANAWATU DISTRICT.

Feilding.—June 7. Fair attendance, Mrs. Hughes in chair. Adjutant Radeliffe gave a very interesting address on "The Women of India," among whom she has worked as a missionary. Mrs. Park made the usual White Ribbon Day appeal for new sub-

Pahiatua.—June 7. Mrs. H. Paterson in the chair. 13 present. Decided to buy 100 Peace Prayer Cards. Arranged to hold a Peace meeting at Mrs. Paterson's on June 13th. The White Ribbon Day paper was read by Mrs. Paterson. The Secretary read an article showing the estimated loss to New Zealand through the liquor traffic. Votes of sympathy were passed with Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Johnson. The White Ribbon Day collection amounted to 7/4. Mrs. Ryan and

iss Gardner hostesses.

Pulmerston North.—June 1. Social afternoon. Miss Moore presided over a good at-tendance. Miss O. Clausen, President of the newly formed Y Branch, Miss V. Wilson, Devotional Superintendent, and Miss F. Hunter, Scientific Superintendent, and ansa Transcer, Scientific Superintendent, were introducted to the meeting, each speaking a few words. Two new members were initiated Mesdames Ritchie and Russell. Mesdames Mesdames Ritchie and Russell. Mesdames C. S. Matthews and Ram contributed songs and Mrs. Chittenden recitations. Mrs. H. J. Terry spoke upon "Our Needs." Miss Moore expressed the appreciation of all present to Miss Terry for her very helpful addresses.

HAWKE'S BAY DISTRICT.

Hastings.—May 24. Good attendance.
President in the chair. Devotions taken by
Mrs. Adjt. Montgomery (S.A.), and an address given by Rev. C. B. Boggis on the
life and work of the late General Win.
Booth. Decided to undertake dialogue for June meeting to celebrate White Ribbon Day. Reports received from Y's, Sick and Visiting Committee and Home Meetings Superintendents. Peace Day celebrated.

Havelock North.—June 1. Record attendance, 15 members, 1 visitor, 1 new member. Delegate gave splendid report of Convention. Devotional meeting held. Scientific fact given. Bring and Buy for June meeting; also White Ribbon Day, members to each read something of interest from the paper.

Napier.—June 6. Good attendance of members. Mrs. Owers, a Christoburch visitor, welcomed. Definitely decided to carry on Band of Hope activities, and a Committee was set up to carry on the work. Any Union reading this, which has Band of Hope material to spare, the Napier Union would be thankful for its use.

Waipawa.-May 24. Well attended. Mrs. J. Bibby took the chair. Miss T. Johnson's resignation accepted with regret, and Mrs. Bibby paid glowing tribute to her wonderful work as Recording Secretary for the past 25 years. Mrs. R. A. Pepperell appointed Recording Secretary. Mrs. Bibby read scientific facts and extracts from the "Outlook," as well as extracts pertaining to Peace. Afternoon tea served. Hostess, Miss

Waip kuran.-June 7. Fair attendance White Ribbon Day, the paper on the official organ was read by Mrs. Dixon, and one new bscriber was gained. Copies given embers who are not subscribers. Band subscriber was gained. Hope work discussed. Afternoon tea by Miss Burdett and Mrs. Groom. by Miss Burdett and S. Presided over by

Mrs. Macdonald. Members stood in silence as a mark of respect for their beloved Vice-President, Mrs. Pompet. The Presi-dent rend report of School of Methods held in Hastings. Bring and Buy to be held at next meeting. Afternoon tea served by Mrs. in Hastings. Alexander and Mrs. Stewart.

WELLINGTON DISTRICT.

Brookiya.—May 29. Mrs. Brewer presided. Mrs. Webster read a paper on "Scripture Temperance Lesson." Greetings were receivmperance Lesson." Greetings were receiv from Mrs. Sawden at Rotorua. Mrs. Nea wrote re the annual examinations. Decides to send cakes, produce, contowards stocking the shop in aid of Y.W.C.A. funds, also to assist during the day. Mrs. Pickering re Mrs. Pickering reported on Bible in Schools meeting, Brewer on the N.C.W. meeting. Mrs. linet gave a very encouraging Christ in the Home," showing t showing that home were not dispised by our Saviour

Afternoon tea served by Presbyterian ladies.

Dalefield.—May 31. Mome meeting at Mrs.
Linton's. Fair attendance. Decided to forward 5/- to District Union to help to make up a deficit in balance sheet. Members requested to attend White Ribbon Day in Mas

quested to attend White Ribbon Day in Masterton on June 7th. Tea served and a vote of thanks to Mrs. Linton.

Greytown.—May 29. President in the chair. Reference made to loss sustained through "passing on" of the late Mrs. L. Greathead who was a foundation member, all present standing in silence in memory of her. Regret was expressed of the serious illness of the Secretary, Mrs. Morrison. Acting Secretary Engret was expressed to write letter of sympathy and encouragement. Decided to forward 5/- to Jubilee Convention funds. Congratu-5/- to Jubilee Convention funds. Congratu-latory letter to be sent to Miss Kirk on her appointment as N.Z. President of N.C. of

latory letter to be sent to Miss Kirk on her appointment as N.Z. President of N.C. of Women. Next Meeting at President's home. Island Bay.—May 16. Attendance fair. Decided to assist British Sailors' Society at Street Day, May 31st. Mrs. Spencer gave delightful talk, "A Woman's Gift." Accorded hearty vote of thanks. One new member. Presbyterian ladies hostower.

Johnsonville.—May 10. Coin afternoon at the residence of Mrs. Davies. An interesting address given by Mrs. Mowlem on the aims of the Union, and one new member was initiated. Afternoon tea, some competitions and a recitation were much enjoyed.

Lower Hutt.—Mrs. Ballantyne presided. Fair attendance. 6 apologies received. Mrs.

Baigant read an interesting news item, and arrangements were made for a re-union of old members. Several accounts ers. Several accounts passed for Regret expressed that Mrs. Chispayment. holm was unable to be present. Mrs. Humphries subject, "Girls." a talk of help and inspiration, with brief mention of the Court of domestic relations and divorce in America in the opening remarks. Mrs. Page voiced the warm thanks and appreciation voiced the warm thanks and app of the members. Hostesses, Mrs. the members. Teasdill.

Plimmerton.—May 22. Fair attendance, veral visitors. Band of Hope arranged to

be held fortnightly. An instructive address given on "The Uses of Alcohol."

Good attendance Opper Hutt .- June 24. Character study, Mary, the Mother of Jesus, suitable reference being made to Mothers' Day. Letter from our District Treasurer about the debit balance of Jubilee Conven-Decided to send a donation at As our Union was not represented at recent District Executive, the report sent Mrs. Peryman was very much appreciated by all. The dialogue, Past—Present—Future is to be taken at the next meeting, in prop-form by the members. Owing to the refer form by the members. Owing to the reference in District Executive report to the Nius Island Sisters, more information was asked for, and there was a request for a lecturette on the work in the Island. This will be prepared for the July meeting.

Wellington.—June 7. Mrs. Murray presided. The resignation of Mrs. Chisholm as President on account of ill health was accepted with regret. Mrs. Murray, Vice-President, was appointed until the end of the

cepted with regret. Mrs. Murray, Vice-President, was appointed until the end of the present year. A report of the District Area of the Alliance gi.en by Mrs. Murray. As it was White Ribbon Day, a paper in the form of a dialogue, written by Mrs. Peryman, was given by five ladies, and proved very interesting. One new member and another on transfer from Timoru, welcomed other on transfer from Timaru welcomed

Wellington Central.—Miss Kirk presided present. Our League of Nations Society representative, Mrs. Israel, gave an interest ing report on its work and made a please for more League members from 1/- to 1 guinea a year. Miss Kirk spoke of the Convention resolutions, while showed the good work done. An Auckland visitor. Makes Chaplin sang beautifully. Mrs. Hauld and helpers served afternoon tea. Devotions, Mrs. Harry.

NELSON DISTRICT.

Collingwood.—May 10. Seven present. Paper read from Mrs. Field giving acount of Convention. A special effort to be made to collect funds for Willard Home. 15/-to be sent to Headquarters Fund. Afternoon

MARLBOROUGH DISTRICT.

Blenheim,—June 5. Mrs. Smith in the chair. 32 present. Scientific fact for the day, "The beverage use of alcohol is not really necessary to the highest exercise individual and social life." Mrs. Stews read an inspiring paper on our White Rib-bon Bow, and an interesting dialogue on our W.R paper was given by 11 members.

our W.R paper was given by 11 members. Both items greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Madili thanked those who had taken part.

Blenheim.—May 15. Mothers of Little White Ribboners entertained, about 70 present. A very happy evening spent, games community singing, competitions, songs and recitations, under direction of Mrs. A. M. Mills. Mrs. Smith welcomed the guests. Mrs. Braddock reported 550 children on Cradle Roll. Dainty supper provided by Cradle Roll. Dainty supper provided Union members, and meeting closed w "Auld Lang Syne" and "God Save and "God Save the King.

T a Marina.—May 15. 29 present. Mrs. Smith spoke of the work of W.C.T.U. and youth work. Mrs. Rodgerson on ways and means of getting new subscribers for our paper, the White Ribbon. One new mem-ber. Dainty afternoon tea. Relief parcels opened and many useful articles distributed.

NORTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Christchurch.—May 9, Peace Day. Miss enderson presided. Very good attendance

Christchurch.—May 9. Peace Day. Miss Henderson presided. Very good attendance. Mrs. H. B. Low gave a most interesting address, much appreciated. 13 present. Joined the League of Nations Union.

May 23.—Mrs. Richards presided. Miss Musgrove wrote asking for help in the Band of Hope work. Mesdames Richards and Woods appointed delegates to Band of Hope Union. Miss Havelar gave a brief outline of the general scheme of work now being carried on by the Unemployed Dept. Also thanked the Christchurch members who attend every week to help with the sewing and sorting of clothes.

Greymouth.—May 29. Small attendance. Interesting letter from District Secretary upon Convention. White Ribbon Day paper. Past, Present, Future, was read by the Sec-

upon Convention. White Ribbon Day paper Past, Present, Future, was read by the Sec-retary, and commented on with much interest by members. Resolved to see that papers were left at Railway Station waiting roor in future. Mrs. Parkinson, with regret, transferred to Nelson. Next meeting White Ribbon Day. Resolved to hold some

meetings at the Sailora' Rest this year.

Kaiapoi.—May. Good attendance. President at the chair. Temperance fact, "Alcohol creates a craving for itself that cannel be satisfied by taking more alcohol. nelly be satisfied by taking more alcohol."
Re temperance exam: Decided to call for entries, Mrs. Blackwell and Mrs. Rinaldi to give the necessary instruction. Address by Captain Allott reported elsewhere.

Oxford.—May 15. Good attendance, Very bad weather. Intercessions for world peace. Farewell to Mrs. Gainsford, for over 20

Farewell to Mrs. Gainsford, for over 20 years a most loyal and helpful member. Many testified to her willing help in all branches of our work. Mrs. Gainsford in reply told of her love for the work. Solos by Miss J. Whyte and Mrs. Park. Aftermoon tea. Miss Nesta Waterman appointed Secretary. Temperance fact by Miss Caverhill. £2 2s donated to Y Branches and usual donations to Organising and N.Z.

Papanui.—May 8. Combined Peace meeting with Belfast and Styx. Mrs. Graham resided. Mrs. Love gave a very interesting ddress on League of Nations. Items by liss Peggy Borgfell, Mesdames Le Brun and Donald.

Reefton .- May 8. Mrs. Thomson presided Mrs. Waddell read a hymn, Miss Watson prayed and Mrs. Thomson read a portion of Scripture, and Miss Switzer served after-

Riccarton.—June 1. Delightful afternoon at the residence of Mrs. C. W. Barrell. Over 40 present. An interesting and instructive report from National Council of Women given by the President. President spoke of the unemployment and appealed for donations towards Relief Depot. A musical programme arranged by Miss Irene Metarry was given by Misses Joan O'Neil and larry was given by Misses Joan O Neh and Irene Meharry, pianoforte duet; Mrs. W. H. Barrell, piano solos; Mrs. T. Commons and Miss Dorothy Sanders, vocal solos; Miss I. Meharry, accompanist. President thanked the performers. League of Nations literature and White Ribbon distributed. Hearty

Miss Dorothy Sanders, vocal solos; Miss I. Meharry, accompanist. President thanked the performers. League of Nations literature and White Ribbon distributed. Hearty vote of thanks to hostess.

Sefton.—May. Mrs. Thorne in the chair. Miss Asiaworth at the organ, Mrs. Wills, late of Blackball, welcomed. Very good attendance. Mrs. A. Ashworth gave seasonal home remedies (colds, 'flue, etc., taken from a leaflet from Literature Dept). Mr. and Mrs. Mackie gave very interesting talk on Peace and Disarmaments; much enjoyed and a vote of thanks passed. Mrs. Roseveare Peace and Disarmaments; much enjoyed and a vote of thanks passed. Mrs. Roseveare appealed for suitable literature, White Ribbons and such like, for distribution in a little back block mining settlement. Afternoon tea served by Mrs. Rollinson.

Spreydon.—May. Fair attendance. Rev. J. Robertson gave a talk on Peace, and all the following propagations of the control of the control

of us felt our responsibility in the duty of cultivating a spirit of peace in all our relationships at Home and abroad. Miss Muirhead was hostess.

Social Sydenham.—May 3. Sydenham.—May 3. Social afternoon. President welcomed visitors. Invitations given to attend Mrs. Low's meeting on May 10th and to vis't Cashmere Union on May 22nd. An address to be given by Mr. R. M. Laing, M.A. Afternoon tea served. Competitions won by Mesdames McKenzie and Lanyon. Vocal solos given by Mrs. Rogers and R. E. Voller, and elocutionary items by Mrs. Windsor and Mrs. Hutton. Hearty vote of thanks to performers and organisers.

Westport.—May. 9 present. Mrs. Parfitt presided, Two new members. Capt. Sauncers gave educational address on "Five Moral Evils—Drink, Gambling, Dancing, Theatre and Sabbath Sports." Mrs. Parfitt elected President and Mrs. Saunders Evangelistic Superintendent. 10/- to travelling exes.

SOUTH CANTERBURY DISTRICT.

Ashburton.—June 5. Good attendance on White Ribbon Day, presided over by the District President. Sympathy with Mr. J. Watson and family in bereavement. Letters of cheer sent to sick members. Decided to combine with other organisations in arranging a meeting for Miss E. Andrews, President W.T.A., on her return from Honolulu, Mrs. F. Johnston, President Mid-Canterbury Executive of W.D.F.U., spoke on the work being done by their organisation. Tea was served and a delightful little programme was submitted by the following:—Solos, Miss M. Lewis; Recitations, Misses L. Robinson and C. Hopkins; a three act play, "Past—Present—Future" of W.R., by Mesdames Robinson, Watson, Tullock, Osboru, Ashburton .- June 5. Good attendance

Holmes, Sister Mildred, and Misses L. Robwas made by W.R. Agent for new subscribers, and with a very hearty vote of thanks to all who had contributed towards the success of W.R. Day, the meeting closed with Benediction by Sister Mildred.

Geraldine.—June 5. Mrs. Borrell presided.

Mrs. Prattley led devotions. Decided to send letters of sympathy to those in trouble. Afternoon tea provided by Mesdames Alley, Coursey and Couling. Discussion ensued on trying to get fresh interest in our meetings. Decided to have a social afternoon, when every member will be invited, and also have the privilege of bringing a friend. Will hold a small Bring and Buy stall as well to help replenish funds. Mrs. Borrell read interest-

representation of the W.C.T.U. Handbook.

Rakaia.—May 10. Attendance fair. Mrs.

Cromie presided. Sympathy to be sent to Mrs. Breach in her illness. Miss Edith Miss Edith Kenward appointed Band of Hope Secretary. Rev. W. E. Moore gave a very interesting address on his work among the Maoris at Otakou and was heartily thanked. Afternoon

tea hortesses, Mesdames Breach, Blackley and Rapley. One new W.R. subscriber.

Temuka.—June 6. Fairly well attended. President presided. Mrs. Smith gave report of District Executive. Temuka members to visit Pleasant Point Union at an early date. Mrs. Adjutant Brown gave a much appreciat ed address on "Home," basing her remarks on the latter verses of 11th ch. of St. Luke.

Afternoon tea provided by Mrs. Blackmore.

Timaru.—May.—At Sallors' Rest. A good meeting. One new member. Vote of sympathy to Mrs. McDonald in the death of her son. Arrangements made for the banquet. The convention report was presented by Mrs. Cave. The Sailors' Rest report showed that two overseas steamers and the "Diomede" visited the port during the month, and 50 visitors paid 200 visits. Books were received from Mrs. Bruce and Miss Gillingham and two records from Miss Turnbuil.

June.—At Sailors' Rest. Recons from District Executive Recommendations from ceived. Rep were tions from District Executive were re-ceived. Report of recent banquet showed a wonderful success. Peace Day. Mrs. B. H. Low, M.A., gave interesting and educative address on present developments of the League of Nations, and was accorded a very hearty reception. Seamans' report showed 250 seamen paying 750 visits, two Sunday teas and three services were held. Mothers' Day service being given by Salvation Army officers, and white flowers and Mothers' Day cards given to each seaman. Papers and books were received from several members.

OTAGO DISTRICT.

Balclutha .- June 5. President in the chair. Letters of sympathy to two members who have lost relatives. White Ribbon Day observed, and paper read by Mr. Davis, also report of District meeting, and discussion followed re alcohol in chocolates. Roll call answered by a temperance fact. Talk re Band of Hope programme and forthcoming Temperance exam. Decided to take 18 copies of W.R. for free distribution, hoping to extend interest and gain new ers. Afternoon tea. One new subscribers.

Dunedin Central.—June 5. Fair attendance. Sister Nora, Vice-President, took the chair. Peace meeting. Mrs. Alexander conducted suitable devotions. Inspiring and instructive address on International Peace delivered by Rev. E. L. Tuckwell, for which a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded. A resolution

Rev. E. L. Tuckwell, for which a very hearty vote of thanks was accorded. A resolution bearing on Disarmament and Traffic in Arms was carried unanimously. Decided to hold Jumble Sale in July.

Kaikorat.—May 29. Mr. McKinnon's address at Executive meeting was read and discussed. An article from the "Outlook," "Jubilee of a Great Movement," was read. Members were pleased to learn that eight Members were pleased to learn that eight

of our young people are desirous of competing in the temperance essays.

Mosgiel.—May 15. Mrs. Bedford presided.

Attendance very small. A very fine address by a lady from Dunedin on the Liquor Trade at Home Deputation of ministers received to see about us carrying on the Band of Hope this winter, which Mrs. Bedford and helpers agreed to do. First meeting to be on the 8th inst. Pledge repeated.

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N.E. Valley,—May. Miss Gray presided.

Rev. A. Anstice gave helpful address from Proverbs, 26 chapter, verses 1 and 4, and was heartily thanked. Mrs. Sanders gave financial statement. Very satisfactory.

Oamaru.-May 14. Large attendance. Miss Smyth presided. Ensign Hutchens took devotions from St. Luke's Gospel, "Jesus Himself drew near and went with them." Miss Cowan read lecturette on "The effect of Alcohol on the body temperatures." Mrs. Souness rendered a song. Two new members initiated. Peace Day. Miss Smyth read an interesting report of a talk given by Mrs. B. H. Low of Timaru.

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Owaka.—May 2. Social afternoon, good number present. Secretary read "Facts about the W.C.T.U." Musical items and afternoon tea. One new member joined.

Port Chalmers.—May 10. Annual Meeting. Mrs. Mirams presided. The annual report showed good progress for the year's work, the attendances having improved and interest in Temperance work being well main. terest in Temperance work being well maintained. Miss Gray, District President, presided over the election of officers. Pres., Mrs. Mirams; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Tait, Flower and Price; Sec., Mrs. Macpherson; Treas., Mrs. Smillie, assisted by Mrs. Price; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Farquharson; Cradle Roll Supts., Mesdames Mirams and Tresidder; Devotional Leader, Miss Johnstone. Miss Gray gave a short talk on Temperance

SOUTHLAND DISTRICT.

Gore.—May 22. Miss Robertson presided. Peace Day observed. Prayers for World Peace. The President stated that where God raises up a man to do a special work in the world He selects the parents and the home in which the child shall be born. In the Bible are three outstanding illustrations, Samson, Samuel, and John the Baptist. In each case the parents feared and honoured God. These illustrations showed that scientific temperance was practised under Divine instructions long before it was discovered by the medical men to whom we owe so much in these days. Next meeting White much in th

Invercargill Central.-June 5. President presided. Good attendance. Major Schroeder ied the devotions. A paper for White Ribbon Day was read, those taking part were Mrs. Brass, Misses Birss and Sadlier. Solos were sung by Misses Ashley and Sadlier. Afternoon tea served. £1 donated to White Pibbon ford. Ribbon fund.

SHIFT THE BURDEN.

Are your shoulders bowed by trouble? Do your worries seem to double? Shift the burden.

Of the cares that you are bearing-Responsibilities you're sharing-Not a one is worth the caring. Shift the burden.

Burdened now by careless thinking? From the future are you shrinking? Shift the burden.

Of the worries, cares, and fearing For the friends that are endearing, And the crisis that seems nearing. Shift the burden.

Stop that worrying and fretting; Help divine you are forgetting. Shift the burden.

From the Lord your thought's been straying:

Learn to drop the load that's weighing On your heart, and do some praying! Shift the burden.

"Gentlemen, you need not give yourselves any trouble about the revenue. The question of revenue must never stand in the way of needed reforms Besides, with a sober population not wasting their earnings, I shall know where to obtain the revenue."-W. E. Cladstone.

A COCKTAIL, CIGARETTE MOTHERHOOD.

Surely it seems as if there were induences at work, during these passing days, seeking a semi-barbaric drift against a Christian home influence by way of a cocktail, cigarette motherhood.

Not long ago Dr. W. W. Chipman, Montreal, had this to say to the Ottawa Women's Canadian Club: "Two or three cocktails a day and 30 cigarettes in the same period of time do not tend to make girls into good mothers."

This issue of alcohol and the unborn child was of such pressing importance as to receive attention at the British Royal Commission on Licensing. Dr. Courtenay Weeks, recognised as a medical authority, when he came before that Commission, as part of his evidence, quoted Dr. Louise McIlroy, Director of the Obstetrical Unit of the Royal Free Hospital, who declares: "I think it no exaggeration to say that alcohol is a poison, and that the foetus, the unborn child, of a chronic alcoholic mother is itself a chronic alcoholic absorbing alcohol from the mother's blood, and subsequently from her milk. I would claim that these are facts that ought to be made known to every girl in the land."

When Dr. Courtenay Weeks was closely examined and asked: "Are the children necessarily inferior? Are the sins of the fathers visited upon the children in that respect?" he answered: "Absolutely. The fathers have eaten sour grapes, and the children's teeth are set on edge. There is no doubt about that in medern biology."

At CKLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE. 1st Monday at 2 p.m., Temperance Society's Rooms, Unity Buildings, Upper Queen St. Pres., Mrs Kasper, The Strand, Kohimarama; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Carr., 16 Momona Road, Greenlane; Rec. Sec. Dr. Craig., 37 Albert Street, Onehunga; Treas. Mrs. Clark, 12? Balmoral Road, Mt. Eden; Vice-Pres. Miss Read, Whittaker Place.

ARATAPU-TE KOPURU, 2nd Thursday Methodist Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs W Godfrey; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Morgan and Hill Taylor; Sec., Mrs A. J. Wordsworth: Treas., Mrs Dewbery; W.R. Agent Mrs Marshall; Cradle Roll, Mrs Wordsworth, senr.

A tAMOHO, last Thursday, St. David's aurch, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Hallam; Sec., Mrs. H. Good, 2 Paterson Street; Treas., Mrs. F. Dempster, Kelvin Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Walker, Paterson Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs. McKay, Kells Avenue.

ASHBURTON, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Baring Square Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Aitkenhead, Willis Street West; Treas, Mrs G. Tulloch, Peter Street West; Sec., Miss E. Trevurza, 169 Peter Street; Assist. Sec., Mrs D. S. Osborn, Burnett Street East; "W.R." Agent, Miss A. E. Watson, 84 Cameron Street.

AUCKLAND, second Tuesday, in the Club Room, Y.W.C.A., Upper Queen Street, Devotional meeting, 2.15 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Cook, 17 Esplanade Road, Mt. Eden, C.3.; Cor. Sec., Miss N. Dewar, Pompalier Terrace, Ponsonby; Rec. Sec., Miss Paul, 323 Mt. Eden Road, Auckland, S.1.; Treas., Mrs. Swan, 137 Crummer Road, Grey Lynn, W.1.; "W.R." Agent, Miss Hill, Russell Crescent, Ellerslie.

AUCKLAND "Y's." 1st Saturaday, 7.30 p.m. in Newton East Hall. Supt., Miss Read; Pres. Miss R. Hullah; Sec., Mr. A. C. Turiey, 61 Murdock Rd., Grey Lynn, Auckland W2; Beacon and W.R. Agent, Miss V. Hullah, 8 Fourth Ave., Kingsland, Auckland, S.W.1.

AUCKLAND DISTRICT EXECUTIVE.

April 9. Mrs. Kasper presided. 13 members present. Letters of sympathy to sick members and those bereaved. Decided to have a Jumble Sale and Fair in July. An excellent report of the Dominion Convention was given by Mrs. Kasper, who also spoke of the resolutions passed.

The Temperance fact was written on a blackboard as follows:—"A piece of bread weighing one and one fifth ounces, and costing less than half a farthing, has more nourishment than a bottle of stout."—Dr. Salter, M.P.

(Held over for lack of space.—Ed. "W.R.")

June.—28 members present. Mrs. Cilmour, late of Sydenham, was welcomed, and others for the first time. Decided to have Jumble Sale for funds in July. Peace Day observed on May 30th with good speaker, and a stall to be in charge of W.C.T.U. workers at the Winter Show. Arrangements made to continue School Temperance Clubs under the supervision of Mrs. Singleton.

SCHOOL OF METHODS.

The Auckland District School of Methods held their first elocution class. Mr. Chas. Burnett is the instructor, and gave for the first lesson—the essentials for public speaking; the correct way to breathe; deportment; exercises for voice production.

BALCLUTHA, 1st Tuesday, 3 p.m., Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. Clark, View Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs. A. McLean, Anne Street, Rosebank; Rec. Sec., Mrs. McIntyre, Lanark Street; Treas., Miss Tosh, "Toshvale;" W.R. Agent, Mrs. Clark.

BALMORAL, meets in Balmoral Road Church, 1st Tuesday, 2 o'clock. Pres., Mrs (Rev.) Gilmour, Paterson Street, Sandringham; Sec., Mrs S. Pearce, 12 Highland Road, Mt. Albert; Trea., Mrs May, 46 Calgary St., Sandringham.

BLENHEIM, 1st Tuesday, 2.45 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. W. M. Smith, Springlands; Rec. Sec., Mrs. R. Forbes; Cor. Sec., Mrs. P. Stephens, Howick Road; Treas., Mrs. J. Prussing; W.R. Agent, Mrs. L. Rogerson, Beaver Road; C.R. Supt., Mrs. H. Braddeck, Maxwell Road; Libraries, Mrs. H. Dunckley, Fairhall; Press Reporter, Mrs. J. Stewart.

BLUFF, 1st Friday, Willard Hall, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. Walker, junr., Shannon Street; Sec., Miss Mitchell, Ocean Beach; Cor. Sec., Mrs. T. Speer, The Manse; Treas., Mrs. Barber, Foyle Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Jas. Walker.

BRIGHTON UNION,... 3rd Thursday, 2.15 p.m., in Methodist Schoolroom. Pres, Mrs H. Hall, Wainui Street; Sec., Mrs Mitchell, 111 Lonsdale Street; Treas., Mrs N. Fraser; W.R. Agent, Mrs W. Langley, Park Road; Cradle Roil Supt., Mrs F. Good, Victoria Street.

BROOKLYN, meets last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m.
Pres., Mrs. Brewer, 85 Todman Street; VicePres., Mrs. Sawden; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Stimson;
Cor. Sec., Mrs. Gillings, 267 Ohiro Road;
Treas., Mrs. Gittings, 121 Mitchell Street;
"W.R." Agent, Mrs. Pearson; Cradle Roll
Supt., Mrs. Butler.

KANSAS THE VICTIM.

In the present wet-and-dry fight Kansas again is the victim of the calumny, half truths and outright false hoods spread by wet propagandists who never will forgive this state for making an outstanding success of prohibition. Kansas' answer to its detractors whe question the value of its bone-dry policy is that 54 of its 105 counties are without any insane, 54 without any feeble minded, 96 without any poorhouses, 53 without any persons in jail, 56 without any representatives in the penitentiary.—"Capper's Weekly."

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CANVASTOWN, meets quarterly, at 2 p.m., second Saturday, March, June, Sept. and Dec. Pres., Mrs Wm. Murray; Sec. Mrs F. H. T. Flower; Treas., Mrs F. H. T. Flower; Vice-Pres., Mrs M. Bailey and Mrs J. Boun, senr.; Cradle Roll, Mrs F. H. T. Flower and Mrs R. Pike; "W.R." Agent. Mrs R. Diamanti; L.T.L., Miss L. Boun.

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at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss Henderson, 9
Straven Road, Riccarton; Cor. Sec., Mrs. R.
Day, 92 Edward Avenue, St. Alban's; Rec.
Sec., Miss Thomas, 25 Cambridge Terrace;
Treas., Mrs. Adkins, 149 Salisbury Street;
"W.R." Supt., Mrs. R. Day.

CARTERTON, 1st Wednesday in S.A. Barracks, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. F. Tyler; Sec. Miss Mitchell; Treas., Mrs. Fitzgerald; W.R. Miss Waterson.

CAMBRIDGE, 4th Wednesday in month, in Methodist Schoolroom, at 2.30 p.m. Pres. Mrs A. W. Martin, Hamilton Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs Elsie Beer, Stafford Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs Reilly; Treas., Mrs E. B. Kemsley; W.R. Agent, Mrs Epps.

COLLINGWOOD, meets last Thursday, at 2.45 p.m. in the Anglican Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Hill; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Corney and Mrs. Stallard; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Brown: "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Corney.

DARGAVILLE, 2nd Tuesday, Methodist Church, Pres., Mrs. White; Sec., Mrs. Martin, Turiwiri; Treas., Miss Van Renin: "W.R." Agent, Mrs. D. L. Bradley; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Wordsworth. DEVONPORT, 3rd Wednesday, 2 p.m., in the Congregational Church, Victoria Road, Pres., Mrs Williams, "Arnley," Northcote; Sec., Mrs G. F. Day, 27 Hinemoa Avenue; Treas., Mrs Burnettt, 14 Allenbury Avenue.

DUNEDIN, 1st Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Sunday School, Hanover Street. P Sunday School, Hanover Street. Pres., Mrs Hiett, 11 Duke Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs E. L. Tuckwell, 119 York Place; Rec. Sec. and Tuckwell, 119 York Place; Rec. Sec. and "W.R.' Reporter, Mrs A. Botting, 283 Macandrew Road; Treas. Miss Macandrew; Fifield Street, Roslyn; Press Reporter and Parliamentary Supt., Mrs Downing, 41 Oakland Street, Anderson's Bay; "W.R." Agen., Mrs Millar, 39 Oates Street, Roslyn.

DUNEDIN SOUTH, 2nd Thursday. Wesley Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Don-n. 14 Alexander Street; Treas., Mrs Sec., Miss McCarthy; 18 Albert St. Pres., Mrs Don-St. Clair.

ELTHAM, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Holland; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Stanners and Wil-lams; Sec., Mrs. Penhall, Eltham Road; Treas., Mrs. Lambert; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Streeter.

EPSOM, Methodist Hall, Greenwood's Corner, at 2 p.m., 4th Thursday. Pres., Mrs Neal, 5 Aorere Street, Parnell; Sec., Mrs Carr, 16 Momona Road, Greenlane; Treas., Mrs Armstrong, 7 Mapau Road, Greenlane; "W.R." Agent, Miss Katterfeldt, 10 Napiti A enue, Epsom.

EDEN, meets 3rd Wednesday, in Dominion Road, Methodist Hall, 2 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Hayr, 8 Stokes Road, Mt. Eden; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Fenton, Gaulton, Auld, and Hud-Rec. Sec., Mrs, Chappell, Grange Road. Mt. Eden; Cor. Sec., Mrs. Chark, 129 Bal-moral Road, Mt. Eden; Treas., Mrs. Evans, 56 King Edward Street, Mt. Eden; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. O'Domnel, Grange Road, Mt.

FEILDING, 1st Thursday, 2.45 p.m., St Paul's Hall. Pres., Mrs Spence, Grey Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Pack and Hughes; Sec., Miss Watt, 17 Grey Street; Treas., Mrs Kendall, Awahuri Road; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs Terry; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Whisker; W.R." Agent, Mrs Pack, Sandiland Street

GERMADINE, 1st Tuesday, in Presbyterian Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Wallach; Sec., Mrs. Botherway; Treas., Mrs. M. Donald; Gradle Roll Supt., Mrs. C. McKenzie; "W.R." Agent, Evangelical Supt. and Reporter "W.R.," Mrs. W. Prattley.

GORE, Baptist Church, 4th Tuesday, 3 p.m. Pres., Miss L. Robertson, 33 Coutts Road; Cor. Sec., Mrs. A. McLachian, 3 Kitchener Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs Baldey; Treas., Mrs D. McAskill, Halton Street; "W.R." Agent. Mrs T. Stevenson, Canning Street.

GREYTOWN, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., P. byterian Sunday School. Pres., Mrs R. Anker; Sec., Mrs H. Morrison; Treas. A. Haigh; Evangelistic, Mrs J. Allen; W.R. Agent, Miss Oates.

GREY LYNN, 2nd Thursday, Salvation Army Hall. Pres., Mrs Singleton, 64 Onslow Road, Epsom; Rec. Sec., Mrs Dickinson, 28 Monmouth Street, Grey Lynn; Cor. Sec., Mrs Holroyd, 32 Old Mill Road, Grey Lynn; Treas., Mrs Lewis, 5 Stanmore Road, Grey Lynn; "W.R." and Cradle Roll, Mrs Neal, Harlston Road, Mt. Albert.

GISBORNE, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Goffe, Ormond Road; Sec., Mrs. E. G. A. Reynolds, 188 Gladstone Road; Cor Sec., Miss Hickson, 16 Atkinson Road; Treas., Mrs. Morris, 394 Clifford Street.

GONVILLE, meets 1st Wednesday, in Baptist Church, Collins Street, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Newton, 1 Tawa Street; Sec., Mrs. Hussey, 5 Watkin Street, Wanganui; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Hammend, 75 Alma Road, Wanganui ganui.

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HENDERSON, 3rd Thursday at Methodist Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Platt; Sec., Mrs. Barton; Treas., Mrs. Williams; Vice-Pres., Mrs. McKay and Miss Duncan; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Grainger.

HASTINGS, 4th Thursday, Methodist Y.M. Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. H. Hickmott, 603 Princes Street; Vice Pres., Mesdames 603 Princes Street; Vice Pres., Mesdames Wilson, Paul, Banks, Darby, McArthur; Secs., Mrs. G. Osborne and Baumgart, Box 322; Treas., Miss I. Mitchell, 801 Duke St; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Murtagh, Nelson St.

HAVELOCK NORTH, 4th Friday, 2.30 p.m., at Presbyterian Schoolroom, Pres., Miss Hill; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Waugh, Alder-Miss Elliott; Sec. and Treas., Mrs., C/o P.O. Hastings; "W.R." Agent Miss Hill; Cracle Roll Supt., Mrs. Haggett.

ISLAND BAY, meets at 2.30 p.m. third Wednesday, Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist Churches alternately. Pres., Mrs. Mowlem, 175 Owen Street, Wellington South; Sec., Mrs. A. M Tanner, 40 Tiber Street, Island Bay; Treas., Mrs. A. Ireland, 21 Tamar Street, Island Bay.

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KAIAPOI, last Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., in W.C.T.U. Temperance Hall. Pres., Mrs A. Stocking, Cam Road, Kaiapoi; Sec., Mrs H. Stocking, Cam Road, Kajapoi, See, Miss Rinaldi, Sewell Street, Kajapoi; "W.R." S. E. Evans, Fullers Street, Kaiapoi; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Phillips, Sewell Street, Kaiapoi.

KARORI, meets 1st Tuesday of the month, wasually in the Methodist Schoolroom. Pres. Mrs Wood; Vice-Pres. Mrs Blair; Treas. Mrs Wilson; Sec., Mrs R. Watchman, Campbell Street, Karori; Cradle Roll, Mrs Hearn; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Hull.

LOWER HITT, 4th Wednesday, 2 p.m., Church of Christ, Pres., Mrs Lopdell, St. Ronan's Av.; Sec., Mrs R. Aldersley, Brunswick St.; Trea., Miss Page, Price's Rd., Melling; Cradle Roll, Mrs Taylor, 9 Tul Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs Baigent, King's Cres.; Cor. Sec., Mrs Crawford 48 Waterloo Road.

I.EVIN, 2nd Friday, in Salvation Army Hall. Pres., Mrs H. Sorensen, P.O. Box 53; Cor. Sec., Mrs Rawson, King's Drive; Rec. Sec., Mrs J. Young, Durham Street; Treas., Mrs

A. C. Kennerley, "W.R." Agent, Mrs Mc-Kane; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Nye.

MARTINBOROUGH, meets in Parish Hall. Ist Wednesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. W. J.
Martin, Huangarua; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. A.
Tyler; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. E. Findley; Tyler; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. E. Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. G. Lumley.

MT, ALBERT, 2nd Thursday, in Presbyterian Sunday School, Mount Albert Road. Pres., Mrs. Laird, Baptist Manse; Sec., Mrs. Glaister, 9 Domain Road, S.W.2.; Treas., Mrs. Mason; W.R. Agent, Miss McGregor, 24 Wolseley Street, Morningside, S.W.2.

MASTERTON, 1st Thursday, Knox Hall, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Miss E. Jones; Rec. Sec., Mrs A. E. Freeman; Cor. Sec., Mrs J. Kit-chener, 47 Worksop Road; Treas., Mrs Cod-dington; "W.R." Agent, Miss Tankersley, Lobuston Street Johnston Street.

MAUNGATUROTO, 4th Wednesday, Pres., Sec. and Treas., Mrs. H. E. Flower: Pasley, Station Road; Temperance Fact and Cradle Roll, Mrs. A. Cullen; Birthday League, Mrs. Knightbridge; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. H. Flower.

MAYFIELD, 3rd Thursday, alternately at Ruapuna and Mayfield. Pres., Mrs Edmond. Anama; Sec., Mrs Jas. Murdoch Porateko Rural, Mayfield; Treas., Mrs Edgar Biddick. Mayfield; "W.R." Agent. Mrs Thos. Corbett, Mayfield

MORKINSVILLE, meets 4th Tuesday, Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs J. H. Starnes; Vice-Pres., Mrs F. G. Brown; Sec., Mrs G. N. Garlick; Treas., Mrs G. Oates; "W.R."

Vice-Pres. Mrs F. G. Brown; Sec., Mrs G. N. Garlick; Treas., Mrs G. Oates; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Oates, Thames Street.

MOSGIEL, meets 3rd Tuesday in every month, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Bedford, East Taieri; Sec., Mrs. Irvine; Treas., Mrs. A. Lennox, Gordon Road; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Bardsley; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Smith, Ayr Street

Street.

NAPIER, 1st Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m.
Pres., Mrs Lewis, 5 Hooker Av.; Vice-Pres.,
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Hill; Treas., Mrs Wilkinson, Main Street;
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NEW PLYMOUTH, last Wednesday, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Miss Drew, J.P., Gilbert Street; Rec. Sec., Mrs. H. Chapman, Leach Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs. S. A. Jemison, 119 Pen-darves Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs. A. W. Brown, Westown; Treas., Mrs. Green, West W.R. Supt., Mrs. Sowry, Gilbert Street. Westown:

NORTH-EAST VALLEY, 4th Thursday, 2.45 p.m., Young Men's Institute. Pres. Miss A. Gray, 32 Grey Street; Sec., Miss M. Begg 57 Selwyn Street; Treas., Mrs. Sanders, 57 Frame Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Vallance, Chambers Street.

OAMARU, Wesley Hall, Eden St., OAMARU, Wesley Hall, Eden St., at 2.30 the 2nd Monday. Pres., Miss Smyth, Hull Street; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Scott, Snell, Misses Milligan and Cowan; Rec. Sec. and Treas., Mrs Bridgman, 14 Rother Street; Cor. Sec., Mrs R. Dodds, 31 Caledonian Road; "W.R." Agent and Press Reporter, Mrs Corlett, 62 Eden Street; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs J. Clarke; C.R. Supts., Mrs Simpson and Miss Beckingsale. Miss Beckingsale.

OTORAHANGA, meets last Friday, in Presbyterian and Methodist Churches alternately. Pres., Mrs. Tozer; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Rogers and Hall; Sec., Mrs. V. L. Fairbrother; Treas., Mrs. W. Black; "W.R." Agent, Miss Rogers.

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OXFORD, 3rd Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., Coronation Hall. Pres., Mrs G. Ryde; Vice-Pres., Mrs D. Hawke and Mrs Ashcroft; Sec., Mrs C. W. Tritt, High Street; Treas., Mrs Roi: W.R. Agent, Mrs D. Hawke; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs C. Morris; Evangelistic, Miss Waterman; Notable Days and Parliamentary, Miss Caverhil; Scattered Members, Mrs Ryde; Home Meetings, Mrs T. Gainsford; Band of Hope, Mrs Dewe; Y.P.'s, Mrs B. Comyns.

OTAHUHU, meets 3rd Thursday, at 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Sunday School Itali. Pres., Mrs. Eccersall, Baptist Manse; Sec., Mrs. W. Tayor, Station Road; Treas., Mrs. Hall, Nikau Road; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. West, Panmure Road.

OWAKA, 1st Wednesday, at 2.15 p.m., in Baptist and Presbyterian Church Vestry alternately. Pres., Mrs. James; Vice-Pres., Mrs. D. McNutt; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. Mc-Nutt; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Pritchard.

OPOTIKI, , 2nd Friday, St. John's Hall 3 p.m. Pres. Mrs. Jas. Thompson; Sec., Mrs. J. W. Gordon, Box 85; Treas., Mrs. Vanstone; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Sinclair; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. C. Parkinson.

OTAUTAU, 2nd Thursday, 3 p.m. Methodist Church. Pres., Mrs. E. Harrington; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. Brown; Sec., Mrs. Brooker; Treas., Mrs. Gutchlay; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Maxwell; "W.R." Mrs. E. Harrington.

ONEHUNGA, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m., Methodist Hall, Grey Street. Pres., Mrs Mount-Joy; Sec. and Press, Mrs Stacey, 104 Grey Street, Onehunga, S.E.5; Treas., Mrs Mushet; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs Bickle; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Ashby; Home Meetings Supt., rs Laybourne; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Thornley and Stacey.

PAHIATUA, first Thursday in month, Presbyterian Church, 3 p.m. Pres., Mrs H. Paterson; Sec., Miss H. Ross; Treas., Mrs O. Johnson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Ryan, Main Street, Pahiatua.

PALMERSTON NORTH, 1st Friday, St. Andrew's Schoolroom, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss M. Moore; Rec. Sec., Miss Jamieson; Cor. Sec., Mrs. T. R. Hodder, 1 Allan Street; Treas., Miss Wilson, 186 Main Street; Evang. and Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Ritchle; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Dorset and Miss Arthur; Hospital Visitor, Mrs. Doreen; W.R. Agent, Miss M. Ward, 214 Featherston Street; Willard Home, Mrs. Birdsall, 243 College Street.

PAPANUI, 2nd Thursday, 2 p.m. Presbyterian B.C. Room. Pres., Mrs Graham; Rec. Sec., Mrs Tillman; Cor. Sec., Mrs Hawker. 24 Bollevue Avenue; Treas., Mrs Hayton; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Elliott.

PAPAROA, 2nd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., at Methodist Church, Pres., Mrs. J. Hames, Paparoa Railway; Vice-Fres., Mrs. T. Wilson; Sec., Mrs. E. T. Birties; Treas., Miss. J. Wilson; W.R. Agest, Mrs. Rocket, Matskohe.

PETONE, Ist Tuesday, 2 p.m., Church of Christ. Pres., Mrs. Playter, 7 Roxburgh Street, Petone; Cor and Rec. Sec., Mrs. T. L. Battersby, 44 Oroua Street, Eastbourne; Treas., Miss Collie, Jackson Street, Petone; Sick Visitor, Mrs. Chaimers, Nelson Street, Petone, W.R. Agent, Mrs. Murgatroyd, Nelson Street, Petone; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. E. Carter, Petone.

PICTON, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Methodist Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Millen; Sec. and Treas., Mrs Wells, Milton Terrace; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Potter; Cradle Roll, Mrs Bowden; Y's, Mrs McKenny; Band of Hope, Mr and Mrs Powell.

PLEASANT POINT meets 4th Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Brien; Vice-Pres., Mrs McNeur; Sec., Mrs Crombie; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Chisholm.

PORT CHALMERS, meets second Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Currie Street Hail. Pres., Mrs G. Mirams; Sec., Mrs D. Macpherson, Gasworks House; Treas., Mrs Smillie; W.R. Agent, Mrs Farquharson; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs G. F. Mirams; Cradle Roll Assistant, Mrs Tresider.

PONSONBY, 3rd Thursday, 2.30 p.m., St. John's Schoolroom. Pres., Miss Read, Whitaker Place; Life Vice-Pres., Mrs. Lee-Cowie; Rec. Sec., Mrs. Joiner; Treas., Miss Kitt; Evang., Mrs. Christopher; Cor. Sec., Mrs. A. H. Young, 34 Paice Avenue, Mt. Eden, S.2.; W.R. Agent, Miss Kitt and Mrs. Wheeler; Notable Days, Mrs. Bragg; Cradle Roll, Mrs. De Silva; Good Citizenship, Mrs. Joiner.

PUKEROHE, 1st Tuesday, 2.20 p.m., Churches, aiternately, Pres., Mrs. Escott, Tuakau; Sec., Mrs. J. E. Richards, Seddon Street; Treas., Mrs. Ellis, Helvetia; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Patterson, Totara Avenue.

RAKAIA, meets 2nd Thursday in St. Andrew's Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs. Boag; Sec., Mrs. A. J. Wilson; Treas., Miss S. C. Oakley, Overdale; W.R. Agent and Y Supt., Mrs. A. J. Wilson; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. and Miss Rapley; Birthday League, Miss S. C. Oakley.

REEFTON, 2nd Tuesday, 3 p.m., Wesley Hall. Pres., Mrs. Thompson, Coal Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Duncan, Shield Street, Mrs. Ashwin, The Manse; Sec., Mrs. Willis, Box 17; Treas., Mrs. Waddell; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Day.

RAETIHI, 2nd Friday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian Church. Pres., Mrs. Lynn, Ballance Street; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Scarrow, Mrs. Farr; Sec., Mrs. W. H. Sandford, Duncan Street; Treas., Mrs. A. W. Ashwell, Seddon Street; W.R. Agent and Organist, Mrs. Ciochetto.

RICHMOND (Nelson), 3rd Tuesday, 3 p.m., isaptist Church. Pres., Miss Tarrant; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Cropp, Fittall and Oliver Sutton; Sec., Mrs. Heaven; Queen Street; Treas., Mrs. B. Cropp, Salisbury Road; "W.R." Agent, Miss Dyson, "Althorie."

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STRATFORD, 4th Friday, 3 p.m., Methodist Vestry, Pres., Mrs. Davis; Sec., Mrs. A. Lilley, Flint Road; Treas., Mrs. E. P. Bianchard, Miranda Street; "W.R. Agent, Mrs. W. J. Davis, Orlando Street.

SUMNER, meets 1st Tuesday in the Presbyterian Schoolroom, at 2,30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. J. McCombes; Sec., Mrs. L. Hutchinson, 20 Colenso Street; Treas., Mrs. J. A. Booth; Evangelistic, Mrs. Smith; Good Citizenship, Mrs. Henley; "W.R." Agent, Miss Killner; Cradle Roll, Mrs. F. G. Carter.

SYDENHAM, 1st Thursday, Baptist Schoolroom, Colombo Street. Pres., Mrs. Woodward; Sec., Mrs. Greenway, 48. Thackeray Street, Spreydon; Treas., Mrs. Drewett; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Weatherhead; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Filer; Evangelistic, Mrs. Davies.

TE KUITI, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Vestry. Pres., Mrs. Sutherland, The Manse; Vice-Pres., Mrs. J. Nicholls, Matai Street; Sec., Mrs. G. Elliott, Tawhana Street; Treas., Mrs. Bowick, Rata Street; W.R. Agent, Mrs. Hill, Rimu Street.

TAURANGA, meets first Tuesday, in Methodist Hall, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs F. N. Christian, 5th Avenue; Rec. and Cor. Sec. Mrs York, 1st Avenue; Treas. Mrs Teasey, Edgecombe Road; "W.R." Agent, Mrs W. Foxcroft, Cameron Road.

TAKAPUNA, meets in Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian and Anglican halls alternately. Pres., Mrs George Winstone; Vice-Pres., Mrs Reynolds; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs. Reynolds; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Morgan; Cradle Roll, Mrs. G. Winstone; L.T.L., Mrs. Lewis; Y's, Mrs. McNeilly.

TEMUKA, meets 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., W.C.T.U. room, Hamilton Street. Pres., Mrs. Hewson, Sec. (pro tem), Mrs. Cross; Treas., Mrs. Buck; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Reid; Band of Hope, Miss Mills; Evang., Mrs. Douglas; Rest Room, Mrs. Blackmore; W.R. Mrs. Cross.

THAMES, 1st Wednesday, Mackay Street Schoolroom. Pres., Mrs Paul, Hill Street, Sec., Miss M. Smith, Sperry Home; Treas., Mrs Standen; Cradle Roll, Mrs Langford.

TIMARU, last Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Såilors' Rest. Pres., Mrs. F. Cave, Raymond Street; Sec., Mrs. R. R. McAlister, 3 Evans Street; Treas., Mrs. H. H. Brown, 49 High Street; Cradle Roll, Mrs. Rawson; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. J. C. Butcher, 50 Arthur Street; Peace and Arbitration, Mrs. B. H. Low; Scientific Temperance, Mrs. Nelson; Notable Days, Mrs. Minifie; Evangelistic Supt., Mrs. M. Norrie.

TE AWAMUTU, 3rd Thursday, at 2 p.m., in Presbyterian Hall. Pres., Mrs T. N. Olson; Vice-Pres., Mrs Whitelaw; Sec., Mrs B. McGechie, Papakura Street; Treas., Mrs W. Alexander; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs O. Locke; W.R. and Pianiste, Miss M. Bryant.

TINWALD, 2nd Wednesday, Methodist Church, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs. Robinson; Sec., Mrs. W. Hopwood, Carters Terrace; Treas., Mrs. Wakelin; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Hight.

WAIMATE, 2nd Wednesday, in Knox Church Hall, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs A. Roy, Hunter R.D.; Sec., Miss H. Palmer, Sherman Street; Treas., Mrs W. Simpson, Waituna; "W.R." Agent, Mrs H. Buckingham. Mary Street; L.W.R. Supts., Mesdames Johns and Hosking.

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WAIPAWA, meets 4th Thursday in each month, Presbyterian Church, 2.45 p.m. Pres., Mrs H. Dyson; Cor. Sec., Mrs Pepperell; Rec. Sec., Miss T. Johnson, Rose Street; Treas., Mrs T. Carson; "W.R." Supt., Miss Bibby.

WAIPUKURAU, meets 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. G. Smales; Vice-Pres., Miss Burdett; Sec., Miss King; Treas., Mrs. J. Dixon; W.R. Agent, Miss Caughley. Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. Griffiths.

WAIROA, H.B., St. Andrew's Hall, 2nd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m. Pres., Mrs Macdonald; Vice-Pres., Mrs Pomfret; Sec., Mrs T. Whelan, Sydney St.; Treas. and Cradle Roll, Mrs Macdonald; W.R. Agent, Mrs Edlington.

WANGANUI CENTRAL, 1st Thursday, 2.30 p.m., Trinity Church Parlour. Pres., Mrs Page; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Upton and Bathgate; Cor. Sec., Mrs Irwin, Maxwell Avenue; Rec. Sec., Miss Christie, Fordell; Treas., Mrs Lynch, St. John's Hill; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Heatley, 72 Carlton Avenue, Gonville.

WANGANUI EAST, meets 2.30 p.m., 2nd Thursday, in St. Alban's Church. Pres., Mrs Duxfield; Cor. Sec., Mrs W. J. Andrew, P.O. Box 4; Rec. Sec., Mrs E. Hedges; Treas., Mrs G. E. Shute; C.R., Mrs Ogler; "W.R." Agent, Miss Wallace, 301 Victoria Avenue.

WAVERLEY, 1st Tuesday, St. Andrew's S.S. Hall, at 2.30 p.m. Pres., Miss K. Wall; Vice-Pres., Mrs Stuart; Cor. Sec., Mrs E. A. Alken; Treas., Mrs Hickford, sear.; W.R. Agent, Miss M. Johnstone; L.T.L., Mrs Alken; Cradle Roll, Mrs Southcombe.

WELLINGTON, meets 1st Thursday, in Constable Street Hall, 2.36 p.m. Pres., Mrs Chisholm, 9 Palm Grove, Berhampore; Sec. and Treas., Mrs Webb, 37 Hall Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs Perry, 21 Millward Street, Wellington.

WELLINGTON CENTRAL, 3rd Wednesday, 2.45 p.m., Y.W.C.A., Boulcott Street. Pres., Mrs Peryman; Vice-Pres., Miss C. E. Kirk, J.P., Mesdames Webb and Harry; Cor. Sec., Mrs Cullen, 17 Lawrence Street; Rec. Sec., Miss Thompson; Treas., Mrs Helyer, 338 Oriental Bay.

WHANGAREI, 1st Wednesday, 2.30 p.m., in Methodist Hall. Pres., Mrs. Vyle, 15 Central Avenue; Vice-Pres., Mrs. Goodall; Sec., Mrs. Barker, 2 Kauika Road; Treas., Mrs. Hughes, 6 Mair Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. Emsley, Wallace Street; Cradle Roll Supt., Mrs. Lovatt, Huapai Street; Notable Days Supt., Mrs. Storey, Kensington Avenue.

WINTON, meets 3rd Tuesday, 2.30 p.m., Presbyterian S.S. Hall. Pres., Mrs. J. P. McWilliam, Park Street; Sec. and Treas., Mrs. J. D. Campbell, Eglington Street; "W.R." Agent, Mrs. J. McKenzie, Mary Street.

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