

most—beyond all other societies; and to it she has given of her fine best.

Who, having watched and listened to her in Conventions, can forget the note of humour so skilfully used when discussions grew tedious, or feeling ran high. Real wit, and a happy knack of felicitous expression, caused all hearers to listen with a new look of expectation on their faces when Miss Kirk rose, and with a very charming courtesy, said just the very thing which would clear the air; bring to the tiring debate just the bit of information which was wanting; and a rustle of laughter would be heard all through the hall. But, more than this, her efficiency all through the years of her secretaryship has left an impression on our organisation which will always remain. Her tact, and her fearless approach to the problems inseparable from the work of such an association as ours, have shown her to be one whose work has fitted her for the position she now holds at the expressed desire of the members, who know her to be herself, and will not grumble at her for not being someone else.

One last word: Miss Kirk's paramount interest is the welfare of women and girls; also, her chief hobby is needlework.

April, 1946.

Dear Fellow-Workers,

Thank you so much for the great honour you have bestowed upon me in making me your Dominion President. I can assure you that I accept this high honour very humbly and with full appreciation of its responsibilities. I can only say, God helping me, I will do my best in the great work which lies before us.

There are so many plans of work coming forward from Convention that I am sure each Union, even the smallest, will find some plan which will be of interest and within its scope. However little, or much, each member is able to do that particular piece is needed for Victory. We need four things—Conviction, that our cause is just; Courage, to keep our Pledge "till Death or Victory"; Sacrifice—willingness to give time, service, money, and to forego pleasure cheerfully; so shall we welcome the Day of Victory.

May God's blessing rest upon each one of us as we strive to do His Will.

Yours sincerely,

C. E. KIRK.



WHAT IS MODERATION?

The line between moderation and excess is unknown—cannot be clearly defined. The ability of the average man or woman to practise strict moderation recedes in proportion as alcohol affects his brain centres. His very desire to remain moderate is disorganised, as alcohol "puts to sleep" his centres of discrimination.—"Scientific Temperance Journal," 1944.

Among the Departments

PEACE DEPARTMENT

Dear White Ribboners,

As this is "Peace Month," I am asking you to do all in your power to extend the work for Peace. There are so many avenues of work in this direction. Indeed, we must do more than ever to change the outlook of War to Peace.

As it has so often been said, "We must build friendships, and not warships." With the latest scientific developments, such as the Atomic Bomb and other devices, life is on the altar of Moloch.

Within recent weeks, a man and a woman, just returned from the war zones, were interviewed over radio networks. The man was a war correspondent; the woman a released prisoner of war. Both had undergone harrowing experiences; besides observing at first hand the privations and hardships of others. So stirring were their stories that listeners felt that each interviewer was echoing his own deepest wish when asking, "What is there that we at home may do to help?" Both replied, "Whatever you are doing now, do better, to build a peaceful world."

That is what we must do in our work for Peace. We must "Do better."

This should at once become a part of every Christian's creed: "Whatever I am doing now, by God's help, I will do better." If what we are doing is what God would have us do, our daily occupation presents no difficulty that cannot be solved in the light of the teaching and example of our Saviour.

For each of us, the touchstone of service must be that specified by Christ Himself, when He said, "I must work the works of Him that sent me."

I shall always be glad to get reports on what you are doing for Peace in your meetings; but gladder still to hear what you are doing between meetings.

In conclusion, I must apologise for a hurried letter.

Believe me,

Yours for Peace, Prohibition and Purity,

E. M. MACKIE,
Dominion Peace Superintendent.

METHODS DEPARTMENT

Duties of Superintendents of Departments

Special Note: This article, by Mrs. Kasper, is reprinted from a previous issue by special request, following on a conversation in Convention in which Superintendents were urged to encourage the work of their own departments by closer contact and more personal interest in the Unions. It was strongly

felt that this article would be most timely.

World Superintendents: It is the duty of Superintendents to originate, devise and direct plans of work relating to their several departments, to correspond with and aid National Superintendents in the carrying out of the same, and to report work accomplished and plans proposed to the Convention.

Section 2: Each World Superintendent, as soon as possible after her election, shall write to the National President of each country affiliated to the World's W.C.T.U. asking for the name and address of the Superintendent of the Department, compiling from the replies a Directory of those responsible for the department in each country; on the retirement of the Superintendent, this information shall be passed on to her successor.

National Superintendents: When a Dominion or National Superintendent is appointed, she shall write to the World Superintendent of her Department, notifying her of the appointment, and sending her name and address. She shall outline a Plan of Work for her department, and try to interest the Unions throughout the Dominion to appoint Superintendents, and carry out the work of the department. To enable a full report to be presented at Convention, a letter or a questionnaire should be sent out at the proper time.

District or State Superintendents: The Superintendent is a link between the Dominion Superintendent and the local Unions in her District. She shall notify the Dominion Superintendent of her appointment, and interest the local Unions to appoint Superintendents.

Local Superintendents carry out the work of the various departments in their Unions if possible, and report work done to the District Superintendent to enable her to compile a full report to be presented at the District Convention.

Members must not expect Superintendents to do all the work; they **devise** and **plan** the work, the members help to carry it out. So much more can be achieved by local team work.

A Suggestion: Some time ago it was decided to ask Superintendents of departments to write into a book an outline of the work of their departments; also anything pertaining to it; also a suggestive plan of work, this to be passed on to the next Superintendents on their retirement. In this way the work could be carried on and help the efficiency of each department.

Yours for service,

AMY KASPER,

World and Dominion Superintendent of Methods.