REPORTS OF LOCAL UNIONS.

## MILTON.

Our Union was organized May 30th, 1877, with a membership of 120, and has continued to increase in interest to the present. We have now a membership of 147, with 42 gentlemen honorary members. During this time unfermented wine has been used for sacramental purposes in one of the churches. After the Provincial Convention we held our annual free tea, at which we gave an opportunity to join the Union. and to secure membership. Suitable scripture rolls were provided by the Union to hang in the jail corridors and railway stations. We subscribe for one copy of the *Citizen* and 37 of our members take the *Woman's Journal*. Committees were formed to visit the gaol, the homes of the intemperate, and to canvass for members. Our quarterly tea in May, was very encouraging in its results. Financially, our Union is in a good condition, having, after sending \$35.00 to the Provincial W. C. T. U., and defraying all incidental expenses, together with \$12.00 towards charitable purposes on hand, in stock, left of last year's bazaar in value over \$100.00, and cash in hand \$15.45.

## NEW EDINBURGH.

Our society was organized on the 21st of January, 1885. Seventeen members enrolled, three have since removed from our village, one new member was added, making our number at this date, October 7th, fifteen. Our Union was organized by Mrs. 'Tilton, President of the Ottawa W. C. T. U. Our annual fee is fifty cents; we are affiliated with the Provincial Union. We hold meetings on every alternate Tuesday during the year, except during the hot weather. These meetings consist of the usual business routine, followed by a Bible reading, in which all present take a part, affording mutual instruction. We are trying at present to procure the co-operation of the village people towards establishing a reading room for the young men, as great need is felt for such a place, che erfully fitted up, as a counter attraction to the one saloon in the heart of our village. As we are yet young in the work, there is not much to report, in fact the only outward and visible result of our existence is a Band of Hope. There are over 150 children attending these weekly meetings, and so heartily are they enjoyed that the boys utterly refused to be disbanded entirely for the hot weather, but consented to a compromise by which they were to meet every week, for singing and exchanging the temperance literature, which has become the property of the Society either by purchase or donation, and used as a circulating library. Among them is an interesting scrap book on which much labor and taste has been bestowed by Mrs. Maingy. It consists of pictures and stories bearing on the temperance subject.

## H. S. LAMBERT, Cor. Sec.

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## NORTH GOWER UNION.

On January 22, 1885, Mrs. E. D. Parlow, County Superintendent, organized a Union in North Gower, with a membership of fifteen. The average attendance at the meetings was seven. Devotional and business meetings were held monthly. Temperance literature was freely distributed. A committee of ladies appointed by our Union waited on the different ministers in our village, to request them to have unfermented wine used at the Lord's Supper, and we are thankful to say our request was granted by the Presbyterian and Methodist churches. Our President is very anxious to have a Band of Hope in connection with our Union, and we hope before long to succeed in forming one. We feel we have not accomplished as much as we have desired, but as Christian women, we feel this is work for the Master, and we know that no work undertaken and carried on for the dear Master's sake and in His name, will or can fail, therefore we hope by the next convention to be able to report more work done in this temperance cause by our Union.

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