

Letters of Incorporation.

Province of Ontario, County of York, to-wit:

We, Addie Chisholm, of the City of Ottawa, in the County of Carleton, married woman; Roberta E. Tilton, of Ottawa, aforesaid, married woman; Annie O. Rutherford, of the Town of Brockville in the County of Leeds, married woman; Mary Wiley, of the Village of Richmond Hill, in the County of York, married woman; Phoebe C. Brethour, of the City of Brantford, in the County of Brant, married woman; and Amelia M. Cowan, of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, widow; all being persons of the full age of twenty-one years, do declare as follows:

1. That we desire and intend hereby to become incorporated under the Act respecting Benevolent, Provident and other Societies, being Chapter 167 of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, under the name and for the purposes hereinafter set out.

2. The intended corporate name of the society is "The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Ontario."

The purposes of the society are as follows: To unitedly array the Christian Women of Ontario against the manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquor as a beverage; to educate and influence society in favor of sobriety and virtue; to impress upon the youth of our Province the awful responsibility resting upon those either supporting or engaged in the liquor traffic, and the folly as well as guilt of partaking of intoxicants of any kind or in any form; to gather statistics, facts and incidents relating to the traffic in intoxicating liquors, and make use of them in such a way as will best promote the interests of Temperance; to labor individually for the inebriate, the liquor seller, the fallen of our own sex, and for the neglected masses in our cities and towns, hitherto unreached and uncared for; to give active expression to our sympathy with the family of the inebriate, and to endeavor to elevate his children from the debasing influences with which they are surrounded; to heartily co-operate with other Temperance Societies in combating the evils of intemperance, and to unite with any other Society or Association which is endeavoring justly, appropriately, and guided by Christian principles, to procure more advanced and stringent legislation on this subject; to strive by every means in our power to secure the thorough enforcement of the Temperance laws we already possess.

4. The first managing officers of the said Society shall be the said Addie Chisholm, of Ottawa, President; Letitia Youmans, of Picton, Ex-President; Mrs. Roberta E. Tilton, of Ottawa, First Vice-President; Mrs. Amelia M. Cowan, of Toronto, Second Vice-President; Mrs. Annie O. Rutherford, of Brockville, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Mary Wiley, of Richmond Hill, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. D. L. Brethour, of Brantford, Treasurer; and Miss S. Bowes, of Milton, Provincial Organizer.