

The bible readings given by one of our Union have been very much enjoyed. Weekly cottage prayer meetings are held in different districts of the city. The gaol and hospital have been regularly visited. In addition to the work hitherto engaged in, the Union has undertaken a weekly class for bible study, with the women of the penitentiary, also a flower mission, through which a bouquet of flowers was given weekly to each inmate of the hospital and other sick throughout the city. To each bouquet was attached a text of Scripture. Eighty-nine ladies distributed 174,063 pages of temperance tracts, besides 2,500 Scott Act advocates. During the Scott Act campaign, we were frequently asked "Why don't you educate the masses?" "Why don't you use moral suasion?" Our report answers these questions, by telling what we were doing in these directions.

LINDSAY.

The Lindsay Auxiliary of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized March 5th, 1885, by Miss Bowes, with a membership of 37, meeting fortnightly. A Union Band of Hope was immediately formed with 300 members, also meeting fortnightly, and addressed by the different ministers alternately. Temperance literature was distributed to the children, and during the Scott Act campaign, cards in the form of a personal request to the fathers, for their vote and influence were given to each member. Leaflets, and an appeal signed by all the members of the Union, were distributed through the town, and a sum of \$50, raised by the Union was given to the Scott Act Committee.

MARGARET McINTYRE, Secretary.

LISTOWEL.

The readiness with which our members entered into the various lines of work undertaken proves their hearts are in the work; and if we have not accomplished all we have desired, we have the satisfaction of knowing our Union has the sympathy and co-operation of our most influential citizens.

We all know how helpful this is.

We have never regretted securing the course of excellent lectures, by Mrs. Baxter, J. R. Clark, Col. Bain, Hon. J. Finch, and Rev. J. Smith, of Toronto. They were just what our town needed, and have very greatly strengthened the cause of temperance.

The petitions regarding the Scott Act, Senate amendments, appeals and leaflets, were all faithfully distributed, and we found by the ladies of the Union giving the dodgers into the hands of our people, with a personal invitation, we secured a large attendance at our lectures.

During our prayer meeting held in the Presbyterian Church on the day of our Scott Act vote, there was a most gracious influence, and although we were defeated in Perth County, our town gave a majority in favor. This we felt to be a victory indeed as it was more than we expected.

L. A. FREEMAN, Cor. Sec.

LONDON.

During the year we have held twenty-six meetings for the transaction of business, average attendance fifteen. Our membership now numbers 43, being an increase within the last year of twenty. The city jail has been regularly visited, also a number of temperance literature distributed. We have supplied three local newspapers with items. During the winter months we have had a course of five temperance lectures, which have been productive of much good. The Industrial School has also been very successfully carried on by a very efficient committee. In November a night school was organized for girls.

BESSIE HOGG, Sec.

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