

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

Knowlton, September 29, 1896.

The Convention convened in the Pettes Memorial Hall, Knowlton, at 10 a.m. The President, Mrs. Sanderson in the chair. The hymn "I need Thee every hour," was sung. The Scripture was read by Mrs. Leet, and Mrs. Rugg offered prayer.

The Secretary read the interim minutes of decisions by correspondence. It was moved and seconded that the minutes be adopted with the additional words, "five more Unions have sent in their decisions in reference to the support of the Sheltering Home." Carried.

The minutes of the morning Executive meeting were read and on motion by Mrs. Rugg, Stanstead, seconded by Mrs. Middleton, were adopted.

A letter was read from Mr. J. Hale Ramsay, of Montreal, extending good wishes for the success of the Convention. Attention was called to the prize banner which Mr. Ramsay had kindly sent to Convention. The banner is to be presented to the Dominion Convention for competition among the Provinces for the greatest yearly increase of "Y." members.

The roll was called. Fifteen officers and members responded.

The Peace and Arbitration report was given verbally by Mrs. Sanderson, Mrs. Middleton having been compelled early in the year to decline the office of Superintendent. Mrs. Sanderson suggested falling into line with the Peace Society, which had recommended that all ministers be asked to preach sermons on this subject.

Mrs. Sanderson gave a verbal report of the following departments:—Conference with Influential Bodies, Parliamentary Usage and Schools of Method. Moved by Mrs. Distin, seconded by Mrs. McIndoe, that the report be accepted. Carried.

The report of Heredity and Health was read by the Superintendent, Mrs. S. J. Craig. On motion of Mrs. Foster seconded by Mrs. Emery, Stanstead, the report was adopted.

The President then called the pages to the platform, Misses Anita Bailey, Belle England, Inez Corey and Gertie Mills, who were introduced to convention.

The Department of Soldiers and Volunteer Camps was reported upon by the Superintendent, Mrs. Dickson. Mrs. Dalkin, Brome, moved, Mrs. Lawrence, Sheffield, seconded the adoption of the report. Carried.

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