

I can hardly describe with what feelings of dismay we all received the announcement that we were about to lose our worthy and esteemed President, Mrs. Bannister. We had profited so much by her wise counsel, regular attendance, as well as her musical ability, which she so cheerfully accorded to the "Y's," "W's," and all other worthy objects; but we speedily found how true the saying is, that "there is a silver lining to every cloud" and "that it is always darkest just before the dawn." We have been fortunate enough to get Mrs. Trueman to take her place, and right worthily does she fulfil her duties, so much so that already she has endeared herself to us all, her motto evidently being that work begets work. We have also lost Miss Hewitt, who has left Canada for England. We all hope that both Mrs. Bannister and Miss Hewitt will still continue in the noble work of the "Y's," and that they will be as dearly loved by their new-found acquaintances as they are by their friends in Richmond and Melbourne, and that God in His infinite goodness will give them all needed blessings.

A. B. COBURN, *Recording Secretary.*

St. Andrews—Ever surely and steadily the wheel of time moves on, and in doing so has brought us to the close of another year to render an account of our stewardship. In reviewing the work of our Union since last convention, we feel that efforts have been made in the right direction, and that however small they may have been, God will bless them.

During the year we have held eleven monthly and one special meeting, with an average attendance of fifteen.

We regret to record the death of Miss Rodgers, one of our members. She will be much missed, for she was always willing to respond to any good work.

The Ladies of our Union were most anxious to have a Temperance Boarding House opened in our Village, and thought if the rent was offered free for one year we could induce some person to take charge of it; but unfortunately we failed in obtaining a suitable person, therefore the house was not opened. The Evangelistic Superintendent reports eleven prayer meetings, beside the usual half-hour of prayer before the regular monthly meetings. Superintendent of Legislation and Petition reports a petition sent to the Councillors, requesting them to grant no license this year. Superintendent of Social Work reports a lawn social and concerts given, to increase the funds in our Treasury.

Superintendent of Prison and Police reports a donation of clothes and vegetables sent to the Sheltering Home, also a parcel of work valued at \$34.20 sent to Miss Barber.

Superintendent of Flower Mission reports bouquets sent to the sick, also slips of plants given to the children for them to cultivate. Superintendent of Heredity and Hygiene reports the Health Primer and Hygiene for Young People taught in the four schools in the parish. The Union subscribes for the "Health Journal," which is distributed among the members, and items read at some of the meetings. Superintendent of Band of Hope reports 89 members and meeting monthly.

The Ladies of our Union sent a self-denial offering of \$2.75 to the Finance Department. We have also sent packages of literature to the lumber camps.