

voters' list, not many more than half of whom could be found available for any election. The result of this thorough canvass was to get many new members for our Union, to elect along with our good brothers, a majority of temperance aldermen and a splendid majority for the plebiscite. Getting new members has given new life to our Union; getting a majority of temperance aldermen has given us a reduction of thirty-five licensed liquor places, and a large majority for the plebiscite gives us the prospect of prohibition in our province. Twice this year have we found the great advantage of permanent organization - our armies ready at a moment's call to enter upon campaign effort. Hard work is now before us. The late license holders are organized to defeat the men who took away their death dealing business. The Street Railway and Steamboat companies have defied the laws of God and man by their Sunday traffic. We are pledged—we must try to elect men who will stand for "God and Home and Native Land." Through the petition and efforts of our Union a police matron was appointed. Several parlor meetings were held in the interests of woman's enfranchisement, in which the necessity for woman standing entirely aloof from partyism was urged, her whole power lying in the fact that she will vote and work for either political party, just in proportion as they have the courage to stand for the right, God's laws always being the standard.

[Received after Convention met.]

Since coming to Convention I have received the following reports: Tilsonburg petitioned for Curfew Bell, also for the reduction of licenses; the Superintendent gave two talks on suffrage, and distributed through the town leaflets donated by herself. Embro petitioned for early closing and the Curfew Bell. Ingersoll held a public meeting in the interests of franchise and petitioned for the reduction of licenses. Plattsville wrote their representative at Toronto regarding the Tobacco Act, and at Ottawa about the French Treaty. Norwich secured fourteen names on the voters' list and canvassed lady voters in the plebiscite campaign. Peterboro reports that five ladies went to council in August and petitioned for Curfew Bell. This was granted and has been the means of much good in Peterboro.

PARLIAMENTARY USAGES.

(MISS LILLIAN M. PHELPS, Superintendent.)

MOTTO.

"Let everything be done decently and in order."

Immediately upon my return from the Northwest I sent to all of the County Presidents, and to many of the local Unions, the following questions:

- 1st. Have you a County President of Parliamentary Usages? If so, please give name.
- 2nd. How many local Unions have taken up this department of work?
- 3rd. Has there been an improvement in the business methods of the Union?
- 4th. Can you give an item of interest to show this improvement?