

The petition for the Sunday closing law obtained 957 signatures, and that for the extension of the franchise to women 847—this does not include New Westminster, as the petitions from that city were not presented through the Provincial Union. Both of these petitions were defeated.

As the results of our year's efforts are thus gathered and presented, we are thankful for what has been accomplished; and while humbly acknowledging mistakes and failures in our work, we would desire with greater earnestness of purpose and stronger faith to seek for that wisdom which cometh from above, and is promised liberally to all who ask. Dear Sisters, let our motto for the coming year be "Upward and Onward."

Upward to the Heaven above us,  
Onward in the march of mind,  
Upward to the shrine of freedom,  
Onward, working for our kind.

M. JENKINS,  
Corresponding Secretary.

## REPORTS OF LOCAL UNIONS.

### VICTORIA.

Victoria W. C. T. U. was organized July 4th 1883 by Miss Willard, since which time meetings have been held regularly, once a week, and mass meetings once a month.

Number of members, 137.

Have had a Y. W. C. T. U. working for over a year.

Jail work has been successfully carried on with good results. Also Hospital visiting; the Superintendent of this department has been successful in arranging a regular weekly service on Sunday afternoon, besides visiting the different wards through the week, distributing literature and administering the Word. Some of the members of the Flower Mission have occasionally accompanied the Superintendents of Jail and hospital work offering their gifts of flowers which have been readily accepted. The ladies of the Union provided a lunch stand at the Agricultural Show in September, 1884, which was well patronized.

Mrs. J. E. Foster of Iowa, and Miss Henrietta G. Moore of Ohio have visited Victoria and delivered four lectures under the auspices of our Union.

Literature is being constantly distributed in various ways.

The Band of Hope has met regularly every Saturday afternoon, besides giving several entertainments during the year.

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