

TORONTO DISTRICT—Reports work in this department. The officers visited the Board of Control in the City Council, and secured an increase in the grant to the Girls' Shelter, increase being from a grant of \$200 to one of \$350 per annum. Also interviewed License Commissioners in reference to enforcing License Laws.

In reply to a communication sent the Secretary of the Grand Orange Lodge of British America *re* their text pronouncement on the temperance question, the Secretary stated, "While the members of the G. O. L. put themselves on record anent the liquor question, it has not as yet become a part of the constitution of our Body."

In May, greetings were sent to the Baptist W. M. S. asking co-operation along the lines of Franchise, Anti-Narcotics, Lord's Day Observance and Anti-Canteen work. A favorable resolution was passed, but no reply sent.

The London, Toronto, Hamilton and Bay of Quinte Branch meetings also received similar greetings, bringing before them the above mentioned departments. Replies were received from two which are as follows :

21 Grenville St., Toronto.
October, 7th. 1899.

Dear Madam,

Your letter of September 27th, conveying greetings to the Toronto branch of the W. M. S. was duly received, and read to the convention.

I was requested to thank you for your kindly expressed wishes for our prosperity and to send you the following resolution, "that as members of our W. M. S. we express our sympathy with and interest in the work of the W. C. T. U.

We particularly wish to express the willingness of all our delegates (the majority of whom are members of the W. C. T. U.) to do all in their power to further the interests of the work through their own local Unions."

Yours sincerely

MRS. W. BRIGGS,
Cor. Secretary.

London, Oct. 17th. 1899.
368 King Street.

Dear Madam,

In response to the kind letter of greeting to the London branch of the Woman's Missionary Society I beg to forward a copy of the resolution passed.

"Following out the suggestions of the Provincial Vice President of the W.C.T.U. we, the London Conference Branch, in convention assembled, desires to place itself on record as being in hearty accord with the forward movement now inaugurated in the W.C.T.U. *re* the preservation of the Lord's day, and the Anti-cigarette campaign now being waged.

Resolved. That we as a sister society recognising the benefits that would accrue to us through a successful issue to their efforts, express our hearty sympathy with them in their work, at the same time assuring them of any support it is possible to tender."

Yours very truly,

ANNIE G. McMECHAN,
Recording Secretary,
London Branch, W. M. S.