

LITERARY NOTES.

A series of "Readings," to make the local W.C.T.U. meetings more interesting, and for the information of its members, will be published at The Union Signal office, 161 La Salle St., Chicago. These will be helpful to the Presidents of local unions, and ought to be in the hands of every member of the W.C.T.U.

Grip appeared last week in a complete change of clothes, and so great is the outward transformation that we scarcely recognized our clever contemporary. A glance at the contents, however, soon brought to our recollection the old-time kindly, genial and funny raven. Grip, though thoroughly independent, is a power in Dominion politics, and wields a strong influence for good upon all great moral questions.

The Oakville Independent, which has of late been much improved in general appearance, is now printed on a complete Campbell press. The Independent came to hand last week with an elegant new heading. Hereafter the paper will be known as The Star and Independent. We are pleased to see such evidences of thrift and enterprise on the part of our country contemporaries.

The Cure of Drunkenness

Is a task with which the regular practitioner has been unable to cope. Nine-tenths of mankind look upon drunkenness as a social vice, which a man may overcome by force of will. Drunkenness is a bad habit we all admit, in the moderate drinker. In the confirmed drunkard it becomes disease of the nervous system. The medical treatment of this disease consists in the employment of remedies that act directly upon those portions of the nervous system which, when diseased, cause lunacy, dementia, and the drinking habit. Remedies must be employed that will cure the appetite for strong drink, steady the trembling hand, revive the lagging spirit, balance the mind, etc. The nervous system of the drunkard being all unstrung or shattered, must be given a nutriment that will take the place of the accustomed liquor, and prevent the physical and moral prostration that often follows a sudden breaking off from the use of alcoholic drinks. Those of our readers who are interested in this subject, should send their address for Lubon's Treatise, in book form, on drunkenness, opium, morphine and kindred habits, which will be mailed free to any address, when stamp is inclosed for postage. Address, M. V. Lubon, 47 Wellington street east, Toronto, Ont.

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Music and Drama.

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