

remember that "every day is a fresh beginning, every morn-
 is the world made new." If yesterday was not crowned with
 some good deed there is no reason why to-day may not find us
 at its close, feeling the sweet peace that comes with duties
 faithfully performed and the remembrance of "some deed of
 kindness done." Strength for each day is promised to those
 who "wait upon the Lord always." In our Christian temper-
 ance work we need much faith, more patient waiting for the
 times of fulfilment. The W.C.T.U. must be positive women
 —women who will be firm and who will stand out alike before
 their friends and their enemies, we want no ambiguous mem-
 bers, like some Christians of whom it is hard to tell on which
 side they are. It is a great matter, dear sisters, to have the
 "courage of our convictions." We may say, "God judges us
 by our intentions." True, He does, but He also searcheth the
 heart and sounds the bottom of all our intentions. We have
 heard of some who object to wearing a badge. "I do not
 want to label myself by wearing a white ribbon," said one, "like
 a Salvation Army woman." We fear there are other motives
 lying deeper, that she does not care to mention; but He who
 knoweth may see that there is an unwillingness to bear even
 the slight testimony for Him—"the little knot of ribbon white."
 That it does bear testimony we have abundant proof; and
 what could be more simple, more unassuming or unostentatious?
 This year has been one of more than ordinary import to the
 W. C. T. U. of the Dominion. Until the recent Convention at
 Toronto, a Dominion W. C. T. U. was looked upon by many
 as only a myth, but it has now become an established fact
 and we may confidently look for large results from this—our
mother Union. It will bring us into closer fellowship with our
 sisters of this broad dominion. Through it the Maritime
 becomes affiliated with the World's W. C. T. U., and in close
 relationship to every white ribbon woman on the globe. Of
 the five cents per member paid into the Dominion Treasury,
 three cents are for the Dominion and two cents are for the
 World's W.C.T.U. While we lose none of our individuality
 and are no way restricted by the Dominion Union, we may be
 greatly strengthened and helped by it. It is a concentration
 of forces.