

amined on the lessons gone over, and those answering all the questions received a reward of merit. Before the closing of the schools, the Bands of Hope gave another entertainment at which prizes were awarded in the same way, temperance books being given as prizes. After a brief holiday, the Bands have again assembled. The books used are D. C. Cook's quarterlies. Another work undertaken by the Union, the introduction of Scientific Temperance instruction into the Public Schools, was very successful; a petition was circulated and presented to the Board of Trustees who gave their consent to it being taught. During the year, \$37.50 has been expended in Scott Act work, and three ladies appointed by the Union belong to the Scott Act Committee. In response to an invitation from Chatsworth, several of the officers accompanied the county Superintendent to that village and organized a promising W. C. T. U., there. The local papers have throughout the year, inserted any temperance article free of charge. Three churches of the town use unfermented wine at the sacrament of the Lord's Supper. Since the Convention held in 1884, the membership has increased from 56 to 68, with 11 honorary members. Throughout the year, the Union has received much encouragement, and hopes, under God's blessing, its influence may still go on increasing.

FLORENCE EARLY, Cor.-Sec.

PEMBROKE.

In reviewing the events of this first year of our Temperance Union, we have to report only a quiet and peaceful record of commencement and growth, and we cannot help feeling that this period has been fraught with much good. Women of different denominations have met together for prayer and conference and have often felt that it was good to pause in the busy struggle of life, and for a little time have our thoughts and attention directed to the different aspects of this work. True, we have often bemoaned the fact that we could not take up any of the more decided plans of work that other Unions have carried on successfully, but we must not despise the day of small things. The forming of our Union called attention to the subject of temperance. Many feared we were going to imitate the noble band of women who first found out and conclusively proved that women had much to do in helping on this great movement. It has been said "that for forty or fifty years Christians of all denominations had been laboring with varying success to keep men from the liquor. It remained for women to show a better way, namely, to take the liquor from the men." We commenced with sixteen and have now fifty-three names on our roll.

MRS. WM. HUNTER, Pres.

PRESCOTT.

The first three months of the year, October, November, and December, were taken up with Scott Act work, distributing tracts, war notes and leaflets, following these silent messengers with our prayers. Our Omnipotent King raised up valiant champions to plead our cause during the year, in the persons of Judge McDonald and Rev. J. G. Williams, who bravely fought for our feeble army and made our opponents tremble for their party. The 18th of October was a day long to be remembered by our Union, we spent it in an all day prayer meeting. At the close of the day, we felt like treading softly and humbly, as the Lord of Hosts was in our midst, while we waited in anxious suspense to "see the salvation of our God," and hear the results of the polling, and when the vote of victory for the Scott Act was sounded, our hearts went up in silent praise and thanksgiving to the God of battles, our mighty Conqueror. Having spent large sums of money in Scott Act literature, and speakers, as well as other expenses, we found ourselves cramped for means to carry on any very active work. But we have helped to establish a temperance newspaper in our town and the united counties; it has done good work, and is a great boon, as previous to that, any temperance

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