

CONSTITUTION OF THE TORONTO DISTRICT W. C. T. U.

PLEDGE:

I hereby promise, God helping me, to abstain from all distilled fermented and malt liquor, including wine, beer and cider, as a beverage, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of and traffic in the same.

ARTICLE I.

Name—This organization shall be known as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Toronto District.

Object—The object shall be to strengthen the local Unions, and assist them in carrying out the plans of the Provincial Union, and to arouse the women of the District to organized effort for the banishment of the liquor traffic.

ARTICLE II.

Officers—The officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Corresponding-Secretary, Recording-Secretary, Treasurer and Auditor. These officers (except the Auditor) together with the Presidents of Local Unions (who shall also be *ex-officio* Vice-Presidents) and Superintendents of Departments, shall constitute an Executive Committee, with full power to provide for the interests of the work. Secretaries of Local Unions in District shall be members of the District Union. These officers, with the exception of Local Presidents, Superintendents of Departments and Auditor, shall be elected at the Annual meeting, and in the following manner: Tellers having been appointed by the President, an informal ballot shall be cast for each officer separately, and the members of the Convention shall then proceed to vote by ballot for the two candidates having the highest number of votes cast. Except where one nominee shall receive three-quarters vote of the ballot cast, when, on motion, the informal may be made the formal ballot.

Superintendents of Departments—Superintendents shall be nominated by the District sub-executive and Presidents of the Local Unions and elected at the Annual Meeting. Their election shall be by acclamation unless otherwise ordered.

ARTICLE III.

Sub-Committee—The President, Vice-President, Recording and Corresponding-Secretaries and Treasurer shall form a sub-committee of the Executive Board for the speedy transaction of business, with power to fill vacancies which may occur during the year; three of whom shall form a quorum. This committee shall meet at such a time and place as the President shall direct.

ARTICLE IV.

Annual Meeting—The annual meeting shall be composed of the Executive Board, and one delegate for every five paying members of each affiliated local Union. This meeting shall be held not later than the 30th September, if possible, in such place as may be determined by the previous annual meeting or by the Executive.

ARTICLE V.

Committee of Arrangements—The President and the Corresponding-Secretary of District shall be a Committee of Arrangement, selecting topics of discussion and devising means to make the meetings interesting and profitable.

ARTICLE VI.

Affiliation—Each Local Union shall contribute to the funds of the District Union at the rate of five cents per paying member yearly, thus becoming auxiliary to District Union.