

In February the young ladies of the town organized a Y. W. C. T. U. As part of their distinctive work they have opened a night school for boys and another for girls, which are proving a great boon to the poor of this place.

Our Union has rendered what assistance it could to the different Bands of Hope here, one being formed in every church, thus promoting temperance among the young.

Three out of our five churches use the unfermented wine at the Communion.

MRS. J. E. CARSCADDEN, Cor. Sec.

#### GANANOQUE.

During the past year we have held 46 regular business and devotional meetings. Besides these regular meetings we had several special meetings in connection with our Scott Act campaign, summer convention and other causes. Our total membership is 70. During the year we have received 14 new members, lost 13, two of these by death. One of these deaths, that of our dear late Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. F. Britton, who was also appointed County Superintendent of Leeds by the Provincial Union, 1884, has been a sad loss to our Union, but knowing our Heavenly Father has some wise purpose to fulfil by every dispensation of His providence, we humbly submit and say "Thy will be done." We rejoice that amongst our new members this year we have a number of young ladies, and trust during the coming year we shall see the number largely increased. Our first efforts in the beginning of the year were directed towards making the passage of the Scott Act a success. Faith and work went hand in hand and the result was a victory, which filled all our hearts with thanksgiving and praise. In the line of legislation we also petitioned two or three good temperance men to run as councillors for the municipality, and believe that one of them sits at that board to-day in accordance with our wishes. We have also reason to believe he has done something towards making the present license law better enforced. As the Mutual Reform Club, Y.M.C.A. and Scott Act Committee supplied the public with excellent courses of lectures, we did not feel called upon to do much in that line, still we had our veteran sister, Mrs. Youmans, here for two days who, during that time, gave an excellent public lecture, conducted a children's mass meeting and addressed the W. C. T. U. In order to show our gratitude to the Y. M. C. A. who generously allow us the use of their room free of charge, we have given them a donation of \$10, a free tea, and carpeted and otherwise improved their room at an expense of about \$35. We also, to show our interest in and sympathy with the Mutual Reform Club, presented them, on their fifth anniversary, with a handsome banner inscribed with the motto of the Club. This was so much appreciated that shortly afterwards the Club generously returned the compliment by donating \$10 towards the Band of Hope under our auspices. Until the beginning of the year we held cottage gospel temperance meetings at different points in the town, but at that time a detachment of the Salvation Army was organized here, and as they appeared to reach the class for whom we had intended these meetings more effectually than we did, they were not deemed any longer necessary and so discontinued. More time than formerly has been devoted each week to special prayer, both at our meetings and in private at our homes, for the salvation of souls. Through our Band of Hope, visiting committee, by post, at lectures, and in various other ways we have distributed an immense amount of literature calculated to promote the cause of the gospel and temperance. Our Band of Hope, under the superintendence of Mrs. Gage and Miss Biddell, is still flourishing and self-sustaining. At the request of the Provincial W. C. T. U. arrangements were made by the Gananoque Union for the first summer meeting, which proved most profitable, enjoyable and satisfactory in every respect. At the children's mass meeting held in connection with this convention, three prizes consisting of handsome books were presented to pupils of the high and public

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