

ship of about 70, and which promises to do much good. Our Union sent delegates to the annual meeting of the Ontario Branch of the Dominion Alliance last January.

We have circulated a considerable number of tracts during the year, putting several thousand in the hands of the people at our county show held in Milton, and which were received pleasantly.

Tracts have also been circulated in some of the Sunday Schools. In the Methodist Sunday School a Sabbath School Temperance Roll has been signed by about 150 of the scholars.

We also circulated a petition to the Dominion Legislature and got in the town 320 signatures of women praying for necessary amendments to the Crooks Act.

The number of our membership is 40. We hold weekly meetings for prayer and business with an average attendance of 7 or 8.

P. L. BRETHOUR, Secretary.

TORONTO.

The Band of Hope is well attended, having over 100 children on the roll.

Papers and Cards were distributed to the children. A social was given them at Christmas, and a pic-nic before closing for the summer vacation. The Band began its first meeting this fall again with 60 children. In the beginning of January we observed the "all day Prayer Meetings," in conjunction with our American sisters. It was well attended, crowded at times.

In March, we invited the Teachers' Association to a Social at the time of their yearly meeting. As it was not convenient for them to give us an evening at that time, they offered to let us put a temperance speaker on the programme at their Conversation. The Rev. Hugh Johnston of the Metropolitan Church, ably represented us. The Social was held soon after in the house of one of our members, (Mrs. G. M. Rose).

Speeches, interspersed with music, were given by prominent temperance workers and the principals of two or three schools.

We have now the Petition on hand to the School Trustees to put Temperance Text-Books on the list of books for our City Schools.

We also did something towards getting signatures to the Petition circulated by our Provincial Executive, asking the Government to separate the sale of groceries and liquors.

A request was sent to the Ontario Medical Association, which met in Toronto in June, asking them to discountenance the frequent use of alcohol as a medicine. A courteous answer was received from Dr. Macdonald, the President of the Association.

We have spent a large amount of money on Temperance Literature. Some was distributed from door to door. Special Tracts and Leaflets were posted to ministers, docters and teachers, also a parcel to the Jail.

As we could not do anything in restraining the sale of liquor at our Industrial Fair in September, we got leave from the Young Men's Christian Association (who had a tent on the grounds), to place \$5.00 worth of Tracts on their tables, so that many read them or took them away. Samples of unfermented wine sent to us by Mrs. Chisholm were given to some of our leading Physicians.

A. M. COWAN, Secretary.

KINGSTON.

In March we started a Sewing Class for girls who were not taught at home the needful art of making their own clothes. 25 girls attended. They made and then bought articles of wearing apparel, paying for them half in pennies, brought from time to time as they were able and deposited with the Treasurer to their credit, and half in good marks obtained for punctuality, cleanliness, neat sewing and good conduct, each of these marks counting for 1 cent. 1½ webs of factory cotton were in this way made up and bought by these little girls, to their own personal comfort, and it is to be hoped to that of their homes in the future.

AN APPEAL TO THE TEACHERS.—A letter was addressed to the teachers of all