

I believe we should petition our law makers to make it illegal to sell tobacco to minors. We are told that the use of tobacco is on the increase among the children, and that they are injured both mentally and physically by its use; also that the pictures that they get with the cigarettes are of an immoral nature. We should look after this matter. It is high time that we were roused to the defence of our boys and girls. Last fall the Grand Jury recommended that legislation should be obtained for the regulation of houses of "ill-fame," similar to that which exists in some of the European cities. At the next meeting of our District the following resolution was unanimously carried, and sent to Alderman Gillespie by your Superintendent:— Moved by Mrs. W. L. Scott, and seconded by Mrs. Hughes: "We, the members of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of Toronto, in council assembled, do most emphatically protest against the recommendation of the Grand Jury of the County of York, advising those in authority to seek such legislation as would enable them to license houses of 'ill-fame,' as we believe to license such an evil would be an outrage on the moral sentiment of the community, against which all womanhood must revolt." At the time of the elections the question was asked each of our candidates for alderman if they were in favor of such a license. We were thankful for the decided stand taken by so many Christian people at the time, showing that the leaven of purity is working. May God grant that it may spread and grow until intemperance and impurity of every kind is driven from our beloved country.

MRS. W. L. SCOTT,
Superintendent.

SABBATH-SCHOOLS.

In submitting my report on the condition of the Temperance work in Sabbath-schools throughout the city, I have not been able to observe anything like uniformity, as the information obtained from the churches and officers of the schools has varied so much that I found a uniform report impossible, and have, therefore, tried to condense, in the best manner possible, the information obtained. The only possible way of getting these reports in anything like uniform, or even satisfactory shape, will be to prepare a set of blanks, asking for the exact information we require, place these in the hands of the officers of each school, asking them to fill them out and return them to the Superintendent of this department.

Reports from eighty-three schools:—Fifty-two have Temperance pledges in the schools; 7,889 children pledged to total abstinence; six schools promised to introduce the pledge.

MRS. HILBURN,
Superintendent.

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