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LETTERS OF INCORPORATION.

Province of Ontario, County of York, to wit :

We, Addie Chisholm, of the City of Ottawa, in the County of Carleton, married woman; Roberta E. Tilton, of Ottawa, aforesaid, married woman; Annie O. Rutherford, of the town of Brockville, in the County of Leeds, married woman; Mary Wiley, of the village of Richmond Hill, in the County of York, married woman; Phoebe C. Brethour, of the City of Brantford, in the County of Brant, married woman; and Amelia M. Cowan, of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, widow, all being persons of the full age of twenty-one years, do declare as follows :

1. That we desire and intend hereby to become incorporated under the Act respecting Benevolent, Provident and other Societies, being Chapter 167 of the Revised Statutes of Ontario, under the name and for the purposes hereinafter set out.

2. The intended corporate name of the Society is "The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Ontario."

3. The purposes of the Society are as follows: To unitedly array the Christian Women of Ontario against the manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquor as a beverage; to educate and influence society in favor of sobriety and virtue; to impress upon the youth of our Province the awful responsibility resting upon those either supporting or engaged in the liquor traffic, and the folly as well as guilt of partaking of intoxicants of any kind or in any form; to gather statistics, facts and incidents relating to the traffic in intoxicating liquors, and make use of them in such a way as will best promote the interests of Temperance; to labor individually for the inebriate, the liquor seller, the fallen of our own sex, and for the neglected masses in our cities and towns, hitherto unreached and uncared for; to give active expression to our sympathy with the family of the inebriate, and to endeavor to elevate his children from the debasing influences with which they are surrounded, to heartily co-operate with other Temperance Societies in combating the evils of intemperance, and to unite with any other Society or Association which is endeavoring justly, appropriately and guided by Christian principles, to procure more advanced and stringent legislation on this subject; to strive by every means in our power to secure the thorough enforcement of the Temperance laws we already possess.

4. The first managing officers of the said Society shall be the said Addie Chisholm, of Ottawa, President; Letitia Youmans, of Picton, Ex-President; Mrs. Roberta E. Tilton, of Ottawa, first Vice-President; Mrs. Amelia M. Cowan, of Toronto, second Vice-President; Mrs. Annie O. Rutherford, of Brockville, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Mary Wiley, of Richmond Hill, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. D. L. Brethour, of Brantford, Treasurer; and Miss S. Bowes, of Milton, Provincial Organizer.

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6th. If the Annual Meeting be not held at the time and place appointed, the officers shall select a time and place for the same, and give due notice thereof.

7. The Constitution of the said Society may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any Annual Meeting.

8. The Constitution and By-Laws of the Society, hereunto annexed, shall be in force until altered or amended as hereinbefore or therein provided.

Dated the 13th day of January, A D. 1887.

Signed and delivered in presence of

WILLIAM MUSGROVE, (to the signatures of Mrs. Tilton and Mrs Chisholm).

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Witness my hand this 14th day of January, A D. 1887, at my Chambers in the Court House, Toronto.

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Filed 15th of January, 1887, in the office of the Provincial Registrar.

JOHN F. C. USHER,

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I hereby certify the within Declaration and Judge's Certificate to be true and faithful copies of the originals filed in this office the 15th January, 1887.

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LEEDS— Athens	Miss Jennie Hartwell	Miss W. Elliott.
LINCOLN— Rockaway	Miss Naomi Orth, St Catharines.	
OXFORD— Brownsville	Miss. H. Pound	Miss R. Gibson.

GENERAL OFFICERS, MEMBERS AND DELEGATES

PRESENT AT ANNUAL MEETING, OCTOBER, 1894.

<p>Mrs. McDermid.....Avonmore Miss M. E. Stone.....Athens Mrs. Elliott.....Athens Mrs. C. C. Slack.....Athens Mrs. Bigelow.....Aultsville Mrs. McKee.....Barrie Mrs. Gibson.....Barrie Mrs. Wright.....Brockville Mrs. Brown.....Brockville Mrs. Freeland.....Bowmanville Miss MacArthur.....Cornwall Mrs. J. D. McLennan.....Cornwall Mrs. Geo. Shaver.....Cornwall Mrs. Binnie.....Cornwall Mrs. McBride.....Carp Miss Lizzie Newton.....Carp Mrs. A. Saylor.....Carleton Place Mrs. R. P. Wright.....Dresden Mrs. J. R. Cavers.....Galt Mrs. Britton.....Gananoque Mrs. T. H. Pratt.....Hamilton Mrs. McAllister.....Iroquois Miss M. McMillan.....Kinburn Miss S. McLaren.....Kinburn Mrs. M. R. Thornley.....London Mrs. D. A. McDermid.....London Mrs. Gordon Wright.....London Miss E. S. Cosford.....London Miss Beach.....Lyn Miss L. M. Fraser.....Lancaster Mrs. Sangster.....Lancaster Mrs. Vina Mackie.....Lake Elويد Mrs. J. P. McDougal.....Maxville Mrs. McCallum.....Maxville Mrs. (Dr.) Munroe.....Maxville</p>	<p>Miss Agnes Brown.....Moulinette Miss Bella Moss.....Moulinette Mrs. Flagg.....Mitchell Mrs. (Dr.) Medford.....Morrisburg Miss M. Munroe.....Martintown Miss Maud Wilson.....Marathon Mrs. Jardine.....Newington Mrs. C. Rupert.....Newington Miss Scott.....Ottawa Mrs. A. Gordon.....Ottawa Miss Z. Rae.....Ottawa Mrs. Cowan.....Ottawa Mrs. Scott.....Ottawa Mrs. C. Davis.....Ottawa Mrs. W. Young.....Ottawa Mrs. Donaldson.....Ottawa Miss A. McElroy.....Ottawa Miss Washburn.....Ottawa Miss A. Whelan.....Ottawa Miss F. Washburn.....Ottawa Miss A. LaFleur.....Ottawa Mrs. B. Currier.....Ottawa Mrs. J. Thompson.....Ottawa Miss C. Terbey.....Ottawa Miss Braden.....Ottawa Miss McAllan.....Ottawa Mrs. L. H. Newman.....Owen Sound Miss Davis.....Osnabruk Mrs. Coates.....Prescott Mrs. Geo. Paton.....Peterboro Mrs. Rockwell.....Picton Mrs. Freeman.....Prescott Mrs. M. Wiley.....Richmond Hill Mrs. H. McElroy.....Richmond Miss Douglas.....St. Catherines</p>
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Miss Phelps	St. Catharines	Mrs. McInnes	Vankleek Hill
Mrs. Bennett	Spencerville	Mrs. McIntosh	Vankleek Hill
Mrs. Fricker	Spencerville	Mrs. J. B. Keough	Vankleek Hill
Miss Edmunds	Smith's Falls	Mrs. Robertson	Vankleek Hill
Mrs. B D Livingstone	Tilsonburg	Mrs. Sherman	Wales
Mrs. A. O. Rutherford	Toronto	Mrs. Miller	Wales
Mrs. M. M. Brownell	Toronto	Mrs. Carlisle	Woodstock
Mrs. (Dr.) Bascom	Toronto		

 VISITOR

Miss Dougall, Montreal.

MINUTES OF SUB-EXECUTIVE MEETINGS HELD
SINCE LAST CONVENTION.

TORONTO, FEBRUARY 2ND, 1894.

The Sub-Executive of the Ontario W. C. T. U. met at "Headquarters," Elm Street, Toronto, at 9.30 a.m. The President, Mrs. May R. Thornley, in the chair.

The meeting was opened with Scripture reading by Mrs. Thornley and a short prayer by each member present.

There were present: Mrs. Thornley, President; Mrs. Rutherford, Vice-President; Mrs. Wiley, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Cosford, Recording Secretary; and Miss MacArthur, Treasurer.

Moved by Miss MacArthur, seconded by Mrs. Rutherford, that we employ some person to prepare the memorial to be sent to the British Government. *Carried.*

Moved by Mrs. Rutherford, seconded by Miss MacArthur, that Mrs. Rockwell consult Mr. Waters in reference to her Department, and, should he think it advisable, that we memorialize the Government in regard to Woman Suffrage. *Carried.*

Through some oversight the Plan of Work Committee did not act upon the suggestion regarding a children's paper; therefore, moved by Miss MacArthur, seconded by Mrs. Wiley, that we do not consider it within the province of the Sub-Executive to take any steps in the matter this year, especially as the Provincial funds are very low.

Moved by Miss MacArthur, seconded by Mrs. Rutherford, that we sign the memorial to be presented to the Lieutenant-Governor endorsing the recommendation of the Prisoners' Aid Association.

Recommended. That at next Convention we add a Department of World Missionary Work.

AFTERNOON, 2 P.M.

Moved by Mrs. Rutherford, seconded by Miss MacArthur, that all organized Counties entitled to send a delegate to Dominion Convention should send in their nomination not later than April 15th, and, after that time, any places may be filled by President and Corresponding Secretary.

On motion the following delegates were appointed to attend Dominion Convention:

DELEGATE AT LARGE—Mrs. (Rev.) Fawcett.

Durham—Mrs. R. K. Scott.

Essex—Mrs. Maxwell.

Frontenac—To be suggested.

Glengarry—Mrs. MacCallum.

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- Grenville*—Mrs. Ross.
Grey—To be suggested.
Hastings—Miss Holden.
Halton—Mrs. Merriam.
Haldimand—Mrs. T. W. Jackson.
Huron—Mrs. Foster.
Leeds—To be suggested.
Simcoe—To be suggested.
Muskoka—Mrs. Mickle.
Nipissing—Mrs. Detlor.
Norfolk—To be suggested.
Perth—Mrs. Tamblyn.
Peterboro'—Mrs. J. C. Sherin.
Prince Edward—Miss Ilsey.
Wentworth—To be suggested.
Lincoln—Miss Douglass, (alternate) Miss Rae.
York—Dr. Lelia Davis.
Mrs. Wheeler, Paris.
Mrs. Wright, London.
Miss B. Murray, Aylmer.
(Alternate) Mrs. Manson, Burgessville.
ELLA S. COSFORD,
Recording Secretary.

INTERIM MINUTES OF DECISIONS BY CORRESPONDENCE.

DECEMBER, 1893.

Mrs. Rowe being unable to accept the County Presidency for Muskoka, she suggested that Mrs. J. R. Boyd be appointed. *Carried.*

No decision was made as to the payment of \$50.00 to the Central organization for campaign expenses. *Carried that we pay \$25.00.*

JANUARY, 1894.

As the Department of Hygiene and Heredity or Social Purity is comparatively a new one, the Superintendent, Dr. Lelia Davis, requested that a larger expense be allowed for the Department this year, as she desired to publish a twelve page leaflet besides the circular, also a slip for signatures of those who are willing to take the subject of Hygienic Dress Reform into consideration. *Carried that 3,000 tracts, 300 circulars, and 300 slips for signatures be printed.*

FEBRUARY 18TH, 1894.

As the "Y's" contributed \$117.00 of affiliation fees to Provincial, this entitled them to four and nearly five representatives at Dominion Convention. In view of their struggling condition the Sub-Executive decided to allow them five representatives, and permitted them to nominate their own, suggesting that Ottawa and Hamilton "Y's" should have one each.

FEBRUARY 21ST, 1894.

Carried that we ask Miss Douglas to omit the usual circular and put a strong appeal for better work, and more of it, in the Woman's Journal.

MARCH, 1894.

The Sub-Executive decided to request the Superintendent of Evangelistic Work to call for Temperance Prayer Meetings in the churches during the week beginning April 29th.

JULY, 26TH, 1894.

The Sub-Executive requested Miss MacArthur to represent the Ontario W. C. T. U. at the Montreal Prohibition Convention, and also requested Miss Scott to take to the Montreal Convention a supply of Literature from the Ontario Depository.

AUGUST 6TH, 1894.

Mrs. Biddlecomb was suggested as a suitable County President for Huron, and was duly appointed.

The question "Shall we have a 'Y' evening at Provincial Convention in

Cornwall?" was voted upon, and it was unanimously agreed that we should under the President's supervision.

Mrs. Thornley having prepared and caused to be printed a Reception Service for use in our Ontario Unions, after inspection, the Sub-Executive unanimously endorsed it.

AUGUST 13TH, 1894.

Mrs. Rockwell having resigned her office of Superintendent of Franchise, the Sub-Executive decided not to fill the vacancy until Convention, and in the meantime look for a suitable person to fill the position, also they requested Mrs. Rockwell to finish the year, if possible, and make out the report.

SEPTEMBER 9TH, 1894.

The Sub-Executive requested Mrs. Thornley to represent Ontario W. C. T. U., in company with Mrs. Pratt, at the Children's Dependent Society Convention.

SEPTEMBER 28TH, 1894.

The Sub Executive appointed Mrs. Edwards Fraternal Delegate to the Quebec Provincial Convention.

Mrs. Platt was requested to send out her usual Scientific Temperance Circular.

ELLA S. COSFORD,

Recording Secretary.

MINUTES OF MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD.

CORNWALL, OCTOBER 29TH, 1894.

The Executive Board of the Ontario Woman's Christian Temperance Union met in the lecture room of the Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m. The President, Mrs. May R. Thornley, in the chair.

The meeting was opened with singing and several members leading in prayer.

The minutes of Sub-Executive, held February 2nd, 1894; also minutes of interim minutes were read and approved.

The programme for Convention was next considered.

On motion, Mrs. J. R. Cavers was appointed to reply to greetings from Town Council, Royal Templars of Temperance and Clergy.

Moved by Mrs. Coates, seconded by Mrs. Livingstone, that the programme be accepted, subject to necessary alterations. *Carried.*

Moved by Mrs. McKee, seconded by Mrs. Wiley, that J. I. Kelso, President of Children's Aid Society, Toronto, be requested to address Convention, the time to be selected by the President. *Carried.*

On motion of Mrs. Rutherford, it was ordered that a telegram containing words of sympathy be sent to Mrs. Ella F. M. Williams, Dominion President; also that a letter of same character be sent to Mrs. Letitia Youmans, Mrs. Harriet Todd, Mr. Woodbridge and Rev. M. Fawcett.

On reconsideration it was decided that the reply to greetings from Town Council, Royal Templars of Temperance and Clergy be given by Mrs. Gibbs, of Port Arthur.

The following Committees were then nominated:

Resolutions—Mrs. G. Wright, London; Mrs. Crosbie Davis; Mrs. McKee; Mrs. Brownell; Miss Phelps; Miss Stone and Mrs. Robinson.

Memorial—Mrs. Asa Gordon, Ottawa; Mrs. McDermid, London.

Courtesies—Mrs. Tennant and Miss Binnie, Cornwall.

Banner—Miss MacArthur, Cornwall; Miss Douglas, St. Catharines.

Credentials—Mrs. Wiley, Richmond Hill; Miss Washburn, Ottawa.

Appropriations—On motion, the President was requested to appoint the Committee on Tuesday.

Plan of Work—Moved by Mrs. Rutherford, and *carried*, that the new Committee be not appointed until the old one has reported.

Reporters—*London Advertiser*—Mrs. G. Wright, London.

Presbyterian Review—Miss Rae, Ottawa.

Canadian Baptist—Miss MacArthur, Cornwall.

Christian Guardian—Mrs. Coates, Prescott.

Woman's Journal—Miss MacAllan, Ottawa.

Ottawa Papers—Miss Scott, Ottawa.

Evangelical Churchman—Mrs. Carlisle, Woodstock.

Farmers' Sun—Mrs. Rutherford, Toronto.

A memorial was read from Bruce County. On motion, it was referred to Plan of Work Committee.

The Corresponding Secretary also read a communication from London W. and Y. Unions, presenting sixteen tidy bags to the Provincial Union for use at Conventions. These were thankfully received and a courteous reply ordered.

After an earnest prayer, by the President, for special guidance, on motion, the meeting adjourned.

ELLA S. COSFORD,

Recording Secretary.

MINUTES
OF THE
SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION
OF THE
WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION
OF ONTARIO.

FIRST DAY—MORNING.

CONVENTION, CORNWALL, OCTOBER 30TH, 1894.

The seventeenth annual meeting of the Ontario Woman's Christian Temperance Union opened in the Baptist Church. The President, Mrs. M. R. Thornley, in the chair.

The devotional exercises consisted of singing "Onward, Christian Soldiers," reading the Scriptures, Haggai ii. 4th to 11th, and prayer by Mrs. G. Wright, London. The Recording Secretary called the roll of Officers and Superintendents. Five Officers, eleven Superintendents, and fourteen County Presidents responded.

The Recording Secretary read the interim minutes of decisions by correspondence, and the minutes of Sub-Executive, held February 2nd, 1894, which were approved.

The minutes of Executive meeting held last night were also read and approved.

On motion of Mrs. McKee, ten minutes were allowed for discussion after the reading of each report.

The Pages, Misses Elida Warwick and Grace Tanner, were introduced to Convention.

The report of Press Work—Mrs. Livingstone, Tilsofburg, Superintendent—was read, and on motion received. The suggestions therein referred to Plan of Work Committee.

A third Page, Miss Hilda Rutherford, of Toronto, was then introduced.

The report of Work among Sailors—Mrs. Capt. Davis, Gananoque, Superintendent—was read and adopted, and suggestions forwarded to Plan of Work Committee.

The report of Work among Soldiers—Mrs. Cowan, Ottawa, Superintendent—read and accepted.

Report of Conference with Influential Bodies was given by Mrs. Wiley, Richmond Hill. Mrs. Wiley also read communications from the Temperance Circle of Commercial Travelers, The Methodist Young Peoples' Association and the Royal Templars of Temperance for Ontario.

On motion, Mrs. Wiley's report was adopted.

The report of Work among Railroad Employees—Mrs. A. P. Morrison, Owen Sound, Superintendent—was read by Mrs. Rutherford, and adopted.

Mrs. Gibbs, of Port Arthur, a delegate from the most remote Union, was here introduced, and the few words she spoke were listened to with pleasure.

The report of Prisoners' Aid Committee was read by Mrs. Brownell and discussed. On motion of Mrs. Wiley an additional five minutes was allowed for this subject. The suggestions therein were ordered to be formulated, and handed into the Plan of Work Committee.

Rev. Mr. Weekes, pastor of the church, was then introduced to Convention.

Mrs. L. N. Becksteadt, of Aultsville, took charge of the devotional hour, and on motion, the Convention adjourned to meet at 2:30 p.m.

AFTERNOON.

CONVENTION, OCTOBER 30TH.

The President in the chair.

After devotional exercises, led by Mrs. Cavers, Ex-President, the Recording Secretary read the minutes of the morning meeting, which were approved.

The members of the Appropriation Committee were nominated by the President as follows: Mrs. Livingstone, Tilsonburg; Mrs. Bascom, Toronto; and Mrs. Coates, Prescott. *Approved.*

On motion, Mrs. Bascom, of Toronto, and Mrs. Bigelow, of Aultsville, were added to the Plan of Work Committee, in place of Mrs. Wheeler, who was not present, and Mrs. Thornley.

The report on Credentials was given and received as a partial report.

After singing a hymn the President requested the Vice-President, Mrs. Rutherford, to take the chair while she read her annual address, which contained many valuable suggestions.

On motion of Mrs. Paton this valuable address was adopted by a rising vote.

Greetings, by telegram, from the Dominion President, Mrs. Ella F. M. Williams, were read and heartily received.

Rev. Mr. Meikle was introduced to Convention.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary was then read.

Moved by Miss Scott that this unusually full report be adopted. *Carried.*

Rev. Mr. Hastie, of Knox Church, was introduced to Convention and expressed a few words of welcome; also J. J. Kelso, of Toronto, was introduced and gave a short address on the work of Caring for Dependent Children.

Moved by Mrs. Rutherford that the thanks of this Union be extended to Mr. Kelso for his kindness in coming from Toronto to explain these matters to us. This was seconded and *carried*.

The Treasurer's report was then given; it, telling of more than usual success, was received with applause.

Miss Dougal, of Montreal, was introduced and addressed Convention for a few moments.

The report of Juvenile Department—Mrs. T. H. Pratt, Superintendent—was read and adopted, subject to necessary alterations, the suggestions therein to be handed to the Plan of Work Committee.

A letter of greeting, also containing helpful suggestions, from Mrs. Letitia Youmans was read by Mrs. Rutherford.

On motion of Mrs. Gordon Wright the letter was received, the suggestions to be handed to Plan of Work Committee.

On motion to adjourn the Doxology was sung.

EVENING.

At eight o'clock a large audience assembled in Knox Church.

The chair was taken by the Vice-President, Mrs. A. O. Rutherford.

After the opening hymn, Rev. Mr. Hastie, pastor of the church, read a portion of Scripture and offered prayer.

An anthem was sung by the choir.

A most cordial address of welcome from the Local Union, prepared by Mrs. Judge Pringle, was read by Mrs. Bigelow, of Aultsville, Mrs. Pringle being unable to be present owing to illness.

A response, prepared by Mrs. Mary McDonell, Toronto, was read by Mrs. Rutherford.

His Worship the Mayor of Cornwall, Dr. Hamilton, was introduced and extended a hearty welcome on behalf of the Corporation.

Dr. Alguire welcomed the delegates on behalf of the Royal Templars of Temperance, and Rev. H. F. Bland on behalf of the clergy.

To these addresses Mrs. Gibbs, of Port Arthur, made a very happy reply.

On behalf of the Warden and Council of the united counties of Stormont, Dundas and Glengarry, J. H. Meikle, Reeve of Morrisburg, presented an address of welcome.

Mrs. Thornley responded, expressing the delight it afforded officers and delegates to receive this evidence of good-will from the representatives of the united counties.

A quartette, sung by members of the choir, was much appreciated.

An interesting address on the work done by the "Y's" was given by Miss Douglas, of St. Catharines, Superintendent of "Y" work.

Miss Rae, of Ottawa, Assistant Superintendent of "Y" work, sang a solo, "The Gates of the West," and was warmly applauded.

The collection was then taken, Miss Scott, of Ottawa, making a neat speech the meantime.

Miss Currier, of Ottawa, on behalf of the retiring Banner County, Carleton, presented to Miss Phelps the Prize Banner, who received it on behalf of Essex County, there being no representative of that County present.

After more excellent music by the choir the Benediction was pronounced and the delegates and their hosts were right royally entertained by the members and friends of the Local Union in the church parlors. Refreshments were served and a pleasant social hour was spent.

SECOND DAY—MORNING.

CONVENTION, OCTOBER 31ST.

The Vice-President, Mrs. A. O. Rutherford, in the chair.

Mrs. R. P. Wright, of Dresden, read the 121st Psalm and led in prayer.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Report of Parliamentary Usages—Miss Phelps, Superintendent—was read.

On motion, this report was accepted, coupled with permission that reports just received should be added.

Report of Unfermented Wine—Mrs. Gilchrist, Toronto Junction, Superintendent—was read by Mrs. Rutherford, and, on motion, was received, subject to additions.

A letter of congratulation and good wishes from Mrs. Sanderson, President of Quebec Union, was read by the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Wiley, and received.

Report of Exhibitions and Fairs—Mrs. Hilborn, Toronto, Superintendent—was read by Mrs. Rutherford, and, on motion, accepted.

Report of Work among Lumbermen—Mrs. Hunter, Pembroke, Superintendent—was read by Miss MacArthur. After a lengthy discussion, during which much information was given, on motion, the report was accepted.

Mr. Bromley then addressed the Convention in regard to the work

On motion of Miss Scott, seconded by Mrs. Paton, a vote of thanks was tendered to Mr. Bromley for his interesting address.

Young Woman's Work—Miss Douglas, Superintendent—was read, and, on motion, accepted.

Mrs. Gordon, of Ottawa, conducted a most helpful Bible reading.

Noontide prayer was offered by the President, and, on motion, meeting adjourned.

AFTERNOON.

CONVENTION, OCTOBER 31ST, 1894.

The President in the chair.

Mrs. Bigelow, of Aultsville, conducted devotional exercises, dwelling for a short time on a portion of the 4th chapter of Judges.

The minutes of previous meeting were read and approved.

On motion, Miss Dougal, of Montreal, was made a member of Convention.

Report of Literature Depository—Miss Scott, Superintendent—was then read.

Moved by Mrs. Cavers, seconded by Mrs. Bascom, that Miss Scott be requested to read to Convention the name of Unions having accounts standing at Literature Department. *Carried.*

After this was completed, on motion, the report was accepted.

Report of Schools of Method—Mrs. Thornley, Superintendent—was read, and, on motion, accepted.

Report of Parlor Meetings—Mrs. Wheeler, Paris, Superintendent—was read by Mrs. Wiley, and, on motion, accepted.

Scientific Temperance Department—Mrs. G. D. Platt, Picton, Superintendent—was read by Mrs. Rutherford, and, on motion, accepted.

Report of Legislation, Franchise and Petitions—Mrs. Rockwell, Picton, Superintendent—was read by Mrs. Cavers, and accepted.

Greetings, by telegram, from Rev. W. Kettlewell, per Royal Templars of Temperance, of Ontario, were read, and, on motion of Mrs. Rutherford, the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to reply by letter.

Report of Evangelistic Department—Mrs. A. Gordon, Ottawa, Superintendent—was read and accepted.

Report of Hygiene, Heredity and Social Purity—Dr. Lelia Davis, Toronto, Superintendent—was read by Mrs. Rutherford, and, on motion, accepted.

Report of *Woman's Journal*—Miss Scott, Superintendent—was read and accepted.

Report of Literature, Art and Fashion—Mrs. Cavers, Galt, Superintendent—was read and accepted.

Report of Narcotic Department—Mrs. G. Wright, London, Superintendent—was read and accepted.

Report of Flower Mission Department—Miss Anning, Belleville, Superintendent—was read by Miss Phelps, and, on motion, accepted.

An interesting paper on Flower Mission Work was read by Miss McAllan, Superintendent of Flower Mission Work in Ottawa.

The Benediction was pronounced, and, on motion, the meeting adjourned until 9.30 Thursday morning.

THIRD DAY—MORNING.

EXECUTIVE, 9 A. M.

The President in the chair. Twenty members present.

Moved by Mrs. Cavers, seconded by Mrs. Pratt, that the motion of last year in regard to sale of the Literature Department be sustained.

Moved in amendment by Miss Phelps, seconded by Mrs. McKee, that one person from each Union, Dominion and Provincial, be appointed to examine the stock of the Literature Department and decide as to its value.

The amendment *carried.*

Moved by Mrs. Rutherford, seconded by Mrs. Pratt, that the Sub-Executive be empowered to complete the sale. *Carried.*

The Corresponding Secretary read a communication *re* Lumberman's Work.

Moved by Mrs. Cavers, seconded by Mrs. Livingstone, that we make a special effort in our Local Unions to raise money and support our own Missionary during the winter. *Carried.*

CONVENTION, NOVEMBER 1ST, 1894.

The President in the chair.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. McKee, of Barrie.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved; also minutes of Executive meeting were discussed *seriatim* and adopted as a whole.

The recommendations of the Committee on Appropriations were read and adopted as a partial report.

The Credential report and roll call was made; after an addition of seven names, making a total of 85 delegates present, the report was adopted.

In accordance with her notice of motion last year, Mrs. Thornley moved, seconded by Mrs. Livingstone, that we amend the Provincial, County and Local Constitutions as follows:

Article II., Provincial Constitution, under Election of Officers, these words shall be added - "except where one nominee shall receive two-thirds of the ballots cast, when, on motion, the informal may be made the formal ballot." The same addition to be made to Article II., of the County Constitution, and Article III., Local Constitution.

In accordance with notice of motion last year, moved by Mrs. Cavers, seconded by Miss MacArthur, that Mrs. Thornley's motion be amended by substituting the words "three-quarters" instead of "two-thirds" of the votes cast.

The amendment *carried.*

In accordance with notice of motion made last year, moved by Miss MacArthur, seconded by Mrs. Wiley, that Clause III., Article II., Provincial Constitution, be so altered as to read, "Superintendents of Departments shall be nominated by the Officers, including Presidents of organized Counties, and elected at the annual meeting. Their election shall be by acclamation unless otherwise ordered." Also that this change apply to the County and District Constitutions, making Article II., Clause II., to read, "Superintendents of Departments shall be nominated by the Officers and Presidents of Local Unions, and elected at the annual meeting. *Carried.*

Mrs. Rutherford read Mrs. Forster's motion, of which notice was given last year.

On motion it was laid over till Friday.

After an earnest prayer by Mrs. Gordon, of Ottawa, the election of Officers was proceeded with.

The President appointed the following as tellers:

Miss Stone.	Miss Phelps.
Miss Douglas.	Miss Courier.
Miss Fraser.	Mrs. Brittain.

The President asked the Vice-President, Mrs. Rutherford, to take the chair.

Mrs. Thornley was re-elected on the first ballot.

Mrs. Rutherford conducted the President to the chair and the Convention received her with applause.

On the formal ballot Mrs. Rutherford received the majority of votes cast and was re-elected Vice-President.

The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Wiley; the Recording Secretary, Miss Cosford, and the Treasurer, Miss MacArthur, were each re-elected on the informal ballot, it being almost unanimous in their favor.

The Corresponding Secretary read greetings from Parkhill Union, per Mrs. Ireland, President; also from J. Hale Ramsey, of Montreal, first life patron of the World's W. C. T. U.

Rev. Mr. Bland led in noontide prayer, and also addressed Convention briefly.

Rev. E. Tennant was also introduced.

A discussion arose as to whether the School of Methods was a part of Convention.

Moved by Mrs. Wright, of London, seconded by Mrs. Livingstone, Tilsonburg, that hereafter we consider the School of Methods a part of Convention. *Carried.*

Moved by Mrs. Paton, seconded by Mrs. Gordon, that we adjourn until 2 p.m. *Carried.*

AFTERNOON.

EXECUTIVE, 1.30 P. M.

The Vice-President, Mrs. Rutherford, in the chair.

Prayer was offered, and the following Superintendents were nominated:

Scientific Temperance—Mrs. G. D. Platt, Picton.

Literature Depository—Miss Spott, Ottawa.

Press—Mrs. Livingstone, Tilsonburg.

Evangelistic—Mrs. A. Gordon, Ottawa.

Prison and Police—Mrs. Brownell, Toronto.

Work among Railroad Men—Mrs. A. P. Morrison, Owen Sound.

Work among Sailors—Mrs. (Capt.) Davies, Gananoque.

Unfermented Wine—Miss Campbell, Collingwood.

Work among Lumbermen—Mrs. Hunter, Pembroke; Assistant, Mrs. C. Mickle, Gravenhurst.

Exhibitions and Fairs—Mrs. Hilborn, Toronto.

On motion, committee adjourned.

THURSDAY, 2.30 P. M.

SCHOOL OF METHODS.

The President in the chair.

After singing a hymn, Miss Dougal, of Montreal, gave an instructive Bible-reading and led in prayer.

Interesting papers on Evangelistic Work and Scientific Temperance were read by Mrs. A. Gordon, of Ottawa, and Mrs. Bigelow, of Aultsville, respectively.

A short discussion followed each paper.

A hymn was sung, after which a paper on "The Ballot for Women," prepared by Mrs. Dr. Edwards, Dominion Superintendent of Franchise, Ottawa, was read by Mrs. Rutherford, followed by a short discussion.

Thirty minutes were devoted to a free parliament on "Union Work in small places."

Mrs. John Rockwell, of Picton, kindly favored us with a solo, after which a Parliamentary Drill was conducted by Mrs. Thornley, giving pleasure as well as profit to all present.

The answering of questions in the Question Basket by the President brought a most instructive and successful School to a close.

FOURTH DAY—MORNING.

EXECUTIVE, 9 A. M.

The Committee met to finish the appointment of Superintendents of Departments:

Legislation, Petitions and Curfew Bell—Miss Clara Brett Martin, Toronto.

Franchise—Mrs. F. S. Spence, Toronto.

Parliamentary Usages—Miss Phelps, St. Catharines.

Hygiene, Heredity and Social Purity—Dr. Allison Jamieson, London.

Purity in Literature, Art and Fashion—Mrs. J. R. Cavers, Galt.

Sabbath Observance—Mrs. McCallum, Maxville.

Young Woman's Work—Miss Rae, Ottawa; Assistant, Miss Huff, St. Catharines.

Juvenile Work (including Sabbath School, Demorest Medal Contests and Kitchen Garden)—Mrs. T. H. Pratt, Hamilton.

On motion, Mrs. Pratt was requested to give a separate report of each portion of her work, a corresponding length of time to be given for each report.

Parlor Meetings—Mrs. E. A. Wheeler, Paris.

Flower Mission—Miss Anning, Picton.

Moved by Mrs. Cavers, seconded by Miss Phelps, that we endorse the method of reporting used by the Dominion Superintendent of Flower Mission Work.

Conference with Influential Bodies—The Sub-Executive.

Woman's Journal—Miss Scott, Ottawa.

Narcotics—Mrs. G. Wright, London.

School of Methods—Mrs. Thornley, London.

Work among Indians—Mrs. Tennant, Cornwall.

Work among Colored People—Miss Phelps, St. Catharines.

CONVENTION, NOVEMBER 2ND.

Convention was called to order by the President at 9.30.

Mrs. Gordon, of Ottawa, conducted devotional exercises.

The minutes of previous meeting, also recommendations of Executive were read and adopted.

A letter from Mrs. E. F. M. Williams, Dominion President, was read, relating particulars of the death of Mrs. Mary A. Woodbridge, Secretary of the National W. C. T. U. of United States.

The questions in Basket were answered by the President and Vice-President.

Greetings were received from the Executive Committee of the Council of Dominion Alliance; also the request that, as in the past, four members of the Union be appointed representatives to the Council of the Dominion Alliance.

On motion, this suggestion was referred to the Plan of Work Committee.

The report of Appropriation Committee was again read, and adopted.

Mrs. Gordon Wright reported for the Resolution Committee.

The items were read and discussed *seriatim*, and, after one slight alteration, were adopted.

It was ordered that a copy of No. 11 be sent to Judge Chesley, of Nova Scotia, and also a copy of No. 12 to Sir Oliver Mowat. (For report see appendix.)

Mrs. J. R. Cavers reported for Plan of Work Committee.

This report was also discussed clause by clause, and, after one slight alteration, was adopted. (For report see appendix.)

A communication from Mr. D. W. Hulet, of Cornwall, containing a present of \$5.00 was read by the Treasurer.

This was received with applause.

After announcements were made, on motion, Convention rose to meet at 2.30 p.m.

AFTERNOON.

EXECUTIVE, 2 P. M.

The President in the chair.

After prayer the following recommendations were made:

Recommended, That we discontinue the standing Prisoners' Aid Committee.

Recommended, As Mrs. Platt has expressed a strong desire to retire from office, therefore,

Recommended, That Mrs. Bigelow, of Aultsville, be asked to accept the Superintendency of Department of Scientific Temperance.

Recommended, That the Plan of Work Committee be re-elected, with the addition of Mrs. Gordon Wright, of London.

CONVENTION, NOVEMBER 2ND.

At 2.30 o'clock the President took the chair.

A touching memorial service, in memory of those who had passed away during the year, was held.

After singing a hymn Mrs. Gordon led in prayer.

Mrs. Cavers, of Galt, spoke feelingly of our beloved ex-Vice-President, Mrs. Fawcett, Mrs. Orchard and others, who had "gone home."

After singing another appropriate hymn, and prayer, Mrs. McCallum, of Maxville, gave a short Bible reading from a portion of the 9th Chapter of Matthew.

After singing again the minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved; also the minutes of Executive meeting were read, discussed *seriatim*, and adopted as a whole.

The report of work done by the County Presidents, formulated and read by Mrs. Rutherford, was, on motion, adopted.

The conclusion of report of Resolution Committee was read, and the report, as a whole, was adopted.

When discussion on the Plan of Work, *seriatim*, was completed, Mrs. Cavers moved, seconded by Mrs. Wright, that it be adopted as a whole. *Carried.*

In accordance with notice of motion last year, moved by Mrs. Wiley, and seconded, that Clause (f) of County Constitution, page 88, be amended by placing the words "all necessary expense to be borne by the County Union" after County Union reports. *Carried.*

Mrs. Cavers gave notice of motion that she, or some one in her place, would move, at the next annual meeting, that the clause relating to election of Superintendents, in County Constitution, be amended to read after *the* "Sub-Executive, including Vice-President;" also, that Clause (t) in County Constitution be added to the Constitution of Local Unions, only substituting the word "Local" in place of "County or District."

On motion, 1,000 annual reports were ordered to be printed.

Invitations for Provincial Convention to meet next year were received from Guelph and Hamilton.

Moved by Mrs. Paton, seconded by Miss Douglas, that we accept Hamilton.

Moved in amendment that we go to Guelph.

The motion carried.

The report of Finances was read and adopted.

Moved by Miss Phelps, seconded by Mrs. Donaldson, that this Convention *recommend*, that each delegate pledge herself to secure at least one new subscriber to the *Woman's Journal* and to urge members of Local Unions to do the same. *Carried.*

Mrs. Rutherford gave notice of motion that she, or someone in her place, would move, at next annual Convention, that a clause be inserted in the County and District Constitution to read, "That Secretaries of Local Unions in District Unions be members of the Executive of the District Union."

The Question Basket was answered by Mrs. Thornley and Mrs. Rutherford,

The hymn "More Love to Thee" was sung, and, at 5 p. m., with clasped hands, the delegates sang the parting hymn, "God be with you till we meet again."

Prayer was offered by Miss Dougal and Mrs. Thornley, and the Convention adjourned *sine die*.

ELLA S. COSFORD,

Recording Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ANNUAL ADDRESS.

(MRS. MAY R. THORNLEY, London).

A clearly defined campaign is an aid towards a final triumph, that, in moral warfare at least, can scarcely be over-estimated. To discover where lies the ambushed foe, and the road that will lead to a certain encounter, and a possible permanent advantage, is the aim of the wise General. Desultory fighting, with its waste of men and ammunition, he shuns; and plans and schemes for the clear-cut encounter that shall disable or crush at a blow.

In this respect, the field we viewed from the hill top of last year's Convention was unusually satisfactory.

We knew where and how to strike; and the one absorbing thought was that of preparation. Every soldier must be rallied to the standard; every muscle trained for action; every weapon sharpened for the conflict. We prayed, and talked, and planned, with the *plebiscite* ever in view.

It would be waste time, at this distance from that notable event, to expatiate on it at any length. We turned a corner, on the first day of last January, that, with God's blessing, will never be re-turned on a backward march.

One point is now clear, and is no longer the foot-ball of the political speculator, viz.: The relative strength of the opposing forces. We are tramping along, 192,000 strong, towards that ever-nearing, that inevitable *coup de grace*, that shall leave us nothing to do but echo the prayer of the ancient Jew—"So may all thine enemies perish, oh! Lord God Almighty." To know our strength is much. Let us never again permit the clouds of doubt or discouragement to hide "the smiling of His face."

Nothing now stands between us and Prohibition but—a Supreme Court decision and—the *politicians*. The Supreme Court deliverance will doubtless be all right, whether its lightning strikes Toronto or Ottawa. The politician has been learning some valuable lessons of late, as the recent selection for the leader of Ontario's Opposition, and the utterances of Sir John Thompson's Dominion opponent, most clearly demonstrate. Yet now, as ever, we need skill and wisdom born of God.

THE PROVINCIAL ELECTION.

There is no doubt but that, as an organization, we rejoiced over Sir Oliver Mowat's return to power. Not because of any personal prejudice in his favor, nor even political at-oneness with his methods and policy. Many of us viewed his victory through other than party lenses. But we rejoiced because we believed him sincere in his promise of prohibition, and strong enough to compass at least a fair measure of it. And what with the *alphabetical* additions to the usual opponents of the government, we may, with little flattery to ourselves, feel assured that Sir Oliver still swings the gavel because of, and not despite, the temperance support received. Had his answer to the Convention deputation been other than it was (and we are glad

to believe that the policy then outlined was in accord with his personal convictions), there would have been a vigorous fulfillment of the prophecies of defeat with which the air was fairly blue.

BUT NOW WHAT?

Are we to wait, inactive, for tedious processes of law? Not at all. We know now, as before stated, which is the minority party, yet we find in our cities, towns and villages this very element too frequently installed in offices of public trust—police magistrates, stricken with legal blindness whenever a liquor case comes before them; license inspectors that won't inspect, coupled with commissioners that wink at their abuse of power. Sometimes we discover police forces that can detect the cleverest burglars, but not the clumsiest license violaters; and all too often are we confronted with municipal dignitaries that represent the most ignoble forces in their constituencies.

All this calls loudly for a reformation. Let us do our part towards a reign of righteousness in local politics.

A lesser number of licensed bars, or none at all would, in many sections, require only an honest effort to obtain. But beware of any rise in the license fee. Fight that as you would the plague. We do not want this "agreement with hell" any more deeply rooted in the taxpayers' pocket.

Be prepared to second heartily every effort to press upon the Toronto government the claims of the temperance people for immediate relief from some of the more burdensome features of the license act.

While the election was pending, we refrained from complicating the issue with demands for these tesser gains. Now that we have a government pledged to prohibition, and in for four years, why should we hesitate to ask attention to that abomination, the mis-numbering of offences against the Crook's Act? A fifth infraction may be counted as a first or second; and by reason of this, the liquor sellers that reach the legal terminating limit of three convictions—after which they must seek some other method of earning a livelihood—are about as rare as prohibitionist brewers.

Just lately a case occurred where, within a few months, a saloon keeper was fined three times for selling liquor to Indians. By some legerdemain he has not yet reached his third offence.

No remedy has been provided for the continued existence of licensed places in sections of a city or town where the sentiment is strongly opposed to them. Once set the seal of government upon a bar, and nothing but a social and civic convulsion will remove its baleful influences. These and many other points should, and we hope will, be rectified.

DOMINION CONTEST.

Of the Dominion contest, we can only say that while Mr. Laurier, with his second plebiscite, is not satisfactory, Sir John Thompson's attitude is intolerable. For a man who knows that his party owes its tenure of office to a plurality, for the whole Dominion, of not more than 17,000 votes, to coolly ignore the 132,000 of a temperance majority, is simply insufferable, and we hope will be heartily resented at the polls.

EDUCATIONAL.

But to turn from the legal to the educational side of the work, we have now attained a point where the value of our educational departments must be increasingly felt. Let us push to the front every form of our work that means more light from any angle of vision. Scientific temperance in the schools, Bands of Hope and Sabbath school training, press work, parlor meetings, and work among the various races and classes now under the care of our Superintendents—all these require skilled and consecrated workers as never before. This year should see advance ground taken in all these efforts to build up a Gibraltar of public sentiment.

I do not purpose taking up the departments individually, as is often done, but with this cursory review will only tax your patience a little longer to mention a few points of progress or danger.

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

I have been much pained to learn, through the Local Unions, of the increasing frequency of Sabbath desecration, particularly in small towns. In this respect, the World's Fair was a powerful backward educator. Over and over was I surprised and grieved to hear of professed Christians, and even white ribboners, who took the Lord's day for the drudgery of travel, to or from the "white city," in order that they might not lose any time from pleasure seeking.

David said that he would not sacrifice unto the Lord that which cost him nothing. I fear many modern Christians would like to read it *something* instead of "nothing." They are willing to keep holy the day when there is little inducement to do otherwise; but when such obedience to the divine command means a lost opportunity for sight-seeing, combined with a hotel bill, they do not feel called upon to sacrifice thus much to "remember" the day of rest. If we, as parents, disobey God when it is convenient so to do, shall we wonder if our children tread in our footsteps and disregard our behests? In these days of moral laxity, let it be said of us, as a body, that where there is a doubt, we prefer to give God, and not ourselves, the benefit of it.

FRANCHISE.

The growth of sentiment in this department of our work is truly something astonishing. A few years ago even our Provincial Union was not a unit upon it, and a large number of local societies were decidedly opposed. To-day the indifferent are few, and the opposed less.

In planning the tour for the distinguished lady who will address us on Thursday evening, I communicated with about twenty-five Unions. Many of these were unable to avail themselves of the services of the speaker; but in only one instance was the refusal based upon the ground of want of sympathy with the subject to be discussed, and, even in this case, the writer declared herself opposed to the position assumed by her Union.

The Plebiscite was an "eye opener" to many. Hundreds of those voteless women, who toiled unceasingly through the campaign to arouse and interest the favored few of their sex possessing the ballot, realized, for the first time, the grievous nature of the political disability under which they labored. It often took two or three hale, hearty women to get one old bed-ridden dame to the polls, and, when she

was there, they did not know how she might conduct herself. Age or illness had, perhaps, robbed her of the keen judgment of men and measures that might once have been hers. If she did not mismark her ballot by mistake she might through ignorance : and all the while those eager workers, who so thoroughly understood the situation, and were so keenly alive to its importance, must content themselves with expending a ton of energy to get someone else to do what would not have cost themselves an ounce.

The thought has been advanced that it is useless to ask the State to recognize the equality of man and woman till the Church has done so. Here, again, we may note an advance. Miss Willard enumerates, as amongst the most notable events of the year in the ecclesiastical enfranchisement of women, the action of the Nova Scotia Methodist Conference in receiving, as a delegate, a woman who had been duly elected to that position. To be sure the General Conference, just closed in London, disallowed the proceeding and passed a resolution intimating that they did not approve of enlarging woman's sphere. All the same the issue has been born, and while the conservatism of those in power may keep it in swaddling clothes for a time the forces of the life within it will, ere long, assert themselves.

In this connection we must not forget the just and chivalrous action of Judge Chesley, of Bridgewater, Nova Scotia. Shortly before the Conference adjourned he introduced the following motion : " That the terms layman, lay delegate and lay delegates, be understood to include women, and that an interpreting clause to this effect be added to the discipline " The motion had a majority, but not the two-thirds necessary to effect a constitutional change.

It would surely be appropriate that this Convention should recognize the service done us by this friend of equal rights.

In England a similar struggle has been taking place. Women, in the English Methodist Church, may not only be members of the Leaders' meeting, as in Canada, but of the Trustee and Quarterly Board and the District Conference, so that women Trustees and Circuit Stewards are not uncommon occurrences.

The Third London District, recognizing the eminent abilities of a certain lady, a Miss Dawson, elected to a seat in their councils by a Quarterly Board, by a large majority, selected her as their representative to the Conference. This Conference is their highest body, there being no General Conference, such as in Canada and the States.

A most amusing *furor* ensued upon the calling of the Conference roll, which included the lady's name. After much debate a settlement was arrived at. The lady was to be permitted to remain and vote, without the Conference deciding as to the legality of the election, and the whole question was referred to the District meetings to be settled by their vote during the year.

Think of the agitation that must follow such action ! Nothing helps the Franchise cause like discussion.

All this is transpiring without. What are we doing, as Unions, to educate our own communities, and make the enfranchisement of women a political issue ? Our Dominion Superintendent has large plans on foot. Let us, as a province, co-operate with her. Let our Plan of Work Committee suggest to us wise and definite methods.

of local and provincial campaigning. England now gives her womanhood larger shares in government than does Ontario. All qualified to vote, whether married or single, have the School and Board of Guardian Franchise. If the conservative mother country considers it safe to trust its "home keepers" with such a slice of political power, is it not a shame that progressive Ontario should be so far behind?

LITERATURE DEPOSITORY.

You will have this year to consider the proposition of the Dominion Union, to purchase the Ontario Literature Depository stock.

At the final meeting of the Executive on the closing afternoon of last year's Convention, the following recommendation was made: "That we ask Miss Scott during the year to reduce, as far as possible, the stock on hand; that we offer what remains to the Dominion Union at seventy-five cents on the dollar, one third to be paid down, and the remainder in three years."

Nothing could be done with this proposal, as there was no opportunity to submit it to vote of Convention. The Dominion Union is desirous of an early reply.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF PLAN OF WORK.

The only recommendation which demands our attention to-day is that under number 12 (page 117 of the Report), *re* a memorial to the British Government in the interests of sobriety and purity in India. Unfortunately this was discovered to be out of our power, as only British subjects living in territory governed directly by the English Parliament may petition that body.

However our object was partially attained through the official signature of a petition, circulated by the Moral Reform League of England, asking that offences against purity, such as we complained of, be made penal in every part of the world, subject to the British legislature.

Recommendations 8, 14, and 15 will, of course, be reported upon by the Superintendents of Scientific Temperance, Narcotics, and Literature.

Recommendation 7 is one that every Provincial Superintendent present should aim to fulfill at some time during the session of this Convention.

Instead of burdening you with many new recommendations and suggestions, I have arranged to pass them through the Plan of Work *sic*, and so save time.

PERSONAL WORK.

The personal work may be easily summed up, though it has crowded the twelve months just past. I have attended three sessions of the Provincial Executive, three meetings of the Union Committee, nine Conventions and a great many public meetings. The letters, cards, and newspaper articles amount to 825, and when these are added to those written in the interests of the local W. C. T. U. they make a total of 1222 temperance communications for the year.

When at Chatham last year you conferred upon me the official headship of this Ontario Union. I accepted with a heavy heart. To add so grave a responsibility to an already weighty load, looked like presumption.

The text that came to me was this : "The rod of thy strength shall come out of Zion." I close the year, turn down for ever this life page with the grateful acknowledgement :

" He was better to me than all my hopes,
 He was better than all my fears ;
 He made a road of my broken works,
 And a rainbow of my tears.
 He guided by paths that I could not see,
 By ways that I have not known,
 The crooked was straight, and the rough made plain,
 As I followed the Lord alone."

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT:

(MRS. MARY WILEY, Richmond Hill).

Algoma—Reports two Unions—Fort William and Sudbury. Fort William has a membership of 32 active and 4 honorary; meetings held monthly; a Band of Hope with 85 members; have held five public meetings; four members voting on municipal and school questions; five departments of work taken up; distributed 1,000 pages of literature; and, as special work, held a Neal Dow meeting, and celebrated the birthdays of Miss Willard and Mrs. Williams (September 28th), by an evening public meeting.

Bruce—Has fourteen Unions—Tara, Chesley, Warton, Lucknow, Paisley, Walkerton, Edengrove, Hepworth, Southampton, Mildmay, Teeswater and Kin-cardine; 237 active and 40 honorary members; number of meetings held, 170 union and 108 public; total amount of money received during the year, \$572.30; eighteen members voting on municipal and school questions; two Bands of Hope, with 247 members. This county has aided in sending unfortunates to the Gold Cure; given prizes in schools for the best essays on temperance and hygiene; 22,924 pages of literature distributed, besides hundreds of pounds sent to the lumber camps; two Unions circulated petitions to have number of licenses reduced.

Brant—Has five Unions—Brantford, Burford, Paris, Scotland and St. George; 118 paying and 20 honorary members; 91 union and 24 public meetings held during the year; two Bands of Hope, with 90 members; total amount of money received during the year, \$359.98; two members voting on municipal and school questions; 22 copies of Annual Report taken; ten departments of work taken up; 7,000 pages of literature distributed. Each Union in the county did faithful work for the Plebiscite; St. George offered prizes for highest marks on temperance paper at examination. The teachers were of the opinion that these prizes were a great help to the pupils in inciting them to work up a new subject.

Carleton—There are seven Unions in Carleton County—Ottawa, Ottawa Y's, Richmond, Kinburn, Carp, Galetta and Marathon: 374 active and 74 honorary members; 84 union and 35 public meetings held; two Bands of Hope, with 198

children ; amount of money reported, \$827.45 ; 45 copies of Annual Report taken, and 14 departments of work taken up. Marathon and Galetta are both new Unions, but are ready for work and hope to do good work in the future.

Durham—Three Unions are reported in Durham—Bowmanville, Orono and Port Hope ; 76 active and 18 honorary members ; 60 union and 12 public meetings held ; total amount of money received, \$93.22. This is reported from Port Hope—30 copies of Annual Report taken ; 10 members voting on municipal and school questions ; 16,189 pages of literature distributed ; 10 departments of work taken up. Bowmanville supplies a box at the railway station with literature ; and reports as special work caring for the poor. Port Hope—As special work, distributed Plebiscite literature, and held Prohibition meetings.

Dundas—There are two Unions in Dundas—Morrisburg and Iroquois ; 29 active members ; 24 Union meetings held in the year ; total amount of money received during the year, \$7.80 ; 6 members voting on municipal and school questions ; 2 copies of Annual Report taken by Iroquois ; 3 departments of work taken up. Iroquois was successful in securing the closing of two licensed hotels, and Morrisburg assisted in the Plebiscite Campaign.

Essex—We have five Unions in Essex—Leamington, Essex Centre, Windsor, Amherstburg and Kingsville ; 129 active and 63 honorary members ; 72 Union and 8 public meetings held ; one Band of Hope, with 96 children ; total amount of money received during the year, \$148.59 ; 12 members voting on municipal and school questions ; six copies of Annual Report taken. Windsor distributed 12,000 pages of literature, and Leamington 600 copies of the Journal ; thirteen departments of work taken up. Leamington circulated Curfew and World's petitions ; Amherstburg petitioned for early closing and Curfew Bell ; and, as special work, held two "Evenings at Home," which brought \$26.00 into the treasury. The Band of Hope assisted, and \$6.85 was added to the funds.

Elgin—This County reports two Unions—Aylmer and St. Thomas, with a membership of 100 active and 2 honorary ; 24 Union and 17 public meetings in Aylmer. Those of St. Thomas not given. Total amount of money received during the year, \$425.77 ; 2 copies of Annual Report taken ; 9 departments of work taken up. Aylmer spent \$6.00 in literature, and, as special work, assisted in electing a Temperance Mayor for the third consecutive year. St. Thomas distributed 2 196 pages of Plebiscite literature, and appears to have done good work in other departments.

Frontenac—There are two Unions in Frontenac County—Kingston and Kingston "Y's," with 20 paying members ; 13 meetings held ; 5 Departments of Work taken up ; 2,000 pages of literature distributed, and brackets supplied at the railway stations ; 12 copies of Annual Report taken ; Prison and Hospital Work reported as being thoroughly done.

Glengarry—Reports three Unions—Lancaster, Martintown and Maxville ; 34 active and 2 honorary members ; 24 meetings held during the year ; one Band of Hope ; and one "Young People's" Society, with 89 members ; total amount of money received, \$26.86 ; 3 departments of work taken ; 4 copies of Annual Report taken, and two members voting on municipal and school questions ; Lancaster keeps two boxes at the railway station supplied with literature.

Grey—There are three Unions heard from in Grey—Owen Sound, Meaford and Thornbury; 53 active members and one honorary; 60 Union and 13 public meetings held; one Band of Hope, with 75 members; total amount of money received, \$324.00; 14 departments of work taken up; 113 members voting on municipal and school questions; 12,000 pages of literature distributed; as special work Thornbury helped support a missionary, and visited the sick; Owen Sound did special work for the Plebiscite.

Grenville—From Grenville we have reports from five Unions—Bethel, Jasper, Prescott, Cardinal and Spencerville; 85 active and 2 honorary members; 72 Union and 17 public meetings held; total amount of money received, \$163.83; 6 members voting on municipal and school questions; 8 departments of work taken up; 9,800 pages of literature distributed; 21 copies of Annual Report taken. Jasper reports as special work a medal contest and efforts for the Plebiscite. Prescott, special work in visiting the public schools; three prizes (\$5.00 in value) are to be given the pupils making the highest marks on the temperance paper set for examination; each teacher was presented with a parcel of literature, tied up with white ribbon; the Union also requested the License Inspector to do his duty more thoroughly, and wrote our Dominion members urging them not to vote for the French Treaty; held a Parlor Social, and sent the proceeds (\$5.00) to Mrs. Hunter's Camp Mission.

Halton—There are two Unions in Halton—Milton and Oakville; 62 active and 8 honorary members; 24 Union and 2 public meetings held in the year; total amount of money received, \$28.38; 7 departments of work taken up; 2,000 pages of literature distributed; 5 copies of the Annual Report taken; and two members voting on municipal and school questions.

Hastings—We have six affiliated Unions in this County—Belleville, Belleville "Y," Bridgewater, Madoc, Marlbank and Trenton; of these four only have reported; we have taken the membership of the others from the Treasurer's list; 151 active and 9 honorary members; 72 Union and 10 public meetings held through the year; two Bands of Hope, with 277 members; total amount of money received, \$245.18; 8 departments of work taken up; 15,500 pages of literature distributed; 29 copies of Annual Report taken, and twelve members voting on municipal and school questions. Belleville celebrated Neal Dow's birthday, and Madoc purchased six boxes for literature, and have placed these in the railway station, post office, law office and other places. Trenton waited on the council and also on commissioners to reduce the licenses, but were not successful. Marlbank has organized a Band of Hope, bought a library, and fined a hotel-keeper for selling liquor on Sunday.

Haldimand—There are three Unions in Haldimand—Caledonia, Selkirk, and Hagersville; 57 active members and one honorary; 24 Union and 7 public meetings held during the year; two Bands of Hope, with 125 members; total amount of money received, \$55.63; 10 departments of work taken up. Selkirk distributed 1,000 pages of literature. Caledonia keeps boxes in railway stations, barber shops, etc. Caledonia has also offered a silver medal to the pupil making the highest marks on temperance paper set for examination (open to the county); prizes of books will be given in junior classes of the village schools; six copies of the Annual Report taken.

Huron—In Huron there are four Unions—Clinton, Goderich, Seaforth, and

Wingham ; 79 active and 2 honorary members ; 24 Union and 13 public meetings held during the year ; one Band of Hope, with 111 members ; total amount of money received, \$163.68 ; six departments of work taken up ; 6,000 pages of literature distributed. Seaforth secured the Curfew Bell. Clinton made quilts and garments for the poor, and held mass-meetings every Sunday for three months before the Plebiscite was taken ; eight members voting on municipal questions, and seven copies of the Annual Report taken.

Kent—Reports five Unions—Blenheim, Dresden, Chatham, Ridgetown and Wallaceburg ; 144 active and 26 honorary members ; 133 Union and 24 public meetings held during the year ; three Bands of Hope, with 275 children ; amount of money received, \$697.08 ; 15 members voting on municipal questions ; 66 copies of Annual Report taken ; 25 departments of work taken up ; four Unions circulated petitions for the Curfew Bell, two at least were successful in having prayer of petition granted. Wallaceburg gave a Charity Concert ; with the proceeds helped fourteen families ; also united with "King's Daughters" in sending aid to Fraser River unfortunates. Dresden, also, has done a large amount of benevolent work ; also sent petition to Directors of Agricultural Fair to prohibit all games of chance, and that no smoking be allowed in the Hall. Blenheim worked faithfully for the Plebiscite, petitioned for Curfew Bell, and entertained the County Convention right royally. Ridgetown did a good work for the Plebiscite, visited the mass-meeting on the night of nominations, and asked the nominees their position on the temperance question. We feel that Ridgetown should be commended for their courage and faithfulness. Chatham circulated a petition for Curfew Bell ; visited the License Commissioners to ask reduction in number of licenses ; presented the town with a very elegant and substantial drinking fountain, purchased of Mr. Olmstead, Hamilton. We would refer other Unions to his firm, as we found them considerate and obliging. Mrs. Sowerby adds : I am afraid that Departmental work will not be well reported, as most, or all the Superintendents, have just taken up the work, and I fear that we were negligent at our County Convention in instructing them to send their reports to Provincial Superintendents. I would say that a little has been done in all departments taken up. Special mention should be made of Flower Mission, Jail and Evangelistic work. A large amount of literature has been distributed ; Juvenile work has been especially well looked after. Our Superintendent has started a work among Indians and colored people, which we expect, next year, to have a good report of. I must not fail to mention that we take 140 copies of the "Journal," and that we are going to make a special effort to have every member take an Annual Report. We will appoint a Superintendent for that purpose.

Leeds—There are reports from seven Unions in Leeds—Lyn, Athens, Brockville, De'ta, Lansdowne, Lake Eliade and Gananoque : 145 active members and one honorary ; 144 Union and 14 public meetings held during the year ; 5 Bands of Hope, with 275 members ; amount of money received, \$311.26 ; 15 voting members ; 16 copies of the Annual Report taken ; 2,300 pages of literature distributed ; 15 departments of work taken up. As special work, Brockville closed a saloon, and Lansdowne petitioned against hotel license.

Lambton—There are eight Unions in Lambton—Oil Springs, Alvinston, Wyoming, Forest, Marthaville, Petrolia, Sarnia and Watford ; 215 active and 79

honorary members; 180 Union and 30 public meetings held during the year; 7 Bands of Hope, with 573 members; amount of money received, \$413.38; 25 members voting on municipal matters; 46 copies of the Annual Report taken; 17 departments of work taken up; distributed 24,880 pages of literature and 100 "Home Guards." Oil Springs circulated petition for Curfew Bell Alvinston reports as special work, efforts for the Plebiscite and taking charge of a Society of young people in connection with the "Sons of Temperance." Wyoming also worked heartily for the Plebiscite. Marthaville did good work on the same line, and also held Parlor Meetings. Forest petitioned for the closing of bar-rooms at nine o'clock every evening. Petrolia petitioned for Curfew Bell, but were not successful; also petitioned for the early closing of liquor shops and bars on Saturday evenings. Sarnia also petitioned for the early closing of grocery stores and butcher shops on Saturday, and the closing of drug stores on the Sabbath. Watford circulated petition to reduce the number of hotel licenses; also sent comfort-bags to the lumber camps; held prayer meetings in houses where there was sickness, and hired a nurse for two weeks to take care of a sick woman.

Lincoln—This County reports eight Unions—Grimsby, Beamsville, Campden, Rockaway, St Catharines, St. Catharines "Y," St. Catharines Colored and Homer; 145 paying and 25 honorary members; 166 Union and 28 public meetings held in the year; three Bands of Hope, with 114 members; amount of money received, \$216.42; 25 voting members; 25 copies of Report taken. Much helpful and earnest work has been done, Lumbermen's camps have been brightened by the advent of comfort bags. Relief has been given the poor in many instances. Flowers have been sent to the sick, and sailors have had good literature placed in their hands; 15 departments of work taken up, and 32,874 pages of literature distributed.

Lanark—Has six Unions—Almonte, Lanark, Peth, Playfair, Carleton Place and Smith's Falls; 90 paying and 21 honorary members; 48 Union and 10 public meetings held during the year; two Bands of Hope, with 75 members; amount of money received, \$292.47; 5 voting members; 23 copies of Report taken; 4,000 pages of literature distributed; 9 departments of work taken up. Carleton Place sent three people to the Gold Cure, and have established a fund for that purpose, several having applied but could not be admitted for want of funds. Smith's Falls and Lanark report as special work, relief to the poor and delicacies to the sick.

Middlesex—There are ten Unions in Middlesex—London, Parkhill, Kerwood, Ilderton, Mount Brydges, Melbourne, Strathroy, Glencoe, Napier and Osman; 501 active and 66 honorary members; 240 Union and 77 public meetings held during the year; eight Bands of Hope, with 553 members; amount of money received, \$1,991.33; 13 voting members; 43 copies of the Annual Report taken; 16,600 pages of literature distributed; 15 departments of work taken up. London circulated petitions for Dress Reform and Prison Reform; did special work in the Plebiscite campaign, canvassed women voters, took them to the polls, furnished luncheon to temperance scrutineers, etc.; also, in conjunction with the "Y's," entertained the Dominion W. C. T. U. Convention in June. Parkhill petitioned for amendments to the Tobacco Act; also the local members to vote for prohibition; as special work secured the Curfew Bell for the town. Ilderton reports very successful Fair work, and Melbourne increased interest in the Franchise. Strathroy petitioned

for the Curfew. Glencoe had very active Fair work, also lectures and garden party. Napier petitioned against the French Treaty. Osman, as special work, organized a Band of Hope.

Muskoka—There are three Unions in Muskoka—Huntsville. Katrine and Bracebridge; 59 active and 9 honorary members; 48 Union and 31 public meetings held in the year; two Bands of Hope, with 88 members; total amount of money, \$76 12; one voter on municipal questions; 600 pages of literature distributed; 6 departments of work taken up. Huntsville petitioned for Plebiscite, Curfew Bell and license reduction. Plebiscite gained and Curfew rung as the result. Katrine appears to be in a good working condition with efficient officers.

Northumberland—There are five Unions in this County—Cobourg, Brighton, Campbellford, and Warkworth; 53 active and 10 honorary members; 60 Union and 18 public meetings held in the year; one Band of Hope, with 200 members; total amount of money received, \$84.25; 11 voting members, and 10 copies of Annual Report taken; 8 departments of work taken up; 12,000 pages of literature distributed. Cobourg did special work in securing the ringing of the Curfew Bell. Brighton did special work in charities, and Campbellford worked for the Plebiscite and Curfew Bell.

Nipissing—In the Nipissing District there is one Union—North Bay, with 23 active members; 12 Union and 2 public meetings held in the year; total amount of money received, \$57.34; 10 copies of the Annual Report taken; 2 departments of work taken up; circulated petitions for drinking fountain, and did special work in Flower Mission and Lumbermen Departments.

Norfolk—Reports from three Unions in Norfolk—Port Dover, Delhi, and Simcoe; 54 active and 4 honorary members; 36 Union and 4 public meetings held during the year; one Band of Hope, with 83 members; total amount of money received, \$35.40; 3 voting members; one copy of the Annual Report taken; 1,000 pages of literature distributed; 5 departments of work taken up. Simcoe reports active work for the Plebiscite.

Ontario—There are three Unions reported in Ontario—Port Perry, Whitby, and Prince Albert; 66 active and 3 honorary members; 60 Union and 4 public meetings held during the year; 3 Bands of Hope, with 193 members; total amount of money received, \$249 50; 13 voting members; 7 copies of the Annual Report taken; literature distributed freely in the County, but number of pages not specified; 7 departments of work taken up. Whitby organized a free reading room. Prince Albert distributed literature at Port Perry Fair, and gave picnic and prizes to Band of Hope. Port Perry has a free reading room, and reports a very active year's work; kept racks at the railway station constantly filled with temperance leaflets, the Citizen, Home Guard, etc.; held socials Demorest medal contests, At Homes, parlor meetings, etc.; asked the ministers of the various churches to preach temperance sermons; placed leaflets in the pews on each occasion, and the Secretary adds, our motto is—"Onward."

Oxford—There are twelve Unions reported from Oxford—Burgessville, Salford, Woodstock, Ratho, Embro, Princeton, Norwich, Ingersoll, Tilsonburg, Otterville, Brownsville and Verschoyle; 268 active and 29 honorary members; 5 Bands of Hope, with 199 members; one Industrial School with 30 members; total amount

of money received during the year, \$504.89; 180 Union and 51 public meetings held during the year; 39 members voting on municipal questions; 56 copies of the Annual Report taken; 17 departments of work taken up; 4,150 pages of literature distributed. Special work done during the year: Plebiscite, Gospel Temperance Meetings, observance of the Day of Prayer, mass meetings, parlor meetings, and sending a young girl to the Deaf and Dumb Institute at Belleville. Salford organized a Band of Hope. Tilsonburg petitioned for the Curfew Bell, and for the reduction of a number of licenses; held a parlor meeting in honor of Neal Dow's birthday. Brownsville formed a "V" Department; also a Department of Narcotics. This Union has been extending its meetings out toward other places trying to interest people in the W. C. T. U. work. Embro petitioned for and obtained the Curfew Bell.

Prince Edward—There are two Unions in Prince Edward—Picton and Picton "V"; 18 active and 15 honorary members; 24 Union meetings held; a Band of Hope, but number of members not given.

Prescott—There is only one Union in Prescott—Vankleek Hill; 32 paying and 10 honorary members; 12 Union and 3 public meetings held in the year; total amount of money received, \$106.62; 6 voting members; 12 copies of Annual Report; 12,900 pages of literature distributed.

Peterboro'—There are three Unions in Peterboro'—Peterboro', Lakefield and Havelock; 49 active and 9 honorary members; 36 Union and 4 public meetings held during the year; total amount of money received, \$62.63; 3 voting members; 21 copies of Annual Report taken; 11 departments of work taken up; 7,877 pages of literature distributed. Special work for Peterboro'—Plebiscite Campaign and \$30.00 expended in charities. Lakefield petitioned for reduction of licenses; as special work, looked after voters in Plebiscite campaign; collected clothing, etc., for a burnt-out family; secured the passing of the Curfew Bell By-law, and sent a cancer patient to the hospital.

Peel—There are three Unions in Peel—Brampton, Port Credit and Streetsville; 38 paying and 2 honorary members; 60 Union and 7 public meetings held during the year; total amount of money received, 56.53; two members voting on municipal and school questions; 5 copies of Annual Report taken; 4 departments of work taken up; 2,600 pages of literature distributed. Brampton tried to influence the town Council to close bar-rooms at seven o'clock each evening. Streetsville distributed tracts and raised money to clothe and feed the poor.

Perth—There are four Unions in Perth—Stratford, Mitchell, Listowel and Staffa; 54 paying and 3 honorary members; 36 Union and 18 public meetings held; two Bands of Hope, with 55 members; total amount of money received, \$24.52; 3 members voting on municipal and school questions; 8 copies of Annual Report taken; 6 departments of work taken up; 3,000 pages of literature distributed. Stratford, as special work, waited on county and city Councils to induce them to provide a House of Refuge for the worthy poor. Mitchell canvassed voters in municipal elections.

Renfrew—There are six Unions in Renfrew—Arnprior, Beechburg, Greenwood, Renfrew, Pembroke and Westmeath; 119 active and 20 honorary members; 84

Union and 15 public meetings held during the year; four Bands of Hope, with 119 children; total amount of money received, \$311.62; 7 members voting; 34 copies of the Annual Report taken; 12 departments of work taken up; 3,093 pages of literature distributed. Arnprior mentions having barrels of drinking water placed on the street corners on the 12th of July, the day of the Orangemen's parade. Also speak of a petition to close bar-rooms from 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. (As this same thing is reported by several Unions we would ask here if it is necessary? Does not the Crook's Act order the closing of all bars at the hour named above?) Renfrew held socials and an "At Home." Beachburg reports clothing the destitute.

Stormont—There are seven Unions Stormont—Cornwall, Aultsville Newington, Moulinette, Avonmore, Osnabruck Centre and Wales; 114 active and 11 honorary members; 84 Union and 16 public meetings held during the year; three Bands of Hope, with 355 members; total amount of money received, \$483.67; 18 members voting on municipal and school questions; 39 copies of the Annual Report taken; 12 departments of work taken up; 17,856 pages of literature distributed. Special work in Cornwall, helped three persons to Gold Cure treatment with most gratifying results. We might mention here that two members of this Union have been made Life Members of the Provincial Union. Newington reports special work for the Plebiscite. Moulinette petitioned for reduction of licenses; and, as special work, aided the men on the public works. Osnabruck Centre, as special work, was successful in removing the license from a saloon. Wales is not included in this report except in number of Unions

Simcoe—This County has four Unions—Barrie, Orillia, Collingwood and Gravenhurst; 99 paying and 23 honorary members; 48 Union and 14 public meetings held during the year; two Bands of Hope, with 280 members; total amount of money received, \$231.21; 78 voters on municipal and school questions; 25 copies of the Annual Report taken; large quantities of literature distributed, number of pages not given; 9 departments of work taken up. Barrie and Gravenhurst did special work for lumber camps, sending more comfort bags and literature than ever before. Barrie interviewed the license Commissioners and town Council in reference to the early closing of bars. Barrie has also been very active in reference to parlor meetings. Collingwood Union is held in high estimation, as is shown by a request from the Board of Trade for a report of the W. C. T. U. for their publication. Orillia sets a good example in the matter of lectures, having had seven in the year. There are about 70 women in Orillia who vote on municipal and school questions. Collingwood gives prizes yearly to the public school pupils making highest marks on temperance papers. These prizes have cost the Union \$30 61. Also did Plebiscite campaign work, Curfew Bell and Demorest Medal contests. Gravenhurst Union went in a body to the Council chamber and petitioned the members not to grant a license for a billiard room, which prayer was granted. Also prevailed on the town Council to provide wash-basins and towels for men who were out of work and were tramping from place to place to find employment. This Union received a donation of \$29.00 from the Royal Templars.

Toronto—There are twelve Unions in Toronto—Central, Western, Parkdale, Willard, Gordon, Eastern, Bathurst, Northern, Dovercourt, Youmans, Deer Park and Central "Y"; 309 active and 15 honorary members; one Union, only, reports

honorary members; the number of Union meetings are not given; one Union has held 27 public meetings; the district has 27 meetings, devotional and special; four Bands of Hope, with 378 members; 54,873 pages of literature distributed; 40 members voting on municipal questions. The year has been full of work, our women helping, by their efforts, to roll up the grand provincial majority of 81,769 in favor of prohibition. The district joined with the Canadian Temperance League in celebrating the birthday of the Hon. Neal Dow. A congratulatory telegram was sent, and our Hon. President, Mrs. Youmans, wrote a sketch of his work, which was read at an immense gathering in the Pavilion on the Sabbath afternoon previous to his birthday, by the Corresponding Secretary of the district. Death has made havoc in our ranks, and we mourn the loss of our honored friend, Mr. W. H. Howland, and our faithful and zealous sisters, Mrs. Fawcett and Mrs. Orchard. Special work for the Central was the Plebiscite campaign, in connection with which a juvenile mass meeting was held to have the influence of the children enlisted. Parkdale has 1,107 pledged children in the Sabbath schools, carries on very successful mother's meetings, and did effective work for Plebiscite. Special work of the Gordon Union is visiting from house to house and distributing literature. The Northern specially mourns the loss of Mrs. Fawcett, their Evangelistic Superintendent, who was most earnest and active in holding prayer meetings in private houses, and was enabled to report several conversions as resulting therefrom. The Eastern, being in the neighborhood of the jail, visits that institution, and supplies women with clothing when their term expires. Youmans holds successful mothers' meetings, and obtained 175 signatures to the Temperance Pledge. Deer Park distributes literature in the hotels in the neighborhood, also in street cars and C. P. R. stations. Central "Y's" most successful line of work is the Flower Mission and Golden League. The district has been honored during the year by visits from Mrs. Williams, Dominion President; Mrs. Thornley, Provincial President; and Mrs. Stephen Matthews, of England. The district shared in the city relief fund, and the sum of \$235.00 was expended in groceries, coal and wood.

Victoria—Two Unions reported from Victoria—Lindsay and Fenelon Falls; 55 active members; 36 Union and 20 public meetings held during the year; total amount of money received, \$77 94; 3 members voting on municipal questions. Fenelon Falls assisted heartily in Plebiscite campaign, and distributed 10,000 pages of literature in connection with the same. Lindsay places literature in brackets, weekly.

Wellington—There are seven Unions in Wellington—Guelph, Drayton, Arthur, Harriston, Rockwood, Mt. Forest and Fergus; 129 active and 20 honorary members; 136 Union and 49 public meetings held during the year; three Bands of Hope, with 424 members; 21 voters on municipal questions; 13 copies of the Annual Report taken; 13 departments of work taken up; 54,000 pages of literature distributed. Arthur petitioned for the Curfew Bell. Harriston petitioned for reduction of licenses; placed literature in brackets at the stations, and placed temperance magazines in the reading room. Rockwood is striving to get a Union organized in Acton. Fergus' special work has been in helping the poor and destitute.

Wentworth—This County reports three Unions—Hamilton, Hamilton Central and Dundas; 265 active and 16 honorary members; 88 Union and 34 public meetings

held during the year; eleven Bands of Hope and one Sewing school, with 2,140 members; total amount of money received, \$1,087.66; 6 members voting on municipal matters; 24 copies of Annual Report taken; 12 departments of work taken up; 58,942 pages of literature distributed. Hamilton Union made comfort bags for lumbermen; formed a branch organization on Franchise work, and did extensive benevolent work; also offered three prizes, to be awarded the pupils making the highest marks on entrance examinations. Earnest work has been done in visiting the Jail, House of Refuge and Hospital. Our Superintendents feel that God has been with them and enabled them to bring something of comfort and hope to these saddened hearts. Many visits to the sick and poor have been made by the Visiting Committee, and efforts to arouse an interest in the "better part" has been a specialty. Have had lectures during the year by Dr. Anna Shaw and Dr. McKay, of Woodstock.

Welland—There are three Unions in Welland—Niagara Falls, Welland and Fonthill; 25 active members; 36 Union meetings held; one Band of Hope, with 196 members; 4 members voting on municipal questions; 5 copies of the Annual Report taken; 7 departments of work taken up; 3,500 pages of literature distributed. Welland reports, as special, work among colored people, Curfew Bell, and active work during the Plebiscite campaign.

Waterloo—Reports twelve Unions—Pine Grove, Ayr, Berlin, Galt, Central Dumfries, New Hamburg, Oakwood, Preston, Zion, Waterloo, Hespeler and Roseville. The three last named have been organized during the year and are very promising Unions. In the county there are 356 active and 44 honorary members; 10 public meetings were held during the year; there are seven Bands of Hope, with 778 members; total amount of money received, \$474.05; 20 members voting on municipal questions; 46 copies of Annual Report taken; 5,938 pages of literature distributed, and a number of Unions distributed temperance and religious papers; 17 departments of work taken up. As special work, Galt has held cottage meetings, sewing class, Chicago alcohol cure; the cottage meetings are held in several districts, are well attended, and are doing good; they have been the means of adding a number of new members to the Union. Berlin sent boxes of clothing and groceries to the poor, both in town and in Toronto, and made hospital mission quilts. Hespeler has urged the ringing of the Curfew Bell, and done special work in suppressing the liquor traffic in the village. Oakwood sent two boxes of clothing to Rescue House, in Toronto. Ayr has a sewing class, and held a bazaar at Christmas to dispose of articles made, sufficient money being raised to pay rent of rooms and literature for the year; three parcels of clothing and a box of groceries were sent to Woman's Night Shelter and News-boys' Home in Toronto; 100 temperance papers are distributed in public schools every month. New Hamburg held a picnic and entertainment for Band of Hope. Pine Grove, Waterloo, Preston, Galt and Ayr did good work during the Plebiscite campaign. Galt supplied hot lunch to temperance scrutineers on election day, and Galt, Waterloo and Ayr canvassed the women voters. Oakwood circulated a petition in favor of a Plebiscite, and Pine Grove one on Dress Reform.

York—Reports seven Unions—Toronto Junction, Newmarket, Aurora, Stouffville, Woodbridge, Weston and Malvern; 105 active and 28 honorary members;

120 Union and 27 public meetings held during the year; four Bands of Hope, with 402 members; 20 members voting on municipal questions; 21 copies of Annual Report taken; 12 departments of work taken up; 8,000 pages of literature distributed, Newmarket petitioned for Curfew Bell and early closing of stores. Weston canvassed for reduction of licenses. Woodbridge was active in Flower Mission work and organized a Band of Hope. Toronto Junction petitioned for the Curfew Bell and for the Plebiscite, as did also Woodbridge and Stouffville.

SUMMARY.

From the foregoing we glean the following summary:

Unions reported,	211
Active members,	5,549
Honorary members,	704
Union meetings,	2,756
Public meetings,	748
Bands of Hope,	94
Number of children,	8,532
Voting members,	569
Money received,	\$10,013.85
Copies of report taken,	688
Pages of literature distributed,	416,122

Unions organized during the year, 28. These are as follows:

Bethel, Youmans, Plattsville, Ratho, Verschoyle, Kingsville, Leamington, Caledonia, Port Dover, Streetsville, Sudbury, Fort William, Alliston, Beeton, Kerwood, Osman, Ilderton, Katrine, Delaware, Staffa, Lake Eloida, Dundas, Galetta, Marathon, Waterloo, Hespeler, Roseville and St. Marys. Perhaps we should add that several of these are re-organized.

We are very pleased to state that the year just ended has been a most successful year in our Union work. There has been an "onward march" in almost every department. We are entering on the coming year with hearts full of gratitude for the past, and earnest, prayerful hopefulness for the future.

PERSONAL WORK.

During the year the Corresponding Secretary has written 323 letters, 330 post cards, and sent out 788 parcels of printed matter.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

(MISS JENNIE MACARTHUR, Cornwall.)

RECEIPTS.

AFFILIATION FEES.

Albion—

Fort William	\$ 4 00	
Sault Ste. Marie	2 00	
		\$ 6 00

Brant—

Brantford	16 25	
Burford	2 50	
Paris	6 00	
Scotland	2 50	
St. George	4 50	
		31 75

Bruce—

Tara	75	
Paisley	4 13	
Warton	2 50	
Lucknow	3 00	
Chesley	3 62	
Walkerton	6 50	
Eden Grove	1 25	
Hepworth	1 75	
Southampton	3 00	
Mildmay	2 62	
Kincardine	2 25	
Teeswater	15 00	
		46 37

Carleton—

Carp	8 00	
Kinburn	13 00	
Ottawa	11 75	
Ottawa "Y"	50 00	
Richmond	3 50	
Marathon	3 00	
Galetta	2 50	
		91 75

Dundas—

Morrisburg	2 50	
Iroquois	3 75	
		6 25

Durham—

Bowmanville	5 00	
Orono	6 75	
Port Hope	4 13	
		15 88

Amount carried forward \$198 00

<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$198 00
<i>Dufferin—</i>		
Shelburne	1 50	1 50
<i>Elgin—</i>		
Aylmer	10 25	
St. Thomas	14 75	25 00
<i>Essex—</i>		
Amherstburg	11 50	
Essex	1 25	
Windsor	3 28	
Leamington	5 00	
Kingsville.....	4 00	25 03
<i>Frontenac—</i>		
Kingston	3 00	
Kingston "Y"	2 00	5 00
<i>Glengarry—</i>		
Lancaster	3 00	
Martintown	3 50	
Maxville.....	2 00	8 50
<i>Grey—</i>		
Meaford	2 00	
Owen Sound	8 00	
Thornbury	2 00	12 00
<i>Grenville—</i>		
Spencerville...	4 20	
Prescott	5 50	
Cardinal	1 75	
North Augusta.....	5 50	16 95
<i>Hastings—</i>		
Belleville	19 75	
Belleville "Y"	3 00	
Bridgewater	1 50	
Madoc	6 25	
Marlbank	3 75	
Trenton	3 50	37 75
<i>Halton—</i>		
Milton.....	5 00	
Oakville.....	6 25	11 25
<i>Haldimand—</i>		
Caledonia.....	10 25	
Hagersville.....	2 70	
Selkirk.....	1 50	14 45
<i>Amount carried forward</i>		\$355 43

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Amount brought forward..... \$355 43

Huron—

Clinton.....	4 00
Goderich.....	2 00
Seaforth.....	5 50
Wingham.....	8 40

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Kent—

Blenheim.....	4 88
Chatham.....	19 00
Dresden.....	7 50
Ridgetown.....	7 12
Wallaceburg.....	7 00

35 50

Lambton—

Alvinston.....	5 75
Forest.....	6 25
Petrollea.....	13 00
Sarnia.....	10 00
Wyoming.....	5 00
Copleston.....	4 50
Watford.....	6 00
Oil City.....	3 25

53 75

Lanark—

Almonte "Y".....	2 70
Carleton Place.....	2 50
Lanark.....	2 20
Perth.....	3 75
Playfair.....	1 25
Smith's Falls.....	10 87

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Leeds—

Athens.....	5 50
Brockville.....	13 50
Delta.....	2 25
Gananoque.....	5 00
Lansdowne.....	2 75
Lake Eloida.....	1 25
Lyn.....	2 75

33 00

Lincoln—

Beamsville.....	6 13
Camden.....	5 50
Grimslby.....	5 00
St. Catharines.....	4 76
St. Catharines "Y".....	5 00
St. Catharines "Colored".....	1 50

27 89

Muskoka—

Bracebridge.....	2 00
Huntsville.....	6 50
Katrine.....	3 00

11 50

Amount carried forward..... \$560 24

<i>Amount brought forward</i>		\$560 24
<i>Middlesex—</i>		
Glencoe	6 25	
London	86 25	
London "V"	3 75	
Mount Brydges	5 25	
Napier	6 25	
Parkhill	5 50	
Strathroy	9 25	
Melbourne	1 75	
Kerwood	1 25	
Ilderton	4 00	
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<i>Nipissing—</i>		
North Bay	5 75	
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<i>Norfolk—</i>		
Delhi	4 88	
Simcoe	2 75	
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<i>Northumberland—</i>		
Brighton	3 25	
Campbellford	3 50	
Cobourg	3 75	
Warkworth	1 00	
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<i>Ontario—</i>		
Prince Albert	2 75	
Port Perry	2 50	
Whitby	11 25	
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<i>Oxford—</i>		
Burgessville	2 00	
Embro	3 20	
Ingersoll	11 00	
Norwich	10 00	
Princeton	2 25	
Tilsonburg	8 25	
Woodstock	7 87	
Ratho	2 25	
Salford	3 50	
Brownsville	7 25	
Verschoyle	4 20	
Otterville	6 50	
Plattsville	4 50	
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<i>Perth—</i>		
Listowel	7 50	
Mitchell	4 50	
Stratford	2 25	
Staffa	1 75	
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<i>Amount carried forward</i>		\$819 89

WOMAN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION.

\$560 24

Amount brought forward..... \$819 89

Peterboro'—

Lakefield	3 50	
Peterboro'	6 75	
Havelock	2 00	
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Prescott—

Vankleek Hill	7 25	
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Prince Edward—

Pictou "Y"	3 50	
Pictou	1 75	
	<hr/>	5 25

Peel—

Brampton	5 00	
Port Credit	2 50	
Streetsville	2 00	
	<hr/>	9 50

Renfrew—

Arnprior	6 50	
Beechburg	2 00	
Greenwood	2 50	
Pembroke	7 75	
Renfrew	10 00	
Westmeath	2 50	
	<hr/>	31 25

Simcoe—

Collingwood	8 50	
Barrie	7 50	
Gravenhurst	5 00	
Orillia	3 75	
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Stormont—

Aultsville	4 50	
Avonmore	1 50	
Cornwall	10 00	
Newington	3 00	
Moulinette	3 50	
Osnabruk	4 00	
Wales	2 50	
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Toronto District—

Central	16 50	
Central "Y"	8 75	
Gordon	5 00	
East Toronto	3 75	
Willard	6 25	
Bathurst	2 75	
Northern	11 75	
Dovercourt	3 00	
Parkdale	6 00	
Deer Park	4 50	
Western	15 00	
Youmans	2 00	
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Amount carried forward..... \$1014 39

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Amount brought forward.....\$1014 39

Victoria—

Lindsay	6 63	
Fencelon Falls (for 1893)	8 00	
		14 63

Waterloo—

Ayr	13 75	
Roseville	3 00	
Berlin	5 00	
Dumfries	2 75	
Galt	27 75	
Pine Grove	5 25	
Preston	3 00	
Oakwood	4 00	
Zion	3 50	
New Hamburg	2 75	
Waterloo	2 75	
Hespeler	7 53	
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Welland—

Niagara Falls	3 00	
Welland	3 25	
		6 25

Wentworth—

Dundas	3 75	
Hamilton	25 00	
Hamilton Central	37 50	
		66 25

Wellington—

Arthur	4 75	
Fergus	2 50	
Guelph	8 00	
Mount Forest	7 75	
Rockwood	2 00	
Harriston	5 75	
Drayton	1 25	
		32 00

York—

Aurora	3 75	
Newmarket	5 00	
Toronto Junction	4 25	
Woodbridge	4 00	
Weston	5 00	
Stouffville	3 50	
		25 50

Fees received after books closed last year..... 8 10

Total affiliation fees

\$1248 15

Amount carried forward.....\$1248 15.

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Amount brought forward \$1248 15

Contributions for Lumbermen's Work—

14 63

Bowmanville, Lyn, Almonte, Zion, Wallaceburg, Mrs. Faulkner, Goderich, Thornbury, Chesley, Campbellford, Deer Park, Walkerton, Mrs. Hodgkin, each \$1	\$13 00
Gravenhurst	1 75
St. Catharines "Y," Vankleek Hill, Galt, Port Hope, Orono, Arnprior, Ottawa "Y," Brownsville, Preston, Newmarket, London "Y," N. Toronto, Mt. Brydges, Hamilton, Belleville, Amherstburg, each \$2	32 00
Willard (Toronto)	2 10
W. J. Bulyer	2 25
Owen Sound	2 50
Berlin	3 50
Sarnia, Pine Grove, each \$3	6 00
Beechburg	4 00
Guelph, Carleton Place, Petrolea, Gananoque, Perth, London, Parkdale, Prescott, Dumdries, Huntsville, each \$5	50 00
Toronto Central	6 00
Collected by Mrs. J. Mackie, Athens	6 85
Cornwall	10 00

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139 95

Contributions towards World's and Dominion Missions—

6 25

Arnprior	1 00
Ingersoll	1 70
Thornbury	1 15
Owen Sound	3 35
Sarnia	1 00
Napier	1 10
London	4 34
Hespeler	1 10
Galt	1 00
Oakville	2 00
Toronto District	4 40
Pembroke	1 25
Amherstburg	2 00
Bowmanville	87
Berlin	1 00
Cobourg	1 40
Cornwall	5 00
London	10 00
Newmarket	1 35
Mrs. Pringle	1 00
Wallaceburg	2 00
Vankleek Hill	5 00
Mrs. Prentice	2 00
Miss McGuffin	50

36 25

55 41

Sundries—

5 50

5 10

3 15

3 15

3 15

Balance from last year	514 63
Convention receipts	59 89
Donation, Oakville Union	4 00
Donation, Mrs. M. Thompson, Strathroy	5 00
Life Membership Fee, Mrs. (Judge) Pringle, Cornwall	25 00

Amount carried forward \$2052 03

<i>Amount brought forward</i>	\$2052 03
Cornwall Union to constitute Miss Jennie MacArthur a Life Member	25 00
Donation, Mrs. E. A. Wheeler, Paris	7 76
Sale of Annual Reports	124 37
Cash received for Dominion Reports sold	1 65
Sale of Physiology and Temperance Text Books	9 50
Donation, John Hardy	5 00
Sale of Dr. Kellogg's pamphlets (Miss Davis)	5 40
Sale of Tete-a-tete	4 16
Literature Department sales	809 99
Total receipts	<u>\$3044 86</u>

EXPENDITURES.

President—

Postage, etc.	\$20 34
Travelling expenses	16 90
Incidental allowance	50 00
	<u>\$ 87 24</u>

Vice-President—

Postage and typewriting	4 20
	<u>4 20</u>

Corresponding Secretary—

Postage	19 81
Travelling	1 00
Salary	100 00
	<u>120 81</u>

Recording Secretary—

Postage, \$17.55: express, \$1.75	19 30
Travelling	5 40
Incidental allowance	10 00
	<u>34 70</u>

Treasurer—

Postage, draft charges, P. O. orders, etc	13 84
Travelling	34 50
Incidental allowance	10 00
	<u>58 34</u>

County Presidents—

Mrs. Flagg (2 years), Perth	3 78
Mrs. Graham, Waterloo	3 00
Miss Stone, Leeds	1 50
Mrs. Livingstone, Oxford	13 50
Miss Phelps, Welland	3 00
	<u>24 78</u>

Amount carried forward

\$330 07

Amount brought forward..... \$330 07

Departments—

Mrs. Rockwell, "Franchise".....	2 40
Mrs. Platt, "Scientific Temperance Instruction".....	5 85
Mrs. Livingstone, "Press".....	2 58
Miss Anning, "Flower Mission".....	1 50
Mrs. J. H. Davis, "Sailor".....	1 53
Mrs. Wheeler, "Parlor Meetings".....	7 76
Mrs. Wright, "Narcotics".....	3 60
Miss Douglas and Miss Rae, "Y".....	25 96
Mrs. Gilchrist, "Unfermented Wine".....	1 40
Miss Phelps, "Parliamentary Usages".....	2 00
Mrs. Cavers, "Literature, Art, etc.".....	4 85
Miss Davis, "Hygiene, etc.".....	7 40
Mrs. Gordon, "Evangelistic".....	3 65
Mrs. Hilborn, "Fair".....	2 85
Miss Scott, "Literature," (salary).....	100 00
Lumbermen's—	
Salary, Mr. John Hardy.....	\$150 00
Postage, printing, R. R., etc.....	19 44
Gravenhurst District.....	7 92
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	177 36

Literature supplied Departments..... 5 92

356 61

Sundries—

Accounts paid after books closed last year.....	60 30
Convention expenses.....	162 30
Miss Scott, balance World's Fair fund.....	13 40
Miss Cosford, preparing Annual Report.....	20 00
Advertiser Printing Company, printing Annual Report.....	162 00
Postage and express on Annual Report.....	16 11
Fifty copies Temperance Text Book.....	10 00
Central Prohibition Committee.....	25 00
Dominion Union for World's and Dominion Missions.....	55 41
Dominion Union for 50 Reports.....	7 50
Directory in "Woman's Journal".....	15 00
W. J. Lang, for flowers.....	2 00
Literature supplied new Unions.....	8 90
Printing for Executive.....	98 07
Affiliation Fee, Dominion W. C. T. U.....	249 60
Literature Department, stock.....	809 99

Total.....\$2402 26

STATEMENT.

Total receipts.....\$3044 86
 Total expenditure.....2402 26

Balance on hand.....\$642 60

JENNIE MACARTHUR,
 Treasurer.

Audited and found correct.
 CORNWALL, NOVEMBER 20TH, 1894.

MAGGIE BINNIE,
 Auditor.

MINUTES OF THE SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL CONVENTION

AFFILIATION FEES RECEIVED SINCE BOOKS CLOSED

Lucknow	\$2 00	
Chesley	3 25	
Kincardine	1 83	
Port Hope	2 88	
		<u>\$ 9 96</u>

ACCOUNTS PAID SINCE BOOKS CLOSED.

Mrs. Morrison, postage.....	1 25	
T. F. McMahon, printing.....	6 00	
W. L. Carrie, (supplies)	1 50	
		<u>8 75</u>

CONVENTION FINANCES.

Expenses—

General Officers.....	71 50	
Express, postage and telegrams	1 56	
Typewriting.....	2 70	
Advertising, etc, (Cornwall).....	4 25	
Caretaker.....	3 75	
Rev. Anna H. Shaw.....	25 00	
		<u>108 76</u>

Receipts—

Collection, Knox Church.....	18 06	
Collection, Music Hall.....	69 61	
Donation, Mr. Hulet, Cornwall.....	5 00	
Donation, Mrs. W. S. Turner, Cornwall	2 00	
		<u>94 67</u>

Balance..... \$14 09

JENNIE MACARTHUR,
Treasurer.

REPORT OF PRISONERS' AID COMMITTEE.

Your Committee regret that they cannot give a full account of the work done or the results of the efforts made to secure improvements in the management, and the sanitary conditions of a number of the County Jails, owing to the death of Mrs. Fawcett, who was convener of this Committee. Mrs. Fawcett was much interested in this work and all communications were sent to her.

The attention of your Committee being called to the condition of nine of the County Jails, letters were written and circulars and petitions were sent to the County Presidents of the W. C. T. U. requesting them to wait on the Council and urge the necessity of immediate improvement in those places. The following letters in behalf of Prisoners' Aid Association were received from the Secretary, Dr. Rosebrugh :

137 Church Street, Toronto, October 22nd, 1894.

MRS. M. M. BROWNELL, 33 St. Mary Street :

Dear Madam—With regard to the work of the Prisoners' Aid Association during the last twelve months I have to report as follows :

(1st.) About a year ago our Association sustained a great loss in the death of Mr. W. H. Howland, who had been closely identified with our work for over fifteen years.

(2nd.) The Dominion Government has taken steps for the establishment of a reformatory for young men, but we regret to learn that it has been decided to locate the new institution in the County of Glengarry. We fear that if this intention is carried out the reformatory will fail largely in being the success that such an institution should be. Our experience during the past twenty years in dealing with young men in the Central Prison confirms us in the belief that a reformatory should be established near a large city so that the young men may have the advantage of a Sunday School, carried on by a large staff of thoroughly tried Christian Workers, and where preaching service can be conducted by members of the Ministerial Association, composed of clergymen of the different denominations. This we find to be very much better than simply to have a paid prison Chaplain.

(3rd.) During the month of September a deputation from the Ontario Medical Association waited on the Ontario Government with regard to the establishment of one or more reformatories for habitual drunkards. This deputation pointed out the following advantages :

- (a) The ordinary Jail treatment of habitual drunkards is neither deterrent or reformatory.
- (b) The presence of this class in the County Jails prevents a proper classification of the prisoners.
- (c) The County Councils in many cases fail to furnish the prisoners with proper industrial employment.

On the other hand if the habitual drunkards are removed to reformatories,

- (a) Their labor should contribute largely to their maintenance, and possibly in addition would probably allow something to go to the support of their families as well.
- (b) All the arrangements of a reformatory would be directed to the reformation of the inmates, and they would be furnished with the best medical skill.

By these means it was pointed out that a good percentage of the inmates would undoubtedly be permanently reformed.

In reply to this deputation Mr. Mowat states :

- (a) That the Government at one time decided to establish an institution for inebriates at Hamilton, but on account of strong opposition on the part of some, and indifference on the part of the temperance community, the purpose of the Government was changed.
- (b) That in his opinion it would be very difficult to supply employment for habitual drunkards in the proposed reformatories, and moreover that the expense connected with the building and maintenance should be borne largely by the benevolent public, and that whatever aid the Government might be disposed to give to such an enterprise the initiative should not be taken by the Government but by the benevolent public.

In answer to the latter we would say that we do not agree with Mr. Mowat that the work of reformation of habitual drunkards should be looked upon as a charity. If a good percentage of these unfortunates can be reformed the country will benefit by the expense in many ways, and it will be wise public policy to incur the expense, on the same principal that it is wise public policy to establish industrial schools and reformatories for boys and young men.

(4th.) We are preparing to distribute prison reform literature very widely, especially literature relating to County Jail and County Poor-house questions, and in this connection we bespeak the hearty co-operation of your County Unions. We are especially anxious that the Jail shall be so constructed that there may be a separation of the different classes of prisoners in the female department. In many of the Jails of the Province there is but one corridor for all the female inmates of the Jail, and where all are admitted to co-mingle, and where, we are satisfied, much harm is done in consequence. We are also anxious that a police matron shall be appointed in every lock-up and police cell where female prisoners are incarcerated. We will probably hold a Prison Reform Conference this autumn; if so, we trust the Provincial Union will be well represented. We are very thankful for what the W. C. T. U. has already done for the cause of prison reform.

Very truly yours,

A. M. ROSEBRUGH,

Secretary.

137 Church Street, Toronto, October 29th, 1894.

MRS. M. M. BROWNELL :

Dear Madam—This will introduce Miss Maude Keith, whom we are sending to

your Convention to give you any additional information you may require with regard to the work of our Association and in what way we would like the co-operation of County Unions.

I believe Mr. Kelso intends asking for the sympathy and aid of your Convention on behalf of neglected children. Would it not be possible to establish a new department in each county to cover this work and also that of prison reform? On looking over your report for 1893 I see that in one of the counties a Curfew Bell department has been adopted. This is a step in the right direction. A Superintendent in each county with whom we could correspond would be of very great help to us in our prison reform movement.

I trust you will have a very satisfactory meeting at Cornwall.

Very truly yours,

A. M. ROSEBRUGH,

Secretary.

REPORT OF WORK AMONG RAILROAD EMPLOYEES.

(MRS. ALICE P. MORRISON, Superintendent).

The work of this department is still being carried on by a large number of the Unions throughout the Province, though some Unions do not seem to realize its importance. Your Superintendent has endeavored to create an increased interest, by correspondence and other means, but there is need of an occasional *personal visitation* of some of the Unions in large railway centres to stir the hearts of the workers to more earnest effort. The reports received are as follows:

Grey—Racks supplied regularly in the three towns in the county where a Union exists, viz.: Owen Sound, Meaford and Thornbury. At Owen Sound there is a new railroad line. The Grand Trunk and the Committee are arranging for its station, round-house, etc., being regularly supplied.

Hastings—Madoc Union supplied not only their own railroad station, but sent supplies to neighboring stations.

Kent—Chatham, Dresden, Ridgetown and Wallaceburg have racks at the stations supplied with literature. The ex-Superintendent for this department in Kent relates the following very encouraging incident in connection with the work: "A lady, who was in the habit of placing literature in the pockets at station, being especially pleased with an article in one of these papers, she underlined parts of it, wrote a few notes about it on the margin, and placed it with some other papers, on which her name was, in the pocket at the station. A gentleman, waiting for the train, read the article, and was so impressed by it that, on his return home, he got

his wife to join the W. C. T. U. and his children the Band of Hope, and then wrote to the lady telling her what he had done, and thanking her for placing the papers there."

Leeds—Brockville Union Superintendent keeps racks supplied, and also distributes literature in vans and cars. In Gananoque, station and train is supplied. The Superintendent writes: "I travel a good deal, and always carry literature with me to give to conductors and others. With every leaflet goes a prayer that God may bless the seed sown." Lyn and Lansdowne stations are also supplied with literature. Athens supplies rack in station with literature.

Middlesex—London has no Superintendent of this department, but does the work. Keeps the round-house and car shops supplied with papers and leaflets.

Peterboro'—Reports 18 bags tacked up in C. P. R. and G. T. R. in conductors' vans—1,281 papers (*not pages, remember*, as Mrs. Paton writes). Each of the racks in the two stations are supplied with literature to the amount of 6,056 pages. Then, at Christmas, the ladies of the Union made a large Christmas cake for each station; these were much appreciated by the men.

Renfrew—In the town of Renfrew this work is taken up, and much good reading as well as scrap-books have been distributed.

Waterloo—Keeps racks supplied at four stations, and at one place about 1,000 leaflets and papers were distributed on freight trains.

York—Newmarket Union reports 1,400 pages of literature circulated through W. C. T. U. boxes at station. Weston has distributed 2,000 leaflets through the boxes and on the trains. Pine Grove state they have not taken up this work yet, but hope to soon. Aurora reports no work in this department for last year, but are taking it up again this year. Malvern—no report. Toronto Junction has not reported; I presume on account of delay in reaching the Superintendent through mistake in the directory.

And now as to suggestions for future work:—

1st. I would urge all Unions in large towns to take up this work. Look into the circumstances, and plan accordingly. No plan will fit every locality, but each has its special needs.

2nd. I would like to see the Unions of a county or locality employ an Evangelist occasionally, who would hold meetings *when* and *where* he could gather the men together, distributing literature and presenting the pledge.

3rd. Several suggestions for local work are brought out in the reports from the Unions—such as always supplying ourselves with literature when travelling, and *using* it freely. Then, over each leaflet, each paper, breathe a prayer to Him who directs and overrules all. Another suggests the placing of Scripture-Rolls in stations.

In closing, I must express regret that more Unions have not reported, as I know others are taking up this work.

REPORT OF WORK AMONG LUMBERMEN.

(MRS. AGNES HUNTER, Superintendent).

It is with pleasure I submit the Report for this Department, as it shows a decided increase in interest and practical work.

Almonte—Reports sending six comfort bags, nine twenty-four paged scrap books and seven books made from S. S. papers.

Carleton Place—Sent a donation. They also held gospel temperance meetings when the raftsmen were passing.

Smith's Falls—Reports having sent a box of 70 lbs. weight, consisting of scrap books, magazines and other choice literature.

Leeds—The Superintendent, Mrs. Mackie, worked very hard collecting money and literature. She also wrote and paid for printing a letter addressed to the men in camps suitable for comfort bags.

Athens—Sent five scrap books.

Gananoque—Literature and comfort bags.

Lyn—Sent a box of literature.

Lansdowne—Five cents per capita.

Tilsonburg—Reports five comfort bags and a large quantity of literature.

Otterville—Comfort bags, a quantity of literature; also bibles, testaments and hymn books.

Brownsville—Reports seventeen comfort bags.

Embree—Sent a large parcel of comfort bags.

Ingersoll—Reports a large box containing papers, periodicals, and a large quantity of good temperance literature, with twelve comfort bags; each bag contained one bible, one box arnica salve, one square sticking plaster, one bella-donna plaster, thread, needles, buttons, pins, yarn, patches, three sizes of bandages, cough drops, beeswax, soap, and Christmas cards.

Arnprior—Reports twenty-two scrap books and two comfort bags.

Front Westmeath—Sent 10 lbs. weight of good reading matter.

Beachburg—Reports 7 lbs. reading matter, three scrap books and three comfort bags.

Pembroke—Reports assistance to Mrs. Hunter in her work.

Greenwood—Twelve scrap books and six comfort bags.

Peterboro'—Mrs. Paton reports: Sent to Webwood, 50 lbs. papers and eight comfort bags; sent Davidson & Co., 28 lbs. papers and four comfort bags; sent by Treasurer, 123 lbs. papers and sixteen comfort bags. Missionary papers for summer, 2,153 pages, forty-five cards, thirty-seven books and two scrap books, all in Mission work.

LITERATURE AND COMFORT BAGS RECEIVED.

Galt—Twelve comfort bags from "King's Daughters," Knox Church—Miss Aken.

Ingersoll—Comfort bags (extra good).

Parkdale—Sixteen beautiful bags, with many other useful things—Mrs. Stevens.

Four bags—No name given.

Almonte—Six good scrap books, twenty-six perfect comfort bags—Miss Ida Avison.

Greenwood—Six bags and two scrap books.

Martintown—Two large, beautiful scrap books—M. Munroe.

From little girls of Calvin Church, through Mrs. S. S. M. Hunter, ten comfort bags.

Galt—Two Parcels—Mrs. Cavets.

Montreal—Erskine Church—A box of good papers.

Lyn—A box of goods.

Upper Canada Tract Society—Two parcels.

Hamilton—Box and fifteen comfort bags—Mrs. Pratt.

London—Twelve comfort bags.

Box of bags—No name.

Beachburg—Three scrap books, three comfort bags and parcel of good literature—Mrs. J. Brown.

Greenwood—Three comfort bags.

Ottawa—Four scrap books and five beautiful comfort bags.

Total number comfort bags received, 138.

Mr. John Hardy's Report for month ending January 25th: Number of men reached, 3,019; miles travelled, 1,104; camps visited, 75; meetings held, 99; comfort bags distributed, 53.

Mrs. Mickle, Gravenhurst, Assistant Superintendent, reports satisfactory work has been accomplished in this department during the year.

Watford Union—Sent a fine box of papers, scrap books, and twelve comfort bags, well filled.

Otterville—Sent six comfort bags and leaflets.

Bowmanville—Sent two large parcels of papers—very good.

Seaforth—Sent scrap books and literature.

Two other parcels and a box were sent all prepaid.

Huntsville—Made four large bags, and filled, at a cost of five dollars, and sent with a quantity of literature to camps in their locality.

Gravenhurst Union—Made eight comfort bags—\$2.75 Union money, the ladies giving the rest.

The firms of Thompson & Baker, under the direction of Mr. Moore, sent in all literature free. Also Mr. Claremont, manager for Rathbun's Mill, and Mickle, Dymont & Son.

In all, we have supplied fifteen camps.

A gentleman in Toronto collected and sent to me over 300 lbs. of books, papers and hymn books, for which I paid freight, \$1.17.

A lady friend in Toronto sent splendid new books, leaflets and hymn books.

The majority of the men are very thankful for the interest shown them by the W. C. T. U. Many good letters have been received from them.

WORK AMONG SAILORS.

(MRS. J. H. DAVIS, Superintendent).

My first effort after appointment as Provincial Superintendent, was to send circulars to all Unions where it was possible to do work in my especial line, urging the needs and endeavoring to enlist all in this work. This was done early in the spring; later, I wrote each Union having a Superintendent of this Department, asking for report of work done. In reply, but one report has come to hand.

Sarnia's Superintendent of Sailor Work, Mrs. Ellis, reports having visited thirty-seven vessels, distributed six thousand one hundred and twenty pages of literature, besides twenty magazines. In speaking of the work, Mrs. Ellis said no direct results for good have been heard of yet. God says, "His word shall not return unto Him void;" also, "Not by might nor by power, but by My spirit." So we know if we are faithful, in due time we shall reap, if we faint not.

Gananoque reports visiting twenty-five vessels, carrying an average of from four to six men each. On our first visit, we left a W. C. T. U. comfort bag, containing, as is usual, testament, scrap book, tracts and papers, thread, needles, buttons, wool, and so on. At each visit after bag has been left, we take parcels of selected papers and magazines; the sailors are seemingly well pleased to get them.

As a rule, we were received in a most cordial manner. On one occasion, however, we were taken for peddlers, and our wares refused; and quite a little amusement was caused when it was understood that we were simply W. C. T. U. women, and our offer of mental and spiritual food, "without money and without price," was accepted gladly.

I am sorry that I have not more to report, but I hope to see good resulting from the work done this year. I would suggest:

- 1st. That the testaments used for "comfort bags" have helpful passages marked.
- 2nd. That a kind, personal letter be placed in each bag.

WORK AMONG SOLDIERS.

TORONTO DISTRICT.

(OLIVE P. HENDERSON, Superintendent).

I regret to be obliged to say there has been little done in this Department. I had hoped to have been able to arrange for weekly or semi-monthly meetings among the soldiers at the fort, but the officer in command, while expressing his thankfulness for the interest the W. C. T. U. was taking in them, did not care to give his sanction for anything in the shape of meetings for the promotion of temperance or total abstinence to be held there. Personally, he expressed himself as not in favor of total abstinence, and thought he had power, with the military rules at his command, to enable him to exercise all needful control over the men as far as temperance was concerned. The only way left open, therefore, seemed to be—as they have a reading room—to send literature from time to time. Some temperance and other papers, as well as pamphlets, bearing on the subject, have been sent, and though we cannot now see the result, yet we trust that some of the seed thus sown may spring up and bear fruit, and that in the great harvest there may be sheaves of ripened grain as the result of the comparatively small efforts put forth in this direction.

REPORT OF PRESS DEPARTMENT.

(MRS. B. D. LIVINGSTONE, Superintendent.)

Another year has sped away with its golden opportunities. Have we made the most of them? Have we sought avenues for keeping the needs of our work before the public? It avails us not to look back over our omissions. Then, let us gather up a few facts which may encourage us to be instant in season and out of season. Our work seems still to be, as it has been, to interest and educate the people up to the point where the majority shall demand total abstinence for the individual and total prohibition for the state. And what better way can we do this than by using, to the best of our ability, the press at our command? How else can we reach so many homes?

There has been a marked increase of interest in this department during the year. Last year very few letters of inquiry came to me. This year letters have come, many and often. Some of them, on first perusal, sounded rather doleful, but when we read between the lines we could see bright gleams of encouragement, for they showed a thirst for knowledge. Knowledge sought and knowledge found will promote "true zeal." I want to thank Press Superintendents, and others to whom I have

sent circulars and postals, for their promptness in replying, even though they had to report "no work done." I sent out about 250 circular letters early in the year, with plans of work; then, in September, 250 printed postals, and, I am happy to say, received, all told, 138 replies, nearly twice as many as last year. Truly, we are growing! I believe that the press is one, if not the greatest, educator of the day. Thomas Jefferson, who wrote the Declaration of Independence, also wrote these words; "If I had to choose between a government without a newspaper, and a newspaper without a government, I would choose the latter." Napoleon, who was so successful in conquest, who aimed to conquer the world, who desired to keep his iron heel on the neck of nations, said "that the press was the regent of kings, and that the only safe place to keep an editor who was your opponent was behind the prison bars." Napoleon appointed a director-in-general over all publishers. All printers were required to take an oath to obey all his restrictions. Now, we would not advise any of old Nap's arbitrary measures, but we would advise the same careful supervision of the press, as far as we can use our influence. Let us strive to make the press more pure. Use our persuasive powers with editors, that they may not write up the disgusting details of many police court scenes, prize fights, cases of seduction, etc. Such articles certainly have a demoralizing effect. Oh, it makes me sick at heart, sometimes, when I hear the newsboys crying out the attractions of their papers. Emerson has said, "If we work upon marble it will perish, if we work upon brass time will efface it, if we rear temples they will crumble into dust, but if we work upon immortal minds, if we imbue them with the just fear of God and love of our fellowmen, we engrave on those tablets something that will keep bright to all eternity." Oh, then, let us use every means to engrave that which will hasten the glad day when righteousness shall reign. May it not be said of any of our Superintendents that she thought "so and so," but "that she wrought." Let us sing out the news of victory that it may encourage the faint-hearted. Let us remember that we need always to have the guidance of the Lord. He can guide the pen, control the thoughts; then let prayer precede, underlie, and follow every effort made in this department.

"There's a light about to glow,
 There's a fount about to flow,
 There's a midnight darkness changing into gray,
 (Men) Women of thought and (men) women of action clear the way."

Personal Work—Have given four addresses on Press Work in different counties; sent out 250 circulars; 250 printed postals; written to 28 editors; 17 postals and 28 letters in response to Superintendents; have contributed 320 articles, essays and reports to the various papers.

Suggestions—That the Provincial Superintendent of Press send a set plan of work in connection with her circular letter so that the work throughout the province may be uniform.

That Local Press Superintendents keep themselves well posted on other departments as well as their own, so that occasionally they may write up some of the other departments or give a report of the work. We believe that this would be the means of arousing some who are not members of our organization.

COUNTY AND UNION	NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT.	NUMBER OF PAPERS.		Have you Published Reports of Meetings.	Have you kept General Work before the Public.	How many Letters, Articles, Reports & Items Supplied.	How many Journals or other Temperance Papers taken.
		Published.	Supplied.				
Brant —	Miss Hay	1	S. Sun.	No	No	5	Bands of Hope.
Scotland		Three	All	Yes	In a measure.	10	Journals.
Brantford		None	None	Yes	Yes, each meeting	Do not know.	
St. George	Miss Malcolm	Two	Both	Yes	Yes	10	Journals.
Bruce —							
Walkerton	Mrs. Shilton	Two	Occasionally	Yes	No	No record	12 Journals, 5 Home Guards.
Paisley	Miss K. Fisher	One	One	Yes	Not to any extent.	About 10	Journals, 2 Home Guards.
Chesley	Mrs. W. Brown	Two	One	Yes	Yes	A col. weekly	20 Journals [Signal.
Lacknow	Mrs. J. Harnell	One	One	Yes	Yes	No record	18 Journals, 3 Home Guards, 1 U.
Teeswater	Mrs. Stewart	One	One	Yes	Yes	A large n'm'b'r	3 Journals.
Carleton —							
Richmond		None	None	Yes	Not as much as we should.	No report	62 Journals.
Ottawa	Mrs. Falconer	One	One	Yes	Yes	No record	
Durham —							
Bowmanville	Miss Freeland	Two	One	No	No	acc't kept	24 Journals, 1 Union Signal.
Pt. Hope	Miss Coleman	One	One	Yes	Yes	A good many	6 Journals, 6 Temperance papers.
Orono	Miss Cryderman	One	One	Yes	Just items.	No record	
Dundas	Miss A. Tuttle,	One	One	No	To some extent.	1	Journal.
Morrisburg	Mrs. G. Smith	Two	One	No	No	Cannot say	7 Journals, 1 Union Signal.
Elgin —							
St. Thomas	Mrs. Farley	Two	Two	Yes, of all regular meetings.	Yes, but not as many as we would wish.	Something every week	6 Union Signals, 6 Home Guards, [a few Journals.

	Yes, but not as much as we would wish.	Something every week.	6 Union Signals, 6 Home Guards,	[a few Journals,
	Yes, of all regular meetings.	Kept no acc't.	24 Journals.	
	Yes	Yes	No record	1 Journal.
	No	No	2 Journals,	many Temp'ars.
Essex— Amherstburg. Essex.	Two One	Miss Bottsford. Mrs. Raines.	Two One	One One
Frontenac— Kingston	Three		Two	No
Glengarry— Lancaster Martintown	None	Mrs. Donald.	None	No record
Grey— Owen Sound.	Three	Mrs. J. Trent	Three	One
Thomasburg.	Two	Mrs. McKenny.	Two	Yes
Grenville— Spencerville.	None	Mrs. Cunningham	None	No
Hastings— Marlbank	Two	Mrs. J. Allan.	Two	One
Trenton Belleville	Three	Miss Hobden.	Three	One
Huron— Sealoth.	Two.	Mrs. Elliott.	Two.	One
Haldimand— Caledonia	Yes.	Mrs. Turnbull.	Yes.	One
Delkirk.	None		None	Yes, to a certain extent.
Kent— Chatham	Two.	Mrs. Savage.	Two.	Both.
	Yes		Yes	W'kly column 26 Journals, 1 H. Guard, 2 U. Sig.
	No		No	52
	Yes		Yes	3 Journals, 1 U. Sig, 1 H. Guard.
	No		No	1 Journal.
	Yes		Yes	36 Journals, 1 Union Signal.
	No		No	One.
	Yes		Yes	5 Journals.
	No		No	A few.
	Yes		Yes	28 Journals, a large No of Templars
	No		No	Many.
	Yes		Yes	20 Journals, 3 Union Signals.
	No		No	W'kly column 22 Journals, 3 H. Guards, 1 U. Sig, 3 Templars, 10 Anti-Tobacco Coms, 3 Friendly Greetings.
	Yes		Yes	No record.
	No		No	7 Temperance papers.

COUNTY AND UNION	NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT	NUMBER OF PAPERS		Have you Published Reports of Meetings	Have you kept General Work Before the Public	How many Letters, Articles, Reports & Items Supplied	How many Journals or other Temperance Papers taken
		Published	Supplied				
Blenheim	Mrs. Blewitt	Two	One	Yes	Yes	59 original and selected, 12 re-ports, A weekly space	22 Journals, 5 Home Guards, 52 Journals, 1 Union Signal.
Dresden	Mrs. Wallace	One	One	Yes	Yes	Do not know	22 Journals, 3 Home Guards,
Wallaceburg	Mrs. H. Morris	One	One	Yes	Yes somewhat	Yes	22 Journals.
Ridgétown		Two	Two	Yes for every bit of space.	Yes		
Lambton—							
Petrola	Miss Hopwood	Two	One	No	Yes	Wkly column	23 Journals, 10 Temperance papers,
Alvinston	Miss Haitie Pray	One	None	No	No	No	13 Journals, 6 Templars.
Lanark	Miss T. Wilson	None	One	No	No	No	12 Journals,
Carleton Place	Mrs. Dan. Gillies	Two	One	Yes	No	No	12 Journals,
Smith's Falls	Mrs. S. Wickware	Three	Two	Yes	Yes	No	25 Journals,
Playfair	Carrie M. Playfair	Two	One	No	Yes	Wkly column	3 Journals, 1 Home Guard.
Leeds—							
Gananoque	Miss McDonald	Two	Both	No	Yes	Wkly column	Some Journals, U. Signals and Tem.
Brockville	Mrs. A. H. Brown	Two	Two	No	No	Not known	21 Journals,
Athens							
Lincoln—							
St. Catharines	Mrs. W. Secord	Three	Three	Yes	Papers would not accept.	Cannot say.	Good many.
Grimsby	Mrs. A. Pettit	One	One	Yes	Something every week.	No record	Good many.
Beamsville	Mrs. Hickson			Yes	Yes	No account	4 Journals.
Middlesex—							
Napier	Mrs. Ballentine	None	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	5 Journals, 5 Temperance papers,
Strathroy	Mrs. Ore	Two	Two	Yes	Yes	2009	20 Journals, 2 Union Signals,

Sanctuary Mrs. Ore. Two Yes Two Yes No 5 Journals, 5 Temperance papers, 20 Journals, 2 Union Signals, 200

London - Glouce.	Miss Trebilcock	Two	Two	Some	No	Yes	1 Journal.
Glouce.	Mrs. R. Howard	One	One	No	No	No record	12 Journals.
Mt. Brydges	Mrs. W. Simpson	Five	Five	Yes	Yes	Cannot estimate number of letters.	5 Journals, 5 Home Guards, [and Templars, Many Union Signals]
London	Mrs. Douglass	Five	Five	Yes	Yes	Every week.	45 Journals, 2 Journals.
Nipissing - North Bay	Mrs. Butcher	Two	Two	No	No		
Norfolk - Simcoe	Mrs. F. Eiste	Two	One	No	Some	No	Few.
Delhi	Mrs. F. Eiste	One	One	No	Some	Several	1 Journal.
Oxford - Norwich	Mrs. H. Wood	One	One	Yes	Yes	44	5 Journals, 6 Temperance papers.
Otterville	Rev. A. Eddy	None	None	Yes	Yes	Yes	3 Journals.
Embro	Miss Murray	One	One	Yes	No	No record	2 Journals, 1 U. Sig., 1 Column.
Brownsville.	Miss N. Gibson	None	Fifteen	Yes	Yes	20 received.	20 Journals, 1 U. Sig., 5 H. Guards.
Salford	Mrs. Fletcher	None	None	Yes	No	No.	4 Journals, 1 U. Sig.
Ingersoll	Mrs. Williamson	Three	One	Yes	Yes	300.	3 Journals, 3 U. Signals, 1 Voice.
Woodstock	Mrs. J. Bates	Two	Two	Occasionally	Yes	No account	15 Journals.
Plattsville	Mrs. King	One	One	No	Yes	3 H. Guards, 1 U. Sig., 1 Journal.	3 H. Guards, 1 U. Sig., 1 Journal.
Verschoyle	Mattie Bell	No	No	No	Yes	250 L. P., 8 Co. 3	2 Journals, 1 U. Signal, 1 W. Column, 1 Young Women's Paper
Tilsburg	Mrs. Livingston	Two	Two	Yes	Yes	P., 12 D. P.	7 Home Guards, 5 Templars, 2 Temperance papers.
Ontario - Port Perry	Mrs. J. Davis	Two	One	Yes	Yes	Very many.	5 Journals, several Home Guards.
Prince Albert	Mrs. Barnard	None	None	No	No	Very little	2 Temperance papers.
Whitby	Mrs. Barnard	Two	Both	Yes	Yes	No acc't kept.	
Peel - Port Credit	Mrs. Straith	None	None	No	No	6	6 Journals.
Perth	Miss Phillips	Two	One, the other refused.	No	No	$\frac{1}{2}$ column per week	
Mitchell	Mrs. H. Hurlbert	Two	One	Yes	Yes	5 letters, reports	8 Temperance papers.
Stratford	Mrs. H. Hurlbert	Two	Refused	No	No	No	1 Journal.

COUNTY AND UNION	NAME OF SUPERINTENDENT.	NUMBER OF PAPERS.		Have you Published any Reports of Meetings.	Have you kept General Work Before the Public.	How many Letters, Articles, Reports & Items Supplied.	How many Journals or other Temperance Papers taken.
		Published.	Supplied.				
Peterboro— Havelock. Peterboro.	Mrs. (Dr.) Jeffs.	None Three	One, Norwood Register. Three	None Yes	No Somewhat	No record	
Renfrew— Pembroke Amprior.		Three Two	Three One	Yes Yes	Indefinite	12 reports.	36 Journals, 5 Home Guards, 12 Journals, 10 Union Signals.
Simcoe— Barrie Gravenhurst.	Mrs. W. Nigers.	Three One	Three One	Yes No	No Yes	No acc't kept Weekly for about 6 months	[Templars, 20 Journals, 2 Union Signals, a few Journals, 10 Anti-Tobacco Gens, 5 Northern Messengers, 6 Temperance papers.
Collingwood		Two	One	Yes	No	43	
Stormont— Moulinette. Cornwall. Aultsville.	Miss M. Bagg Mrs. A. B. Wanner	None Two None	None Both	No No No	No Yes No	Don't know Can't say	30 Journals, 10 Temperance papers, 3 Journals.
Toronto District. " Y.W.C.T.U Willard. Parkdale.	Mrs. D. Bascomb, 80 Deen Ave Miss Wills, 47 Pembroke St	Many Many Many	10 several times Eight One Many	Yes Yes Yes	Yes Yes No	78 63 Once a week for 10 months, Wkly to Echo, 24 items to other papers.	50 Journals, several Home Guards, 16 Journals, 4 Temperance papers.
Northern	Committee.			Yes	Yes	50 items	

Northern Committee Yes^g Yes 44 items to other papers. 50 items.

Wellington— Harriston	Miss M. Wilson	One	Yes	Yes	A column and locals weekly	20 Journals, 5 Templars.
Guelph	Mrs. L. Williams	Three	Yes	Yes	34 to each local 6 to other papers	14 Journals.
Mount Forest	Mrs. T. Allen	Two	Yes	Yes	60	3 Journals, 5 Templars.
Arthur	One	No	Yes	Do not remember	1 Journal.	
Welland— Fonthill	Mrs. Buck	Two	Sometimes	Yes		Journals, Templar, Band of Hope.
Niagara Falls	Three	Occasionally	Yes	No record	1 Journal.	
Welland	Mrs. McCraig	Two	Yes	Annual Meeting	No record	Some Tem. papers and Journals
Waterloo— Preston	Mrs. Cunningham	One	No	Not to any extent	Do not know.	
New Hamburg	Mrs. Larchinger	Two	Yes	No	4	3 Journals,
Ayr	Miss M. Andrews	One	Yes	Yes	4	11 Journals, 2 Home Guards.
Zion	Waterloo		Yes to Galt.	Yes		
Waterloo			Yes	Yes	No record	
York— Aurora	Phila Johnson	One	Yes	Yes	19	1 Journal, 4 Templars, 1 H. Guard.
Weston	One	No	No	No	2	20 Journals, 5 Home Guards.
Stouffville	Two					1 Journal.
Newmarket	Several	Several	Yes	Very fully	138	36 Temperance papers.

LITERATURE DEPARTMENT.

(MISS MARY SCOTT, Superintendent).

The Literature Department can report a good year, in spite of financial depression. Eight hundred and thirty-six orders were sent in; sales of Literature were \$636.26; Expenditure, \$576.22; amount due Department, \$132.96; stock on hand, \$485.75; Liabilities, \$131.45.

The Department does business all over the Dominion, and even in Newfoundland. By request, a stock of literature was taken to Dominion Convention at London, in June, and the Prohibition Convention at Montreal, in July, and good sales made. Orders have been sent in from the following counties in Ontario and other parts of the Dominion:

Algoma.....	\$ 6 13	Muskoka.....	\$ 4 37	Quebec.....	\$59 43
Bruce.....	17 13	Middlesex.....	23 14	British Columbia..	11 90
Brant.....	7 76	Norfolk.....	5 36	Manitoba.....	10 40
Bothwell.....	6 42	Nipissing.....	2 50	Nova Scotia.....	27 07
Carleton.....	42 53	Northumberland..	1 73	New Brunswick..	8 86
Dundas.....	3 00	Ontario.....	7 10	North-West Terr..	25 11
Durham.....	6 70	Oxford.....	9 36	Newfoundland... ..	1 93
Essex.....	9 60	Peel.....	1 24	Prince Ed. Island..	12 12
Elgin.....	2 99	Peterboro'.....	2 75		
Glengarry.....	1 10	Prince Edward... ..	85	Total.....	\$156 82
Grenville.....	14 37	Renfrew.....	12 04	Total for Ontario,	449 66
Hastings.....	15 98	Stormont.....	15 63		
Huron.....	1 78	Simcoe.....	10 73	Total.....	\$606 48
Halton.....	2 12	Welland.....	2 53		
Haldimand.....	15 54	Wentworth.....	5 31		
Kent.....	4 59	Waterloo.....	15 37		
Leeds.....	97 36	Wellington.....	7 09		
Grey.....	5 75	York.....	7 46		
Lanark.....	5 57	Toronto District..	11 42		
Lambton.....	26 63				
Lincoln.....	9 75	Total.....	\$449 66		

WOMAN'S JOURNAL.

(MISS MARY SCOTT, Superintendent.)

The *Woman's Journal* is now in its eleventh year as a monthly organ, but the time has arrived when the W. C. T. U. of Canada needs a fortnightly paper. Without financial assistance I alone could not accomplish this.

The circulation is 3,500, Ontario alone sending in 1569 subscriptions. Some Unions will renew their lists, but at this date (Oct. 28th) the Counties taking the *Journal* are as follows :

Algoma	53	Grey	30	Middlesex ...	65	Russell	4
Addington	2	Glengarry	6	Norfolk . . .	33	Stormont	33
Brant	9	Hastings	54	Northumberl'd	9	Simcoe	64
Bruce	73	Halton	17	Nipissing	0	Victoria	0
Bothwell	121	Haldimand	7	Ontario	4	Wellington	38
Carleton	211	Huron	6	Oxford	13	Wentworth	38
Durham	37	Kent	50	Prescott	3	Waterloo	58
Dundas	10	Lanark	19	Peel	6	Welland	8
Essex	23	Leeds	59	Perth	17	York	97
Elgin	19	Lincoln	26	Prince Edward	0	Toronto District	56
Frontenac	14	Lambton	78	Peterboro	14		
Grenville	33	Muskoka	3	Renfrew	59	Total	1569

It is my intention to offer prizes for the best local report on a post card, and the best county report on three post cards. I take this opportunity of adding to my report a few loving reminders with my grateful thanks for all the kindnesses shown me as editor of the *Woman's Journal*.

Don't write reports of Union work on the same sheet as orders for literature. The *Journal* and Literature Department are two separate businesses with different assistants. Put *Journal* subscriptions on one sheet, literature orders on another, reports of Union work on a third, and *your blessing* on a fourth if you feel like it, all in one envelope.

Don't send newspaper cuttings as reports. The printer always takes written copy first. Choose the most hopeful, brightest, best correspondent in the Union who can condense her remarks, and give her the *Journal* reporting to do.

Don't blame the editor if the paper sometimes goes astray in the mails. Let her know as soon as possible and duplicate copies will be sent.

Don't forget to pray that the *Journal* may be a means of helping on a brighter and better day when Christlikeness in conduct shall prevail.

PURITY IN LITERATURE, ART AND FASHION.

(Mrs. J. R. CAVERS, Superintendent.)

This Department being comparatively new, and the subject by no means an attractive one, it has, perhaps, not met with the ready sympathy and co-operation of our workers which its importance demands, yet we are pleased to report progress, a growing interest, and something accomplished, as several have reported: "We have constituted ourselves a Vigilance Committee, and, as a result, objectionable papers are relegated to hidden corners or are done away with."

In February a circular letter was sent to every Union, bringing the subject before them, with a request that they take up the work and appoint a Superintendent, and warning them of prohibited papers that are coming through the mail, with a list of such. Copies of the section of the Criminal Code bearing on this point were sent each Union. Only seven replied to this appeal, but some Superintendents have been appointed.

Early in the year it was found that copies of these papers were coming through the mails, and that fact was communicated to the Postmaster-General, who at once requested postmasters to be more vigilant in enforcing the law. We found that some postmasters were ignorant of the law touching prohibited papers, or the names of such as have been prohibited. But right here comes a difficulty. The law only allows postmasters to deal with papers that come in bulk, not those addressed in separate wrappers, so that every W. C. T. U. woman should constitute herself a Vigilance Committee to see that nothing in the form of evil reading or bad pictures enters the home.

It is because of the objectionable advertisements rather than the sensational character of the reading matter that the Government have prohibited these papers from coming through the mails. Proof having been given the Post Office Department by your Superintendent; the *Public Herald*, *Climax* and *American Agent* were added to the proscribed list.

A complaint was sent from one town that the *Chicago Blade* was publicly sold. On applying to the Postmaster-General we were told that the name had been taken off the list as the proprietors had promised to remove all objectionable advertisements from the Canadian edition. Though this may have been done, articles have been inserted which verged on the obscene. There is still a class of papers sold, too often, by boys on the streets, procured direct from the publishing house, papers so vulgar and gross that, as a lady remarked, "No one can read such things and retain their sense of purity." One earnest teacher in the public school has persuaded one of her pupils, and a poor boy, too, to give up selling them.

Your Superintendent has addressed several County Conventions and Local Unions on this subject, and it is hoped the seed thus sown may bear much fruit.

The editor of one local paper was waited upon by a committee from the W. C. T. U. with regard to a sensational report of a seduction case. They told him

the paper had always been so pure that it might, with safety, be read by the youngest child in town, and they wished it to remain so. They were courteously received and there has been no further cause of complaint along this line. We would suggest a similar course of action be taken by every Local Union if the need arises.

Blanks for reports were sent to each Union; and here we must notice a great improvement—110 replies were received. Although only twenty-five Unions have done anything in the matter, attention has been awakened and interest created which, we trust, may lead to great results next year.

We are glad to see that public attention is being called to the objectionable character of many illustrated advertisements and show bills not only by our workers but by the daily press. Surely this will lead to reform along these lines. The exhibition of living pictures, we believe, cannot be too strongly condemned.

Your Superintendent wrote 65 letters and 80 post cards, and sent out 200 circular letters and 250 question blanks for reports during the year.

Suggestions—That all book stores be visited, and a continuous request be made for the suppression of dime novels and other books of a demoralizing character.

That all Unions keep a watch for any prohibited papers, and try to ascertain if the *Police Gazette* be found in barber shops. (This can be done by your friends who frequent the shops.)

That attention be called to the pernicious effect of many of the show bills posted in our towns, and that efforts be made to prevent their being put up, or removed when posted.

We would call your attention to the low character of many of the valentines sold to the children and ask you to supplant them as much as possible by home-made ones.

Use all your influence to discourage the wearing of décolleté dress, believing that such unnecessary and immodest exposure of the person tends to lower the respect due to womanhood, and reform in this matter lies entirely in your power.

That attention be given to the kind of reading matter handled by the train news agent, and if anything that is obscene or objectionable is found, note it, and send particulars to the Provincial Superintendent.

Try to secure in every Sunday School a committee whose duty it shall be to examine all the books and purge them of anything that gives a wrong impression.

That parents endeavor to cultivate a taste for good, pure reading in their children by procuring for them the best that can be had, and subscribing for good literature as Christmas and birthday gifts.

Chesley—Warned postmaster not to allow prohibited papers to pass, through the office.

Walkerton—Have visited barber shops. Some papers have been received through the post office. Have advocated dress reform.

Owen Sound—Prohibited papers are sent to the address of boys and sold on the streets.

Marlbank—Sale of impure literature stopped through efforts of the W. C. T. U.

Trenton—Show bills were removed from the boards, and an opera troupe had to leave town without giving their performance owing to the protests of the temperance people.

Oakville—Book stores visited. Asked one store-keeper to remove some objectionable papers, which was done. *Police Gazettes* are sent to individuals inside other papers.

Chatham—Prohibited papers were received through the mail. W. C. T. U. appealed to the council, who would do nothing in the matter, but the stir did good, as none have been seen since.

Athens—Letter sent to local paper with list of prohibited publications. Such have been received through the mail.

Lansdowne—Prohibited papers have been received through the mail.

Lyn—Prevented sale of *Chicago Saturday Blade*.

Copleston—Subject discussed at meetings of the Union, and literature distributed.

Wyoming—Prohibited papers have been received. Some literature was sold in the book stores, but has been stopped, owing to general condemnation. The Union passed a resolution condemning the use of the human figure in a semi-nude state as an advertising medium.

Petrolia—Prohibited papers have been received through the mails.

Atvinston—Sent list of prohibited publications to local paper.

North Bay—Book stores were visited. Prohibited papers have been received through the post office.

Norwich—Not much done. Nude figures from cigar boxes were distributed among the public school children. Tried to trace the agent but failed.

Prince Albert—Papers were received through the post office but are now discontinued.

Peterboro—W. C. T. U. appealed to council against objectionable show bills and such are not now allowed to be put up.

Barrie—Objectionable show bills were removed by the Union appealing to the town clerk and chief of police.

St. Catharines—Objectionable papers have been handed to the children as they came out of school.

Grimshy—Some prohibited papers were exposed for sale, but withdrawn through speaking to the parties.

Hesperia—A few of the prohibited papers come into the village. Union has interviewed business men and manufacturers, and asked them to prevent such from coming into their work rooms, and have secured their co-operation.

Galt—Had some objectionable tobacco advertisements removed from a barber's shop.

Toronto District—Interviewed mayor and inspector of police regarding objectionable show bills and advertising posters.

Willard—Sent list of prohibited papers to each member of the Union.

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REPORT OF EVANGELISTIC WORK.

(MRS. GORDON, Superintendent)

One thought seems to be uppermost in the minds of many of our workers, and it is, that this Department is the most important of all branches of our work, and that it does not receive the attention it should. One prominent worker says, "I sometimes fear we forget the 'C' in our name; let it be *Christian Union*." Have we indeed failed to learn the lesson that without Him we can do nothing?

The following Counties report work done, viz.:

Essex—The Superintendent of Prison Work, Mrs. Hardeastle, of Windsor, reports that the jail has been visited and literature distributed.

Wellington—Mrs. Boulton, Superintendent—Grateful that the Lord has so honored them in giving opportunity and strength to do something in this important part of this service. Gospel temperance meetings held on Sunday afternoons, addressed by the resident clergymen and others, were well attended. On the day of the Plebiscite a four hour prayer meeting, led by the members, and much enjoyed by all temperance workers. Held cottage meetings, some in the homes of drunkards, and it is believed thereby many precious souls have been saved. Regular weekly visits to the jail, at which the Bible was always read and prayer offered. At Christmas families of the poor were supplied with dinners and clothing, and the children made happy with bags of candy. Mothers' meetings held at the homes of members, and much literature distributed.

Waterloo—Mrs. Glaut writes that all the Unions are interested and nearly all working. Supporting mission work, maintaining Sunday Schools, distributing tracts, mothers' meetings at five different points, and relieving the poor, seems to comprise the good work. Ayr and Galt had two meetings addressed by Major Hilton. Berlin Union has a special field in the "House of Refuge" and the jail. An all-day prayer meeting was held at Hespeler on election day.

Toronto District—Mrs. Cowan, Superintendent, writes: There is not as much Evangelistic work done as might be expected of Toronto, owing to the thorough work by City Missions, so confined their efforts to woman's meetings and usual devotional meetings of members, the most special of which was January 3rd, Mrs. Youman's birthday, which was entirely set apart for prayer, the attendance large and services profitable. A memorial service was held for the much lamented Mr. Howland, and a special prayer meeting before the Plebiscite. Mothers' meetings, Bible readings, house to house visiting the poor clothed and fed, is but a small part of the great work done by this district. The jail work is attended to principally by the Eastern Union, who are specially gifted for this branch of work. They hold weekly meetings, and after the women leave the jail they still try to help them by letter writing, visiting, if ill or in need, and getting them situations and clothes to work in. If arrested again, the matron (who was appointed through our efforts) informs us of the fact, we attend court, and the magistrate hands the poor creatures over to the Union. The Superintendent and other members of the Union give Bible readings, and at one meeting addressed three hundred women at Sackville Street Mission.

Durham—Mrs. Cryderman, Superintendent. Scattered large quantities of literature and relieved the poor.

Lanark—Mrs. Hammond, Superintendent. Held a special service for the raftsmen, when a great blessing came upon all. Had an evangelist to hold services, which resulted in large numbers of persons signing the pledge. Evangelists Crossley and Hunter helped well in the work; after their meetings had quite an addition to the membership of the Union. Ministers exchanged pulpits and preached temperance sermons; mass meetings and gospel meetings held. No report from one half of the County.

Welland—Mrs. McCuaig, Superintendent. This officer, but lately appointed, has only received a report from Welland. She reports the jail visited and services held on Sunday mornings, also services in the W. C. T. U. rooms on Sunday afternoons, conducted by the clergymen and others. They visited and assisted poor families, distributed tracts, and have a mission for the colored people. This is quite a work.

Middlesex—Mrs. Winter, Superintendent. In some Unions great blessing received from the devotional meetings, which have been held regularly. They appoint a different leader for each meeting, and thus the timid ones, who were at first afraid of their own voices, can now give a most instructive and beautiful lesson. Helped the poor in London.

Lambton—Mrs. Broughton, Superintendent. Has corresponded with the different Unions and thus kept in touch with them, feeling that there is no work as important as this Branch, and none in which we can be so confident of success. Report tells of mass meetings, cottage prayer meetings, Bible readings given in the homes of poor families, literature scattered, visited and conducted services with the aged and afflicted, and assisted other organizations in religious meetings. Held Gospel meetings, addressed by Mrs. Hichcox and the Black Knight.

Brant—Mrs. Jones, County President, kindly reports: In Brantford Bible readings held in W. C. T. U. hall, also drawing room meetings; poor families cared for; suggests that the need of our work is more of the evangelistic, which would stimulate us to be more faithful in the other departments.

Peterboro—Mrs. Paton, County President, says: "The jail has been visited with good results and literature distributed."

Carleton—Superintendent just appointed. From the Local Superintendent of Ottawa we find that the semi-monthly devotional meeting has been carefully observed and special Bible readings given. During the "week of prayer" consecutive Bible readings were held each day: it proved to be a season of refreshment and strength, and a few names were added to the list of members. For the last three years a Bible reader has been employed. Her work has been to visit from house to house reading and praying with the inmates. It has been arduous toil but we believe blessed results have followed the efforts of this earnest worker as she endeavored to raise the fallen.

Northumberland—Through the kindness of the County President, Mrs. Wilson, the following items have been received: A grand work has been done in relieving the poor; a great quantity of literature distributed, and temperance sermons preached by the ministers.

Oxford—Has an earnest Superintendent in Mrs. Hawkins, who sees and feels the great need of the work, and is trying to rouse the locals to action. The lack of actual work to report may be attributed to the reaction after the tremendous efforts put forth during the Plebiscite campaign. She feels confident that with the Divine blessing some may be won from the downward path to the higher life.

Hamilton—Reports visits to the House of Refuge. The inmates listen attentively and talk freely of spiritual things, and we feel much good is being accomplished. Regular visits made to the jail when there are female prisoners. They seem to be glad to receive religious counsel when in prison; but how sad that, as soon as they go out, temptations to which they yielded before confront them on every hand. If the liquor traffic was abolished, there would be few female prisoners in our jails. The local Committee succeeded in getting one woman over seventy years of age into the Refuge, who has been committed ninety times to jail, and nearly every time *drink* was the cause. Many other interesting cases could be cited did time permit.

Haldimand—From this county comes a word of cheer that God is helping them to work in this Department, although so lately organized. The methods of work have been house-to-house visiting, literature scattered after the Neal Dow plan, "sowing it knee deep" on railway trains, in barber shops, etc.; had four evangelists, who conducted a week's meetings in a hall, with good results.

Kent—From Mrs. Simmington, Superintendent, the following has been gleaned: Jail work systematically done; regular services held; many of the prisoners had godly parents—drink the cause of their incarceration. They eagerly receive the reading matter, and want more than their share. Hospital visited, where fruit, delicacies and linen were given. At the services, many of the inmates were taught to pray; God answered, and they went out saved souls. Gave food and raiment to the poor; held meetings with the colored people.

Renfrew—Mrs. Findlay, Superintendent. The work is progressing. Your Superintendent held a week's evangelistic meetings in the county last winter.

Lambton—Mrs. Boughton reports gospel mass meetings and much personal work done.

Elgin—Mrs. McCutcheon. No report on account of illness.

Bruce—Received last winter an interesting report of the work done. The County President writes that the work lies very near her heart, and will appoint a Superintendent. Sunday evening meeting largely attended; want an Evangelist, as sheaves lie ungathered.

The day of prayer was widely observed in the province, and hundreds of programmes provided through the kindness of the Dow Superintendent, copies of which were sent to the leading secular papers. In April, a request was sent out asking the ministers and our workers to observe a day in the week of prayer to supplicate divine aid for our work. Many of the denominational and temperance papers published the appeal, among these were the "Evangelical Churchman," "Templar" and "Home Guard."

Your Superintendent in the interest of this Department has written sixty-one cards and twenty-five letters, besides two hundred and twenty-five circulars.

SUGGESTIONS.

1st. From a sister comes the thought that we should each *know* we are children of God; born of the Spirit. Unless we have the "Christ life," how can we carry it to others?

2nd. The "Christian" should be made prominent in our Bands of Hope; lead the little ones to Jesus, then only will they be truly temperate.

3rd. Gospel Temperance meetings, on Sunday afternoons or evenings, after church, are highly recommended by Dow Superintendent.

4th. That each local Union have at least one week's special services during the year, to include afternoon Bible readings and evening gospel mass meetings.

[Received after Convention opened].

Kent—Mrs. Simmington, the live Superintendent, reports much done in benevolent work. The poor, being numerous, are well attended to, the town council providing the necessary funds. A new departure has been to collect old clothing, and sell some at a very low price, besides what was given; fruit and delicacies also provided.

York—Mrs. Foster, Superintendent, says: "Excellent work done for the children; held special meetings during the week of prayer. At the services the ministers assisted us; they continued two weeks; much blessing resulted. Mrs. Youman's birthday observed, setting it apart as a time of prayer, consecration and thanksgiving." This county also reports earnest individual Christian life, full of quiet service for the Master. Have held Sabbath afternoon meetings, well attended and rich in blessing; cottage meetings; house-to-house visiting. The Superintendent has given Bible readings, and says that in the hearts of many, the old fire of the Crusaders still burns. Oh, that it was more universal!

SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

(MRS. FAWCETT, Superintendent.)

[Owing to the death of our beloved sister a very brief report of work done in this Department was secured.]

Lambton—Sarnia and Petrolia Unions have made a special effort to secure the early closing of shops and stores on Saturday evenings so that clerks and delivery boys could get home before Sunday morning. To aid this effort they requested the town ministers to preach special sermons on the subject, and the members of the Young People's Christian Societies to pledge themselves not to order goods to be delivered after six o'clock on Saturday night. Forest reports that their town is apparently all right along this line. In Watford the barber shops were closed and the Band of Hope was given special instruction on this subject. Alvinston had several hotels fined for selling liquor on Sunday, and succeeded in getting barber shops closed early. Their ministers also preached special sermons. Copleston made an effort for early closing of an ice-cream and cigar shop with some success.

UNFERMENTED WINE DEPARTMENT.

(MRS. ISA GILCHRIST, Superintendent.)

As our gleaming time comes we wonder at the small results of our twelve months' labors. We have failed in many of our plans and purposes for the furtherance of our Department. But, although we have apparently failed, yet the outcome may be beneficial in showing us our weakness and in teaching us to trust less to ourselves and more to the Lord. Although the progress in this most important Department is slow, yet we are encouraged to hope that it is advancing, and churches which once use unfermented wine never go back to fermented wine again. To be consistent Christians we should first cleanse the church of the impurity of the vile wine of commerce, for it does not represent the blood of Christ, when there is death in every drop. We would like to impress upon the workers the desirability of making returns for our Annual Report, as it is impossible to give a fair statement of the work done without facts. It is also very discouraging to your Superintendent.

The following have been heard from.

Durham—Churches using unfermented wine, ten; fermented wine, six.

Grenville—Can safely say that nearly all the churches in this county use the unfermented juice of the grape. Could not say for the Roman Catholic or English churches.

Grey—Thornbury reports three churches using unfermented wine; the ministers of the other two do not see their way clear to do so. Meaford reports two churches using unfermented wine; literature bearing on the subject, distributed. Owen Sound has nine churches in the town; seven use unfermented wine at Communion; two have adopted its use within the past year. The two using fermented wine are the Roman Catholic and Episcopal, the latter using native wine. One congregation in the township of Sarawak has adopted the use of unfermented wine upon our solicitation. Two congregations in the township of Keeable have also adopted its use. The Superintendent of Grey thinks it would be well for the Unions to keep a small supply on hand to send samples to clergymen and deacons not yet converted to its use.

Kent—Chatham—ten churches, three colored; three use unfermented wine—two Methodist, one Baptist. Ridgetown—five Protestant churches; Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, Disciple, use unfermented wine. Wallaceburg—four Protestant churches; Baptist and Methodist use unfermented wine. Dresden—five Protestant churches; four use unfermented wine. Blenheim—six Protestant churches; five use unfermented wine—Methodist, Baptist, Presbyterian, Disciple, Latter Day Saints. Five Unions reported thirty churches, eighteen of which use unfermented wine, twelve using fermented.

Leeds—Brockville—five churches using unfermented wine, three fermented. Lyn—two churches unfermented, one fermented. Lansdowne—two churches unfermented, one fermented. Gananoque—two churches unfermented, one fermented. Delta—two churches unfermented, one fermented. Athens—three churches unfer-

mented, one fermented. Sixteen using unfermented, eight fermented. Nothing special has been done this year. Those using the fermented are, with one exception, the Episcopal.

Lambton—Oil City—churches using unfermented, Presbyterian, Methodist; fermented, English. Petrolia—Presbyterian, Methodist, Baptist, use unfermented; fermented, English. Wyoming—Baptist and Methodist use unfermented; Presbyterian and English use fermented. Copleston—Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist use unfermented. Alvinston—Methodist, Presbyterian and Baptist use unfermented; English, fermented. Sarnia—five churches use unfermented wine, and three use fermented, English, Presbyterian and Catholic; one Presbyterian uses unfermented. Forest—all the churches, excepting one, use unfermented, and that church promised to look into the matter. Watford not heard from.

Middlesex—London—Literature distributed. The number of churches using unfermented wine increased by one—an English church having adopted it. Strathroy—All the churches use unfermented wine. Napier—two churches use unfermented; one fermented—the English church. Glencoe—three churches using unfermented wine—Methodist, Presbyterian and Church of Christ; one, the Episcopal, does not. Mount Brydges—three churches, Methodist, English and Baptist, all use unfermented wine. Parkhill reports all the churches represented in their Union as using unfermented wine. Osman—two churches, one using unfermented wine, one not. Ilderton—three churches, two of which use unfermented wine. Kerwood—two churches, both using it. Melbourne—Presbyterian and Methodist churches in the village; they are both using unfermented wine.

Northumberland—Made a vigorous canvass of the county in this Department, and found that about two-thirds of the churches used unfermented wine, and those not using it could not be approached on the subject.

Oxford—Superintendent wrote seventeen letters; received fifteen favorable replies. Brownsville has two churches, both using unfermented wine. Tilsonburg distributed a number of leaflets, and the Pastors of churches have been spoken to, but only some have fallen into line; two churches use unfermented wine, three fermented. The Union has sold \$9.50 worth of unfermented wine to different churches in the county. Ingersoll has not taken up the work this year. All the churches in the town use unfermented wine but one, and the pastor and people of that church think it would be unscriptural to use anything but fermented wine. Burgessville, Otterville and Salford report nothing done this year. Norwich reports three churches out of four using unfermented wine. Embro—Two churches out of three use unfermented wine. No report from Woodstock or Princeton.

Peterboro'—Reports twenty-three churches using unfermented wine.

Renfrew—At their Annual Convention there was no report, and they appointed a new Superintendent.

Simcoe—Barrie took up the subject at parlor meetings; read and distributed leaflets. Five churches use unfermented wine, two fermented. Bracebridge—two churches use fermented, two unfermented. Collingwood—four churches use unfermented. Distributed one hundred copies of "Jewish Passover." Gravenhurst—two churches use unfermented wine. Distributed one hundred copies of "Jewish

Passover." North Bay forgot to reply. Orillia—two churches unfermented. Stayner—two churches, unfermented. Huntsville—two churches unfermented; two fermented. Alvinston and Beeton not heard from.

Stormont—All the churches in Stormont County, except the Episcopal, use unfermented wine.

Toronto District—In last report there were two Baptist churches using fermented wine. They are now using unfermented. This leaves the whole of the Methodist, Baptist, Congregational, Reformed Episcopal, Disciples of Christ, two-thirds of the Presbyterian, and one Anglican church using unfermented wine.

Wentworth—Hamilton W. C. T. U. reports twenty-one churches using unfermented wine in the city. We hope to add to this number before long, as even in the Roman Catholic and Anglican churches, the sentiment is growing to conviction that unfermented wine only is suitable for commemorating the dying love of a blessed Saviour.

Welland—Has three churches in town using unfermented wine.

Wellington—Has no Superintendent of Unfermented Wine Department, but promises to bring the subject before the County Convention. Rockwood Union took it up some time ago, and has now the pleasure of seeing unfermented wine used in two Presbyterian churches near them, which formerly used fermented wine. One of the sisters is using all her influence with the Episcopal church.

Waterloo—There are eleven unions in Waterloo County; corresponded with them all; received replies from most of them. Find unfermented wine used in most of the churches.

York—So far as heard from them, is very little change from last year to report; there being about forty-eight out of eighty churches using unfermented wine.

Algoma, Brant, Bruce, Carleton, Dundas, Dufferin, Essex, Elgin, Frontenac, Glengarry, Halton, Haldimand, Huron, Lincoln, Muskoka, Norfolk, Ontario, Perth, Prince Edward, Peel, Prescott—Not yet heard from.

In conclusion, let me urge on our sisters the necessity of being more vigilant in this work, so that none may point to us as being inconsistent; as some will tell us, "Oh! you want to do away with it (meaning the liquor traffic), and still use it at your most sacred ordinance." We do hope for increased effort and interest in this Department the coming year.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

(MRS. G. D. PLATT, Superintendent.)

How many of us, as we stood upon the threshold of this year, reviewing the past with its failures and successes, its heart-ache and song--looking hopefully, anxiously, into the future, how many of us were led to resolve "God helping me I will do better another year?" Has God helped us? Have we done better? If so the world is

better for our having lived and worked and prayed ; if not, why not ? Let us consider the situation. We have had in force during the past year a regulation making compulsory the teaching of Physiology and Temperance. It is also compulsory that candidates for admission to our High Schools shall be examined in the subject. We need not look to our women to learn of results ; the official report of the Education Department shows that these regulations are respected by teachers and examiners. It seems to me to be wise to cease our agitation for further legal enactments along this line and turn our attention to the details of the home work.

Many of us have been sitting with folded hands praying the Minister of Education to enforce with the whip of the law the teaching of temperance. At the same time our teachers are surrounded by an army of task-masters, trustees and ratepayers, who are ready to drive from the profession all who do not come up to the standard all round, and who are unable to prepare their children for the various examinations in the shortest possible time. What is the result ? In some cases neglect and evasion of the spirit of the law as far as temperance instruction is concerned. When the majority of ratepayers say to the teachers, as we temperance workers say to each other, ' Our children must be instructed in the nature and effect of alcohol upon the human system *at any cost*,' there will be no need of a Compulsory Temperance Education Act. In the meantime everything we do to create public sentiment will strengthen the law and aid in its enforcement.

In March a circular was issued from this Department explaining the requirements of the law, and the penalties for non-enforcement, according to recommendation of Plan of Work Committee.

In September a letter of enquiry was addressed to the County Superintendents and Secretaries to be forwarded to the local workers relative to the work done during the year. The following are the enquiries :

- 1.—Have you acted upon the suggestions that have been sent you in reference to the distribution of literature bearing upon this work ?
- 2.—Have you interested yourselves in the selection of teachers ?
- 3.—Have you tried to help and encourage your teachers, insisting upon the full observance of the law ?
- 4.—If your trustees are indifferent will you try to secure the election of better men to fill their places ?
- 5.—How many of your regular Union meetings have been devoted to a study of some phase of this important subject ?
- 6.—Is it taught in your Band of Hope ?
- 7.—Hundreds of young people are just now in training as teachers in the Model Schools of Ontario. This is a favorable opportunity of appealing to them and impressing upon them the responsibility of their position. A social evening arranged especially for their pleasure and profit may be the means of winning their sympathy and co-operation ?

The above circular letter was unavoidably late in reaching our workers, which partially explains the unusually small number of replies, but in most cases it may be taken for granted that nothing is being done along the lines indicated in the letter of

enquiry. Some have expressed the intention to quit the field, believing that there is nothing further to do.

Brant—Brantford, Paris and St. George have local Superintendents, and the schools are fairly well looked after in the matter. St. George Union has offered prizes for the best essay on the subject, which is causing quite a stir in the village.

Carleton—Reports three Demorest Medal contests.

Peterboro—Reports schools of county and town receiving instruction. W. C. T. U. prizes given to pupils obtaining highest number of marks in Physiology and Temperance at last entrance examination.

Simcoe—All the Unions of the county have done some work in this department. Barrie fully alive. Prizes given to both High and Public Schools. Ran a lady for school trustee. Worked for good men in elections and put them in, too. Scientific Temperance taught in Band of Hope. Will invite Modelites to next parlor meeting and devote the evening to Scientific Temperance.

Essex—Just beginning to act in this department. Amherstburg Union has a short selection read from authorized text books at each meeting. Have arranged for member to visit schools and confer with teachers. Use manakin in Band of Hope.

Kenfron—Scientific Temperance taught in all the Public Schools of the county. A good deal of interest manifested by the children.

York—Reports from Newmarket, Aurora, Weston and Toronto Junction. Newmarket gave four prizes for best examination paper. The School Board has purchased charts to illustrate the effect of alcohol on the system.

Oxford—Good work done by some of the Unions, especially Ingersoll.

Middlesex—Nearly every Union has a Superintendent of this Department. No report of work done.

Stormont—The subject is taught in all the schools of the county in which pupils are preparing for entrance examinations.

Prince Edward—Regulations are generally observed; questions are placed upon the papers for promotion from third to fourth classes by inspector.

Toronto District—Teachers realize as never before the importance of thorough teaching in temperance. The "Y's" have taught a class in Elizabeth Street School. At close of session twenty-eight prizes were given for the very satisfactory answers given in examination. Scientific Temperance taught in Bands of Hope. The outlook is encouraging, and we begin the year with renewed determination to advance the cause of education along temperance lines.

Hamilton—We offered three gold medals to be competed for by candidates for High School, Public School leaving, and in first form Collegiate Institute. Considerable interest was manifested in the medal presented last year, and we hope by this means to incite to more thorough study.

Ottawa, Grimsby, Galt, Stouffville, Hepworth, Port Credit, Oakville, Napier, Milton, Chesley, Lakefield, Aultsville and Orillia have been heard from, their reports showing a good deal of interest in the work. Hepworth and Chesley in county of Bruce send very encouraging reports.

Lanark—We are glad to know that in our county this subject is being carefully

taught. In conversation with one teacher, she expressed her regret that she had not more time for this subject. She found the scholars interested, and enjoyed teaching it. This is not the case with all; but we believe they are doing their duty. At the Teachers' Convention, held at Smith's Falls, some of the speakers thought it unnecessary to teach this subject, as they thought seeing men intoxicated was warning enough to keep children from drinking; but we know this has been no warning all down through the ages. If children are taught all about the nature of alcoholic drinks, narcotics, and the peril of beginning to use them, because they create an uncontrollable appetite for more, and the scientific connection between the first glass and the drunkards' fate, we believe many of them will become total abstainers. As regards work done by local Unions this year: Carleton Place—Have no Superintendent of this department, but report this subject taught in all the schools. Smith's Falls—Have no Superintendent, but have seen to it that this subject is taught in their schools. Perth—This subject is taught in the public school from the authorized text book. Almonte—Have no Superintendent, but report that this subject is taught in the public school, and their Union have given prizes to the pupils who obtained the highest number of marks. Lanark—Have no Superintendent, but the temperance study is most carefully taught. Playfair—This subject is not neglected, and not only does our teacher teach this subject in school, but he helps in our Band of Hope as well.

Let me say in conclusion, that as long as there are children and schools, so long will there be need of work in this department. Teachers are constantly changing, hence those whom we stimulated and encouraged to better work last year, may be out of the profession or scattering the good seed in other fields to-day. The things that remain to be done are not dependent upon provincial enactments, but upon the tireless efforts of our Christian Temperance workers. Let these be our local enactments:

1st. No teacher using intoxicating liquor, tobacco or profane language, shall be employed in our schools.

2nd. No trustee favoring the employment of unworthy teachers shall be re-elected to office.

3rd. Any teacher of junior pupils not preparing for entrance to the high school, who persistently refuses to comply with the regulations, shall be reported to the Inspector, and if necessary, to the Minister of Education.

4th. Each county Union, or some local Union in each county, shall request the county Inspector to prepare questions bearing upon the prescribed Temperance teaching for promotion from third to fourth classes.

5th. We resolve to give our children another year at school, if necessary, in order that they may have ample time for the study of this important subject without neglecting any other. At our firesides, in our social gatherings, in our women's meetings, everywhere, this great question of *profit and loss* should be discussed. If parents refuse, because of the dollars and cents involved, upon them and not upon the teachers will the responsibility rest.

6th. At every teachers' convention we will prove ourselves in sympathy with the work by some act of courtesy or kindness; by attending the meetings, by

entertaining in our homes, and, occasionally, by a reception rendered to them as a body.

7th. We will not forget the student teachers in the model schools while they are within our reach.

8th. We consider it a wise appropriation of the funds of our society to provide helps for our teachers in the way of scientific Temperance literature, especially the "Monthly Advices" published by Mrs. Hunt, of Boston, at fifty cents per year for single subscription.

If any wish to order Mrs. Hunt's "Scientific Monthly Advices," the school physiology journal, address Mrs. Mary H. Hunt, 23 Trull Street, Boston, Mass.

DEPARTMENT OF NARCOTICS.

(MRS. GORDON WRIGHT, Superintendent.)

The gathering up of this year's work in the Department of Narcotics has been, in many respects, a pleasant task, for the fruitage has been abundant, and it is with feelings of profound gratitude to Him who has so signally helped the workers that we present this report to you.

Last year the number of Unions engaged in this work was thirty-three. This year we have sixteen County, with a working force of fifty-two Local Superintendents, making the grand total of sixty-eight Narcotic Superintendents scattered over the province.

"Out of the shadow of night, the world moves into the light ;
There is daybreak everywhere."

Brant—Reports increasing interest in this Department, evidenced by the recent appointment of a County Superintendent of Narcotics. Paris Union reports a Local Superintendent, through whose efforts an afternoon was set aside for the investigation of this subject, at which it was decided anti-narcotic literature should be distributed where deemed most helpful. Their M. P. P., in compliance with the request of the Provincial Superintendent, was written to, asking his support to proposed amendment of present Tobacco Act, when introduced, and received his hearty promise of support.

Bruce—Has a County Superintendent of Narcotics, and five Local Superintendents representing Chesley, Walkerton, Wiarton, Kincardine and Paisley Unions, respectively. Copies of the Act were distributed and an endeavor made to enforce the same.

Dufferin—The only Union in the county—Shelburne—has disbanded, but its late president sent the courtesy of a reply, which fact we deem sufficiently noteworthy to record. We have strong hopes for the re-organization of Shelburne Union.

Durham—Reports a County Superintendent, and each one of its Local Unions—Port Hope, Orono and Bowmanville—represented by a Superintendent. In Port Hope, a copy of Act has been sent to every place where tobacco was sold; and anti-narcotic literature distributed in the Sunday Schools.

Essex—Has recently appointed a County Superintendent. Amherstburg Union has a Local Superintendent, who secured ten subscribers to *Anti-Tobacco Gem*.

Glengarry—Reports no Superintendents appointed, but has given this subject prominence in its local work. We trust this is but the initiative step to organized, decisive action during the incoming year.

Grenville—Reports no organized effort, but has distributed anti-narcotic literature throughout the county and hopes to fall into line this year.

Grey—Has a County Superintendent, and Owen Sound, Meaford and Thornbury Unions have each taken up this work. Owen Sound's Union Superintendent reports the distributing of two thousand leaflets and the securing of ten subscribers to *Anti-Tobacco Gem*. Their M. P. P. was written to regarding proposed amendment and gave a favorable reply. Thornbury Union distributed literature to teachers in public schools. Meaford Union reports strenuous efforts towards the securing of better enforcement of the Act.

Hastings—A committee was appointed to distribute anti-narcotic literature. The members have also endeavored to guard the boys in the county from indulgence in tobacco in any form.

Haldimand—Caledonia Union appointed a Superintendent, from whom no report as yet has reached us.

Kent—Appointed a County, and Local Superintendents for each Union. Leamington reports distribution of literature and increasing interest in this department.

Lambton—Is forging her way to the front in this work. Her County Superintendent reports five Unions represented by this department. Alvinston distributed copies of Act in stores where tobacco was sold; also to members of Band of Hope, to whom occasional talks on the evils of tobacco-using were given. The Superintendent was also instrumental in having Act published in local paper. Watford Union reports the placing of Act in shops where tobacco was sold, and gave warning in regard to its violation. Wyoming likewise distributed copies of Act, also other anti-narcotic literature; used personal influence, persuading one young man to give up the use of the weed. Sarnia's Local Superintendent was instrumental in convicting and fining a dealer for violation of Tobacco Act. Took action respecting drug stores selling cigars on Sunday. Interviewed M. P. P., who promised hearty support to proposed amendment of Act. Forest-Union placed copies of Act in all places where tobacco was sold. Supplied a column in local paper; distributed anti-narcotic literature; gave scientific lessons to Band of Hope; endeavored to get some to give up the use of the weed, and, in one or two instances, succeeded.

Lanark—Has a County Superintendent, who reports three Local Superintendents at work in Carleton Place, Almonte and Lanark. At the latter place copies of Act were distributed and enforced, and, at their Industrial Fair, the Superintendent secured the prohibiting of smoking in the buildings or on the grand stand. Carleton Place Union launched out on a great enterprise, considering its smallness, municipally, by sending a confirmed morphine eater to Gold Cure—this was done at a cost of \$125—with the result that now she is completely cured. We learn, with sadness, that she contracted this habit by using the drug as a medicine through the express orders of her physician.

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Leeds—Has a County Superintendent, from whom, as yet, we have received no reply. Athens, Brockville and Gananoque have each appointed Local Superintendents, who are reported as ready for work this coming year.

Lincoln—Rockway Union is doing aggressive work in this department. Its energetic Superintendent, though only appointed in May, reports the distribution of copies of Act in public school, also in Effingham and Jordan post offices, and all places where tobacco was sold. Narcotic literature was distributed in every house in the village and surrounding county. Interviewed many on the subject, and reports two smokers reformed, and lastly, presented copies of Act to the pastors at Jordan and Rockway, accompanied with an urgent request that they would preach against this evil.

Middlesex—Still leads the van in this anti-narcotic crusade, for of the ten Unions in the county each have appointed Superintendents. The efficient and active County Superintendent reports that Napier Union circulated, freely, anti-narcotic literature. Its Superintendent gave two talks on the subject in different Unions, and placed copies of Act in every store where tobacco was sold. Mt. Brydges reports the setting aside of some of their regular meeting days for the special consideration of this subject. Placed copies of Act in each store, accompanied by a word of caution, "That it was hoped no further steps would be necessary." Glencoe carried on the work in similar fashion. Parkhill reports being thoroughly alive on this "burning" question. Placed copies of Act with every tobacco seller in the town—twenty-six in all. Sent a request to M. P. P. asking him to support the clause amending the Act. London reports two meetings held during the year devoted exclusively to this subject. A letter was sent M. P. P., also chief of police, drawing the attention of the latter to the prevalence of tobacco and cigarette smoking among the boys, requesting him to ask his staff to strive to put down this evil. Sent copies of Act to all grocers and other retail dealers in tobacco. This was accompanied by a note, signed by the President, local, county and provincial Superintendents of Narcotics, expressing the hope that there would be no further violations of the law. The public school teachers were interviewed on the subject, and in the principal schools large copies of the Act, neatly framed, were hung in a conspicuous place.

Muskoka—The Superintendent of Huntsville Union reports the procuring of ten subscribers for *Anti-Tobacco Gem*. Placed a copy of Act in every store dealing in tobacco, and distributed anti-narcotic literature throughout the town.

Norfolk—Reports its two Unions as not as yet engaged in this work.

Northumberland—Reports no County Superintendent appointed, but Campbellford Union has a local one, who wrote M. P. P., asking support to proposed amendment and received a favorable reply. Warkworth and Cobourg Unions, as well as Campbellford, distributed copies of Act to dealers.

Oxford—Has a County Superintendent, who reports Embro's Union Superintendent has succeeded in getting the triple pledge introduced into three churches. She has also given a quarterly ten-minute talk on this subject. Brownsville reports great interest in this department. Had a talk on the subject from Provincial Superintendent. Have appointed a local Superintendent and now feel prepared for earnest action. Norwich has a local Superintendent of Narcotics who has been trying the

power of a personal appeal to those addicted to the use of the weed—in some instances successfully. Princeton has appointed a Superintendent of Narcotics this year.

Perth—Is in full sympathy with the work and expects to organize in the near future.

Peterboro—Peterboro Union has a Superintendent, who reports the distribution of Act among the boys who, previously, were not aware such a law existed. Persuaded twenty to take the triple pledge. Distributed two hundred leaflets on tobacco-using and one hundred copies of Act.

Peel—Reports not being represented by this department of work but expects to during the year.

Prescott—Vankleek Union reports the distribution of anti-narcotic literature; also wrote the M. P. P. and received a favorable reply.

Renfrew—Has a County Superintendent, who reports that Pembroke Union appointed a Superintendent this year. Arnprior Union placed copies of Act in every store dealing in tobacco. Other anti-narcotic literature freely distributed. Two public meetings were addressed upon this subject.

Simcoe—Has a County Superintendent of Narcotics, who reports three Unions—Orillia, Barrie and Gravenhurst—as engaged in this work. Anti-narcotic literature freely scattered; and a paper on "Evils of Tobacco-using," printed and sent to each Union in the county.

Stormont—The work in this department is centered in Cornwall, where a free distribution of Act is reported. At their Agricultural Fair it was found the Tobacco Act was flagrantly violated. The Superintendent of this department took action in the matter and succeeded in at once checking the violation.

Toronto District—Has a Superintendent appointed, who regrets no decisive action along this line. Reports no Superintendents in local Unions.

Victoria—Lindsay appointed a local Superintendent this year.

Wentworth—Hamilton Central has appointed a Superintendent of Narcotics. No further report.

Waterloo—Has a County Superintendent but have received no report. Galt Union has a much-interested local Superintendent, who reports literature distribution and mother's meetings held, at which the anti-narcotic question is kept strongly to the front.

Wellington—Has an active County Superintendent, who reports Guelph's local Superintendent as getting a copy of "Tobacco Problem" placed in free library and urging several to read it. Distributed, at a teachers' meeting held in that city, the leaflet entitled "The Tobacco Habit and its Effects upon School Work." Harrison Union reports getting Act placed in conspicuous places in all stores and public buildings; also the circulation of Miss Skinner's paper on narcotics. Mount Forest's Superintendent got copies of Act tacked up in stores where tobacco was sold. Ten copies of *Anti-Tobacco Gem* taken, and careful instruction given the 160 members of Band of Hope on the evils of tobacco. Reckwood has a local Superintendent, who reports the sending of letters to ministers in village and township requesting a sermon

on the subject. Also sent letters to Sunday School Superintendent and Superintendents of church societies—ten in all. Distributed 1,000 pages of literature at county fair and placed copy of Act in every refreshment booth on the grounds.

The above completes the list of reported counties. *Algoma, Carleton, Dundas, Elgin, Halton, Huron, Nipissing, Ontario, Prince Edward and York* sent no replies to letters sent.

In the interests of this department your Superintendent petitioned the Ontario Legislature to so amend the present Tobacco Act as to make it less difficult of enforcement, and requested each county and local Superintendent to ask their respective M. P. P's. to support the amendment when introduced. Though we anxiously watched for news of its coming before the House the session closed without any action being taken. When it was announced the session would be prolonged our hopes were raised to the highest point of expectancy, for we immediately thought of our proposed amendment. But no! Evidently, in the eyes of our Provincial Fathers, "binder twine" was infinitely more worthy of consideration than that which so closely concerned the moral and physical well-being of the youth of our land. But this disappointment will but serve to stimulate us to put forth more strenuous efforts for the adoption of even more rigorous measures, until, from our province, will be lifted the reproach that an evil so contaminating is so easy of access.

Your Superintendent also sent out two hundred and fifty circular letters to the different county and local Unions, seventy post cards, and a number of letters of explanation to the newly appointed Superintendents. Wrote *Journal and Citizen* and *Home Guard* in the interests of this department. Brought this subject before the Ontario Young People's Association, which convened in London last March, asking them to memorialize Government in regard to the proposed amendment, which, by a unanimous vote, they decided to do

SUGGESTIONS.

1st. That Superintendents of Narcotics be appointed in every organized county, whose duty shall be the sending, to the various local Unions in the county, the plan of work of Provincial Superintendent; also all communications necessary to be sent from Provincial Superintendent to local Unions pass through the County Superintendents, except such as shall come directly to the Provincial Superintendent requiring a personal answer, thereby keeping the chain of connection unbroken between Provincial, County and Local Superintendents. Also that County Superintendents shall be held responsible for annual reports of work accomplished by the local Unions, said reports to be forwarded to Provincial Superintendent not later than the 10th of October of each year.

2nd. Each County Superintendent shall also procure and forward to Provincial Superintendent the names of all the local Superintendents in her county.

3rd. Would suggest the great importance of organized effort in this department on the part of Unions. It is not enough that you keep the interests of this department abreast with other local work. Organize, by appointing a Superintendent and providing her with as many suitable helps as possible.

4th. We would like to see Anti-Cigarette Leagues formed among the young in

every county or local Union where at all practicable. This movement in the United States, though of scarcely a year's growth, has been instrumental in inducing thousands of the boys to pledge themselves against the use of cigarettes.

5th. The *Anti Tobacco Gem*—to be obtained from Chas. H. Shepherd, Melvin Village, N. H., price, in clubs of ten, to one address, ten cents—would be of immense assistance in spreading information in regard to our department. Will not Superintendents do their utmost to secure subscribers this year.

6th. Whenever, and wherever permission will be given, supply anti-narcotic matter to local paper.

7th. Write letters to your local physicians, asking them, in view of the increasing use of opiates among many who first learned to use them through a physician's prescription, to be more careful in prescribing them.

8th. Wait upon your Christian grocers and respectfully ask them to give up the sale of tobacco for example's sake.

9th. Lastly, scatter anti-narcotic literature everywhere.

HYGIENE, HEREDITY AND SOCIAL PURITY.

(LEILA A. DAVIS, M.D., Superintendent.)

Reports in this department are more numerous and more encouraging than those of last year.

It was thought wise for this year to largely confine our efforts to the question of reform in women's dress; this being not only very important in itself but also lying at the root of many other reforms. Early in the year the Ontario W. C. T. U. published three thousand copies of a leaflet—"Woman's Dress; a Question of the Day," written with the intention of showing in as small a space as possible the leading evils of the conventional woman's dress, the efforts now being made to correct them, and giving the names of books from which further information may be had.

I corresponded with Dr. Kellogg, of Battle Creek, Mich., in regard to a pamphlet issued by him—"The Influence of Dress in Producing the Physical Decadence of American Women." This pamphlet, which is illustrated, seems to me from a medical standpoint one of the best things on the subject that I have seen. Dr. Kellogg very generously donated one thousand copies to the Ontario W. C. T. U. His deep interest in this work may be judged by the following extract from one of his letters to me: "I do not know of any better missionary work to be done anywhere than work for the reformation of woman's dress. It is one of the greatest evils of the age." I also wrote to the Secretary of the National Council of Women of the United States, asking if the Canadian W. C. T. U. might use the paper for signatures circulated last year by that body in the interests of dress reform. Permission was very cordially granted. This paper runs as follows: "We, whose names are signed below, consent to give our influence in favor of an improvement in woman's dress, which will allow her the free and healthful use of the organs of her

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body when working or taking exercise. In signing this paper no one of us becomes responsible for the suggestions of any one else, nor do we promise to wear or to endorse any particular style of dress. We simply give our influence to start a strong and healthy movement in favor of freedom and common sense in dress, leaving ourselves free to work for it as seems best to each one." Among the early signers are such names as Frances Willard, Isabel Somerset, Grace Greenwood, Alice Freeman Palmer, etc.

In January, 1894, there was sent to every Union in the Province one of Dr. Kellogg's pamphlets, the leaflets on "Woman's Dress" and the paper for signatures, together with a circular letter outlining methods of work and asking for the return of the paper with signatures gained and a report of the work done.

The responses, if not so numerous as could be desired, have still shown that considerable interest has been aroused. Fifteen Unions returned their papers with a total of one hundred and sixty-four signatures, London heading the list with fifty names.

There have been several very good reports from County Superintendents.

Grey—Although a Superintendent in this department was appointed for the first time this year seems to have been especially active. Owen Sound reports the appointment by council of a sanitary inspector, who duly enforced the amended Factory Act; a lecture on "Dress Reform"; twenty of Dr. Kellogg's pamphlets sold, and a number of leaflets on "Hygienic Dress, and Local Purity" distributed.

There have been, too, some interesting reports from individual Unions in unorganized counties.

London reports a meeting especially devoted to the discussion of Dress Reform, when a number of leaflets on the question were distributed and sixty of Dr. Kellogg's pamphlets sold. Also a "Mothers' Meeting," at which papers relating to the child's physical, mental and moral training were read and discussed, besides more informal work.

Rockaway Union, St. Catharines, in six months' work reports the distribution of a considerable number of leaflets on "Alcoholic Heredity, Social Purity and Woman's Dress."

St. Marys and Chatham report the appointment of Superintendents in the department of Social Purity.

There have also been a number of inquiries in regard to literature, methods of work, etc., and some expressions of regret at inability to do anything in this department this year and of hope for the accomplishment of some work later.

During the year I gave two illustrated lectures on "Dress Reform," one in Toronto and one in Owen Sound, which were very satisfactory both in attendance and interest. At the close of these lectures and on other occasions a total of one hundred and eight of Dr. Kellogg's pamphlets were sold. As one result of the lecture given in Toronto, I was invited by the editor of the *Ladies' Journal*, Toronto, to write a series of articles on "Dress Reform" for that magazine, and which were made more effective by appropriate illustrations. The articles on "Dress Reform" promised for the *Woman's Journal* will be ready for the November and December numbers.

"I feel convinced that the necessity of reform in woman's dress is fast becoming more widely recognized, and I hope the women of the Ontario W. C. T. U. will not discontinue their efforts in this direction. The one thing needful is knowledge. When evils are once clearly seen their removal is pretty certain. I would like to urge the study and discussion of this subject and the distribution of suitable literature. There are still on hand at the literature depot four hundred and seventy of Dr. Kellogg's pamphlets, for sale at the nominal price of five cents each. If every W. C. T. U. woman would possess, read and lend one of these pamphlets, a great impetus would be given to the movement. There are also still on hand a number of the leaflets "Woman's Dress."

What we eat is perhaps not less important than what we wear. There may be recommended two books on hygienic cookery, published by the W. C. T. U. — "Science in the Kitchen," by Mrs. E. E. Kellogg, A.M., and "Health in the Household," by Treasurer W. Dodds, M.D.

Physical culture also deserves attention from our W. C. T. U. Mrs. Frances Lester, of Mansfield, Ohio, National Superintendent of Physical Culture, has issued a fifty cent package of literature, which will be helpful in this department.

PARLOR MEETINGS.

(EMMA A. WHEELER, Superintendent).

During the past year, five county Unions, viz.: Bruce, Kent, Bothwell, Waterloo and Toronto District, have made parlor meetings one of their departments of work, by appointing Superintendents; the last named having two Superintendents.

Besides these, the following local Unions, in counties not having as yet duplicated the department, have appointed Superintendents: Napier, Hamilton Central, Norwich, Salford, Otterville, Tilsonburg, Caledonia and Owen Sound. Reports were received from fourteen Unions, three county Unions and Toronto District. These held sixty parlor meetings, as follows: Dresden, one; Barrie, five; Toronto District, six; Copleston, two; Hamilton Central, twelve; Brantford, two; Caledonia, one; Tilsonburg, one; Lucknow, twelve; Chesley, ten; Kincardine, one; Paisley, one; Southampton, one; Teeswater, three; and Peterboro', two. Only two reported receiving new members—Copleston, eight active and three honorary, and Hamilton Central, twenty. Lucknow received additions, but failed to give the number. The Unions of Toronto District raised \$33.88, and Brantford, \$25.00, at their parlor meetings. Hamilton Central and Lucknow hold parlor meetings once a month; Chesley nearly every month, and others are not regular.

Every report expressed strong approval of parlor meetings as an effective way to interest people who are indifferent to Temperance work. The Superintendent of Bruce County writes that last year only two Unions held parlor meetings, while this year six have done so, showing the department is growing in favor in that County.

In Toronto District, two of the parlor meetings were favored with parliamentary

drills by the Dominion and Provincial Presidents. Barrie Union discussed the following subjects at the parlor meetings, viz.: Work among lumbermen, wearing the white ribbon, unfermented wine at the Lord's supper, social purity, and the question, "Shall men be admitted to active membership in our Organization?" Other Unions report having the usual programme of music, speeches and refreshments.

In prosecuting the work for the year, I have sent out circulars twice—six hundred and ninety-five altogether—written forty-four letters and postals, and expended \$7.76 in the work, which I take pleasure in receipting to our Treasurer; not that I wish credit, but because I believe our Provincial Union should have credit for all money expended in the work.

SUGGESTIONS

- 1st. That all organized counties appoint a Superintendent of parlor meetings.
- 2nd. That every County Superintendent try to interest her Unions to take up this work.
- 3rd. That Unions in unorganized counties take up the department, appointing a Superintendent with whom I may correspond.
- 4th. That every Superintendent, county and local, write to me for information concerning the department.
- 5th. To secure the best results, monthly or quarterly parlor meetings are most satisfactory.

YOUNG WOMAN'S WORK.

(M. A. DOUGLAS, Superintendent; ZILLAH REA, Assistant Superintendent.)

During the past year your Superintendents have written one hundred and twenty-two letters, fifty-five postal cards and eight letters to the *Woman's Journal*; besides sending out seventy-nine circulars and greetings, and fifteen packages of papers and pamphlets.

In presenting our report we are sorry we cannot tell of more definite success, but we believe there is an awakening on the subject of temperance among our young people. As there are so many young people's societies existing at present, we have felt that it would be unwise to urge the formation of separate and distinct Unions in small places, but we should again like to plead with the "W's" to form "Y" committees in their own Unions. During the past six months we were pleased to hear that our appeals had been heard, as during this period five "Y" committees have been formed. The first to start the good work was Rockaway, then Brownsville, Teeswater, Amherstburg and Athens. We trust that the other one hundred and fifty Unions will also take up this branch. It could be much more readily done if each county had a "Y" Superintendent. Will not the county executives please appoint

such at once, and all our "W's" think seriously of this matter, for we want the young people to feel that this work belongs to them, and that it is for their well being as well as their mothers. Our work is a preventive one, and in no way can we accomplish this so well as by education, but in order to do this well we must have them in the Union.

Belleville—This Union was organized October 27th, 1892. It has carried on Band of Hope, Sewing School and Flower Mission work.

Almonte—The Almonte "Y" was organized September 16th, 1886, and has carried on the following branches of work: Flower Mission, Lumber Mission, Evangelistic, Press Narcotics, Scientific Temperance Instruction, Unfermented Wine, and Fair Work.

Cobourg—Cobourg Union was organized in April, 1889. Flower Mission is doing a grand work. Bouquets and packages with texts attached are distributed. One hundred families are visited annually. The jail and Protestant Home are also visited regularly. At Christmas time the poor are visited and provided with appetizing dinners. Fruit and delicacies are taken to the sick. The Sewing School is doing well.

Guelph—The Guelph "Y" was re-organized June 15th, 1893, and has 15 active and 3 honorary members; held 15 business meetings; average attendance 9; receipts for the year were \$12.17; expenditure, \$8.60. The branches of work undertaken were: Press, Mission, Flower Mission, and work among boys or young men.

Hamilton—The Hamilton "Y" was organized in January, 1881, and has a membership of 180 divided into Dorcas and aggressive temperance workers. Honorary members 17; nine Bands of Hope, in which 3,600 children are pledged; number pledged in Sunday schools, 1,450; new signatures, 200. Three Sewing Schools with a membership of 250; meetings held, 592; prizes awarded, 50; merit ribbons, 1050; amount received, \$620.23; expended, \$579.86. During the year monthly treats have been given in each Band of Hope and Sewing School. The holiday seasons are especially noticed in the Newsboys' Club by Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, and an "open sesame" on New Year's Day.

Ottawa—Ottawa "Y" organized December, 1892. Number of active members, 200; honorary, 20; amount of money received, \$192.54; amount expended, \$149.11. The branches of work are—Flower Mission, Evangelistic, Press, Narcotics, and Social; 500 pages of literature have been distributed, and a wonderful work has been done by the Flower Mission department.

Picton—This Union was organized October 1, 1887. The chief work has been Band of Hope, Flower Mission, and distribution of temperance literature in reading rooms and barber shops. Endeavors have been made to enforce the Tobacco and Factory Acts.

St. Catharines—The St. Catharines "Y" was organized April 30, 1889; has 25 active and 17 honorary members; has held 19 business meetings, with an average attendance of 6, and 5 evangelical meetings. The branches of work taken up were—Hospital and Flower Mission, Relief (in which they received great assistance from the Relief Committee of the City Council), Railroad, Lumbermen's and Christmas

Letter Missions, Press, Parlor Socials and Band of Hope work; distributed 2,614 pages of literature, 25 cards, 11 magazines, 40 Christmas mission letters, 143 bouquets, and 11 prizes; sent 100 lbs. of literature, 1 scrap album and 6 comfort bags to the lumbermen; remembered Jennie Cassiday's birthday and Crusade Day. Receipts, \$55.01; expenditure, \$50.17.

Toronto—Toronto Central "Y," organized 1885, has 35 active and 4 honorary members. The following branches of work were taken up—Evangelistic, Scientific Temperance Instruction, Band of Hope, Flower Mission, Golden League, Kitchen Garden, Press, Journal, Parlor Meetings and Lumbermen's work. Distributed 2,000 pages of literature and 860 papers; received 110 juvenile and 50 adult signatures to the pledge; held 9 devotional and 12 business meetings, with an average attendance of 12 and 9; amount of money received, \$181.08; expended, \$166.74.

Teeswater—"Y" Committee was organized August 14th, 1894; number of members 23, and think there is already an increase of interest among the young ladies of the W. C. T. U.; have taken up 8 branches of work, with conveners, as follows—Lumbermen's Mission, Miss S. Watson; Fair work, Mrs. R. Nixon; Literature, Miss J. Reid; Juvenile work, Mrs. Reede; Parlor meetings, Miss B. Nixon; Flower Mission, Miss M. Kirkly; *Woman's Journal* and *Union Signal*, Miss M. Scott. Have distributed 20 copies per week of *Citizen and Home Guard*; received 152 juvenile signatures to the pledge.

Amherstburg—"Y" Committee organized October 24th, 1894. Hadn't arranged work when reported.

Athens—"Y" Committee just organized when reported.

Rockaway—"Y" Committee organized in April, 1894. Has 5 members. Have assisted the W's by getting up the programmes.

Brownsville—"Y" Committee organized May, 1894. Has 8 active and 6 honorary members. Work taken up—Flower Mission and putting leaflet in books of library. Signatures to pledge. The Sunday school scholars' entertainments consisted of an evening of "Tableaux and Charades," "Milkmaid Convention," two linen sales and a dolls' reception.

Kingston—The Kingston "Y" was organized in March, 1888, and has 8 active members. The departments of work taken up were Flower and Fruit Mission, Hospital Mission, and an educational class. This last was a class for poor children who could not attend school. Special interest was manifested in the Flower and Fruit Mission. Number of meetings held, 8.

London—The London "Y" was organized April 26th, 1889. Its branches of work are: Young Woman's Christian Association, with a membership of over 200; Juvenile and Scientific Temperance, or Temperance Band; Delicacy and Fruit Mission, and a Summer Home for the working girls. Has a library of 350 volumes, and has secured twenty-five adult signatures to the pledge.

JUVENILE DEPARTMENT.

(MRS. PRATT, Superintendent.)

There has been an unusual stir in the province this year over the best way of saving the children. It seems to me purity in home life is the first answer to this question, and here our efforts for total abstinence strikes the key note, and therefore it is of vital importance to ask ourselves the question: Have we yet touched the magic spring that shall open up to us the approach into this strongly protected citadel. Could we plan for an organized work to quicken the sympathies of the members of the Christian church? How can we get at the Christian mothers? The children certainly are the all important treasures. We must not lose sight of this fact, that their environments make them grow to what they are to be. This department realizes this to the fullest. May I ask of the members represented here, do you realize this and have you put this realization into practical action? This department approached the Unions by letter, as usual, in December; cards also were sent in September for gleanings purposes. The responses were fairly good; 500 letters and cards were sent to the sister Unions and 70 letters and cards were answered in the interest of the work. The compilation of the returns from questions show a large percentage trying to push the total abstinence question in Sabbath schools. This is a large field and one that requires much earnest effort, not only to pledge the children but to give them Bible teaching; also distribution of temperance reading matter is urgent. Bands of mercy are also important in connection with every Sunday school and Band of Hope. The teaching of humaneness to mute creation. The medal contests have evidently had a rest this year as few Unions report work on this line. We have had reported 9,743 children pledged, and 84 Bands of Hope, with 771 new signatures, showing a large increase over last year. Some specialties, as taken up, may be mentioned as follows:

Barrie—A wild flower show; \$6.25 distributed as prizes for most tasteful arrangement.

Galt—Distributed 2,000 temperance papers and 400 humane leaflets.

Toronto Junction—Includes gambling in their pledge; 40 essays supplied by the children, all on some part of the pledge.

Paris—Has a large number of young men connected with the Band.

Hamilton—Four sewing schools and newsboys' club.

Greenwood—Comfort bags, scrap books and Flower Mission.

Brantford—Night school, clothing for poor children.

Ingersoll—An Industrial school.

London—Industrial school and cooking school.

Toronto—Has made work in the Sunday schools a specialty, having not only had the children sign the pledge, and distributed literature, but made special efforts to have temperance lessons taught quarterly, and sending ladies to address the children. Reports show \$520.00 expended for the Bands. Eight Bands were reported, without specifying number of children; one Union reported 125 members, but gave no name of place; 12 new Bands

SUGGESTIONS.

This department urges that Superintendents will not send lengthy reports but simply reply tersely to questions asked, and give any special work in as few words as possible.

That we have some new literature bearing on this department to stir and enthuse the workers.

That this Convention endorse the establishing of a child's paper, either monthly or semi-weekly, for our Bands. It is a great necessity to give our children some bright and suggestive reading, where the children may be invited to take hold of a correspondence column, and thus create a sympathy and fellow-feeling between members of the Bands throughout Ontario.

	Bands.	Children.		Bands.	Children.
Mitchell	1	30	Whitby	1	70
Alvinston	1	60	Barrie	1	220
Lancaster	1	31	Thornbury	1	75
Selkirk	1	44	Hamilton	9	2000
St. George	1	30	Avonmore	1	60
Brantford	1	60	Newington	1	20
Trenton	1	200	Cornwall	1	275
Landsdowne	1	38	Port Perry	1	83
Waterloo Co.	7	778	Gravenhurst	1	60
Petrolia	1	150	Aurora	1	150
Lyn	1	50	Wyoming	1	50
Scotland	1	100	Forest	1	130
Chatham	1	110	Watford	1	67
Dresden	1	100	Copleston	1	48
Waterbury	1	90	Mildmay	1	50
Berlin	1	25	Teeswater	1	154
London	1	181	Chesley	1	117
Indust'l School, London	1	103	Lanark	1	75
Somerset	1	110	Playfair	1	30
Napier	1	30	Fulton	1	65
Parkhill	1	163	Homer	1	35
Kerwood	1	40	Rockaway	2	28
Mount Brydges	1	40	Granton	1	36
Ottawa	2	279	Tilsonburg	1	60
Wellington Co.	1	250	West Brantford	1	195
Richmond	1	40	Toronto Junction	1	105
Seaforth	1	111	Dundas	1	50
Martintown	1	50	Otterville	1	35
Burford	1	40	Salford	1	40
Renfrew	1	75	Delta	1	45
Greenwood	1	36	Lake Eloida	1	15
Shawville	1	30	Pembroke	1	30
Westmeath	1	30			

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FLOWER MISSION.

(EDITH A. ANNING, Superintendent).

Thirty-five personal letters have been written during the year, ten postal cards and two "Journal" letters. Printed circulars were not allowed this department last spring. Number of bouquets distributed in the Province of Ontario, 22,767; text cards, 18,677; pages of literature, 11,488; jars of fruit, 1,211; pledges obtained, 5. There have been many gifts besides, as will be seen by my report, of fresh fruit, eggs, clothing, etc.

The work of this year, as far as numbers may tell it, greatly exceeds that of any year previous, with one exception—the lamentable falling off of pledges secured.

York—Superintendent Mrs. Fotheringham, Richmond Hill, distributed 100 books, 80 jars of fruit, 10 pecks potatoes, 20 pecks apples, 22 dozen eggs, 4 dozen oranges and large quantity of clothing. Newmarket, 400 bouquets, 240 text cards, 1,000 pages of literature, 39 quarts of canned fruit, 20 quarts of fresh fruit, 3 dozen eggs, 2 dozen oranges, 31 parcels of clothing, bread, beef, flour, milk, groceries, 14 cakes and 4 chickens; also an expenditure of \$7.80. Aurora, 38 quarts of canned fruit and 1 bale of valuable clothing for the Haven. Pansy Band, 7,461 bouquets, 4,500 cards, 4,328 pages of literature, 39 jars of custard, etc., 12 pecks of fresh fruit, 6 dozen eggs, 1 bundle of clothing to the Haven, and 1 knitted quilt and socks to Children's Hospital; \$2.90 expended. Woodbridge, 120 bouquets, 80 text cards, 25 quarts of canned fruit, 1 dozen oranges, 6 loaves of bread; 9 visits paid. Toronto Junction, 500 bouquets, 60 text cards, 400 pages of literature, and 1 quilt for Children's Hospital. Stouffville, 12 quarts of canned fruit. Malvern, 8 quarts of canned fruit and 1 parcel of clothes for Children's Hospital. Total for York County, 8,541 bouquets, 4,380 texts, 5,728 pages of literature, 242 jars of canned fruit, 62 pecks fresh fruit, 31 dozen eggs, 7 dozen oranges, \$7.80 expended. Institutions visited—Grace Hospital, Refuge, Aged Women's Home, General Hospital, Children's Hospital, Children's Aid and Old Folks' Home, Toronto, Aurora visited Industrial Home.

Toronto District—Miss Chattie Cook, 1218 Yonge Street, Toronto, Superintendent. Central "Y" reports 10,890 bouquets, with scripture texts attached, 1,000 pages of literature, 876 glasses of delicacies, 565 large loaves of bread, 50 soup tickets, 18 dozen eggs, 10 dozen oranges, 5 pounds of tea, 50 baskets of provisions, 40 families provided with clothing, and 33 families provided with materials for Christmas dinner. Average number of visits made a week, 50; average number of workers, 9; institutions regularly visited, General and Victoria Hospitals, Home for Incurables and Old Folks' Home, and occasionally Grace Hospital and the Mercer Reformatory; total receipts, \$121.70. Delicacy department gave 25 quarts canned fruit, 1 quart oysters, 2½ dozen eggs, 5 dozen oranges, 3 dozen cakes and 96 Christmas cards.

Peterboro'—Mrs. Paton, President. Peterboro' presented 200 bouquets and pots of flowers, 4 funeral wreaths, and 50 pounds of preserved fruit.

Oxford—Miss Clemmie Willets, Norwich, Superintendent. Norwich reports 347 bouquets, 234 text cards, 30 slips, some flower roots and seeds, 41 leaflets, ripe fruits, jellies and creams; also 150 calls made on the sick.

Simcoe—No Flower Mission County Superintendent. The County Secretary, Mrs. R. Gibson, writes that some work has been done in the Unions at Collingwood, Barrie, Orillia and Gravenhurst, but she has received no accurate account.

Grey—No County Flower Mission Superintendent. Miss Rodgers, County Secretary, reports for Meaford, 41 bouquets distributed, a quantity of oranges and grapes; for Thornbury, 18 bouquets, 63 printed cards, eggs, beef tea, and different kinds of fruit.

Essex—Windsor, Mrs. W. P. Melville, Superintendent, 169 bouquets, with text cards attached, presented to inmates of the jail, Hotel Dieu, Home of the Friendless, and to private individuals.

Lambton—Mrs. Margaret Morrison, Copleston, Superintendent. Marthaville—1 poor family visited and helped with food and clothing, 100 pages of literature distributed, 20 glasses of honey and jelly, and 2 bottles of unfermented wine; 4 pledges secured through the Flower Mission; no account of bouquets or text cards; visited the schools. Petrolia—"We have done little in the Flower Mission department." Forest—"This is our first year in the work. We decorated two platforms for lectures, and a table for a church tea." Watford—"We have visited a great many sick, keeping fresh flowers in their rooms; procured a nurse for one woman, paying the expense out of Union funds." Wyoming—"We have sent out 3 funeral wreaths, 125 bouquets, 125 text cards, besides jellies and delicacies of which no account was kept."

Kent—Mrs. Brender, Wallaceburg, Superintendent. Blenheim—92 bouquets with text cards, 3 dozen oranges, jellies, fruits, etc. Dresden—150 bouquets, 1 pledge, besides gifts of oranges, apples, canned fruits and jellies. Chatham supplied the hospitals with 4 parcels of paper, 11 parcels of linen and cotton, 11 jars of fruit, 2 books, 1 quilt, and a quantity of fresh fruit. On Flower Mission Day the General Hospital, St. Joseph's, and the Home of the Friendless were visited and bouquets with text-cards presented.

Bruce—Mrs. Geo. Grant, Paisley, Superintendent. Paisley—Visits to the sick 225, bouquets 60, text cards 40, \$1 worth of fruit and jelly given, and \$2 worth of clothing to three needy ones. Walkerton—Bouquets with text cards 50, visits made 50, many in distress relieved. Chesley—35 bouquets with cards, 35 visits to sick, 5 pecks fresh fruit, besides canned fruit and clothing. Lucknow—356 visits to the sick, 188 text cards and tracts, 64 bouquets, jelly, fruit, etc. Teeswater—11 visits, 11 bouquets with cards, fruit. Tara—Bouquets and cards 30, 30 visits.

Waterloo—Miss J. A. Neilson, Ayr, Superintendent. Berlin—80 bouquets distributed with text cards attached, Poorhouse visited. Three other Unions in Waterloo will take up Flower Mission work during the coming year.

Frontenac—No county Flower Mission Superintendent. Kingston "Y" reports 960 bouquets, 70 dozens apples and oranges, 1,800 texts, and more than 2,000 pages of literature distributed. The hospital is visited each Friday during the year; the average number of helpers is eight. A concert, in aid of the work, was given during the year.

Lincoln—St. Catharines "Y"—21 visits paid the hospital, 116 bouquets distributed, 2,048 pages of literature, 40 Christmas letters. On the 9th of June the Jail and Industrial Home were visited and 30 bouquets with text cards presented.

Middlesex—Miss Ida Arnold, Parkhill, Superintendent. Strathroy commenced work late in the summer; but 20 bouquets have been distributed. Parkhill reports 10 bouquets and text books, tied, always, with white ribbon. Miss Arnold has scarcely received the return due to the effort she has put forth in this department.

Stormont—No Flower Mission County Superintendent. Cornwall has done comparatively nothing, writes the Corresponding Secretary. The local Union has appointed a Superintendent, however, and we may expect something worthy of our Cornwall friends.

Wellington—Miss K. Meikle, Mount Forest, recently appointed County Superintendent. Mount Forest is the only Union doing any work during the past year, and of this no accurate account has been kept. We hope for better things in future.

Renfrew—Mrs. Sim, Renfrew, Superintendent. Renfrew—75 bouquets distributed, 60 text cards, and a quantity of fruit, jelly and soups given; 3 scrap books and a large package of papers were sent to railroad men. Arnprior—55 bouquets, 22 text cards, 3 jars of jelly and fruit. Greenwood—5 bouquets, 4 text cards, 7 mugs of jelly, and 12 visits to the sick.

Durham—Miss Roche, Port Hope, Superintendent. Port Hope—166 bouquets, 164 text cards. Bowmanville held a very successful lawn party in aid of the Flower Mission, and sent flowers to Toronto; number of bouquets, 50.

Ontario—No county Flower Mission Superintendent. Whitby reports 75 bouquets with text cards.

Leeds—No county Flower Mission Superintendent. Mrs. M. A. Taplin writes that Athens is the only Union taking up this department. Athens—60 bouquets and text cards tied with white ribbon.

Hastings—No County Superintendent. Belleville—200 bouquets with text cards presented during the summer to inmates of the hospital and Old Folks' Home. In the winter peppermints, literature and fruit. On Christmas Day a special treat was given the people of the home. Madoc—The Recording Secretary writes: We have visited and prayed with a number of the sick and provided for their various needs. We procured a nurse for a poor sick woman.

Carleton—No County Superintendent. Ottawa "Y" reports having visited the hospital every week, where 200 bouquets have been given during the year. Dainty hand painted text cards were attached to many of these. Several poor families were supplied with food and clothing. Kinburn sent Ottawa "Y's" two large boxes of wild and cultivated flowers, 3 dozen eggs and a number of little mugs of jelly. Carp and Richmond also sent Ottawa "Y's" flowers for distribution.

From Fort William comes the record of five months' work—100 bouquets, 60 text cards, 9 leaflets and 3 jars of fruit.

SUGGESTIONS.

Ask each member of the local Union to give one jar of jelly or fruit annually. If there is no Flower Mission Superintendent appoint collectors, and if it is not required at home send to those at work in the nearest city.

Have a charity concert during the winter for the benefit of the poor, as was done at Wallaceburg, where the proceeds helped fourteen families. Also let it be known that it is under the management of the Flower Mission.

Sometimes provide funeral wreaths. Even hard hearts are softened in the presence of death.

Grow flowers for the Flower Mission, as does a friend of the Ottawa "Y's." One must get a deeper acquaintance with blossoms tended for such a purpose.

From a very earnest, busy friend comes the thought of providing flowers for the churches where it is not already done, and after service carrying them to the sick. Also educating boys and girls of the Band of Hope to cultivate flowers for the Mission and be themselves the bearers.

And from another, a lending library for the sick, and the decoration of fans for the invalids, with scripture texts and pictures.

EXHIBITIONS AND FAIRS.

(MRS. E. H. HILBORN, Superintendent.)

The Superintendent of this Department regrets not being able to make a more extended report, having good reason to believe that much valuable work has been done in connection with the Department, for which she has been unable to obtain any report, notwithstanding all County Unions and Local Unions in unorganized counties were specially requested to report all work done within their jurisdiction.

Following is the work reported :

Brant—Reports Fair work taken up this year for the first time in some years ; furnished tea and coffee and distributed literature at Brantford and Paris Fairs, clearing \$5.50 and \$8 respectively.

Bruce—Has Superintendent, but no report.

Carleton—Reports a refreshment booth during the Ottawa Fair, clearing something over \$200. Also having the sole right to serve refreshments at Richmond Fair, but on account of bad weather was not a financial success, still the Union felt encouraged and assured that the effect was good, and intend to repeat it next year.

Durham—Reports purchasing a tent and running it at Bowmanville Fair, clearing some \$17, and distributing one thousand tracts and a quantity of cards with Scripture texts. Orono Union distributed tracts and leaflets at Orono Fair.

Grey—Reports nothing done. Owen Sound Union intended to serve luncheon at Owen Sound's Fair, but were prevented by the exorbitant price asked for the license.

Hastings—Reports that Belleville Union served lunches in a tent at Bay Quinte Fair, distributed 3,745 pages of literature (leaflets); and a large number of suitable papers. No liquor was allowed on the grounds, and the Union cleared some ten dollars after paying expenses.

Haldimand—Reports the distribution of some 700 leaflets at the Caledonia Fair.

Kent—Reports serving dinners at Chatham Fair, taking some \$78, and distributing literature. At Dresden Fair the Union distributed literature, and prevailed on the Directors to prohibit smoking in the Fair buildings; they also asked for the prohibition of all games of chance on the Fair grounds, but the directors laid this request over till next year.

Lanark—Has a Superintendent, but no report.

Lambton—Reports having a lunch counter and serving hot meals at Sarnia Fair, clearing \$32.80; also that they were successful in preventing the sale of intoxicants on the Fair grounds, but have distributed no literature as yet at the Fairs. At Petrolia the Union had a lunch counter and served hot meals, and were well patronized, though the day was not favorable; they tried to make the booth attractive and think it made a good impression; they distributed 1,500 pages of literature tied in small packages with white ribbon, and have already secured full control of the grounds for these purposes for next year. At Forest Fair they had a very attractive and home-like tent, served hot tea and coffee, cake and sandwiches, clearing \$10, and distributing a quantity of literature.

Greenville—Reports the distribution of about 400 pages of literature at the Prescott Fair and inducing the directors to prohibit the sale of all intoxicants on the grounds; also the holding of evangelistic services near the Fair grounds at the Unionville Fair, which they feel certain was productive of good.

Leeds—At Gananogue the Union served lunch in the Exhibition building, but the attendance at the Fair was small and the profits not as good as previously, though they distributed some 3,000 pages of literature.

Middlesex—Reports Fair work successfully undertaken this year at Napier, though two large Fairs were held the same day. The work was highly complimented by the Directors, saying they could not afford to lose this good influence, but must continue the work. At Mount Brydges hot tea and coffee and cold lunches were served in a tent where literature was distributed, but the day being unfavorable the returns were not as good as previous years. At Glencoe the Union made its first attempt, built a booth and cleared \$30.91; tried to get sole control of the grounds; distributed 500 leaflets. At Ilderton the Union also had a refreshment booth and realized \$31.96; served tea, coffee and varied lunches for fifteen cents, which was well patronized and appreciated, and many were the encouraging words by its patrons; also a committee of honorary members acted as detectives, which proved a wholesome check on violaters of the law, fakirs and gamblers, an undertaking which was highly complimented by the directors. London Union reports several valuable improvements in their already commodious dining hall, such as large wooden trays for carrying dishes, sliding cans to contain hot water for washing silverware, drawer attachments to the tables to hold knives, forks, spoons, towels, etc., making this already well equipped hall a model which other Unions would do well to copy. Their receipts this year were \$1,054, disbursements \$584, leaving a net profit of \$470; 5,000 leaflets were distributed.

Oxford—Tilsonburg served dinner on Fair grounds, also had a lunch and taffy counter; net profits \$63.

Renfrew—Reports a new dining hall much more commodious and comfortable than the old one at Renfrew; dinners were supplied on Fair day, realizing \$81.20.

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From this Union comes a suggestion, that when no Fair is held in a town that refreshments be served at any other celebration that may take place there, and also if the weather is warm that barrels of ice water, with drinking cups attached, be provided at convenient places, where literature could be distributed, thus making full provision against the necessity of visiting the dram shop, and showing our readiness to provide for the comfort of others, not forgetting the promised reward for the cup of cold water given in the name of the Master.

Stormont—Reports a refreshment booth at Cornwall Fair, open both days, serving hot meals, clearing some \$78, at which they distributed literature tied in tiny packages with white tape, on which they advertise the price of meals. The citizens responded nobly to the call for donations and all seemed to appreciate the service.

Toronto District—Reports a refreshment tent at the Industrial Exhibition 40x60, with culinary department attached, which they decorated with flags, mottoes, etc., making it as homelike and inviting as possible. This was much larger than they had ever used before, but proved far too small for the patronage accorded it, which appears to be on the increase every year. They served hot tea and coffee, milk, sandwich, ice cream and cake on the European plan. Care was exercised that everything served was of the best quality. Both the patronage and appreciation was all that could be desired. It was a busy time, but a grand time; the formation and renewal of acquaintance marked a feature long to be remembered. The members turned out from each of the Unions and did noble service in preparing and serving the eatables. Visiting members were in attendance from New York, Michigan, Manitoba and even California. A fairly good distribution of literature was made, which was tied with white ribbon; they also distributed 170 printed annual reports of the District Union. The tent was crowded to such an extent during almost the entire day that they were compelled to abandon the afternoon Gospel temperance meetings, but hope another year to make sufficient provision to be able to resume this important branch of the work. The sale of liquor was prohibited on the grounds, but there were some violations, for which the parties were punished. The enterprise netted the Union some \$470.

Waterloo—Has a Superintendent, but no report.

Welland—Has a Superintendent, but no report.

York—Makes no report, though it has a Superintendent.

The Union in Fort William had a booth at the Fair in the District of Thunder Bay, and distributed a large quantity of literature, besides circulating much information in the interest of their work.

LEGISLATION, FRANCHISE AND PETITIONS.

(MRS. HULDA S. ROCKWELL, Superintendent.)

In the years to come, when a history of temperance legislation in Canada shall have been written, 1894 will no doubt be known as the "Plebiscite Year." In con-

nection with these contests, so far as I have been able to learn from newspaper reports and other sources, the W. C. T. U. has been most active. The women voters have been canvassed in the interests of prohibition. Suitable literature has been distributed and in various ways a mighty influence for good has been exerted by our women, not only in Ontario, but elsewhere. Only a few of the Unions have reported to me, however. These are: Toronto District, Guelph, Cornwall, Berlin, Picton, Owen Sound, Meaford and Thornbury. The Superintendent for Grey county adopted the excellent plan of addressing a circular letter, together with some good literature, to every woman voter in town and county. She expended in this way \$11.75, and distributed about 3,500 pages of literature. We would say to every Union, in similar future campaigns, "Go thou and do likewise." Toronto District, Guelph and Owen Sound Unions report having written their representatives at Ottawa regarding the French Treaty, the latter Union also helping to elect some representatives to their town council. Two memorials were sent to Ottawa during the year, signed by the Provincial officers and the Superintendent of this department, one in favor of granting Dominion suffrage to women, and the other protesting against the ratification of the French Treaty, which treaty was agreed to, however, as you all know, despite the urgent appeals which poured in from all parts of the Dominion. By so doing our Federal Government have coolly ignored the existence of an overwhelming temperance sentiment in this country as expressed by the votes of the people, and they have also placed a strong barrier in the way of the passage of a prohibitory law.

The organization of the hotel keepers of Ontario is an event worthy of note, as is also the refusal of the Mayor of Toronto to welcome them on that occasion. All honor to the man who, by this action, proved that he possessed what so many of our public men lack—good, stiff, moral backbone! May the number of such in high places continue to increase.

It might prove instructive to state just here the different requests of the liquor men to the Government, for the advice of the old general was very wise, "Find out what your enemy intends to do and then do the other thing." The following are the requests of the hotel keepers:

- 1st. Uniformity as to hours of closing to be settled by legislation.
- 2nd. The number of taverns not to be reduced yearly and arbitrarily, but at regular periods, say three or four years apart.
- 3rd. Tavern-keepers to be eligible for municipal offices.
- 4th. Power of municipalities to increase license duties to be withdrawn.
- 5th. The sale of cigars to be regulated by the commissioners.
- 6th. The clauses requiring a majority of qualified electors to petition before a new license can be granted to be amended, and that there be less restrictions as to transfers.
- 7th. A question: Will the Government grant compensation in the event of a prohibitory law being passed?

Mr. Haverson, solicitor for the delegates, stated that they preferred the present system of granting licenses through commissioners to the system which preceded it.

There have been of late many evidences that the cause of Equal Rights for

women is rapidly becoming a burning question. At the great convention held at Toronto last spring it seemed only second in interest to the work of securing a prohibitory law, and in accordance with a resolution passed by the convention a deputation was appointed to wait upon the Government in regard to the matter. Sir Oliver wished us every success but promised nothing.

The General Conference of the Methodist Church for the first time in its history took up the question of granting to its women the same status as men, but on a division of 35 to 64 the motion was lost.

The circular letter sent by the Superintendent of this department to all the Unions last year contained, as has been the case every year, a recommendation to try and elect women to the position of Public School trustees, or to secure their appointment on High School boards. This is a most important matter and we hope will be taken up vigorously this year by our Unions.

Lambton—Sarnia reports not having a local Superintendent until a few months ago, consequently the work done is limited; however, a letter was sent to the representative in the House, drawing his attention to the petition of the Dominion W. C. T. U. for "Woman's Franchise." A reply was received from our M. P. promising to give the matter serious attention. When the plebiscite vote was taken in January our sisters were active in getting out the women who had votes, and urging the indifferent and others to duty in this matter. Copleston reports having small opportunity of work along the line of franchise other than a reading now and then at the Union and at one parlor social. Watford has not taken up the work in this department. Petrolia has done very little in this department. I have received no communication from Oil City and Alvinston, although I have written to each for a report. Wyoming had no Superintendent for the department until August, when one was appointed; since then there has been few opportunities for work along that line; however, previous to this, a few items bearing on the question were sent to the *Home Guard* for publication, and a few of the sisters are subscribers to the *Woman's Column*, a paper wholly devoted to the subject. Forest writes: We have circulated two petitions with success. The first for preventing the opening of a liquor store and tavern; second, to curtail the number of hours in which intoxicating liquors could be legally sold. In the first case the parties withdrew their application; in the second case we succeeded in getting the time shortened one hour and a half; it was not all that was asked for but we were glad to get even that. We did good work in the plebiscite campaign; every available woman's vote was cast in favor of the cause. Every woman was canvassed and conducted to the poll, and much literature distributed.

Hamilton City—Mrs. Day Smith writes: Having discovered three years ago, through a crushing defeat when trying to elect a temperance mayor, how helpless we were without thorough organization, we determined not to commit the same blunder again, and forthwith organized every ward by appointing a chairman, secretary and committee. Canvass books were prepared with names of lady voters, and armed with these, a pencil, lots of temperance literature, pledge cards, a large hand bag, and, above all, prayer, a spirit of self-sacrifice and love to the Master, our noble bands sallied forth on their work of conquest. It is quite safe to report a visit to the abode of every woman who had a vote, there being fourteen hundred names on our

voters' list, not many more than half of whom could be found available for any election. The result of this thorough canvass was to get many new members for our Union, to elect along with our good brothers, a majority of temperance aldermen and a splendid majority for the plebiscite. Getting new members has given new life to our Union; getting a majority of temperance aldermen has given us a reduction of thirty-five licensed liquor places, and a large majority for the plebiscite gives us the prospect of prohibition in our province. Twice this year have we found the great advantage of permanent organization—our armies ready at a moment's call to enter upon campaign effort. Hard work is now before us. The late license holders are organized to defeat the men who took away their death dealing business. The Street Railway and Steamboat companies have defied the laws of God and man by their Sunday traffic. We are pledged—we must try to elect men who will stand for "God and Home and Native Land." Through the petition and efforts of our Union a police matron was appointed. Several parlor meetings were held in the interests of woman's enfranchisement, in which the necessity for woman standing entirely aloof from partyism was urged, her whole power lying in the fact that she will vote and work for either political party, just in proportion as they have the courage to stand for the right, God's laws always being the standard.

[Received after Convention met.]

Since coming to Convention I have received the following reports: Tilsenburgh petitioned for Curfew Bell, also for the reduction of licenses; the Superintendent gave two talks on suffrage, and distributed through the town leaflets donated by herself. Embro petitioned for early closing and the Curfew Bell. Ingersoll held a public meeting in the interests of franchise and petitioned for the reduction of licenses. Plattsville wrote their representative at Toronto regarding the Tobacco Act, and at Ottawa about the French Treaty. Norwich secured fourteen names on the voters' list and canvassed lady voters in the plebiscite campaign. Peterboro reports that five ladies went to council in August and petitioned for Curfew Bell. This was granted and has been the means of much good in Peterboro.

PARLIAMENTARY USAGES.

(MISS LILLIAN M. PHELPS, Superintendent.)

MOTTO.

"Let everything be done decently and in order."

Immediately upon my return from the Northwest I sent to all of the County Presidents, and to many of the local Unions, the following questions:

- 1st. Have you a County President of Parliamentary Usages? If so, please give name.
- 2nd. How many local Unions have taken up this department of work?
- 3rd. Has there been an improvement in the business methods of the Union?
- 4th. Can you give an item of interest to show this improvement?

In answer to the above I have received the following :

Kent—Has no Superintendent. Four Unions have taken up the department—Wallaceburg, Ridgetown, Dresden and Blenheim.

Grey—No Superintendent. Owen Sound has taken up the department.

Bruce—No Superintendent. Has promised to take the matter into consideration.

Lincoln—Mrs. Forbes, Superintendent. St. Catharines, St. Catharines "Y's" and Beamsville have the department. Beamsville reports a great improvement all around.

Stormont—No Superintendent, but had a drill at County Convention.

Waterloo—Reports great improvement in methods of work.

Grenville—Mrs. (Rev.) Hughes, Prescott, Superintendent. Had a drill at County Convention.

Welland Reports decided improvement in all the Unions.

Lambton—Petrelia, Forest and Alvinston Unions have the department, and have found that it leads to more sympathetic work and better reports.

Middlesex—London has had several drills given by Provincial President, and an excellent drill was given at School of Methods Results good.

Oxford—Six Unions organized—Tilsonburg, Norwich, Brownsville, Ingersoll, Otterville, Woodstock.

Leeds—Had drill at county Convention, and suggest that each Union devote fifteen minutes each month to the study of this department.

Northumberland—Brighton, Warkworth and Campbellford each feel this department to be of great benefit.

Essex—Intends to take up this department.

Toronto District—Mrs. Dr. Bascom, Superintendent, and reports having had several Parliamentary drills.

SUGGESTIONS.

1st. That each local Union provide itself with Roberts' Rules of Order.

2nd. That the study of this department be not neglected, and, to this end, fifteen minutes be given once a month to a Parliamentary drill.

SCHOOLS OF METHOD.

(MRS. MAY R. THORNLEY, Superintendent.)

"Be not simply good, be good for something."—THOREAU.

So far as organizations are concerned the old saying, "live and learn," will have to be transposed. In these days of knowledge and progress the society that does not learn cannot live. Yet the very pressure of responsibilities that makes the "need to know" too often hedges up the way of the learner.

Some easy method of acquisition must be found. The more laborious roads to the "know how" summit of the mountain have few travelers, so a broad, smooth pathway, termed co-operation, has been hewn out of the rock, and up it the feet of the patient toilers are traveling.

We have not time to gather, each for ourselves, all the nuggets of truth out of the mines of experience, but when the knowledge of many becomes the common property of all, wisdom and efficiency grow apace.

I wish there was time to give you some of the encouraging words received from County Presidents who have established Schools of Method. There is no minor chord in the chorus. Without a dissenting voice they all declare in favor of their continuance, and the benefits already received are heartily acknowledged.

But a resume of the work done this year, in contrast with that accomplished last year, will show, most conclusively, the advance in popular favor made by this department.

There are twenty-four organized counties with reports as follows:

Bruce—Two full schools, spring and fall; 16 subjects taken up; Parliamentary Drill and Question Box.

Brant—Partial school in the spring; 6 subjects.

Carleton—Partial school, with annual meeting; 2 subjects.

Durham—No reply to communications.

Essex—Two partial schools, spring and fall; 3 subjects; 1 Parliamentary Drill and 2 Question Boxes.

Elgin—Partial school, with annual meeting; 4 subjects.

Grenville—Partial school; 1 subject and Parliamentary Drill.

Grey—Partial school, in fall; 4 subjects.

Kent—Spring school; 4 subjects; Parliamentary Drill and Question Box. Another Drill and Question Box, with annual meeting.

Lambton—Partial school, in fall; 5 subjects and Question Box.

Lanark—No school as yet.

Lincoln and Welland—United to hold a partial school, with annual meeting, and a full school in the summer at Grimsby; 6 subjects were taken up and a Question Box answered.

Leeds—Partial school, with fall Convention; 6 subjects; Question Box and Parliamentary Drill.

Middlesex—Full school in spring, partial school in fall; 12 subjects; 1 Drill; Question Boxes.

Northumberland—No work done in this department yet.

Oxford—Two schools, spring and fall; 10 subjects; Parliamentary Drill and Question Boxes.

Renfrew—No school as yet.

Simcoe—One school in the summer in connection with annual meeting; 8 subjects taken up and Question Box answered.

Stormont—School in connection with annual meeting ; 4 subjects ; Parliamentary Drill and Question Box.

Toronto District—Two Parliamentary Drills and Question Boxes were conducted at general meetings ; and monthly meetings, for the instruction of those engaged in department work, were held.

Waterloo—Parliamentary Drill and Question Box in connection with annual meeting.

Wellington—Has not yet entered upon the work as the County President does not fully understand the idea.

York—Two partial schools ; 3 subjects, and a Drill.

SUMMARY.

Last year only six counties had attempted even the simplest form of a school. This year 19 out of the 24 organized counties have held full or partial schools—7 full and 18 partial, making a total of 25. At these gatherings there have been 89 papers or talks on general and departmental phases of the work ; 13 Parliamentary Drills ; and 13 Question Boxes.

Last year I had to report 8 counties as perseveringly silent under a regular fusillade of communications. This year only one could not be induced to send a response to my questions.

PROVINCIAL.

As Provincial Superintendent I arranged for, and conducted a half-day school at our last Convention. Eight subjects were taken up, and the afternoon was concluded with a Parliamentary Drill and Question Box.

It is impossible, so far as letters are concerned, to separate the communications received and answered under this department from those pertaining to the general provincial work, of which report is made through another channel.

SUGGESTIONS.

1st. Schools of Method can only be held in organized counties. The county that has never formed a Union of its forces, is consequently at a great disadvantage. We would therefore urge, as a first consideration, organization wherever there are as many as three Unions, unless these be so widely separated as to render a meeting very difficult. A number of our counties have long been sufficiently advanced to take this step. Unless we want to be outstripped by other Temperance Societies, we must bestir ourselves, and do more and better county work.

2nd. Where only one county meeting is possible, add a day of school to this. No doubt you will be met with the objection, "We cannot spare the time ;" but once you get the idea worked out satisfactorily, and you will hear no more on this score. One of the most simple ways of beginning is to ask each County Superintendent to prepare a three or five minute paper on methods of work in her own department, and read it at the County Convention at the close of her report. The education that this will prove to the Superintendents themselves will be well worth the time allotted. Many county workers are contented with gathering in the reports. Because they know so little of their own department, and its possibilities for good, they throw no enthusiasm into their duties.

3rd. One danger point requires a barbed wire fence about it, or the school will follow the example of the old time Band of Hope, and bury itself in its own ruins. Schools are not intended to become either literary societies or places of entertainment. The paper that only *describes* a department, and does not devote itself mainly to *definite and carefully explained plans for work in that department* is an utter failure from a school standpoint, whatever it may be as a literary effort. In this connection, be it remarked that the County President who invites a worker to present a paper on a given theme, and fails to caution in the most explicit manner against theorizing, rhetorical flowers, and extended moralizings, has probably paved the way for a lost opportunity. In time such explanations will be unnecessary. The more definite and frequent they are now the better.

4th. As special subjects for consideration this coming year, I would suggest :

- (a) Scientific Temperance. Unless the public school work done under the regulations be carefully watched, we are likely to gain little from the new text-book, its compulsory study, and the hour per week of general teaching ordered by the educational department. We must have alert and well-informed local and County Superintendents; and these should be backed up by a membership keenly alive to the importance of their efforts.
- (b) The children, like the poor, we have always with us. But they do not stay young, and with their vanishing youth goes their susceptibility to receive and retain impressions. The great scarcity of good Juvenile Superintendents is acknowledged on all sides. Hundreds of Bands of Hope, in Canada alone, have closed their doors for lack of proper leadership. Let juvenile work have a conspicuous place on School of Method programmes.
- (c) The tobacco habit is growing in a way that is arousing attention amongst educators and even politicians. The W. C. T. U. is no longer waging this battle alone; yet some of our Unions either have no Narcotic Department or, having one, accomplished little through it. First-class Narcotic Superintendents are not found ready grown; they must be carefully cultivated. Do not forget this when you scatter the seed at your school.
- (d) The enfranchisement of women is something that will come whether we help or not. The issue has taken a firm grip on the hearts and consciences of the people, and nothing now can stem the forward tide; yet this very fact should be the greatest incentive to earnest and prayerful efforts in our franchise departments. Those who so soon will have the duties and responsibilities of citizenship laid upon them, need to be awakened to their coming privileges, that they may meet them in a manner that shall disarm criticism. Do not fail to give this topic a fair field.
- (e) Parlor meetings are assuming an important place in our work; reform dress is occupying the attention of our women; parliamentary practice is pushing to the front in a most gratifying manner; press work merits, and requires increasing thought and labor; and the useful question box never comes amiss. All these topics, and many more, need elucidating at our schools.

Let us hope that 1895 may see a great advance, both in number and efficiency, of Ontario's Schools of Method.

REPORT OF LITERATURE DISTRIBUTION IN COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX.

(Mrs. S. N. WILLIAMS, Superintendent.)

In making this, our annual report, your Superintendent regrets that it is not as full as could be desired. Out of eleven Unions, eight have been heard from. All have not Superintendents, which will, no doubt, be one of the reasons why no work has been done. It is one of the departments of our work that can be taken up by all of our Unions, with profit to themselves and benefit to others, for no matter how few you may be in numbers some time during the year the opportunity will surely come when at least a few simple tracts or leaflets may be used.

London speaks of the comfort and pleasure derived by the inmates of the Hospital from the reading matter supplied by the local Union, the very best books and religious periodicals brought in being carefully laid aside for that purpose.

The following places have reported :

Mt. Brydges, 3,000 leaflets ; a few papers and 150 of Dr. McKay's tracts, sold at 5c. each. Parkhill, 1,200 leaflets and 34 papers. Napier, 1,500 leaflets. Kerwood, about 20 leaflets, no account kept. Strathroy, 2 600 leaflets. Ilderton, 3 10c. packages, about 300 during Fair. Glencoe, 60 packages, about 6,000. Osman, 10,000 pages literature. London, not a full report, 2,144 papers, 8,465 general and 8,000 plebiscite, making a total of 16,465 leaflets distributed.

Total number of leaflets distributed, 41,085 ; total number of papers, 2178 ; and 150 tracts.

REPORT OF COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

(Compiled by Mrs. RUTHERFORD.)

In December last the President addressed a letter, through the *Woman's Journal*, to County Presidents, in which she submitted some questions to be answered before this Convention. In response to her request I have gathered and tabulated these reports :

Algoma—Mrs. Morrison, Sault Ste. Marie, President, admits that she is President in name only. The district is large and the Unions very far apart, Expects to have Miss Phelps this winter and hope to become an organized county.

Brant—Mrs. S. J. Jones, Brantford, President. Had six Unions at the beginning of the year ; none organized since ; visited three ; have written a large number of letters and cards ; one Convention held in April, which was in part a School of Methods ; one Band of Hope organized, with 100 members, and hopes to have the W. C. T. U. take it under their auspices this year.

Bruce—Miss K. M. Fisher, Paisley, President. Thirteen Unions at the beginning of the year, none organized since; visited 4 Unions; written about 175 letters; 2 Conventions, one day at each was devoted to School of Method.

Carleton—Mrs. Donaldson, Ottawa, President. Five Unions at beginning of the year and have organized two since; visited all the old Unions four times; wrote 20 letters and 15 post cards; held one Convention, which was in part School of Method.

Durham—Mrs. V. A. Coleman, Port Hope, President. Not heard from.

Dundas—Mrs. Montgomery, Morrisburg, President. Not heard from.

Essex—Mrs. Maxwell, Amherstburg, President. Five Unions at the beginning of the year, no new ones; have visited all the Unions; written 58 letters and 43 post cards; county organized in February, when a Parliamentary Drill was held; Convention in September, with short School of Method; one Band of Hope organized.

Elgin—Miss Bel'e Murray, Aylmer, President. Not heard from.

Glengarry—Mrs. McCallum, Maxville, President. Not heard from.

Grenville—Mrs. Coates, Prescott, President

Grey—Mrs. Rodgers, Owen Sound, President. Three Unions at the beginning of the year; no new ones, but hope to re-organize one and organize another before the end of the month; did not visit any Unions, county funds would not permit; wrote 23 letters and 60 post cards, and sent out 125 county directories; held one Convention, in part School of Methods; outlook, hopeful.

Hastings—Mrs. Cullett, Belleville, President. No Unions formed this year, but prospects good for one in Springbrook soon; two Bands of Hope organized, one with 27 members and the other with 57.

Haltou—Mrs. W. W. Coote, Oakville, President. Two Unions at the beginning of the year, no new ones; have not visited any except her own; written 8 letters and 2 post cards; county not organized, but think an attempt will be made to organize this year.

Haldimand—Mrs. A. Best, Selkirk, President. Not heard from.

Huron—Mrs. Watson, Wingham, President. Not heard from.

Kent—Mrs. R. P. Wright, Dresden, President. Six Unions the first of the year, no new ones; have not been able to visit this year, but wrote 53 letters, held 2 Conventions, one entirely School of Method, the second partially so.

Lambton—Mrs. Ovens, Forest, President. Not heard from.

Lanark—Mrs. W. C. Caldwell, Lanark, President. Not heard from.

Leeds—Miss M. E. Stone, Athens, President. There were six Unions the first of the year, one organized since; visited two of the old ones; wrote 15 letters and 35 post cards; held one Convention, with the afternoon a School of Method; hopeful outlook.

Lincoln—Mrs. Forbes, Grimsby, President. Had eight Unions at the beginning of the year; no new ones; visited six Unions and two Bands of Hope; written 43 letters, 118 post cards, and sent out 22 circulars; Convention held with Welland County, and united conference of workers at Grimsby Park, both of which were partially Schools of Method.

Middlesex—Mrs. Dunlop, Napier, President. Eight Unions at beginning of the year; three organized since; three visits paid to old Unions; wrote 60 letters and 103 post cards; a School of Method held in April and Annual Convention partly such; two Bands of Hope organized.

Muskoka—Mrs. J. R. Boyd, Huntsville, President. Not heard from.

Nipissing—Mrs. Detlor, North Bay, President. Not heard from.

Northumberland—Mrs. J. C. Wilson, Warkworth, President. Not heard from.

Ontario—Mrs. John Wakely, Port Perry, President. Three Unions at beginning of the year; written several letters, and hopes to reorganize Uxbridge soon.

Oxford—Mrs. Livingstone, Tilsonburg, President. Ten Unions the first of the year; three organized since; visited them all; 94 letters and cards written; held two Conventions, one of which was entirely School of Method; the annual meeting partially so; organized three Bands of Hope.

Perth—Mrs. Flagg, Mitchell, President. Three Unions the first of the year; two formed since; visited two of the old ones. The prospects for organizing a County Union are good.

Peterboro'—Mrs. Paton, Peterboro', President. Three Unions; fifty letters and about twenty-five post cards were written. Cannot tell at present what the prospects are for a County Union.

Prince Edward—Mrs. Morden, Picton, President. Not heard from.

Peel—Mrs. Stonehouse, Brampton, President.

Prescott—Mrs. Keough, Vankleek Hill, President. One Union at the beginning of the year; have arranged meetings for Miss Phelps, and hope to form more then.

Renfrew—Mrs. M. A. Hunter, Pembroke, President. Had six Unions; no new ones; have visited all the Unions, travelling 155 miles by rail, and driving 42 miles; written about 20 letters; held one Convention.

Russell—Mrs. Scott, Ottawa, President. Not heard from.

Simcoe—Mrs. McKee, Barrie, President. At the first of the year had five Unions; organized two new ones; visited all except one, and held public meetings; have written between 50 and 60 letters; one Convention in part School of Method; one new Band of Hope; much to encourage.

Stormont—Miss MacArthur, Cornwall, President. Had eight Unions at first of year; visited four of them; wrote 41 letters; one Convention in part School of Methods.

Toronto—Mrs. Forster, Toronto, President. Had nine Unions, since then two more have affiliated and one organized; visited them all, and six of them twice; wrote 84 letters and 85 cards; one Convention; at two different times had parliamentary drill; one new Band of Hope.

Wentworth—Mrs. Day Smith, Hamilton, President. Had four Unions; no new ones; visited ones; wrote several letters.

Waterloo—Mrs. J. R. Cavers, Galt, President. Had ten Unions; three new ones, two organized by Mrs. Graham, one by Mrs. Cavers; 56 letters and 24 cards have been written; one Convention in June, at which there was a Parliamentary drill; four Bands of Hope organized.

Wellington Mrs. Maddock, Guelph, President. Have seven Unions and expect to form another shortly; have corresponded with all and visited several; held one Convention; two new Bands of Hope.

Welland—Miss Phelps, St. Catharines, President. Have three Unions; no new ones; have visited them all; written 6 letters and 15 cards; held one Convention with Lincoln county; also day at Grimsby Park.

York—Mrs. Gilchrist, Toronto Junction, President. Had seven Unions, but one has died; have endeavored to organize in three places; have visited five and was President of the sixth; wrote 10 letters and 14 cards; two Conventions, both in part School of Methods; two Bands of Hope have been organized.

• CONFERENCE WITH INFLUENTIAL BODIES.

(MRS. MARY WILEY, Corresponding Secretary.)

Your Corresponding Secretary sent greetings in behalf of the Ontario Union to several societies during the year.

Congratulatory greetings were sent to Hon. Neal Dow on his 90th birthday, from whom a most courteous reply was received.

Our President has interviewed the Ontario Parliament with, I think, very gratifying results; also the General Conference of the Methodist Church, and probably many other influential bodies.

APPENDIX.

REPORT OF PLAN OF WORK COMMITTEE.

BAND OF HOPE.

Your Committee recommends:

1st. That a Children's Crusade Day be appointed, and that each member of Band of Hope be urged to bring at least one new member—date of said day to be first Saturday after New Year.

2nd. That physicians be asked to give health talks to the Band of Hope.

3rd. Believing that the more children are taught the principle of kindness to animals, the less likely they are to become hardened in crime. We would urge the introduction of Bands of Mercy into Bands of Hope and Sabbath Schools wherever possible, and ask that the two well-known books, "Beautiful Joe" and "Black Beauty," be placed in the hands of the children.

CHILDREN'S PAPER.

4th. We endorse the proposition of the Royal Templar Publishing House (subject to approval of Provincial Sub-Executive, when final arrangements are made), and suggest that if such enterprise be undertaken, Canadian W. C. T. U. talent be utilized as far possible.

TEMPERANCE IN SABBATH SCHOOLS.

5th. That the observance of the quarterly Temperance Sabbath be continued, and that the opportunity it affords to train up a generation pledged to total abstinence, instructed in the mind and will of God, prepared to present a united front of defiance to the abominations of the liquor traffic, be improved to its greatest possible extent; that a Temperance Department be established in every Sabbath school library, and supplied with the brightest and best, the strongest and newest Temperance books, that stray fact and argument may all be utilized to fortify and confirm the Temperance principles of our pledged army of growing girls and boys.

SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

6th. That a committee from each local Union, accompanied by the Scientific Temperance Instruction Superintendent of the Union, wait upon the school boards in their section, and urge upon them the advisability of employing, as teachers, only those who do not use liquor or tobacco, or indulge in profane language.

7th. Realizing that the subject of Scientific Temperance is not given its due importance in the papers set for promotion examinations in our public schools, therefore

Recommended that the Provincial Superintendent of this department be authorized to write the Inspectors' Section of the Provincial Teachers' Association, asking them to prepare questions on this subject with the same care they give to those on other studies prescribed.

CURFEW BELL.

8th. That the Department of Curfew Bell be created and added to that of Legislation and Petition.

9th. That our Unions be requested to co-operate with the Superintendent of neglected children, Mr. J. J. Kelso, in his efforts to carry out the provisions of the Gibson Act.

NARCOTICS.

10th. Because the present Tobacco Act has been proved to be most difficult of enforcement, we recommend that the Provincial Union memorialize the Ontario Government to amend said Act, so as to render buyer, as well as seller, subject to the penalty of the law; also that the clause forbidding minors to smoke in public places be re-introduced.

11th. We recommend continued faithful work in distributing Anti-Tobacco literature; would again direct attention of local Unions to the *Anti-Tobacco Gem* (price ten cents per year in clubs), and suggest the formation of Anti-Cigarette Clubs in our schools. As the morphine habit is, we fear, gaining ground amongst the women of our province, we would urge that the use of such drugs, unless prescribed by physicians, be discountenanced by our women, and that greater discrimination be used by physicians in prescribing them.

12th. Greatly alarmed at the increasing use of opiates, and believing the action of the Dominion Government in imposing a duty of \$5.00 per pound on prepared opium to be contrary to the best interest of our country, Recommended that we petition the Dominion Government to prohibit its importation and sale.

SCHOOL BOARDS.

13th. That a special effort be made this year to elect women on School Boards, and to procure their appointment as High School Trustees.

LAW ENFORCEMENT.

14th. That the Provincial Sub-Executive be authorized to represent to the Provincial License Inspector the non-enforcement of the law in regard to the sale of liquors during prohibited hours and to minors, and the gambling in hotels. Further, that an effort be made to secure the removal of drinking closets from bar rooms.

FRANCHISE.

15th. That Franchise be made a separate department of work.

EVANGELISTIC.

16th. That Evangelistic work and Prison and Police be made separate departments.

PURITY IN LITERATURE, ART AND FASHION.

17th. That every W. C. T. U. woman constitute herself a Vigilance Committee to visit book stores and keep watch for prohibited papers, and that where anything objectionable is found, she communicate with the local Superintendent of this department in her Union.

DUTY OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS.

18th. That each County Superintendent shall receive and forward, *without*

delay, to the local Unions in her county, the plan of work formulated by the Provincial Superintendent of her department, and any other communications that shall from time to time reach her and require to be passed on to the local workers, thus keeping the chain of connection unbroken between Provincial, County and Local Superintendents

Personal letters to Provincial Superintendent from local workers will be answered direct, and without passing through the hands of the County Superintendent.

Each County Superintendent shall be held responsible for forwarding to the Provincial head of her department, not later than the 16th of October of each year, a full report of all work done in her department in the local Unions of her county.

Each County Superintendent shall procure, and forward to her Provincial Superintendent early in the year, the names and addresses of all the local Superintendents of her department in the county.

PROMPT REPLIES.

19th. That we pledge ourselves, as we did last year, to answer promptly all communications either printed or written.

SCHOOLS OF METHOD.

20th. The value of Schools of Method having been fully demonstrated by this year's report, we would urge upon County Presidents the advisability of holding such schools, wherever and whenever possible.

PRISONERS' AID ASSOCIATION.

21st. That we co-operate with the Prisoners' Aid Association in their endeavor to establish inebriates' asylums and poorhouses in every county. Also

(a) For the re-organization of the county jail system, providing for better classification of, and industrial employment for prisoners.

(b) And the employment of a police matron where female prisoners are incarcerated.

WOMAN'S JOURNAL.

22nd. That united special effort be continued to increase the circulation of the *Woman's Journal*.

TEMPERANCE PATRONAGE.

23rd. Believing that every W. C. T. U. woman should feel it her duty to patronize temperance grocers and merchants, we urge each Union to bring this matter before its members.

PARLOR MEETINGS.

24th. That special effort be made in the line of holding parlor meetings during the winter, where departmental work may be taken up and discussed.

UNION LIBRARIES.

25th. We would again emphasize the benefit to be derived from the temperance libraries in our Unions; also from the free circulation of our leaflet literature, furnished by the literature department at Ottawa.

DAY OF PRAYER.

26th. That the day of prayer, January 3rd, Mrs. Youmans' birthday, be observed religiously by all our Unions, a collection to be taken and divided, as hitherto, between our missions in the Northwest Territories and the World's W. C. T. U.

REPORT OF RESOLUTION COMMITTEE.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Ontario, in its seventeenth annual Convention assembled, offer the following resolutions :

PLATFORM AND POLICY.

Resolved,—That we reaffirm our platform and policy as Moral Suasion for the individual and Prohibition for the State, and for the furtherance of these ends ;

Resolved,—That we call upon pulpit and press to organize and unite in a campaign for the annihilation of the legalized liquor traffic.

Further Resolved,—That we as Christian women, conscious that the saloon issue is both a moral and political warfare, can consistently give our influence and support only to that individual or party that stands as the exponent of the platform and policy of the W. C. T. U.

Resolved,—That we unite in congratulating Sir Oliver Mowat upon his return to power, not because we are a unit upon his policy and methods, but because we consider the temperance issue, upon which he is pledged to act, as the foremost now before the country.

Resolved,—That we respectfully ask as rapid a redemption of his temperance promises as legal procedures will permit ; and further

Resolved,—That we ask immediate relief from some of the more burdensome features of the present license system, such as the misnumbering of offences, along the source of flagrant abuse ; the lack of legal provision for relief in cases where licensed bars exist in sections where public sentiment does not sustain them ; and the continuance in office of men out of sympathy with the laws they were appointed to enforce ; together with other needed reforms.

Resolved,—That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Sir Oliver Mowat.

CONGRATULATIONS.

Resolved,—That we congratulate the Ontario Opposition upon its choice of a leader in the staunch temperance advocate Mr. G. F. Marter, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded Mr. Marter with congratulations on his elevation to this honorable position.

FRANCHISE.

Resolved,—That we reaffirm our position regarding the enfranchisement of women and pledge ourselves anew to do all in our power to hasten the time when women shall enjoy the privileges of the franchise on the same terms as men.

Resolved,—That the thanks of this Convention are due, and are hereby tendered, to Mr. John Waters, ex-M.P.P. for Middlesex, for his years of faithful championship of the woman's franchise cause in the Ontario House.

Further Resolved,—That we express our deep regret at his retirement from public life, and our earnest hope that his mantle may fall upon a worthy successor.

In view of the recognition given by Judge Chesley at the late General Conference of the Methodist Church of Canada, he having moved that the terms layman and laymen, lay delegate and lay delegates, be understood to include women,

Resolved,—That this Convention express its high appreciation of his effort on behalf of the ecclesiastical enfranchisement of women.

Resolved,—That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Judge Chesley.

THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.

WHEREAS: The position taken by Bishop Watterson, of Columbus, Ohio, in prohibiting those engaged in the manufacture or sale of intoxicating liquors from holding either office or membership in Catholic societies within his diocese, and in refusing to those who violate the law the sacraments of the church, is the most radical position ever assumed by any considerable section of the Catholic Church; therefore

Resolved,—That we heartily commend his brave stand, and call the attention of the Canadian hierarchy to the large proportion of liquor sellers and manufacturers who are amongst their communicants, and to their constant and flagrant violation of the license act, and earnestly hope that before long some official utterance, backed by suitable action, shall clearly define the position of the Canadian church upon this question of vital importance.

Resolved,—That we call the attention of the women of the Catholic Church to the following extract from Bishop Watterson's address to the clergy of his diocese: "I have asked you to carry on this work of education and reform, and continue to foster a more wholesome sentiment and practice on the drink subject in the community in which you live, and to discountenance the dangerous business and unhealthy influence of saloons; also endeavor to engage the women in the cause. The influence and prayers of wives, mothers, daughters and sisters will be of much avail."

WOMAN WAGE-EARNERS.

WHEREAS: The W. C. T. U. of this Province, after considerable effort, secured from the Government an Act regulating the sanitary conditions of mercantile establishments which, though defective, has accomplished a partial reform, by calling the attention of merchants and the public to the evils it was intended to correct; and

WHEREAS: The weak point in the law was its failure to provide for proper inspection;

Resolved,—That we respectfully and earnestly request, in the name of thousands of women and girls, that the Factory Act be so amended as to extend its methods of inspection to mercantile houses.

We further call the attention of the Government to the increasingly large proportion of women workers employed in factories and mercantile houses. To our knowledge, many conditions inimical to health and morality exist; such evils are not, and could not, in the nature of things, be well made known to male Inspectors; therefore

Resolved.—That we renew our most reasonable petition for the appointment of Provincial Women Inspectors.

Resolved.—That copies of this resolution be sent to the Premier and the leader of the opposition.

HEALTH.

As we believe that physical health is essential to mental vigor (and both are great aids to right living), and as the present irrational method of dress has much to do with the undoubtedly physical degeneracy of women; therefore

Resolved.—That we hail with pleasure the growing revolt against the tyrannies of fashion, and the increasing interest taken in reform dress, and urge our women to give time and thought to the question.

PURITY.

WHEREAS: Anything that tends to lower the morals of the community is to be deplored by all right-minded people—and the recent exhibition of living pictures at the Toronto Fair, and the show bills and illustrated posters which are displayed on our streets, all tend in this direction; therefore

Resolved.—That we, as a Convention, do protest against the exhibition of the human figure unless arrayed in proper garb, either in living pictures, operatic show bills, or illustrated advertisements; and that we will co-operate with the Dominion W. C. T. U. in their endeavor to obtain a much more stringent law on the subject than is at present in force; also we urge local Unions to do their utmost to promote purity in art.

Recognizing the powerful influence for good or ill of the newspaper upon the home life of our nation;

Resolved.—That we consider it of the greatest importance, in the interests of morality and social purity, that the revolting details of prize fights, cases of seduction and diabolical outrage be excluded from its columns, it being enough that the simple statement of facts be recorded.

WHEREAS: It is the common practice to publish the names of the women inmates found in houses of ill-fame, while those of their equally guilty male partners are withheld;

Resolved.—That we protest against this unjust discrimination that brands the one sinner and shields the other, and demand that society shall be placed in position to protect itself against both.

THE SABBATH.

Resolved.—That we deprecate the military and society parades on the Lord's day; also the circulating of the Sunday papers, as in direct contra-distinction to the proper observance of the Lord's day.

THANKS.

Resolved.—That, as a Convention, we desire to express our gratitude to the ladies of Cornwall, who have so hospitably entertained us; to the pastors, managers, and choirs of the Baptist and Knox churches; to the Cornwall Island Indians, who assisted us with their plaintive singing; to the press, for its full reports of Convention; to the faithful little pages; and to all who in anyway contributed to the enjoyment, comfort and success of this seventeenth annual gathering of the Ontario W. C. T. U.

REPORT OF APPROPRIATION COMMITTEE.

Your Committee recommends:

- 1st. That the President be allowed the sum of \$100.
- 2nd. That a typewriter be purchased, to be the property of Ontario Provincial W. C. T. U., and to be used by the President and Recording Secretary.
- 3rd. That the Corresponding Secretary be allowed the sum of \$100.
- 4th. That an allowance of \$10 each be made the Recording Secretary and Treasurer for incidental expenses.
- 5th. That the sum of \$20 be allowed the Recording Secretary for preparing Annual Report.
- 6th. That the Superintendent of Literature be allowed the sum of \$100.
- 7th. That County Presidents in organized counties be allowed the actual expenses incurred in organizing.
- 8th. That "Y" Superintendents' expenses do not exceed \$30.

MRS. LIVINGSTONE,
MRS. COATES, } Committee.
MRS. BASCOM,

CORNWALL, October 31st, 1894.

MISS MACARTHUR, Advisory Member.

GREETINGS.

MONTREAL, Oct. 30th.

Loving greetings to Convention. Sorry not to have the good times with you.
God bless you every one.

ELLA F. M. WILLIAMS.

PARIS, ONT., Oct. 31st, 1894.

On behalf of the Royal Templars of Ontario, I greet the Provincial Organization, which, more than any other in its objects, spirit and methods, stand for height, depth, length and breadth in social and moral reform.

May the sisters still move forward.

W. KETTLEWELL,
Grand Councillor.

PARKHILL, Nov. 1st, 1894.

Courage, White Ribbon sisters; though absent, our prayers are with you.

MRS. IRELAND,
Secretary.

Letters containing kindly greetings and good wishes were received from Mrs. Sanderson, President of Quebec Union; the Executive Committee of Dominion Alliance, and J. H. Ramsey, of Montreal, First Life Patron of World's W. C. T. U.

In Memoriam.

MRS. JAMES SHAVER,

WALES.

MRS. HERMAN KIRK, MRS. JAMES BARLOW,

CORNWALL.

MISS TENA SCOTT,

SOUTH MOUNTAIN.

Died a Missionary in China.

MRS. FAWCETT, MRS. ORCHARD,

TORONTO.

MRS. McDONALD,

LYN.

MISS TWEEDALE,

RIDGETOWN,

MRS. ALDRITCH,

PETERBOROUGH.

MRS. SHERIN,

LAKEFIELD.

MRS. BELTON, MRS. (REV.) RIGSBY,

MISS E. GREEN,

LONDON.

MRS. WOODWARD,

LONDON WEST.

HONORARY MEMBERS:

WM. GORDON, GEORGE ANDERSON,

LONDON.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF THE
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OF THE
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CONSTITUTION.

PLEDGE.

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

PREAMBLE.

We, the women of the Province of Ontario, deeply sensible of the increasing evils, alarmed at the tendencies and dangers of, and commiserating the misery caused by the liquor traffic, believe it has become our duty, under the providence of God, to UNITE our efforts for its extermination.

Therefore, in order to strengthen and encourage each other in the accomplishment of this important end, we do, on this the 24th day of October, 1877, band ourselves together for the following special objects, and to be governed by the following Constitution and By-Laws :

ARTICLE I.

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

Objects— To unitedly array the Christian women of Ontario against the manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquor as a beverage.

To educate and influence society in favor of sobriety and virtue.

To impress upon the youth of our province the awful responsibility resting upon those either supporting or engaged in the liquor traffic, and the folly as well as guilt of partaking of intoxicants of any kind, or in any form.

To gather statistics, facts and incidents relating to the traffic in intoxicating liquors, and make use of them in such a way as will best promote the interests of Temperance.

To labor *individually* for the inebriate, the liquor-seller, the fallen of our own sex, and for the neglected masses in our cities and towns, hitherto unreached and uncared for.

To give active expression to our sympathy with the family of the inebriate, and to endeavor to elevate his children from the debasing influences with which they are surrounded.

To heartily co-operate with other Temperance Societies in combating the evils of intemperance, and to unite with any other society or association which is endeavoring justly, appropriately, and guided by Christian principles, to procure total prohibition of the liquor traffic.

To strive by every means in our power to secure the thorough enforcement of the temperance laws we already possess.

For the accomplishment of these objects we shall faithfully and conscientiously employ all the means God has placed within our reach, and we shall continually seek His direction and blessing upon our work.

Officers—The officers shall be a President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Auditor. These officers (excepting the Auditor), together with the County or District Presidents (who shall also be Vice-Presidents of Provincial Union), and Superintendents of Departments, shall constitute an Executive Board, with full power to control and provide for the general interests of the work.

Election of Officers—These officers, with the exception of County or District Presidents, Superintendents of Departments and Auditor, shall be elected on the third day of 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 greatest number of votes cast, except where one nominee shall receive three-quarters of the ballots cast, when, on motion, the informal may be made the formal ballot.

Superintendents of Departments—Superintendents of Departments shall be nominated by the officers, including Presidents of organized counties, 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 time and place as the President may direct.

ARTICLE IV.

Membership—The annual meeting shall be composed of the Executive Board, one delegate from each affiliated Union, and one additional delegate for every twenty paying members of such Union. This meeting shall be held the last week in October, in such place as may be determined by the previous annual meeting, or by the Executive.

ARTICLE V.

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

ARTICLE VI.

Life-Members—Any person may become a life-member of the Provincial Union by signing the pledge, and the payment of \$25.

Honorary Members—Any person may become an honorary member by signing the pledge, and paying the sum of \$1 annually.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION I.

President—The President shall preside at annual meetings and meetings of the Executive Committee, and perform all duties pertaining to her office.

SECTION II.

Vice President—The Vice-President, in case of illness or death of the President, shall perform all duties pertaining to her office.

SECTION III.

Corresponding Secretary—The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Union, and, in organized counties, shall send to the County or District Corresponding Secretary, not later than September 1st, yearly blank forms for reports of Local Unions, and from information thus received, shall summarize her annual report. Where no County or District Union exists she shall send blank forms to the Local Union. She shall provide a directory of Unions for Provincial Report.

SECTION IV.

Recording Secretary—The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Union. She shall also be Secretary of the Executive and Sub-Committee, and shall send to each member of these said committees proper notice of such meeting, and designate in said notice the topics which are to be specially considered at the meeting. At the first session of each annual meeting she shall call the roll of delegates. She shall read the minutes of all sessions of the Executive Committee since the last annual meeting, and all papers ordered to be read. She shall apprise committees of their appointment at the first session of each annual meeting. She shall also perform all other duties usual to the office.

SECTION V.

Treasurer—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements of money, and present a detailed report thereof, properly audited, at each annual meeting. She shall pay no bills except on orders signed by the President and Recording Secretary. The fiscal year shall terminate two weeks previous to the annual meeting.

SECTION VI.

County Presidents—Each County or District President in organized counties shall visit the Unions of the county or district in which she presides, and shall secure the organization of new Local Unions. The Annual County or District Meeting to be held, where practicable, not later than September 30th.

In unorganized counties, she shall, in addition to visiting Unions, seek to secure the organization of new Local Unions, and, if possible, a County or District Union. In unorganized counties, a sum not exceeding \$5 annually be allowed her for expenses by the Provincial Union.

Any city having an affiliated membership of 300, may, by adopting the County Union Constitution, become a District Union with all the privileges and responsibilities of a County Union.

SECTION VII.

Superintendents of Departments—Superintendents of Departments shall avail themselves of all opportunities for the furtherance of practical work in their departments, and shall make known the same to the County or District Superintendent of their departments, through whom they shall receive reports of Local Superintendents.

In unorganized counties they shall send direct to Corresponding Secretaries of Local Unions; they shall annually, when the interests of their department require it, send circulars, plan of work, blank forms, petitions, etc., which have been previously submitted to the Sub-Executive of Provincial Union, to County and District Superintendents.

They shall have power to name a committee from the Local Union, or Provincial Executive resident in their own district, to call upon influential bodies when the interests of their department demand it. All necessary expenses shall be borne by the Provincial Union.

SECTION VIII.

Sub-Committee—Necessary expenses of the Sub-Committee of the Executive Board in travelling to and from the Annual Meeting and Special Meetings, also for postage, stationery and printing shall be borne by the Provincial Union.

SECTION IX.

Rules of Order—The rules contained in "Roberts' Rules of Order" shall govern the Union in all cases to which they are applicable, and in which they are not inconsistent with the Constitution and By-Laws of this Union.

SECTION X.

Constitution—This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote at any Annual Meeting, notice having been given in writing of such change at the previous Annual Meeting.

 COUNTY OR DISTRICT CONSTITUTION.

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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 a County or District Union, with the President of the Union where the meeting is to be held, shall be a Committee of Arrangement, selecting topics for discussion and devising means to make the meetings interesting and profitable.

ARTICLE VI.

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BY-LAWS.

SECTION I.

(a) The President shall preside at Annual Meeting and meeting of Executive Committee, and may through Recording Secretary call Special Meetings of that Committee when such are required; visit the Unions in County or District and organize new Local Unions. She shall also perform all other duties usual to such office.

(b) Vice-President shall preside at meetings in absence of the President. She shall also, when required, assist the President in organization and general management of the work.

(c) The Corresponding Secretary shall attend to the correspondence of the Union. One month before the Annual Meeting she shall send blank forms to the Local Corresponding Secretary of each Union for their report, from which she shall prepare her report for County or District Unions and Provincial Corresponding Secretary.

At the close of the Annual Meeting, she shall provide a printed or written directory of each County or District and Local Union officer and Superintendent.

A copy of this directory shall be sent to each Provincial, County or District and Local President and Corresponding Secretary and Superintendent. She shall notify County or District Superintendents and Committees of their appointment.

(d) The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of proceedings of County or District Unions. She shall also be Secretary of the Executive Committee, and shall send to each member of the Committee notice of its meetings.

At the first session of each Annual Meeting, she shall read the minutes of each session of Executive Committee since the last Annual Meeting. She shall perform all other duties usual to the office.

(e) The Treasurer shall keep accurate accounts of all receipts and disbursements of money, and present a detailed account thereof at each Annual Meeting.

She shall not pay any bills except on receipt of written order from President and Recording Secretary.

She shall collect all unpaid *county or district affiliation fees* before Annual Meeting, and endeavor to secure contributions for County or District Union work. She shall also forward to the Provincial Treasurer the half-yearly provincial affiliation fees received from Local Unions.

(f) Superintendents of Departments shall avail themselves of all opportunities for the furtherance of practical work in their Departments, and shall make known the same to Local Union Superintendents, from whom they should secure, as far as possible, returns for County or District Union reports, all necessary expense to be borne by the County Union. These in turn shall be given to Provincial Superintendents, from which they may make up complete reports for Provincial Union. The County or District and Local Superintendents of any Department *shall form a Committee* to carry on its work when united action is essential.

(g) The Executive Committee shall appoint Superintendents of Departments and special committees.

(h) The expenses of the five General Officers in travelling to and from meetings of the Union, also for postage, stationery and President's expenses in visiting Local Unions, shall be paid from the funds of County or District Union.

(i) This Constitution may be altered or amended by a two-thirds vote at any Annual Meeting of the Provincial Union, notice having been given in writing of such change at the previous Annual Meeting of the Provincial Union by the Recording Secretary of the County or District Union.

LOCAL CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

Name—This Organization shall be known as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union of — Auxiliary to the Ontario Provincial W. C. T. U.

Object—The object of this Union shall be to meet together for prayer and conference, to educate public sentiment to the standard of total abstinence, to train the young, save the inebriate, to secure the complete extinction of the liquor traffic, and to enter into any Christian work to which the Lord may call.

Pledge—I hereby promise, God helping me, to abstain from all distilled, fermented, and malt liquors (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 II.

Membership—Any woman may become a member of this organization by signing the pledge, and by the payment of sixty cents per year. Gentlemen may become honorary members by signing the pledge and by the payment of the regular fee. They shall be entitled to all the privileges of members except the vote and holding office.

ARTICLE III.

Officers—The officers shall be a President, Vice-Presidents (one from each church when practicable), a Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Treasurer and Auditor. These officers (excepting the Auditor) with the Superintendents of different Departments, shall constitute the Executive Committee. These officers 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 shall then proceed to vote for the two candidates having the highest number of votes cast, except where one nominee shall receive three-quarters of the ballots cast, when, on motion, the informal may be made the formal ballot.

ARTICLE IV.

Auxiliaryship—Each Union shall pay to the funds of Provincial Union through the County or District Treasurer (in organized counties) the sum of twenty-five cents per paying member, and to the County or District Union the sum of five cents per paying member, yearly. This amount to be taken from the membership fee. In unorganized counties this sum shall be sent direct to the Provincial Treasurer.

ARTICLE V.

Annual Meeting—The Annual Meeting of Local Unions shall be held early in September for the election of officers and Superintendents, also for delegates to County or District Union and Provincial Annual Meetings. At this meeting reports of Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer and Superintendents of Departments shall be read and confirmed before being sent to the County or District Corresponding Secretary and Superintendents.

BY-LAWS.

SECTION I.

President—It shall be the duty of the President to preside at meetings of the organization, and to supervise its general interests, and she may, through the Recording Secretary, call special meetings, due notice being given to the members.

SECTION II.

Vice-Presidents—It shall be the duty of each Vice-President to preside in her turn, in the absence of the President, and to enlist women of her own church in the work.

SECTION III.

Corresponding Secretary—It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Union, and to report to the Corresponding Secretary of the County or District Union yearly on receipt of blank form (having first submitted her report to the Local Union), giving such items of general interest as will enable said Secretary to judge correctly of the condition of the Union. She, with the Recording Secretary, shall also prepare the report for the Annual Meeting of the Local Union. They shall also, in unorganized counties, prepare a condensed report for the Provincial Convention, sending to the Provincial Corresponding Secretary two weeks before the date of Provincial Meeting. In small Unions, the work of the Secretaries may be done by the Recording Secretary, if desirable.

SECTION IV.

Recording Secretary—It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Union, and notify members of meetings.

SECTION V.

Treasurer—It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to collect all membership dues and to devise means to increase the funds of the organization. She shall receive and hold all money collected for the use of the Union, keeping an exact book account, and making a monthly report of the same. She shall pay no bills except on an order signed by the President and the Recording Secretary. She shall forward regularly, in organized counties, to the County or District Treasurer, the half yearly fees for the Provincial and County or District Unions.

SECTION VI.

Departments of Work—If the demands of the work justify it, there shall be Departments of Work to correspond with Provincial Departments, and such others as the needs of the locality seem to call for.

SECTION VII.

Duties of Superintendents of Departments—Each Superintendent of a Department shall avail herself of all opportunities for the furtherance of practical work in her Department, and report to Superintendent of same Department in County or District Union on or before the 17th day of September.

Where no county or district organization exists, the report should be sent to Provincial Superintendent of that Department.

SECTION VIII.

Meetings—The regular meeting of the Union shall be held weekly, fortnightly, or monthly, as the Union may decide. The first meeting of the month shall be largely a devotional meeting. If possible, mass meetings shall be held quarterly.

The Executive and other Committees shall meet as often as may be deemed advisable.

SECTION IX.

Quorum—A quorum shall consist of such members as shall be present at a regular or special meeting, due notice of such meeting being given to the members.

SECTION X.

Delegates to Provincial Convention—Delegates to the Provincial Union are received on the following basis: One of each Union and one additional delegate for every twenty paying members of each Union. The expenses of general officers and Superintendents of Departments for postage, stationery, etc., shall be borne by the Union. Travelling expenses of delegates to Annual Convention shall, where at all practicable, be borne by the Union sending those delegates.

ORDER OF BUSINESS.

Devotional Exercises.
 Reading Minutes of last Meeting.
 Treasurer's Report.
 Unfinished Business.
 Reception of Communications
 Reception of New Members and Reading of Constitution.
 Reports of Committees.
 Reading of Paper on Temperance Question.
 Discussion.
 Regular Course of Reading.
 Discussion.
 Miscellaneous Business.
 Adjournment.

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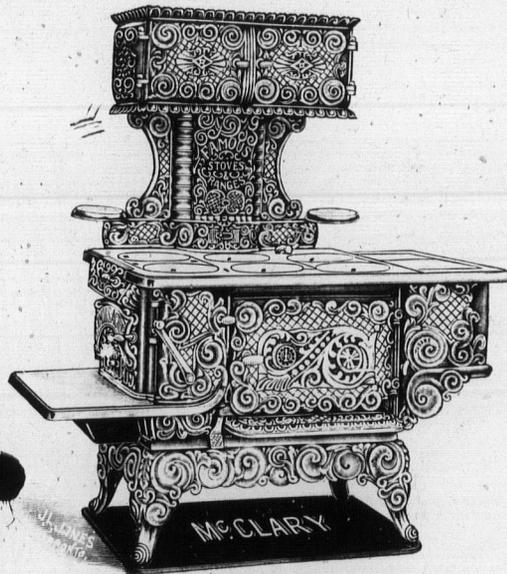
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