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# MINUTES

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# SECOND ANNUAL MEETING

OF THE

# PROVINCIAL WOMAN'S

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OF VICTORIA.

Held in Victoria, B. C., July 23rd and 24th, 1885.

"FOR GOD AND HOME AND NATIVE LAND."

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# W. C. T. U. CONVENTION OF BRITISH COLUMBIA.

The Second Annual Meeting of the Provincial Woman's

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The Second Annual Meeting of the Provincial Woman's Christian Temperance Union of British Columbia was held in Temperance Hall at Victoria, July 23rd and 24th, 1885.

# FIRST DAY.

MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises, led by Mrs. Cunningham, of New Westminster.

The Recording Secretary, Mrs. Grant, then called the roll of officers and delegates when the following responded:

# OFFICERS: Vice President,

Recording Secretary,

Victoria.

Port Hammond.

Miss Lazenby,

Mrs. Seccombe.

Mrs. Grant,

| Mrs. Jenkins,<br>Mrs. Williams.     | Correspondin<br>Treasurer, | "              |            |
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| Miss Pollard,                       | Superintende               | 66.9           |            |
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| Mrs. M'Naughton,<br>Mrs. Flett,     | (President)                |                | Victoria.  |
| Mrs. Sargison,                      |                            |                | **         |
| Mrs. Spafford,                      | (President)                | Y. W. C. T. U. | ".         |
| Mrs. Etheridge,                     |                            |                | "          |
| Mrs. Clyde,                         |                            | a a            | . "        |
| Miss Cummings,                      |                            | "              | "          |
| Miss Teague,                        |                            |                | "          |
| Mrs. Cunningham,<br>Miss M'Dougall, | (President)                | New Wes        | tminster   |
| Mrs. Wells,<br>Mrs. M'Cutcheon,     | (President)                | Chi            | illiwhack. |
| Miss White,                         |                            |                | "          |
| Miss Godby<br>Miss Brown,           | (President)                |                | Nanaimo    |
| Mrs. Abrams.                        |                            |                | "          |

(President)

Owing to indisposition on the part of the President, the chair was occupied by Miss Lazenby, Vice President, who gave a short opening address, followed by the address of welcome to the delegates by Miss Pollard of Victoria, responded to by Miss White of Chilliwhack.

The following committee on nominations were then appointed: Mrs. Spafford, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. M Naughton, Miss White; after which the Secretary read the minutes of all executive meetings held during the year.

The Chairman of the Committee on Nominations reported as follows:

#### PLAN OF WORK.

| Mrs. Wells,      |  | Chilliwhack. |
|------------------|--|--------------|
| Mrs. WILLIAMS,   |  | Victoria.    |
| MRS. M'NAUGHTON, |  |              |

# COURTESIES,

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| MRS. FLETT,    | Victoria. |
|----------------|-----------|
| MRS. JENKINS,  |           |
| Miss Cummings, | . "       |

#### CREDENTIALS.

| MRS. ETHERIDGE, | Victoria. |
|-----------------|-----------|
| MRS. CLYDE,     | 11,400    |
| MISS CUMMINGS,  | "         |

#### RESOLUTIONS.

| Mrs. Jenkińs,   | Victoria.       |
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| Mrs. Sargison.  | "               |
| Mrs. Cunningham | New Westminster |

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| MRS. CUNNINGHAM, | New Westminster.                  |
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| MISS POLLARD,    | Victoria.                         |
| MRS. JENKINS,    |                                   |
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## MISS WHITE. Chilliwhack.

| FINANCES.         | * *           |
|-------------------|---------------|
| MRS. SECCOMBE,    | Port Hammond. |
| MRS. DR. M'SWAIN, | Victoria.     |
| MRS. CLYDE,       | "             |
| MRS. FLETT,       |               |
| Mrss Godey        | Nanaimo       |

On motion this report was adopted.

The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Jenkins, then gave a report of the work done throughout the Province during the past year, showing that the work is being pushed forward and temperance sentiment spreading even beyond our most sanguine expectations (see app.). Convention then adjourned to meet at 2 p. w.

#### AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises led by Mrs. Wells of Chilliwhack, after which business was resumed by reading of minutes of previous session, which were adopted.

The Treasurer's report was read by Mrs. J. W. Williams, Treasurer, which was adopted, as follows:

| Receipts,     | \$186 55 |    |  |
|---------------|----------|----|--|
| Expenditures, | 145 17   |    |  |
| Balance.      | \$ 40    | 38 |  |

Mis. Jenkins for the Island, and Mrs. Cunningham for the mainland, then reported, as organizers, that during the year three Unions, and five Bands of Hope had been organized—two Unions and five Bands of Hope on the mainland, and one Union on Vancouver Island, the organizers receiving valuable assistance from Miss Henrietta Moore, of Ohio, who at the time was lecturing through the province under the auspices of the Provincial W. C. T. U.

Reports for the local Unions were then called for from Victoria, Victoria Y. W.C. T. U., New Westminster, Chilliwhack, Nanaimo, Granville, Maple Ridge. (For reports see app.).

On receiving the report of Maple Ridge Union it was moved by Mrs. Grant, seconded by Mrs. Flett, that a vote of thanks be tendered Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Secombe and Mrs. Geo. Howison, for their untiring zeal, amid many discouragements, in the cause of temperance in Port Hammond. Carried unanimously.

Mrs. Jenkins then read a paper presented by the Local Union of Victoria, laying before the women of the Province the question of the W. C. T. U. undertaking the work of of l Chi cari tab

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Ope Victor Min ident, of bringing young women from the east to take the place of Chinese as domestic servants, and submitting a plan for carrying out the same, which after being read was laid on the table to be discussed at three o'clock next day.

Committee on Credentials then reported. First day:

| Number of Officers and Delegates<br>Visitors | 23<br>25 |  |
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| Towns Represented                            | 5        |  |

Convention then adjourned.

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#### EVENING SESSION.

A mass meeting was held in the Methodist church. The chair was occupied by Miss Lazenby, Vice President. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Dr. Sutherland and ex-Alderman Moore of Toronto. The church was filled by a large and enthusiastic audience, who listened with marked attention to the interesting addresses—a collection of \$40 90 being taken.

# SECOND DAY, THURSDAY 24TH.

MORNING SESSION.

Devotional exercises led by Mrs. McNaughten. Minutes of previous session read and adopted.

The report of Committee on Constitution and By-Laws was read by Miss Pollard, chairman of the Committee. On motion of Mrs. Spafford it was resolved to adopt it clause by clause. After much discussion and several amendments to the different clauses it was adopted as follows: (See app.)

Moved by Mrs. Grant, seconded by Mrs. Cunningham, that this Provincial W. C. T. U. now declare itself as auxiliary to the Dominion W. C. T. U., and acquiesce in its constitution. On motion the convention adjourned till 1:30 p. m.

# AFTERNOON SESSION.

Opened with devotional exercises led by Mrs. Gerow of Victoria.

Minutes of previous session read and adopted. The President, Mrs. Pollard, being present of this session, gave a

short address expressing her regret that sailing health prevented her from taking her place in the convention, and from joining in active work, but expressing her sympathy in the cause and her desire to see it prosper, assuring the women who are engaged in this warfare that while it would be impossible in her declining years to be with them much in the active strife, she would still be able to bear our great cause up on the wings of prayer to the Captain of our Salvation and made mention of the joy which thrilled her heart when, for the first time, she was permitted the privilege of pinning on the "bonnie bit of blue" on the Band of Hope children.

The report of Committee on Resolutions, being called for the chairman presented the following, which was adopted:

1st. Resolved—That the temperance education of the children of this Province shall for the coming year be one of our leading lines of work.

2nd. Resolved—That we recommend to the Superintendent of Evangelistic work to use her utmost endeavors/to procure in the various churches of the Province quarterly a sermon from each minister in charge and a union temperance prayer meeting on the regular prayer meeting night of the same week to be held alternately in the different churches.

3rd. Resolved—That we adopt as part of our work, the procuring of a Sabbath law for the closing of the saloons.

4th. Resolved—That in view of Mrs. Youmans' expected visit to the Province in September or October, that the delegates representing the various local unions of their locality, the early adoption of the Scott Act in the electoral districts in which they reside, and if possible so perfect/preliminary arrangements as to enable Mrs. Youmans to lecture in reference to the taking a final vote on the Scott Act.

5th. Resolved—That the minutes of the convention be printed it possible within six weeks from the close of the convention.

6th Resolved—That there be a standing order of business for the convention, which with the rules of order be printed with the minutes. Also that the business for each session be announced from the chair before the close of the preceding session.

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7th. Resolved—That the convention hereby tender a hearty vote of thanks to the committee who so efficiently prepared and provided the lunch during the days of the convention.

The election of officers for the ensuing year then took place resulting as follows:

| President,<br>1st Vice President, | MRS. W. H. SPAFFORD,<br>MRS. G. A. SARGISON. | Victoria.                       |
|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| 2nd Vice President.               | MRS. D. McNaughten.                          | **                              |
| Recording Secretary,              | MRS. G. GRANT.                               |                                 |
| Corresponding Secretary.          | MRS. D. JENKINS.                             | "                               |
| Treasurer,                        | MRS. E. ETHERIDGE,                           | . "                             |
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Superintendents of Departments.

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MISS BELLA BROWN. Nanaimo.

LITERATURE.

MRS. JAS. CUNNINGHAM. New Westminster.

INFLUENCING THE PRESS.

MISS E. LAZENBY. Victoria.

WORK AMONGST SAILORS AND LUMBERMEN.

MRS. MURRAY THAIN, Moodyville.

WORK AMONGST RAILROAD EMPLOYEES.

MRS. SECCOMBE, Port Hammond

UNFERMENTED JUICE AT THE LORD'S TABLE.

Mrs. Wells, Chilliwhack.

LEGISLATION AND PETITIONS.

MRS. (REV., WATSON, New Westminster.

HEREDITY AND HYGIENE.

MRS. (DR.) McSwain, Victoria.

EVANGELISTIC WORK.

Mrs. D. Robson. New Westminster.

PRISON WORK.

MRS. D. SPENCER, Victoria.

HOSPITAL WORK.

MRS. J. FLETT, SR., Victoria.

YOUNG WOMAN'S WORK.

MRS. A. J. McLELLAN, Victoria.

MAINLAND ORGANIZER.

MRS. JAS. CUNNINGHAM, New Westminster.

ISLAND ORGANIZER.

Mrs. D. Jenkins, Victoria.

The paper presented by the local Union of Victoria, refering to the question of domestic servants, was brought forward for discussion.

Moved by Miss White that it be placed on file.

An amendment was offered by Mrs. Spafford that it be referred to the executive committee.

Mrs. Cunningham moved an amendment to the amendment that it be laid over for discussion, and that no action be taken upon it until next convention. Carried by a majority of one.

The newly elected President then made a few remarks, and after singing the hymn,

"Blest be the tie that binds Our hearts in Christian love."

Declared the convention closed to meet again in the Temperance Hall, Victoria, September, 1886.

#### EVENING MEETING, SECOND DAY.

An evening meeting was again held in the Methodist church. Mrs. Spafford, President, occupied the chair. Interesting addresses were listened to from Rev. C. Watson of New Westminster, and Hon. J. Robson of Victoria. A colection of \$19 was taken.

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#### CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

We rejoice to-day to be able to report that although a few amongst us may have relaxed their efforts to beat back the enemy encamped against our homes, yet we have been enabled not only to strengthen our lines of fortifications, but also to lengthen them, and we are led to rejoice that while our work has been done under difficulties, the Lord has blessed our labors, and as we stand and see the battle that is coming we feel that we need to rally and increase our forces for the conflict.

We thankfully report three Unions organized during the year just closed, thus doubling the number in the Province. We feel confident that we could have still further increased our numbers if it had been possible to make our workers understand that any Christian woman that ever organized a missionary society can organize a Woman's Christian Temperance Union. New Unions require help and encouragement. We would suggest that new Unions and workers everywhere be supplied with the leaflets on Organization, Finance, Rural Work, Young Women's Work and Band of Hope pamphlets.

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Last year we reported two Bands of Hope—this, eight. This, one of the most important branches of our work (the education of the young) requires that we give special attention to this feature of it during the coming year. Although the improvement is so much greater than that of last year, we cannot feel comfortable, under the state of affairs, for a look at the map of British Columbia will convince any one that our work is only just commencing and that much greater effort will be needed for the coming year. The reports from the various Unions indicate a good deal of activity. There are 529 members in the province, 371 are paying members. One Union holds regular weekly, two semi-monthly, and three monthly meetings. The Y. W. C. T. U. of Victoria have held their social and business meetings combined semimonthly. Altogether last year 127 business and 54 public meetings were held.

Eleven lectures were delivered by Miss W. G. Moore, of Ohio, who rendered such efficient aid in organizing at Nanaimo. Maple Ridge and Burrard Inlet. Petitions were circulated throughout the Province and were presented to the Legislative Assembly at the commencement of the present year, for the closing of the saloons, and for the amendment of the franchise act, so as to enable women of legal age to vote.

The petition for the Sunday closing law obtained 957 signatures, and that for the extension of the franchise to women 847—this does not include New Westminster, as the petitions from that city were not presented through the Provincial

Union. Both of these petitions were defeated.

As the results of our year's efforts are thus gathered and presented, we are thankful for what has been accomplished; and while humbly acknowledging mistakes and failures in our work, we would desire with greater earnestness of purpose and stronger faith to seek for that wisdom which cometh from above, and is promised liberally to all who ask. Dear Sisters, let our motto for the coming year be "Upward and Onward."

Upward to the Heaven above us, Onward in the march of mind, Upward to the shrine of freedom, Onward, working for our kind.

> M. JENKINS, Corresponding Secretary.

# REPORTS OF LOCAL UNIONS.

VICTORIA.

Victoria W. C. T. U. was organized July 4th 1883 by Miss Willard, since which time meetings have been held regularly, once a week, and mass meetings once a month.

Number of members, 137.

Have had a Y. W. C. T. U. working for over a year.

Jail work has been successfully carried on with good results. Also Hospital visiting; the Superintendent of this department has been successful in arranging a regular weekly service on Sunday afternoon, besides visiting the different wards through the week, distributing literature and administering the Word. Some of the members of the Flower Mission have occasionally accompanied the Superintendents of Jail and hospital work offering their gifts of flowers which have been readily accepted. The ladies of the Union provided a lunch stand at the Agricultural Show in September, 1884, whice was well patronized.

Mrs. J. E. Foster of Iowa, and Miss Henrietta G. Moore of Ohio have visited Victoria and delivered four lectures

under the auspices of our Union.

Literature is being constantly distributed in various ways. The Band of Hope has met regularly every Saturday afternoon, besides giving several entertainments during the year. Y.

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City mission work has been taken up in connection with the Y. M. C. A., and street services held every Sabbath morning.

A number of meetings have been field at Esquimalt, and a reception given on New Year's Day at Temperance Hall, when about three hundred callers were received. In the evening an enthusiastic mass meeting was field, thus opening the new Year with increased effort and encouragement.

MRS. JENKINS.

Rec. Sec.

#### VICTORIA Y. W. C. T. U.

This branch of the W. C. T. U. was organized February, 1884, and was introduced into society by a reception given in Temperance Hall in the evening of March 17th which was largely attended and the young ladies given a most enthusiastic welcome to the ranks of Temperance workers. Their work through the year has been principally of a social character.

The meetings, which have been very successful, have been held seni monthly, with an average attendance of about two hundred. The young ladies have assisted the W. C. T. U. in various ways, namely, holding mass meetings, giving receptions, circulating petitions, and serving refreshments. They have also visited the hospital regularly once a week, carrying with them literature and flowers, and singing to the the patients in the various wards.

The pledge book shows enrolled 236 names, a large number of which are young men.

MRS. ETHERIDGE,

Rec. Sec.

#### NEW WESTMINSTER W. C. T. U.

Was organized September, 1883, by Mrs. McNaughten, District Vice President. The present membership of this Union is 19 active and 11 honorary members.

During the year twenty-five meetings have been held. Our meetings at first were held weekly, but finding it difficult to meet so often, we decided to hold them monthly: Four mass meetings have been held, and Gospel Temperance meetings Sunday evening at the close of the regular church

service. Also two of our ladies have visited the jail and hospital Sunday afternoon.

A flourishing Band of Hope is conducted under the able superintendence of Mrs. J. Cunningham.

MRS. M. WATSON,

Rec. Sec.

#### CHILLIWHACK

This Union was organized be Miss Lazenby, assisted by Mrs. Cunningham with a few members, which have since increased to forty, all in good standing, besides having the leading members of the township in sympathy with this great cause.

We have four Bands of Hope, comprising 120 children between the ages of 5 and 13.

Our Union meetings are held monthly, in addition to which we have held three mass meetings.

The district being a scattered one makes it difficult to attend all the meetings, but, notwithstanding, the average attendance is fair.

For the last fifteen years Chilliwhack and Sumas have successfully battled against the liquor traffic, but in June last the thin end of the wedge was entered in the form of a table license, by the collector of the township. Upon the fact being made known, great indignation was expressed, a renewal of the license refused by the council, and a fine of \$100 and costs imposed.

We subscribe for 14 numbers of Women's Journal, and have appropriated \$50 to literature.

MRS. MCCUTCHEON.

Cor. Sec.

#### NANAIMO.

The Union at Nanaimo was organized October, 1884, by Mrs. Jenkins, Island organizer, assisted by Miss Henrietta Moore of Ohio, with seven members, which now numbers sixty-five.

Meetings are held semi-monthly in the Good Templar's Hall. Two mass meetings have been held, one in the Methodist Church and one in the Institute, both of which were numerously attended.

The lines of work taken up are prison and hospital visiting, and distributing literature.

BELLA BROWN,

Rec. Sec.

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#### PORT HAMMOND.

The Port Hammond W. C. T. U. was organized in October, 1884, by the Mainland Organizer, Mrs. Cunningham, assisted by Miss H. G. Moore.

Owing to this being a small district and sparsely settled our membership only numbers seven, but we have organized a Band of Hope, numbering twenty-five, which is kept in

good standing.

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We keep circulating petitions to prevent a license being obtained for Port Hammond. Also have presented a petition to the House of Assembly, praying them not to allow any liquor to be sold by the steamers at landings. Two miles from our town there has been one saloon which we succeed in keeping closed.

CHRISTINA SINCLAIR,

Cor. Sec.

#### BURRARD INLET.

The organization of this Union dates from the visit of Miss H. G. Moore in October last. The membership is fourteen, only two of whom are honorary. Our meetings are very irregular, owing to the fact that we meet at Granville and a number of our ladies live in Moodyville. The water travel is very detrimental to any regularity.

We have during the past eight months bought and scattered temperance literature. The field on which we labor is a hard one, and so far as we can judge our efforts (though not so vigorous as we had hoped) have not accomplished much. The jail has been visited and a Band of Hope organized at Moodyville under the Superintendence of Miss Kirkland and Mrs. Thain. We have tried to organize in Granville but so far have not succeeded.

BESSIE HALL,

President.

### NAME OF PRESIDENT AND CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF LOCAL UNIONS.

| PRESIDENT.       | COR. SEC.         | Town.               |
|------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| MRS. MCNAUGHTEN. | MRS. JENKINS.     | Victoria.           |
| Mrs. HAYWARD.    | MRS. ETHERIDGE,   | Victoria Y.W.C.T.U. |
| MRS. ABRAMS,     | MISS A. GREENE.   | Nanaimo.            |
| MRS. CUNNINGHAM, | Mrs. C. Robson,   | New Westminster.    |
| MRS. SECCOMBE.   | MISS C. SINCLAIR. | Port Pammond.       |
| MRS. HALL.       |                   | Granville.          |
| Mes Wells        | MRS. McCurcheon   | Chilliwhack.        |

#### CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS.

#### ARTICLE I.

This Society shall be known as the Provincial Woman's Christian Temperance Union of British Columbia.

#### ARTICLE II.

The officers shall be a President, two Vice Presidents (the Second Vice President being the President of the local Union in such place as the executive shall be held, a District Superintendent for each district in the Province, a Superintendent for each department of work recommended, a Recording Secretary, a Orresponding Secretary, a Treasurer.

The Presidents of all local Unions shall be members of this

executive and shall be entitled to a vote.

These officers shall constitute an Executive Board to control and provide for the general interests of the work with power to fill vacancies in its own body. The Superintendents of Departments shall not be expected to sit with the executive at the meeting where such superintendents are nominated.

#### ARTICLE III.

The President, 1st and 2nd Vice Presidents, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries, and the Treasurer may form a sub-committee of the Executive Board for the transaction of business, five of whom shall form a quorum.

#### ARTICLE IV.

The annual meeting of the Executive Board, one delegate for each affiliated Union and one additional delegate for every ten paying member of each Union.

#### ARTICLE V.

Each Local Union contributing to the funds of the Provincial Union at the rate of 64 cents per member quarterly shall be auxiliary to the Provincial Union and shall be entitled to the privilege of sending delegates to the annual meeting.

#### ARTICLE VI.

Each auxiliary Union shall make to the Corresponding Secretary yearly a report as per blank form provided.

#### ARTICLE VII.

The annual meeting at which time the officers shall be elected, shall be held in September and in such place as shall be appointed at the preceding annual meeting.

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#### ARTICLE VIII.

The Sub-Committee of the Executive Board shall meet annually, or if necessary oftener, at such time and in such place as the President shall decide.

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#### BY-LAW NUMBER 1.

The President may call special meetings through the Recording Secretary when she may deem it necessary and shall perform all other duties usually pertaining to the office.

#### BY-LAW NUMBER II.

The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Union and send to each Auxiliary Union yearly a blank for the report of that Auxiliary for the current year. From the information thus received she shall prepare her annual report.

#### BY-LAW NUMBER III.

The Recording Secretary shall also be Secretary of the Sub-Committee of the Executive Board and shall attend all the meetings of the Union and the executive committee and shall keep a correct record of their proceedings. She shall call the roll of delegates at the annual meeting and read all papers which may be ordered to be read. At the first session of each she shall read a synopsis of all sessions of the Executive Committee since the last annual meeting and shall perform all other duties usually belonging to the office.

#### BY-LAW NUMBER IV.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to keep accurate account of all the receipts and disbursements of money and to present a detailed report thereof at each annual meeting. She shall pay no bills except on an order signed by the President and Recording Secretary.

#### BY-LAW NUMBER V.

Each District Superintendent shall have supervision of the Unions in her district and shall secure the organization of local auxiliary Unions and shall make an annual report of her work to the Corresponding Secretary on the first day of August.

When practicable, the expenses of District Superintendents shall be met by collections from the Unions visited by her.

#### BY-LAW NUMBER VI.

The Superintendent of each department shall use her influence to devise means for the successful working of the department under her care.

#### BY-LAW NUMBER VII.

The expenses of Sub-Committee of the Executive Board in travelling to and from the annual meeting, also for postage and stationery, shall be borne by the Provincial Union.

#### BY-LAW NUMBER VIII.

The Executive Committee shall nominate the Superintentendents of Departments and special committees and report to the annual meeting.

#### BY-LAW NUMBER IX.

All Y. W. C. T. U.'s shall be auxiliary to the Provincial W. C. T. U.

#### BY-LAW NUMBER X.

The By-Laws may be altered and amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting, notice having been given at the previous annual meeting.

#### RULES OF ORDER.

- Every session for business shall be opened and closed with prayer.
- II. After the call to order by the President, the arrangement for business shall be as follows:
  - 1. Address of welcome to the delegates.
  - 2. Response.
  - 3. President's annual address.
  - 4. Reading of these Rules of Order.
  - 5. Roll call of officers and delegates.
- 6. Appointment of committeeson: (a) devotional exercises; (b) new Unions; (c) special business.
  - 7. Call for new Unions.
  - 8. Reports of officers.
  - 9. Reports of Superintendents of Departments.
  - 10. Verbal reports from Presidents.
- 11. Reports of Standing Committees on: (a) plan of Work; (b) resolutions; (c) finance.
  - 12. Reports of Special Committees.
  - 13. Unfinished business.
  - 14. Election of officers.
  - 15. New business.
  - 16. Appointment of Standing Committees.
- III. No member of this convention shall absent herself from any session, without leave from the President.

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V. No person shall speak more than twice upon the same

subject without leave from the convention.

VI. Ministers and visiting members invited to a seat with the convention shall have the privilege of speaking but not of voting upon any question.

VII. Any person about to speak shall rise, address the President, confine her remarks to the question, and use

courteous and Christian language.

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VIII. If any resolution or motion shall contain two or more parts it shall be divided, upon the request of any member and the vote taken upon each part separately.

IX. The minutes of each day's proceedings shall be read the morning following, except those of the last day which

shall be read immediately before adjournment. .

X. The Corresponding Secretary shall keep on file all the annual reports of Local Unions, and the business correspondence of the convention; and the Recording Secretary shall keep six complete files of the convention's minutes, all of which shall be held with the manuscript record book as the property of the convention.

XI. All reports offered to the convention shall be written

on legal cap paper on one side of the leaves only.

XII. The names of the President and Corresponding Secretary of each local Union residing within the limits of this convention, with the post-office address of each, shall be published annually in our minutes.

XIII. All new Unions seeking admission to the convention shall send to its annual session with their delegates the

records of their organization.

XIV. All Committees except as the convention require, shall be nominated by the President and confirmed by the convention.

XV. In all cases not provided for by these rules, the convention shall be governed by the Parliamentary practices laid

down in Roberts' Rules of Order.

XVI. These Rules of Order may be amended at any annual meeting of this body by a two-thirds vote of the delegates present at the annual session.

