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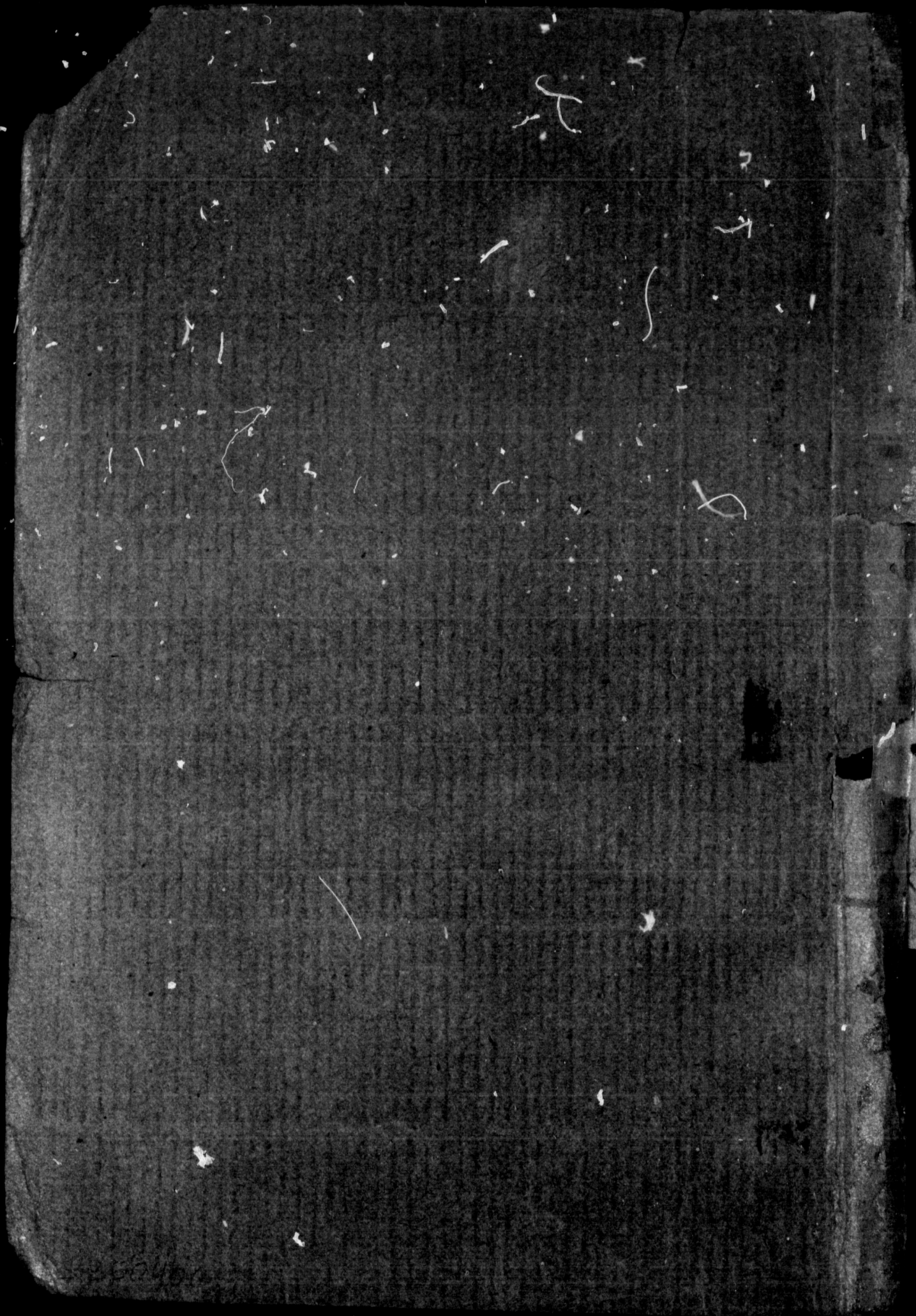


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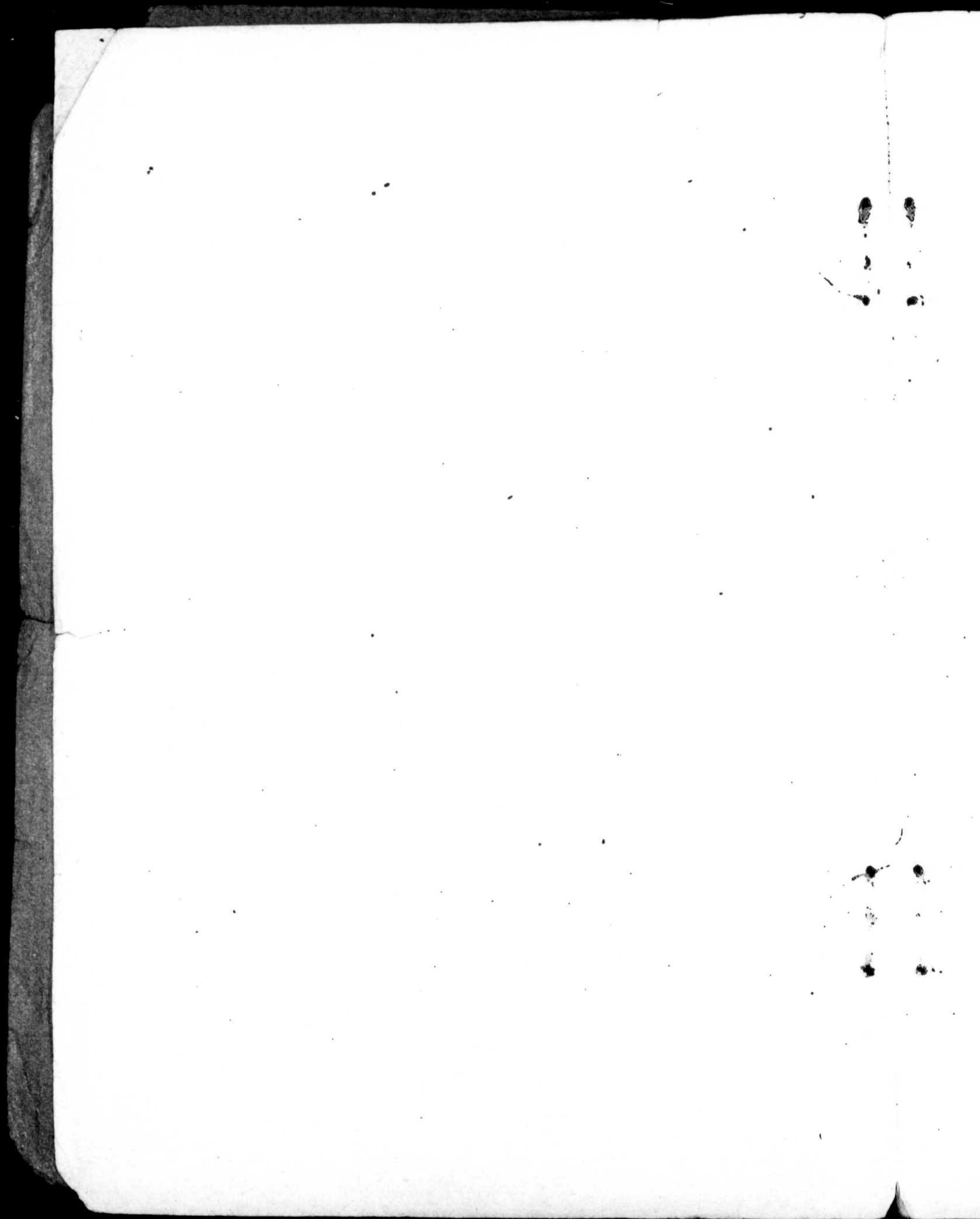
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Niagara Falls South...		Mrs. Geo. Law.....
Niagara Falls.....	Mrs. F. Steir .....	Miss M. J. Ward.....
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	Mrs. C. Pike .....	
	Mrs. Graham, Galt.....	Miss M. J. Brown,..... Preston
	Mrs. Hunt, Preston .....	Mrs. C. B. Dunke .....
Berlin .....	Mrs. E. Roat .....	Mrs. Rozenberger .....
Preston .....	Mrs. Cunningham .....	Miss R. A. Nash.....
New Hamburg .....	Mrs. McClory .....	Miss Gibson, Galt .....
Oakwood .....	Mrs. A. Cant, Galt .....	Miss Mary Harvey, Galt
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	Mrs. (Rev.) Fawcett .....	
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	266 Jarvis Street	
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Directory of Y. W. C. T. Unions.

Counties and Unions	Presidents	Cor Secretaries	Emblems and Mottoes
BRANT Brantford.....	Miss Lowes .....	Miss Tutt.....	"Phlox," 1 Cor. xvi, 13
BRUCE Mildway .....			
CARLETON Ottawa .....	Miss Scott..... 26 Albert St	Miss Cummings ... Cumming's Bridge	"Pansy," 2 Cor. v, 14
ELGIN Aylmer .....			E, xv, 2 .....
Alma College,..... St. Thomas			
FRONTENAC Kingston .....	Miss Renton..... Earl St	Miss H. L. Chown 220 Johnston St	"Fuchsia & Cedar," Eph. vi, 7
GREY Owen Sound.....	Mrs. A. K. Bishop	Miss K. L. Millar	"Easter Lilly," Jer. xxiii, 6
HASTINGS Belleville .....			
HURON Goderich .....			"Red and White Rose," John iv, 35; 1 Cor. iii, ix
LANARK Almonte .....	Mrs. Patterson ...	Miss Fraser .....	"Mignonette", James iv, 17
Smith's Falls .....			
Carleton Place.....	Miss Finlay .....	Miss Stephenson...	
LEEDS Brockville... ..	Mrs. Fairbairn.....	Miss E. Giles .....	"Heliotrope," Phil. ii, 13
LAMPTON Sarnia .....	Miss Huston .....	Miss H. McCrae...	"White Hawthorn," 2 Cor. iii, 5
LENNOX Napanee .....			
MIDDLESEX London .....	Mrs. Allen .....	Miss Kirpatrick ...	
NORTHUMBERLAND Cobourg .....	Mrs. (Rev.) J. Allen	Miss M. L. English	"Fern Leaves," Rom xii, 9
ONTARIO Demill College, ... Oshawa			
Uxbridge .....			
OXFORD Thamesford .....			

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PETERBOROUGH Peterboro' .....			
PRINCE EDWARD Picton .....	Miss Porte .....	Miss Mallett.....	"Sweet Pea" "In His Name."
RENFREW Pembroke .....	Miss Millar .....	Miss Grant .....	"Scarlet Geranium." 1 Cor. x, 31
Arnprior .....	Miss Gillespie .....	Miss Wolfe .....	
SIMCOE Barrie .....			
Orillia .....	Miss Robbins .....	Miss Baldwin .....	"Scarlet Verbena and Pitcher Plant," 2 Cor. v, 14
WATERLOO Galt .....	Miss H Cant.....	Miss Rayfield .....	"Daisy" "The bat- tle is the Lord's."
Hespeler .....			
WELLAND Thorold.....	Miss Caton .....	Miss Jessie Munro	"Marguerite," Neh. iv, 20
St. Catharines.....	Miss M. Douglas...	Miss Chamberlain	"Lily of the Valley," Psalm CXLIV, 12
WELLINGTON Guelph .....			
WENTWORTH Hamilton .....			
YORK Parkdale .....			
Toronto Central ...	Miss Tilley .....	Miss Finch, .....	"Water Lily," Gal. vi, 9
Toronto East .....		76 Gerrard St	"Camelia," Prov III, 6
Gordon .....	Mrs. Flavelle .....	Miss L. Harrison,	"Carnation," Nea. xiv, 8
	423 Sherbourne St	8 Rose Ave	



**Officers and Delegates Present.**  
**AT ANNUAL MEETING, GALT, OCTOBER, 1889.**

GENERAL OFFICERS.

Mrs. Brethour.....Thorold	Mrs. P. Rutherford.....Toronto
Mrs. M. Wiley.....Richmond Hill	Mrs. Cavers.....Galt

DELEGATES.

Abell, Miss.....Thorold	Cunningham, Mrs.....Galt
Austin, Mrs.....Trenton	Code, Mrs.....Norwich
Adain, Mrs. Jno.....	Clarke, Mrs.....Sarnia
Alexander, Mrs.....Galt	Campbell, Mrs.....Hamilton
Ashcroft, Mrs.....Warton	Croll, Mrs.....Clinton
	Cowan, Mrs.....Oakwood
Becker, Mrs.....New Hamburg	Cant, Mrs.....Oakwood
Budd, Mrs.....Toronto	Corbett, Miss.....Toronto
Beavers, Mrs.....Toronto	Cope, Mrs.....Toronto
Butcher, Mrs.....Aurora	
Burns, Mrs.....St. Thomas	Douglass, Miss.....St. Catharines
Bisdon, Mrs.....St. Thomas	Doyle, Mrs.....Owen Sound
Bricker, Mrs.....Berlin	Doan, Mrs.....Aurora
Brethour, Mrs.....Thorold	Dawe, Mrs.....Mitchell
Bradbury, Miss.....Ingersoll	Duff, Mrs.....Galt
Blanshard, Miss.....Welland	Dickenson, Mrs.....Woodstock
Brownrigg, Mrs.....Fenelon Falls	Douglass, Mrs.....Oakwood
Baird, Mrs.....Blenheim	
Brebner, Miss.....Sarnia	Easton, Mrs.....Toronto
Brown, Mrs.....Warton	
Byron, Mrs.....Hamilton	Fletcher, Mrs.....Woodstock
Beattie, Mrs.....Fergus	Foster, Mrs.....Toronto
Batt, Miss.....Toronto	Finch, Miss.....Toronto
	Frith, Miss.....Princeton
Cowan, Mrs.....Toronto	Fawcett, Mrs.....Toronto
Carman, Mrs.....Toronto	Forbes, Mrs.....Grimsby
Caton, Mrs.....Oil City	Flagg, Mrs.....Mitchell
Cameron, Miss.....Owen Sound	Faircloth, Miss.....Toronto
Coxhead, Mrs.....Parkdale	Fuller, Mrs.....Trenton
Coates, Mrs.....Prescott	Farley, Mrs.....St. Thomas
Carlyle, Mrs.....Toronto	
Canningham, Miss.....Fenelon Falls	Garbutt, Mrs.....Toronto
Cohoe, Mrs.....Burgessville	Gray, Miss.....Thorold
Copeland, Mrs.....Zion	Galbraith, Mrs.....Bowmanville

Gibson, Mrs.....	Goderich	Nash, Mrs.....	Belleville
Galbraith, Mrs.....	Owen Sound	Oberholtzer, Miss.....	Bloomingtondale
Greeves, Mrs.....	Preston	Passmore, Miss.....	Rockwood
Goodall, Mrs.....	Askwright	Pike, Miss.....	Rockwood
Gibson, Miss.....	Oakwood	Platt, Mrs.....	Picton
Hepinstell, Mrs.....	Toronto	Phelps, Miss.....	St. Catharines
Holtby, Mrs.....	Brampton	Pelton, Miss.....	Wingham
Henderson, Mrs.....	Goderich	Parker, Miss.....	Guelph
Hick, Mrs.....	Paris	Paton, Mrs.....	Peterboro'
Helden, Miss.....	Belleville	Porte, Miss.....	Picton
Hipple, Mrs.....	Campden	Perry, Mrs.....	Fergus
Hutchinson, Mrs.....	Hamilton	Phillips, Mrs.....	Toronto
Hallam, Mrs.....	Woodstock	Rice, Mrs.....	Woodstock
Hunt, Mrs.....	Zion	Rutherford, Mrs.....	Toronto
Hughson, Miss.....	Sarnia	Richards, Mrs.....	Tara
Hollingrake, Mrs.....	Milton	Robbins, Miss.....	Orillia
Hilborn, Mrs.....	Toronto	Robertson, Mrs.....	Thorold
Jacob, Miss.....	Burgessville	Ross, Mrs.....	Brockville
Jarman, Mrs.....	Toronto	Ritchie, Mrs.....	Wingham
Joness, Mrs.....	Bowmanville	Rockwell Mrs.....	Kingston
Johnston, Mrs.....	Aurora	Rutherford, Mrs.....	Toronto
Kemphorne, Mrs.....	Mitchell	Rosenberger Mrs.....	Preston
Kelley, Miss.....	Peterboro'	Robinson, Mrs.....	Preston
Kent, Mrs.....	Oakwood	Shantz, Mrs.....	Berlin
Love, Mrs.....	Essex Centre	Smith, Mrs.....	Barrie
Law, Mrs.....	Niagara Falls	Stewart, Miss.....	Guelph
Leech, Mrs.....	Goderich	Savage, Mrs.....	Tilsonburg
Linderberry Mrs.....	Campden	Simpson, Miss.....	Richmond Hill
Lawerason, Mrs.....	London	Sanderson, Mrs.....	Richmond Hill
Lucas, Mrs.....	Toronto	Scott, Miss.....	Toronto
Manson, Miss.....	Burgessville	Skinner, Miss.....	Toronto
Michner, Mrs.....	Berlin	Smith, Miss.....	St. Catharines
McDowell, Mrs.....	Toronto	Stewart, Miss.....	Goderich
Madill, Mrs.....	Shelburne	Skinner, Miss.....	Guelph
Millar, Miss.....	Thorold	Smith, Mrs.....	Brantford
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Williamson, Miss.....	Toronto	Brown, Miss.....	Zion
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Weaver, Mrs.....	Berlin	Cash, Miss.....	Prince Albert
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**MINUTES**  
—OF THE—  
**TWELFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION**  
—OF THE—  
**Woman's Christian Temperance Union**  
**OF ONTARIO.**

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FIRST DAY.—MORNING SESSION.

GALT, Oct. 29th, 1889.

The Twelfth Annual Meeting of the Ontario W. C. T. U. convened in the Baptist Church this morning at half past ten.

The President Mrs. Brethour in the chair who gave out the familiar hymn, "Jesus Lover of my Soul." Mrs. (Rev.) Rogers, Desboro, and Mrs. Jarman, Toronto, engaged in prayer. The 146th Psalm was read, "Rescue the Perishing" was sung, Mrs. Paton, Peterboro, leading in prayer.

The prayers of convention were asked for Mrs. Mason, President of Bowmanville Union, asking God to sustain her in the loss of her husband whom in His all wise Providence He has taken from her.

After singing "Nearer my God to Thee" Mrs. Cowan, Toronto led in prayer, Con. joining in The Lord's Prayer.

The Rec. Sec. read a message from Mrs. Letitia Youmans; also a message received from Mrs. Cavers, Prov. Treas. who is in England, summoned home by the illness of her father.

Mrs. P. Rutherford moved, that the Cor. Sec. convey the greeting of this convention to Mrs. Youmans and Mrs. Cavers.—Carried.

Mrs. Wiley read greetings from Tiverton and Glencoe local Unions.

The Rec. Sec. then read the minutes of Executive Meeting held in Sarnia last year. Also Sub. Com. of Executive held in Brantford, March 30th, 1889, and of Executive Meeting held last night.

Moved by Mrs. Jacob Spence, seconded by Mrs. Cowan, that the decision of Executive in regard to memorial of the District Union of Toronto be considered in Con. Also, that the resolution of Executive held in Sarnia of last year, in regard to the Franchise Department be considered by this Con.—Carried.

Mrs. Jacob Spence moved, Mrs. McDonell seconded, that the Prov. Executive make such amendments in their constitution as will enable a number of Unions in a city formed into a District inside a county, to affiliate with the Prov. Union direct, and that to such District Union be accorded the same privileges as to an organized county.

Moved in amendment by Mrs. Wiley, seconded by Mrs. Coates, that the decision of Executive Meeting *re* memorial be sustained.

The amendment was carried by a majority of nineteen. The vote standing Yeas 48, Nays 29.

Mr. John R. Nicholls, our speaker for Thursday evening, was introduced to Convention.

Silent prayer was observed at the noontide hour, Mr. Nicholls leading audibly. After singing the Doxology, Convention rose.

#### FIRST DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

2:30 P. M.—Mrs. Fawcett conducted devotional exercises, assisted by Mrs. McKee, Barrie and Miss Phelps, St. Catharines, No 1 responsive bible reading being used.

The Rec. Sec. called the roll of officers, members and delegates.

3 P. M.—The President took the chair.

The Rec. Sec. read the minutes of last night's Executive which were adopted.

The Rec. Sec. read the clause *re* Franchise Department in the minutes of Executive meeting held in Sarnia last year. After inserting the words "for this year," so as to read "That the efforts for this department for this year," etc., the minutes were adopted.

The Pres. requested Mrs. Fawcett to take the chair while she read the Pres. Annual Address.

Moved by Mrs. P. Rutherford, seconded by Mr. Wiley, "That the practical suggestions in the President's Address be referred to the Executive Committee.—Carried.

The following little girls were introduced to act as pages during convention: Roxy Young, Florence Williams, Olive Duff and Alice Robertson.

On motion of Miss Phelps, the Cor. Sec. was instructed to write a letter of

sympathy to Mrs. Mason, Bowmanville. The sympathy of Con. was expressed by a standing vote.

The President took the chair, when the Cor. Sec. presented her report. It was adopted subject to necessary additions.

Miss Skinner, Toronto, was appointed assistant Treasurer, to receive affiliation fees during Con.

The Doxology was sung and convention rose.

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### SECOND DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Oct. 30th, 1889.

10 A. M.—Mrs. Graham, Galt, conducted devotional exercises.

10:45—Mrs. Fawcett took the chair and the Rec. Sec. read the minutes of last session which were confirmed. Also the minutes of Executive Committee held last night which were confirmed.

A request for special prayer was asked for Mrs. Morton, Cor. Sec. of Goderich Union appointed a delegate to this convention but detained on account of the death of her husband.

The Treasurer's report was read by the Cor. Sec.

Moved by Mrs. P. Rutherford, seconded by Mrs. Leach, that the receipts of affiliation fees be read.—Carried.

On motion the Treasurer's report was adopted.

Miss Phelps moved, Mrs. Fawcett seconded, that the reports of Superintendents of Departments be not read but a few minutes allowed each Department for discussion.—Carried.

Reports of Departments were then taken up:

"Unfermented wine at Communion." No report, but discussion brought out considerable information.

"Work among sailors," by Mrs. D. Morrison, Owen Sound. No discussion.

"Scientific Temperance Instruction," by Mrs. Platt, Picton.

Moved by Mrs. Platt, seconded by Miss Phelps, that the Prov. Union place in the hand of each public school teacher and in every local union, the leaflet containing copy of school regulation bearing on Scientific Temperance Instruction.

According to our custom at twelve o'clock all heads bowed in silent prayer. Mrs. Shortreed followed leading audibly.

On motion the session adjourned.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE ONTARIO W. C. T. U.  
SECOND DAY--AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Brown, Warton.

A telegram conveying greetings from the Arnprior Y. W. C. T. U. was read by the Rec. Sec.

Miss Phelps moved, that the sympathy of Convention be extended to Mrs. Grant, of Paisley, who was to have been a delegate to this Convention but her home was burned out last night.—Carried.

The Rec. Sec. read minutes of last session which were approved. Also minutes of Executive meeting held at noon which were approved.

Rev. Mr. Beatty, pastor of the Baptist Church was introduced and received by Convention standing.

Discussion on the motion *re* Scientific Temperance Instruction was resumed.

Moved in amendment by Mrs. Cowan, Toronto, seconded by Mrs. McDonell, Toronto, that this Union do not send leaflets to the teachers but that Unions who wish to use them may obtain them at the Literature Department.—Carried.

Report of "Temperance Literature." Mrs. Wiley gave a partial report but stated the full report would be ready for the printed report. Acting on the suggestion made it was moved that a committee of two be appointed to cull the Literature in the Department.

Moved in amendment that the appointment of the committee be referred to the Executive.—Carried.

Mrs. Leach, Goderich, moved a re-consideration which was carried.

Moved by Mrs. Cowan, Toronto, that Mrs. Fawcett, Toronto, and Mrs. Johnston, Aurora, with the Superintendent of the Department be the committee.—Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Paton, Peterboro, seconded by Mrs. Carlyle, Toronto, that the head-quarters of Literature Department be in Toronto.

Moved in amendment by Miss Phelps, that it be in St. Catharines.—Lost.

The original motion carried.

Report of "The Press" by Miss Jennie Harrison, Georgetown, and "Prison and Police" by Miss Inkster, Kingston, were then considered but there was no discussion.

A pleasing innovation was the singing of a solo by Miss Abell, Thorold.

Mrs. Emerson, of Dorchester, N. B., was introduced and spoke a few words of fraternal greeting from the Maritime Union.

Report of "Evangelistic" Department was presented by Mrs. Marshall, Superintendent.

"Work among lumbermen."—In addition to the printed report, Mrs. Shortreed read some excellent suggestions.

On motion of Mrs. McKee, seconded by Mrs. A. O. Rutherford, the thanks

of this Union are extended to the friend who so materially assisted Mrs. Shortreed in her Department.—Carried.

Mrs. Isobel Charles Davis, Cor. Sec. of the Order of the King's Daughters of New York was introduced and expressed pleasure at meeting with so many Christian workers.

Report of "Provincial and County Fairs" was given by the Superintendent, Miss Slaght, of London.

Rev. Mr. Cunningham, pastor of the Methodist Church was introduced and at the request of the President closed the session with prayer.

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### THIRD DAY—MORNING SESSION:

Oct. 31st, 1889.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Mrs. Cowan of Toronto.

At 10:30 the President took the chair and called Convention to order. By consent of Convention the unfinished business of yesterday afternoon was made the order of business for this morning. Mrs. Lucas moved, Mrs. Cowan, seconded, that the discussion on Department work be limited to ten minutes each.—Carried.

The Rec. Sec. read the minutes of last session which were confirmed.

Mrs. E. C. Rutherford moved, Mrs. Johnston seconded, that in view of the fact that we are one session behind in our work, that on all questions members be limited to two or three minutes in discussion, except by special permission from the chair, in order that most of our work be done in Convention instead of leaving some of the most important to the Executive.—Carried.

Mrs. Rockwell, Supt. Dept. "Legislation Franchise and Petitions" reported.

"Hygiene and Heredity" report was read by the Cor. Sec. in the absence of Mrs. Anderson.

Mrs. Lucas recommended "Journal of Heredity," by Mary Weeks Burnett, M. D., 161 La Salle St., Chicago.

No report from Department of "Railroad Work," but several delegates spoke of good work being done.

"Sabbath Observance," no report.

"Social Purity," no report.

The question drawer was opened and as usual was a very interesting part of Convention, many valuable hints for work being brought out.

On motion of Miss Skinner, Sec. V of Provincial Union By-laws to be made clearer.

A request was made that delegates should not read the newspapers while in session.

Mrs. Burns moved, that the report of the Resolution Com. be the first order of business this afternoon.

Mrs. J. Spence moved in amendment that the printed order of business be adhered to.—Lost.

The original motion carried.

After announcements the noontide hour was observed in silent prayer, after which Mrs. Burns led audibly. Convention then rose.

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### THIRD DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The President, Mrs. Brethour, conducted devotional exercises.

The Rec. Sec. read the minutes of the morning session which were confirmed.

Mrs. McKee, Secretary Resolution Com. reported. They were read one at a time and acted on as read.

No. 1. Adopted.

No. 2. Mrs. McDonell moved, Mrs. A. O. Rutherford seconded, that the resolution be sent back to the Com. with instructions to strike out the last clause.—Carried.

No. 3. Miss Phelps moved, Mrs. A. O. Rutherford seconded, that the clause on Franchise be referred to the Plan of Work Committee.—Carried.

The recommendation contained in the clause on "World's Petitions" was accepted by Convention.

No. 4 and 5 were adopted.

No. 6. The recommendation was referred to the Superintendent of Department for Juvenile work.

No. 7 and 8 adopted.

No. 9. Miss Tilley moved, Miss Skinner seconded, that the clause placing the Social Purity pledge in our constitution be struck out.—Carried. As amended it was adopted.

Nos. 10 and 11 were adopted.

The Rec. Sec. called the roll and 164 answered.

After prayer the President requested Mrs. Fawcett to take the chair and proceed with the election of officers.

The tellers appointed were: 1st set—Misses Scott, Phelps, Slight and Simpson. 2nd set—Mrs. Shenston, Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. Carman and Miss Tilley.



The result of the informal ballot for President resulted in a majority for Mrs. Brethour.

On motion the election was made unanimous.

On being brought forward Mrs. Brethour thanked Convention for the confidence expressed and in touching words said she could not serve another term as she was physically unable to do so. Her decision being final a second ballot was cast and resulted in a majority vote for Mrs. Fawcett.

On motion the election was made unanimous.

Mrs. Brethour in a few happy words introduced Mrs. Fawcett as the new President.

The informal ballot for Vice-President resulted in the nomination of Mrs. McDonell, Toronto, Mrs. Cowan, Toronto and Mrs. Rockwell, Kingston. On the formal ballot being taken Mrs. Rockwell was declared elected.

As it was six o'clock, the doxology was sung and the session closed.

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#### FOURTH DAY—MORNING SESSION.

Nov. 1, 1889.

Mrs. Fawcett conducted devotional exercises.

The Rec. Sec. read the minutes of last session which were confirmed.

The election of officers was proceeded with the following result:

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Wiley; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. O. Rutherford; Treasurer, Mrs. J. R. Cavers.

Mrs. McKee reported the resolutions amended. The recommendations were referred to the different Departments and the report was adopted as a whole.

The President proposed continuing the unfinished part of yesterday's program.

Mrs. Lucas moved, Miss Stone seconded, that Supt's. reports be received as read and laid on the Secretary's table.

Moved in amendment by Mrs. J. Spence, seconded by Mrs. Coates, that reports be not read but subjects discussed.—Carried.

The following Departments were represented:

"Young Woman's Work" by Miss Scott.

During the discussion on "Juvenile Work," Mrs. J. Spence moved, Miss Tilley seconded, that this Convention express disapproval of the custom of introducing dramatical entertainments into our Bands of Hope and Loyal Legions, thereby implanting and cultivating a taste for the theatre.—Carried.

"Domestic Kindergarten" by Miss Tilley.

"Conference with Influential Bodies" by Mrs. Wiley.

Mrs. Paton moved, Mrs. E. C. Rutherford seconded, that the reports be adopted.—Carried.

On motion of Mrs. Paton who spoke for "our daughters," seconded by Mrs. Oliver, the "Y's" to be allowed an afternoon session as well as an evening meeting at the next Annual Convention.

Miss Lanigan, of Quebec, was introduced and conveyed greetings from her Province.

Invitations were received for holding the next Annual Meeting from Kingston, Peterboro', St. Catharines, Brantford, Bowmanville and Goderich.

By vote of Convention the invitation from Kingston was accepted.

The President called Mrs. Burns to the chair while she retired with the "Plan of Work" Committee.

Miss Scott stated that the Woman's Journal had a circulation of 3,700.

The following counties were reported: Bruce, Elgin, Grenville, Grey, Halton and Peel, Oxford and Welland.

The session closed with noon hour of prayer in which Mrs. Risbon led.

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#### FOURTH DAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Mrs. Fawcett conducted devotional exercises and Rec. Sec. read minutes of morning session which were confirmed.

Mrs. Brethour presented a Convention letter which was endorsed by a rising vote.

The Rec. Sec. presented the report of "Plan of Work" committee.

Moved by Miss Holden, seconded by Mrs. Graham, that it be adopted.—Carried.

The County Presidents were then elected as follows:

Brant,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. H. W. Brethour.
Carleton,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Tilton.
Dundas,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. M. C. Gibson.
Essex,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Brisbin.
Frontenac,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. McRossie.
Glengarry,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. D. C. McDougall.
Haldimand,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. G. H. Howard.
Hastings,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Wm. Johnston.
Kent,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Baird.

Lanark,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Wm. Wylie.
Middlesex,...	...	...	...	...	Mrs. McCutcheon.
Muskoka,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Mackay.
Norfolk,	...	...	...	...	Mrs Ed. Lundy.
Northumberland,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. McMaster.
Ontario,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. (Dr.) Bascom.
Peterboro',	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Paton.
Prince Edward	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Branscomb.
Simcoe,...	...	...	...	...	Mrs. McKee.
Stormont,	...	...	...	...	Miss Jennie McArthur.
Victoria,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. M. H. Dickson.
Perth,	...	...	...	...	Mrs. Flagg, Mitchell.

The Cor. Sec. read a letter from the Dominion Alliance and one from the Ontario Branch of the Dominion Alliance.

The Rec. Sec. read a communication from The Prisoner's Aid Association giving the resolutions commended to the favorable consideration of the government. The resolutions were heartily endorsed and the Executive authorized to sign them on behalf of the Ontario W. C. T. U.

Mrs. Brethour the retiring President was made a member of the Executive for the current year.

The President called Miss Tilley to the chair while she retired with the new Executive.

Miss Simpson, Richmond Hill, sang, "Listen, the Master Beseecheth."

A suggestion was made that a clause be inserted in Provincial Union By-laws providing for election of officers.

Miss Wright, of Ottawa, gave an account of the rescue home and work carried on under her supervision in that city.

5 P. M.—The President resumed the chair and the Rec. Sec. read minutes of Executive meeting just held which on motion were adopted.

On motion of Mrs. Brethour, seconded by Mrs. Hepinstall, the naming of delegates to the Dominion W. C. T. U. annual meeting was left to the Sub. Com.

Mrs. Paton, Mrs. Fawcett, Miss Tilley and Mrs. Lucas were elected delegates to the council of the Dominion Alliance to meet probably some time next summer in Montreal.

The alternates are: Mrs. Henderson, Goderich; Mrs. Austin, Trenton; Mrs. Gregston, London; Mrs. Day Smith, Hamilton.

Delegates to the Ontario branch of the Dominion Alliance to meet in Toronto, Dec. 18th, were elected as follows: Miss Kelly, Peterboro'; Mrs. Johnston, Aurora; Mrs. Alexander, Galt; Mrs. McKee, Barrie.

Miss Phelps moved, Mrs. Brethour seconded, That as the Provincial President is a delegate to the National Convention, that the Provincial Union pay her expenses.—Carried.

Mrs. Johnston moved, Mrs. McKee seconded, that the motion referring the tabulated suggestions to the Executive Committee be rescinded and that they be brought up in open convention.—Carried.

They were then read by the Recording Secretary.

No. 1 was taken up. Mrs. McKee moved, Mrs. McCutcheon seconded, that organizing remain in the hands of County Presidents the same as last year and that Miss Phelps be endorsed as a lecturer and organizer.—Carried.

No. 2 was adopted and a committee appointed consisting of the Sub. Com. with Mrs. Brethour and Mrs. McKee.

No. 3 was adopted.

No. 4. A motion by Mrs. Brethour, seconded by Mrs. Galbraith to adopt it was lost.

Nos. 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 had been acted on by the various committees.

No. 11 was referred to the Superintendent of Department, "Tobacco and Narcotics."

Nos. 12, 13 and 14 had been acted on.

No. 15. On motion it was decided that the Superintendents of Departments be allowed to draw on the Literature Department for samples to aid them in their work to the extent of one dollars worth.

No. 17 was referred to local Unions.

Mrs. Day Smith moved, Mrs. Galbraith seconded, that the appointment of a Superintendent of the Literature Department be left with the Sub. Com.—Carried.

The Recording Secretary read report of the Finance Com. which was adopted.

On motion the sum of ten dollars was donated the Baptist Church as a slight token of our appreciation of their kindness during the week.

After singing the hymn "God be with you till we meet again" the President pronounced Convention closed.

ANNIE O. RUTHERFORD, Rec. Sec.



## Proceedings of Executive Committee.

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BRANTFORD, March 30th, 1889.

2 P. M.—The Sub. Com. of Executive of Ontario W. C. T. U. met at the residence of Mrs. Rutherford:

The President Mrs. Brethour in the chair, who opened the meeting by reading the second chapter of Exodus; Mrs. Fawcett and Mrs. Cavers following in prayer.

The call to the Dominion Union was read.

Moved by Mrs. Fawcett, seconded by Mrs. Cavers, that we name delegates to Dominion Union and request Mrs. Wiley to correspond with Mrs. Dalkin for further information.

It was moved that the General Officers be delegates and their expenses paid.

On motion Presidents of Organized Counties to be delegates, also the following Superintendents of Departments: Mrs. Platt, Miss Harrison, Mrs. Shortreed, Mrs. Rockwell, Mrs. Greenhill, Miss Scott, Mrs. Pratt, Mrs. Morrison, Mrs. McRossie and Mrs. Gregston.

Several bills were presented and ordered to be paid.

Mrs. Brethour brought forward a request from Miss Willard, that Ontario W. C. T. U. be represented at the Paris Exposition. On motion it was left with Mrs. Brethour to find out more about it and report.

Present—Mrs. Brethour, Mrs. Fawcett, Mrs. Cavers and Mrs. Rutherford.

The Committee then adjourned.

ANNIE O. RUTHERFORD, Rec. Sec.

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GALT, Oct. 28th, 1889.

The Executive Committee of the Ontario W. C. T. U. met in the W. C. T. U. rooms at 8 p. m.

The President in the chair.

After singing the hymn "What a friend we have in Jesus," Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Graham led in prayer.

Mrs. Brethour read the 12th chapter of Romans ; " Nearer my God to Thee " was then sung.

The Rec. Sec. read the Minutes of Executive Committee meeting held in Sarnia, Oct. 12th, 1888; also of of Sub. Com. held in Brantford, March 30th, 1889, which were accepted.

The following Committees were then nominated:

*Credentials.*—Mrs. Williams, Galt and Mrs. Wiley, Richmond Hill.

*Finance.*—Mrs. Cavers, (acting Treasurer); Miss Ellen Cant and Miss Skinner.

*Resolutions.*—The County Presidents.

*Courtesies.*—Mrs. Duff, Galt, and Miss Phelps, St. Catharines.

Moved by Miss Scott, that all resolutions be referred to Resolutions Committee.—Carried.

The Rec. Sec. then read the Memorial of the District Union of Toronto presented last year and referred to first meeting of Executive this year.

Mrs. Wiley moved that the Memorial be discussed and decided.—Carried.

On motion of Miss Phelps, seconded by Mrs. Jarman, the following was carried:

That the Memorial of the District W. C. T. U. of Toronto be not granted because it offers a precedent to other counties and will necessitate a change in the constitution not called for.

There were present—Mrs. Brethour, Mrs. Fawcett, Mrs. Wiley, Mrs. Rutherford, Mrs. W. Marshall, Miss Slaght. Mrs. Jarman, Miss Scott, Miss Skinner, Miss Ovens, Mrs. (Rev.) Rogers, Mrs. Leach, Mrs. Stonehouse, Mrs. S. G. E. McKee, Miss Phelps, Mrs. Wm. Graham.

The Committee adjourned at 9:45.

ANNIE O. RUTHERFORD, Rec. Sec.

GALT, Oct. 29th, 1889.

The Executive met in the Committee room.

The President in the chair.

By request Mrs. Brown of Bruce County, Mrs. Paton, Peterboro' Mrs. Ross, Brockville and Mrs. Flagg, Mitchell were added to the Resolution Committee.

The Program as printed was adopted subject to necessary changes.

Miss Phelps moved that the General Officers be the Plan of Work Committee.

Committee then rose.

ANNIE O. RUTHERFORD, Rec. Sec.

GALT, Oct. 30th, 1889.

A short meeting was held at 1:30 p. m.

The President in the chair.

A letter was read from Mrs. Foster, ex-president, tendering her resignation as life member of the Executive Board.

Mrs. Graham, Galt, moved, Mrs. Jarman, Toronto, seconded, that it be accepted.—Carried.

The Committee then rose.

ANNIE O. RUTHERFORD, Rec. Sec.

GALT, Nov. 1st, 1889.

The new Executive met in the lecture room.

The President in the chair.

Mrs. McKee moved that the Sub. Com. be instructed to revise the blank forms sent out by the Cor. Sec. and that they be sent annually instead of semi-annually.—Carried.

Superintendents of Departments were then nominated as follows:

*Scientific Temperance Instruction.*—Mrs. Platt, Picton.

*The Press.*—Mrs. Carman, Toronto.

*Evangelistic* —(Including Prison and Police, work among soldiers, sailors and railroad men), Mrs. D. Morrison, Owen Sound.

*Work Among Lumbermen.*—Mrs. Shortreed, Toronto. Assistants, Mrs. Ashcroft, Warton and Mrs. Hunter, Pembroke.

*Unfermented Wine.*—Mrs. Rogers, Desboro.

*Provincial Exhibitions and County Fairs.*—Miss Slaght, London.

*Legislation, Petitions and Parliamentary Usages.*—Mrs. J. Rockwell, Kingston.

*Franchise.*—Mrs. J. Spence, Toronto.

*Hygiene and Heredity.*—Mrs. Lucas, Toronto.

*Social Purity.*—Mrs. Jarman, Toronto.

*Sabbath Observance.*—Mrs. Currie, St. Catharines.

*Young Women's Work.*—Miss Skinner, Toronto. Assistant, Miss Edith Giles, Brockville.

*Sabbath School and Juvenile Work* —Mrs. Pratt, Hamilton.

*Kitchen Garden and Flower Mission.*—Miss Tilley, Toronto.

*Conference With Influential Bodies.*—Mrs. M. Wiley, Richmond Hill.

*Woman's Journal.*—Miss Scott, Ottawa.

The Recording Secretary went into Convention and read the nominations which were adopted and the Superintendents of Departments were asked to retire to the Executive Meeting.

Miss Phelps moved, Mrs. Wiley seconded, that a department of "Parlor Meetings" be added with Mrs. Day Smith, Hamilton as Superintendent.—Carried.

Mrs. Brethour moved, Miss Phelps seconded, that there be a department of "Tobacco and Narcotics," Mrs. Alexander, Ottawa, Superintendent.—Carried

Moved by Mrs. Rutherford, seconded by Mrs. McCutcheon, that clause two in section 6, of Provincial Bylaws be strictly adhered to and that the Printing of the Provincial Union be done on the order of the Rec. Sec.—Carried.

Mrs. Brethour moved, Mrs. Wiley seconded, that 1,500 Annual Reports be published, to be out if possible not later than the first of Feb.—Carried.

Mrs. Wiley accepted the duty of preparing the reports with her work as Corresponding Secretary.

Mrs. P. Rutherford moved that the Corresponding Secretary be paid the same salary as last year.—Carried.

Miss Scott moved, Mrs. McCutcheon seconded, that the Recording Secretary be paid fifty dollars this year.—Carried.

On motion the Sub. Com. of the Executive were given power to alter the time of annual meeting for next year if found necessary to do so.

Committee then rose.

ANNIE O. RUTHERFORD, Rec. Sec.





## Greetings.

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TORONTO, Oct. 28th, 1889.

To the members of the Ontario W. C. T. U. in Convention assembled:  
Greetings. Though absent in body, present in spirit. May God bless and  
prosper you more and more. Pray for your afflicted friend.

L. YOUMANS.

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Buckhurst, Forest Hill, S. E.

LONDON, ENG., Oct. 17th, 1889.

Please convey my loving greetings to the Executive and members of Conven-  
tion, and give them from me Isaiah XL, 29-31 with 2 Chron. xv, 7. May He  
keep every worker waiting upon Him, sitting at His feet—the only place of  
power and preparation for service.

JENNIE CAVERS.

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ARNPRIOR, Oct. 30th, 1889.

Arnprior Y sends love and greetings. Prov. xxxv, 6. Pray for our afflicted  
sister in Renfrew. Psalm xxxiv, 15.

MRS. McEWAN.

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PAISLEY, Oct. 31st, 1889.

Paisley Union sends greetings. Delegates home burnt could not attend.  
Psalm xxvii, 14.

E. SCOTT, Sec.



## Convention Letter.

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Our hearty thanks are tendered the citizens of Galt for their generous hospitality. The W. C. T. U. women and others of the town who have spared no effort to make our meeting here a success and who have done all in their power to add to the comfort and pleasure of the delegates; the trustees of the Churches for the use of their beautiful buildings, the ministers and others for their assistance. We express our high appreciation to the choirs, Band of the Methodist Sabbath School and the solo singers who have cheered us so with their sweet music.

To the reception, entertainment, sales table and decorative committees who have so faithfully done their work. To the little girl pages and boys who have so faithfully served. To the press for reporting our Convention, not forgetting the Montreal Witness for generously donating hundreds of copies of that excellent paper.

Our hearts will often go out to all who by numberless acts of kindness and thoughtfulness have helped to make the Convention days delightful, profitable and never to be forgotten.



## Report of Plan of Work Committee.

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Your Committee beg to submit the following recommendations:—

- 1st. That the "Organization" Department be omitted.
  - 2nd. That under "Evangelistic" Department be included Prison and Police, Railroad Work, Work Among Soldiers and Work Among Sailors.
  - 3rd. That Sunday School Work and Juvenile Work be combined.
  - 4th. That Flower Mission and Kitchen Garden be combined.
- That all other Departments remain the same

ANNIE O. RUTHERFORD, Sec. of Com.



### Report of the Resolution Committee.

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The Committee on Resolutions beg leave to submit the following report:—

1st. That whereas the Provincial "Woman's Christian Temperance Union" in its Twelfth Annual Convention assembled, would acknowledge our gratitude to God for another year's mercies, protection and care, that we are once more met together to consider the best means of promoting the cause we have at heart and the extension of our organization, that we continue to seek our Heavenly Father's guidance and look to Him for that Wisdom which cometh from above and the aid of the Holy Spirit which shall make straight paths for our feet.

2nd. Be it resolved, That we as a Provincial Union do endorse the action of the Dominion Union as expressed by the following resolutions:—

No. 1. "That we are unalterably opposed to the liquor traffic, and believe it cannot be licensed without sin."

No. 2. We regret the defeat of the Scott Act in the counties of this Province, but trust that it will result in an immediate demand for a Dominion law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.

No. 3. That we have no hope of prohibition from any political party which refuses to put the immediate abolition of the liquor traffic as a plank in its platform.

No. 4. That we believe a revenue taken from the liquor traffic has a tendency to blind the eyes of the taxpayers to the evils of the trade and demoralize the conscience of the public generally.

No. 5. That we believe prohibition should be made an immediate political issue.

No. 6. That we pledge ourselves to give our individual support to the party which will unequivocally put the plank of prohibition in its platform.

No. 7. That we strongly condemn the present political parties for their truckling silence in their campaign documents and public addresses on the question of immediate prohibition of the liquor traffic.

No. 8. That we urge a constant agitation and education on all lines for the fuller awakening of the public conscience and sentiment.

No. 9. That we condemn the introduction of license in the North West Territories in opposition to the law and public opinion of Canada

3rd. That in the opinion of this Convention the great evils arising from intemperance can only be effectually eradicated by a law prohibiting the manufacture, importation and sale of all alcoholic liquors as a beverage, and whereas such a law can only be obtained and enforced by a government or governments in sympathy with the same. Therefore be it resolved that we the members of the Provincial Union do hereby urge the necessity of using our influence to assist any Prohibition candidate to any office.

4th. Resolved, that in the opinion of your committee it is expedient that the department of Legislation, Franchise and Petitions be divided making one department of Legislation, Petitions and Parliamentary usage, and a Department of Franchise, with a Superintendent for each, by so doing to bring us into uniformity with the Dominion Union and also that we continue to work for the still further extension of the Franchise to women in any and every possible way. And be it further resolved, that we express our warm appreciation of the efforts of Mr. John Waters in the work of securing a still further extension of the franchise to the women of Ontario and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Waters.

#### SABBATH OBSERVANCE.

No. 5. Resolved, That as Christians we should be careful not only to keep the Sabbath ourselves but to see that there is no infringement of its hours in the family; to watch our music that it be wholly sacred and that our children be early trained to meet with God's people in public worship. To neither purchase or patronize any trade carried on on the Sabbath. To avoid as much as possible Sunday funerals. To use our influence for the early closing of stores on Saturday night, and by making the Sabbath work at home as light as possible; let all enjoy the day of rest. To use our influence for Legislation that will protect the sanctity of the Sabbath.

#### BAND OF HOPE WORK.

6th. Resolved, That believing as we do that the children and youth are the hope of the Temperance cause, that we urge increased and persistent effort to implant the principles of temperance and morality in their young and susceptible minds towards this end we would recommend that as far as practicable Bands of Hope or Loyal Legions be organized in connection with the public schools, and that we do all that lies in our power to retain our hold on the boys after they pass from these organizations and before their suitable age to enter other organizations of a more advanced character, recognizing at the same time the need of constant prayer for Divine Guidance and Blessing on the means employed for the accomplishment of the desired end.

7th. Believing as we do that the use of alcoholic wine on the Lord's table places temptation before many who are endeavoring to overcome the desire for strong drink, and in some cases causes a relapse into intemperate habits and that it also furnishes the supporters of the liquor traffic with cause of reproach against christians, therefore be it resolved, that while we deeply deplore the

fact that it is still used in so many churches, would earnestly urge all our Unions to more faithful and persistent effort to have it removed. And whereas it has been shown that a hindrance to the general adoption of the use of unfermented wine, is the difficulty of procuring it, we recommend that each Union appoint a committee to wait on the Ministers in their locality and offer to furnish them at lowest rates with unfermented wine which may either be manufactured by themselves or procured for the purpose.

#### SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE.

8th. Resolved, That in the opinion of this Convention, provision should be made for the appointment of an officer in each county, where it has not already been done to represent the Department of Scientific Temperance for the county by bringing the matter before the Inspectors and Teachers and reporting results to the Provincial Union. Also that this resolution be printed in the Woman's Journal. We further resolve that such officer shall be authorized to distribute at Teachers' Conventions the leaflets explaining our position. Be it further resolved that the thanks of this Convention representing the Christian Temperance Women of Ontario, are due to the Hon. the Minister of Education, the Inspectors and Teachers for the progress made in the Department of Scientific Temperance.

#### SOCIAL PURITY, OBSCENE LITERATURE.

9th. That in view of the importance and difficulty in dealing with the subject of Social Purity be it resolved that the Ministers of the Gospel be asked to preach an annual sermon on Social Purity. That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to Mr. Charlton, M. P., for his efforts in behalf of this subject as shewn by the "Charlton Act." And we further resolve that it is the duty of this Convention to call the attention of the Government to the fact that obscene pictures are given in connection with the sale of cigarettes and which so frequently fall into the hands of boys and also to the immoral literature which still finds its way through the post office to the young of both sexes.

SALOME E. BURNS, Convener.  
S. G. E. MCKEE, Sec. of Com.

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## President's Annual Address.

MRS. PHOEBE C. BRETTHOUR, THOROLD.

It is said that soon after the conversion of the Roman Emperor Constantine to Christianity, he resolved to build a new Rome on the site of the old city Byzantium, by the side of the beautiful Straits of the Dardanelles. He was marking out the boundaries of the city on a scale double the size of the old city, when one of his friends ventured to remonstrate against a plan which had not he thought even a remote possibility of fulfilment, but the founder of Constantinople replied: "I am following Him who is leading me." So, in all humility, we may say of our beloved W. C. T. U. white ribboners, we are following in the way of Him whose inspiration gave birth to our cause, and whose guidance has been ever with us. We have laid the foundations of empires, and our survey of boundaries includes the whole world; we are well able to go up and possess the good land. The missionaries of our World's W. C. T. U. Unions have already planted our flag on the shores of all the continents of the earth. Unions have been established, which are prophecies of universal possession. The limits of our empire of peace and purity are world-wide, because all nations are afflicted by the curse we seek to cure, and need the blessings we live and love to bring.

To meet the needs of this extensive Empire, in whose great fields we are working, there must be many and various organizations, and multiplied workers of almost limitless diversity of ability and influence. We have Local Unions, embracing the workers in any given locality; County Unions, formed of a greater or less number of Local Unions; Provincial or State Unions, comprising all the Local and County Unions; National Unions, composed of all Provincial or State Unions; and there is a WORLD'S UNION, composed of all National Unions.

The World's Union was organized in 1882, and Mrs. Margaret Bright Lucas, sister of the late Hon. John Bright, was placed at its head. In 1888 our beloved Miss Willard was made its chief executive officer. The World's organizers have established our cause in India, Australia, Japan, Sandwich Islands, Madagascar and East Africa, and in many of the great centres of Europe. Our total membership now numbers nearly 250,000.

Mrs. Mary Clement Leavett of the National W. C. T. U. of the United States has been the pioneer missionary of the World's Union.

"The most stupendous single effort is that of a woman, unattended, unpaid, encircling the globe, to build the altars and light the beacon fires of the W. C. T. U., that from these altars may ascend in all tongues the petition for the destruction of the common curse of all mankind." She left her native land about five years ago, "resolved to plant the white ribbon emblem of purity and peace above the heart of the world's womanhood."

To whatever land she ~~has gone~~ *went* she has organized not only Local Unions, but

formed National Auxiliaries. She has also put into circulation the World's Petition "for outlawing the traffic in brain poisons," introduced suitable literature, the white ribbon badge, and the noon-tide hour of prayer. She is now in Great Britain, but expected to begin another tour of work in a short time, which will take her to the West Coast of Africa, then through Germany, France, Italy, Spain, Austria, Sweden, Denmark, Norway, Finland, Portugal, Egypt, and perhaps South America. This tour is expected to continue for three years. Miss Ackerman, the second of the World's organizers, is now following up Mrs. Leavett's course, visiting the Unions, extending the work of organization in the different countries. On the invitation of the British Woman's Temperance Society, the World's W. C. T. U. Convention will be held in London, England, next year. Delegates from every National Union throughout the world will be in attendance.

#### LIQUOR IN AFRICA.

The attention of the whole Christian world has been called to the alarming spread of the use of intoxicating liquors in India and other mission fields. Especially into Africa are vast quantities of rum, gin, and other distilled liquors shipped, amounting to tens of millions of gallons annually. The use of this liquor greatly hinders the spread of Christianity, and in some places threaten its complete overthrow. The evils following its use are worse than the original native vices of Heathenism. So great have these evils grown that the English Government took in hand the work of correction. It had secured the agreement of Russia, Germany, Italy, Austria, and France, to an international compact, to forbid sending intoxicants to the savage tribes of Africa, and sought to induce the government of the United States to join. Mr. Bayard, Secretary of State, declined to do it. The compact fell through, and to-day the drunken orgies of the Congo are fit emblems of pandemonium. Mark the sequel in its relation to Bayard. The State of Delaware, which had sent him to the Senate, ignominiously rejected him at the last election, and he left Washington on the 4th of March last, his political career ending in disgrace. This may be taken as a prophesy of what will be to all politicians who lend their influence, great or small, to help the rum curse in its continued career of crime.

#### NORTH-WEST TERRITORIES.

In 1873, Sir Charles Tupper, then Minister of Customs, introduced into the House of Commons a Bill for the purpose of regulating the customs duties in the North-West. There was a clause in that Bill prohibiting the manufacture or importation of intoxicating liquors into those Territories, "except by special permission of the Lieutenant-Governor of the said Territories."

Afterwards this prohibitory law became part of the constitution of the Territories.

For fifteen years this law has been in force, and no liquor has been brought into the country except under the "permit system." Soon after the appointment of the present Lieutenant-Governor, an interview was had with the Government at Ottawa, and as a result we have the license system for the Territories. For fifteen years no one seemed to interpret the act governing the case, as giving the Lieutenant-Governor any such power of licensing the liquor traffic. But as soon as Mr. Royal was appointed a new interpretation was given to the law. In 1888 the Dominion Parliament passed an act giving the North-West a new Legislative Council which was to have a voice in the ruling and regulating of affairs in that country. Nearly every member of that Council elected by the people pledged himself to his electors to oppose any change in the prohibitory law, until there had been a vote of the people of the Territories upon it. At the first meeting of the Legislature a resolution to that effect was



passed by a vote of 14 to 6. Lieutenant-Governor Royal paid no attention to the largely expressed opinion of the Territorial Legislature and of the people who elected them. But apparently on his own responsibility, and the sanction of the Government at Ottawa, he introduced a license law. This high handed act has been taken regardless of, and in opposition to, the expressed will of the people of those Territories, in so far as they could express that will by election of members to the Territorial Legislature. It is also an outrage upon the sentiment of hundreds of thousands of Christian temperance people in the other Provinces of the Dominion, and with regard to the opinion and feeling of the Christian churches it is an offence of no small magnitude. This law licenses the sale of beer of the standard of 4 per cent. alcohol. Besides this beer license there was issued in the North-West a license for the sale of wine and beer at the Banff Hotel in our National Park.

Since I began the writing of this address the following message has been sent east from Winnipeg, dated Oct. 21st:

"The Mounted Police of Calgary recently made a spill of about \$2,500 worth of whiskey, which a Winnipeg wholesale grocery had shipped to an hotel-keeper at Calgary under the guise of 4 per cent. beer."

This confirms the fears all temperance people had after learning of the change made by Mr. Royal. The 4 per cent. beer license will be made a constant cover for the importation of stronger liquors until the country will be demoralized by the Governor's 4 per cent.

Our white ribbon women all over the Dominion look upon this act of the Honorable Mr. Royal as a retrograde step, and express our deep regrets at such actions. We had fondly hoped that we might keep our grand North-West country, the land where many we love have gone to make their home, free forever from the curse of a legalized liquor traffic. But we have been doomed to disappointment, and now, alas! our hopes are blighted. When may we hope to see the Parliaments and Governments of Canada zealous over the safety of our homes and dear ones.

#### DOMINION UNION.

It is known to you all that the second meeting of the Dominion W. C. T. Union was held in Toronto in June last, and a complete organization effected, about seventy-five delegates being present, representing our country from the Atlantic to the Pacific. It was one great sorrow to know that our beloved sister, Mrs. Youmans, the President of the Union, was not yet sufficiently recovered from a serious and prolonged illness to preside; but we are happy to state that she is slowly and surely recovering, and we trust will soon be able to take her place in our councils of work, to bless us with the inspiration of her consecrated and holy life. Her place was taken at the various sessions of the Convention by the Vice-Presidents. We had the invaluable help of Miss Francis Willard, President of the World's Union, to aid us by her counsels, and to direct us in the work which was awaiting our doing. We are under deep obligation to Miss Willard for the great assistance she rendered us in completing the organization of our Dominion Union.

Mrs. S. W. Foster, of Knowlton, Quebec, was elected Chief Officer. Miss Phelps and Miss Bowes were appointed as Dominion Lecturers and Organizers. We are hoping great things from the Dominion W. C. T. U.

#### THE OUTLOOK

in our own Province of Ontario is hopeful, notwithstanding the discouragements arising from the repeal of the Scott Act throughout the entire Province. This law has been a leverage for lifting public opinion to the heights of prohibition, what this "repeal all along the line" means, we may not at present fully know.

It has already taught us some lessons of practical value which must be taken into the councils of temperance workers in the future. One lesson is, that any local option law, however good, will not satisfy the people. Another lesson is, we must have an independent party in our Local and Dominion Legislatures, to whom we can look for agitation in those bodies which will lead to such temperance and prohibitory legislation as the public sentiment of the country demands.

The Scott Act has been the forerunner, the herald, of the great question of total prohibition of the liquor traffic, which shall be the next step in the progress of reform. Parties, laws and institutions are born for an especial purpose, and, when that purpose has been accomplished we discard them, and press forward to the next line of progress. The work of the Scott Act has also been accomplished in educating the public mind to the extent of the liquor traffic, and the greatness of the evil, and has made plain the fact that nothing but a complete prohibitory law can satisfy the people and overthrow the traffic.

#### DOMINION ALLIANCE.

I am glad to be able to tell you that since our last convention the Dominion Alliance has met and organized under a new constitution, making it, more than ever it has been, a representative alliance, representative of Christian and temperance workers in all the churches and temperance organizations in the Dominion. At the session held in Toronto during last month, the Alliance took advanced ground. In its resolutions on political action it urges the formation of branches of the Alliance in each county, and the pledging of as many voters as possible to support at the polls for municipal and parliamentary office, only well-known Prohibitionists.

The election of a number of independent Prohibitionists to parliament is urged upon the temperance electors. These members to be charged with the responsibility of advocating our cause in the various Legislatures, Local and Dominion.

I think every white ribboner will agree with the Alliance in their position on the subject, viz., that it is unsafe any longer to trust our cause in the hands of members of Parliament elected first and foremost on old party political platforms. We rejoice in this advanced position taken by the new Dominion Alliance, and are persuaded it will work only good for the cause of God, and home, and country. The Alliance further ordered that the Committee on Legislation in the House of Commons be instructed to present to the House the resolution asking for Prohibition, and to press the question to vote; and that the same course be adopted at every session of Parliament until a majority vote is obtained in favor of Prohibition. To do this will without a doubt need an independent prohibition party in the House of Commons. Our Ontario W. C. T. U. has its representation in the Alliance, and our Unions will give all help possible in carrying out the purpose of the Alliance. The following is the resolution of the Dominion Alliance referred to above :

*"That it is desirable to secure the election to the House of Commons of a number of independent Prohibitionists, charged with the responsibility of advocating our cause, and that the executive be instructed to select, in agreement with county organizations, a number of favorable constituencies where such candidates shall be nominated and supported under the auspices of the Alliance."* This resolution is largely in advance of any action ever before taken by this body. I would also call your attention to the resolutions passed by the recent convention of the Dominion W. C. T. U. on the question of license and prohibition, and would earnestly entreat you to use your best endeavor to make them of practical effect. I would hope a resolution will pass this convention, endorsing the action of the Dominion Union. The following is a copy of the resolutions :

1. That we are unalterably opposed to the liquor traffic, and believe it cannot be licensed without sin.
2. We regret the defeat of the Scott Act in the counties of this Province, but trust that it will result in an immediate demand for a Dominion law prohibiting the manufacture and sale of intoxicating liquors.
3. That we have no hope of prohibition from any political party which refuses to put the immediate abolition of the liquor traffic as a plank in its platform.
4. That we believe a revenue taken from the liquor traffic has a tendency to blind the eyes of the taxpayers to the evils of the trade, and demoralize the conscience of the public generally.
5. That we believe prohibition should be made an immediate political issue.
6. That we pledge ourselves to give our individual support to the party which will unequivocally put the plank of prohibition in its platform.
7. That we strongly condemn the present political parties for their truckling silence in their campaign documents and public addresses on the question of immediate prohibition of the liquor traffic.
8. That we urge a constant agitation and education on all lines for the fuller awakening of the public conscience and sentiment.
9. That we condemn the introduction of license in the North-West Territories in opposition to the law and public opinion of Canada.

What we aim at, what we pray for, what we hope for, what we work for, first, last, all the time, is complete prohibition of the liquor traffic. By whatsoever, through whatsoever, agency, organization or party we can get it most speedily and effectively let it come. As was said recently by one of our sisters in a public address:—"Christianity is greater than party, and names are not much after all. What we desire is the retreat of the friends of the saloon, the trailing of their banners in the dust, and the uplifting instead of the banner of Christ." She said:—"God speed the day if it takes a third party, or a fourth party, or a fifth party, or a twenty-fifth, do let it be done. Herodotus, the 'Father of History,' said that Xerxes had at the great battle of Thermopylae, a great many men, but few soldiers. It is not the party, but brave, true men that we want; men who care less for party, and more for right.

## UNITED STATES.

The outlook for Prohibition among our friends in the United States depends for its coloring on the point of view from which the observer looks. To him who looks from the standpoint of losses and gains, during the last twelve months, its colors will be of a sombre character. To him who looks at the question from the position of old party political platforms, it is indeed hopeless; but to those who see beneath the agitated surface of human motives and actions, and can read the signs of the times, steady progress is making all along the line. From the human standpoint of unbelief the repeal of the constitutional amendment in Rhode Island, in July last, and the defeat of the efforts of the Temperance people to carry the amendments in Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, and Connecticut, is most discouraging, but when we know that in all these States the regular party political machinery was used to defeat the amendment, we lose our feeling of surprise. Both parties seem to be under the power of the liquor traffic. Multitudes of the best voters, who hoped for Prohibition by the old parties have grown discouraged, and have joined the Prohibition party. The cause of prohibition holds its own and more in Maine, Kansas, and Iowa. The best men in those States, comprising state governors, assessors, valuers, merchants, clergymen, teachers and others, give unanimous testimony to the growing benefit of Prohibition. And the press in those States is almost

unanimous in declaring that Prohibition is more strongly entrenched in the hearts of the people than at any former time. Notwithstanding the liquor dealers, assured of the sympathy of the old party politicians, are setting in motion plans which they hope will lead to the repeal of the prohibitory amendment in Kansas and Iowa.

On the first of October, Montana, North and South Dakota and Wyoming Territories voted on their new constitution, preparatory to entering into the Federation as independent states, with complete power of self-government. In North and South Dakota the plank of Prohibition was carried by handsome majorities. These new States, beginning their national life, have for one of their foundation stones, Prohibition. The plan now for defeating Prohibition in the United States is by

#### HIGH LICENSE,

which is the last ditch of the liquor traffic. Too many temperance men have been blinded by it, but many signs are already visible that it has begun to lose its power to charm. Its utter failure to suppress drunkenness or lessen the amount of liquor consumed is manifest beyond a doubt.

In 1887, the *New York Voice* published statistics from 14 high license and 15 low license cities in the United States, which showed a greater porportion of arrests for drunkenness and disorderly conduct in the former than in the latter, with an annual saloon license fee averaging more than six times higher than in the low license cities. The 14 high license cities showed 57.2 per cent of arrests for drunkenness and disorder, to but 55.6 per cent. of such arrests in the 15 low license cities. These statistics have never been successfully contradicted. The same paper has recently published another table of statistics on the same question for 1888, showing a comparison between 41 high license and 38 low license cities from all parts of the United States with an annual fee of \$500 and over for the former, and of \$200 and under for the latter. The results of this comparison, the *Voice* says, shows a most striking and surprising failure for high license as a temperance and reform measure.

The 41 high license cities, with an average annual saloon license fee of \$665, and with not much more than one-third the number of saloons contained in the low license cities, show, nevertheless, above the same proportionate number of arrests to population as do the 38 low license cities, with their average annual license fee of \$122. There is one arrest for drunkenness and disorder to every 39.0 persons in the high license cities, and but one to every 39.7 persons in the low license cities. More than this, *the per cent. of arrests for drunkenness and disorderly, as compared with the total arrests in the 41 high license cities, is considerably larger than in the 38 low license cities, being 56.4 per cent. in high license cities and only 52 per cent. in the low license cities.* The following facts are manifest from the *Voice's* table of statistics :

1st. The license fee is five times as great in the 41 high license cities, as it is in the 38 low license cities, and the number of saloons is only about one-third as great.

2nd. Yet there is but very little difference in the number of arrests, in proportion to population, in the high license and in the low license cities.

3rd. The proportion of arrests for drunkenness and disorder to the total arrests is considerably greater in the high license than in the low license cities. High license has been in operation in the State of Nebraska since the year 1881. In the cities there is a \$1,000 annual license fee, and in the state at large a minimum fee of \$500. At the beginning of this year, the almost unanimous verdict of the leading clergymen of the state was, that high license had *proved the bulwark of the liquor traffic and the greatest hindrance to the abolition of the saloon.* We would naturally suppose, that the great decrease of saloons result-

ing from high license would largely decrease the *quantity* of liquor consumed. But such does not seem to be the case; indeed the opposite is true; the quantity of liquor consumed has increased. From a calculation made on the basis of figures taken from the report of the United States Bureau of statistics for the year ending 30th of June, 1888, we find the following astonishing facts. 1st. There was a decrease of 20,843 liquor dealers between the 1st of July, 1887, and the 30th of June, 1888, principally owing to high license. 2nd. The amount of all liquors consumed in 1887 per capita was 13.68 gallons; and in 1888, the per capita amount consumed was 14.30 gallons.

The particulars of the per capita consumption of distilled spirits, wine and malt liquors, are as follows:

	Distilled Spts. gallons	Wines gallons	Malt liquors gallons	Total gallons
1887	1.18	0.54	11.96	13.68
1888	1.23	0.59	12.48	14.30

All white ribboners will doubtless oppose to the utmost all efforts to put up on our country this the worst of all *license laws*.

#### ENGLAND.,

The Temperance movement in England is quietly growing and gaining strength.

Total abstinence is going down deep to the roots of social life, and gaining influence in the higher circles. Liquor has been excluded by action of the British Government from the North Sea Fisheries. Sunday Closing came nearer than ever before passing the House of Commons. There is no doubt but at next Session of Parliament Sunday Closing will carry. The Band of Hope movement in England counts its pledged children by the millions. Cardinal Manning, the distinguished Roman Catholic Prelate, has been the means of vast good among his own people, as well as Protestants. He is in hearty sympathy with the United Kingdom Alliance in its efforts to secure the Local Option Veto, a law similar to the Scott Act. There as well as here earnest Temperance men are losing hope that the existing political parties will give them such legislation as they need. One indication of the marked growth and influence of the total abstinence principles is worth being written in letters of gold. It is stated that during the great strike among the working men in London recently, there was little or no disorderliness or drunkenness, and the arrests for those crimes by the London police had not perceptibly increased during the continuance of the strike, though 50,000 men were out of employment. In other countries in Europe, the principles of total abstinence are becoming better understood, and are taking a firmer hold on society. The astonishing fact has been published that Count Tolstoi has organized a Total Abstinence Society in Russia, with great promise of usefulness. The outlook all the world over at the present time is hopeful. "Let us not be weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

#### TEMPERANCE ORGANIZATIONS.

It has been said of the Temperance people that they are neglecting the work of moral suasion, and turning their attention too much to political methods. In no sense have the Temperance people failed to make the moral suasion idea prominent. Some people limit its extent, and apply it only to the drinkers. The W. C. T. U. applies moral suasion to the men who vote. The true principle of action is: Moral suasion for the drinker; moral suasion for the voter, and legal suasion for the maker, importer, and seller of intoxicating drinks. The grow-

ing numbers, influence, and power of the Sons of Temperance, Good Templars, Royal Templars, and many other societies; the millions of pages of Temperance Literature distributed yearly by these Societies and by our own Unions, and the Young Woman's Unions, tell of grand work done in this line. The Temperance papers in our Dominion are an important factor in this Educational work, and deserve a generous support by all workers in our great reform.

#### LABOUR REFORM.

It is our duty to recognize the signs of the times in the commotions so frequently manifesting themselves in the industrial department of the world's labor. They certainly point to the need of social and industrial reform. Labor organizations and leaders are evidently impressed with the greatness of the danger to the best interests of the workingmen of this country from the liquor traffic. Some of the strongest and best things have been said by some of the wisest and safest leaders of labor reform in favor of advanced temperance legislation.

The labor press is rapidly coming to see the true relation between the temperance reform and the labor movement. The loss sustained by the workingmen of the United States through liquor is something enormous. It was estimated not long ago, to be not less than \$400,000,000 per annum.

The great labor leader T. V. Powderly says: "The rum habit is one of our greatest enemies, and until we get it under control we shall have an uphill struggle to sustain our principles." He said, "if my word should be law, there would be no more intemperance, and with no more intemperance there would now be fewer labor troubles."

"This crowned and sceptred wrong, this licensed sin, this oppressor of labor trembles on its throne for the days of its kingship are numbered." Our W. C. T. U. has always been a friend of the wage earner. It is an organization of Christian Women for educating the young in temperance, forming a better public sentiment, reforming the drinking classes, transforming by grace divine those who are enslaved by alcohol, and for securing the entire abolition of the liquor traffic. Our motto is *Education! Agitation!*

#### OUR AIMS AND METHODS.

The departments of work of our Ontario W. C. T. U. number twenty-three, embraced under the following classification:—I. Organization; II. Preventative; III. Educational; IV. Evangelistic; V. Social; VI Legal.

#### ORGANIZATION

is one of the most important departments of our work. Our organizers are the builders of our association. From various causes Unions frequently fail and cease to hold connection with the Provincial body and if our numbers are not constantly recruited by the formation of new Unions we cannot maintain our strength, nor successfully do our work, and much less be aggressive.

According to what I must call the unfortunate action of our Executive at the beginning of the year, when it was concluded to dispense altogether with Provincial organizers and leave the work wholly to County Presidents, I have very few new Unions to report. I would respectfully recommend that a suitable organizer be appointed to form Unions, especially in unorganized counties, and if possible bring about county organizations in such counties, and in organized counties where the County President is unable to give sufficient time and attention to the work, the Provincial Organizer may be called upon to render such assistance as may be desired. That we may the more effectually do this work,

I would recommend this Provincial Convention to appoint Miss Minnie Phelps as Provincial Organizer and Lecturer, with a sufficient salary to enable her to give her whole time to it for at least seven months of the year. In this way she could, associated with the County President, or some other suitable person, reach every part of the unorganized counties, and plant Unions in all places of sufficient size to maintain such organizations. All collections to go into Provincial Treasury and be applied to meeting expenses of this department. Further details of this scheme to be considered by the Executive

As the principal work of our W. C. T. U is done by the Local Unions, it is of the greatest importance to your county organizations to hold regular County Conventions, where the members of various Unions can meet for consultation and encouragement. They break the isolation which often presses upon the worthless in solitary Unions, and gives them new and helpful inspiration. Under such reviving impulse fresh heart is had for better work. It is a matter of encouragement to know that a few county organizations have been formed during the year and conventions have been held, which have been helpful to the workers in those places. Experience shows that the best work is done in those counties which have the best organizations, and where conventions have been made of the greatest practical interest. I would suggest that at all County Conventions ample time be given for full discussion of all practical methods of work. Give plenty of time for the question box. Let delegates bring the questions they would like to have answered. Timid women and new members may in this way get the information they desire relative to their work. Don't crowd out the question box. If papers are read, give preference to such as will be most helpful to departmental work. An excellent help, and which might take the place of the papers at some of the meetings, is the plan that is being adopted in many of the States, where the Superintendents of Departments make teachers of themselves for the time being; and each stands before the Convention with a list of questions, to which she invites answers, which will draw out ideas from the many as to the best plans and methods of work in connection with her special department. After questions have been well discussed by the Convention she then gives her answers. This plan cannot but bring out thought that will be of practical help to our work, for we are all learners.

#### SUPERINTENDENTS OF DEPARTMENTS.

As letters are coming to me continually from local superintendents of departments, as to the source to which they shall apply for information regarding their work, I would say the Provincial Superintendents of Departments, who give earnest attention and careful study to their special departments, are supposed to be in a position to give information and help as to best methods of work; it is their duty to impart such information and aid to county superintendents of departments and to local superintendents when the county is not organized. In organized counties, the county superintendents advise local Unions in this jurisdiction on all matters about which information may be sought.

It is greatly desired for the better ordering of our work that every organized county will provide a printed directory each year immediately after their conventions and local annual meetings are held. This directory to contain officers and superintendents of departments appointed for the coming year for the County and Local Unions. The County Corresponding Secretary will furnish the officers and superintendents of departments in her county and in the Local Unions with a copy of this directory; she will also furnish Provincial Officers and Provincial Superintendents of Departments with the same. I would respectfully urge upon all officers and members prompt attention to all communi-

cations written or printed, as much harm sometimes comes from neglect of these small matters.

#### JUVENILE WORK.

Amongst the children our work is of vast importance to the welfare of this country. We must teach them that alcohol is not only injurious to the human system but absolutely harmful. We must teach them that there is no disturber of the social life of the people of Canada equal to the intoxicating drink. We must teach them that the danger lies in its use in the first place—and abuse is only the use in excess. They must be educated to reject as positively dangerous the distinctions so often made between the use and abuse of spirituous liquors. They must be taught to avoid the use entirely and the abuse we need not fear. I beg to suggest for your earnest and practical consideration the advisability of joining together our juvenile and Sabbath school work under one superintendent, as the both run on the same lines and need the same kind of direction and oversight. I would suggest that a Band of Hope be organized in connection with every Sabbath school if such can be done, and it appears to me advisable that two or more from the Young Woman's Union, where such exist, and if not, then from the W.C. T. U., should have the supervision, each in their respective churches. If our Unions have the supervision of all Bands of Hope then the work will be fully reported to the Provincial Convention.

It is stated that ninety-three per cent. of all children taking the temperance pledge remain faithful to their early vows. This being true we have the highest encouragement to prosecute with ceaseless effort and humble prayer this branch of loving toil.

A short time ago a train was thrown from the track, and the brakeman lay dying in the ditch; someone went to his assistance and asked "What can I do for you?" The poor fellow replied, "nothing for me, I am too far gone; but put up the lights to warn the train which is following on." Dear fellow workers, put up the lights which show to the generation of boys and girls harrying hard on, the way so full of danger and deadly pitfalls. We must never remit our efforts in this grand work. The safety of our children depends upon it as well as the progress of the future. That there exists urgent need of effort in this line of temperance instruction, is seen in many ways. A zealous prison chaplain in England visited the county jails of Manchester and found that out of 649 Protestant prisoners, 593 had been in the Sabbath School, on an average of 6 or 7 years each. In Glasgow, a Scotch philanthropist taking the same line of investigation, found that 62 out of 88 had been Sabbath School scholars, 59 out of 62 criminals tried at one session of the Glasgow assizes testified that drinking had led them to crime, and also led to their leaving the Sunday School. What is true in England and Scotland is largely true in Canada.

But there are large numbers of children, in the cities especially, who do not attend Sabbath Schools. Cannot a greater effort be made than heretofore to gather these into loyal legions? Cannot our young women everywhere make this their special work? We are glad to know that much has been done during the year in many places in our Province; in this department Hamilton, the banner city in this respect, has 1900 children under the direction of 100 young ladies. Hamilton is certainly setting a good example.

Some one said that the door of Millennial glory has a child's hand on the latch; and some one else declares that we have the transcendent privilege of helping that little hand lift the latch, and usher the day when the kingdoms of this world shall become the kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ.

"DEMAREST MEDAL CONTEST."

The question often comes, What can we do for the boys and girls of 14 or 15



years and upwards, which age stands in the way of them being kept in the "Bands of Hope" or "Loyal Legion?" Can we not have for them junior Prohibition societies and educate them on the line of Prohibition? In a very few years they are to be the voters of our country. I would recommend forming classes from these societies for the "Demorest Medal Contest." This "medal contest" plan was the outcome of the interest in the temperance questions of Mr. Jennings Demorest of N. Y. He offers silver, gold, and diamond medals, to young people of both sexes as prizes for the best recitations on temperance and Prohibition. A book containing over a hundred of the very best on these subjects is furnished by him.

This plan began two years ago, and has spread rapidly over America, England, the continent of Europe, Australia, Honolulu, South Africa and Burmah.

Up to October of this year 4,300 medals have been awarded.

The arrangements for these contests are as follows:—

A competing class to consist of eight or ten, but in no case less than six. The selections to be taken exclusively from the book of recitations, which can be procured for ten cents per copy.

A public meeting to be arranged, for which these recitations will form the programme, which may be interspersed with music. Three disinterested persons, of mature age, are to be chosen to act as judges, for whom suitable blanks will be furnished free. At the close of the programme, the competitor who has, by the decision of the judges, been awarded the prize, will be presented with a handsome silver medal in a satin lined morocco case. Other classes can be formed, but all contests arranged must be for different dates. No new medal will be sent until a certificate signed by judges and chairman has been received, proving that the preceding contest has been properly conducted.

The good resulting from this method of education is incalculable. There is no better way of getting the young people interested in the subject of Prohibition, and the contest is sure to bring a full house (if well advertised), and they in turn are interested and educated by these recitations. I think as yet there has been only one or two of these contests held in Ontario. One was held in Thorold; it gave to all the utmost satisfaction. These readings are not suited to those under fourteen years of age.

I would urge our Unions to give special attention to the "Medal Contests" during the coming winter months. Our young women might make this a great success for entertainments. Contests might also be held in connection with County Conventions. And I don't know that it would be too much to suggest one for our next Convention held by the Provincial Union. For circulars giving further information, address Mrs. Charlotte F. Woodbury, 10 East 14th Street, New York City.

#### SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

The voice of true science is the voice of God; and her teachings are listened to as from the divine instructor. The language of science is, "This is, or this is not; this does, or does not happen." With such an ally we must succeed. Science is doing more to day to remove the ignorance and prejudices which so alarmingly prevail regarding the use, nature and effects of alcoholic and narcotic stimulants than all other teachers. Hence the importance of wise intelligent zeal, in this department of work. As it does not seem to be quite clearly understood by new Unions, and perhaps by a few of the old ones, I would repeat that the teaching of scientific temperance is compulsory in all public schools in the Province.

It is the duty of every public School Inspector to see that this subject is as thoroughly taught in each school in his jurisdiction as any other subject on the

school curriculum. And should any School Inspector fail to have this work done, let him be reported by our women to the Minister of Education. The law provides that all schools neglecting this work shall forfeit the Government grant. The Minister of Education has promised to see that this is done, so don't hesitate in reporting your Inspector to the Hon. Mr. Ross, in case he does not do his duty.

A recent order of the Department of Education has placed the subject of Temperance as a "bonus" subject for Xmas entrance to High Schools. The Hon. Mr. Ross deserves and receives our thanks for his willingness to grant our requests in this line of progress. These favors from the Hon. Minister lead us to hope that very soon Temperance will be placed on the departmental list, with other subjects, for regular examination.

A number of Unions have offered prizes for the encouragement of the scholars in the public schools for the best written examinations on the Temperance Text Book; and in High Schools, for the best essays on some phase of the Temperance question. I earnestly hope this practice will become general, as benefit has been seen already by those unions which have adopted this plan.

There are over 7,000 common school teachers in the Province of Ontario, and over 610,000 children of school age.

The extent to which this instruction is given already is noteworthy. In 1886-7, the number of children receiving instruction in Temperance and Hygiene was 75,286; in 1887-8, the number increased to 80,103.

This seems a large number, but it is small when compared with the 500,000 who are receiving no education at all. You can readily see from this the importance of diligence in this work. From this great army of children will come our voters and Legislators in the near future. We have opportunities now of moulding the thought of our children along these lines as we never had before. Let us use it well. The Minister of Education is doing his duty, let us do ours.

It gives much pleasure to state that it was reported by our Sister Provincial Union at Quebec, at their last annual meeting in the city of Montreal, that scientific Temperance instruction has been made part of the regular teaching in all the city schools, including the High Schools. And what is of great importance to the children of Quebec, the McGill Normal School is doing good work in training teachers in this direction. Earnest efforts are being made to have it introduced into all the elementary schools of the Province which do not at present teach it.

In 36 States and Territories of the United States, Scientific Temperance has been made compulsory in the common schools. This covers two-thirds of the country, including over 100,000,000 of the children of school age.

#### OUR LITERATURE DEPARTMENT

aims to bring to our workers the very best thoughts of the best and advanced writers on temperance, in a brief and interesting form. By it we are kept abreast of the issues of the day. We can bring facts and arguments before the people by a generous use of literature, that cannot be done in any other way. During the year I asked the Unions to send donations to the Department, of \$1.00 each, that we might be in a position to assist Unions, by sending sample packages of literature to them, in order that they might have a more correct idea of the kind of literature kept by us, as well as to guide them in ordering such supplies and kind as they might need for distribution. A number of Unions generously responded to the request. And you will see by the report of Mrs. Wiley, Superintendent of this Department, that sales have increased during the year, and we are financially in a better position than we were a year ago, notwithstanding, I would call your attention to the fact that this Depart-

ment has not yet accomplished all we had hoped from it when it was organized. I would recommend the appointment of a Committee of three, who shall be charged with the duty of thoroughly examining into the condition of the Department; to ascertain the amount of unsaleable stock on hand, and dispose of it in whatever way they may deem best; and to supply its place with such suitable literature as shall best meet the present demands. But in order to make our Literature Department all it should be to our workers and our work, we are under the necessity of asking again the donation of \$1.00 from each Union during the coming year, to assist this very important Department.

## HELPS FOR LOCAL UNIONS.

Amongst the helps for Local Union work, I would mention the "Woman's Journal." Many of you know how richly laden it is every month with gleanings from all parts of the field in which we labor, and filled with hints and helps. No white ribboner in Ontario can afford to be without this paper. Then our "Annual Report." In order to get a general view of the work we are doing, the reports of the various Superintendents of Departments must be carefully read. The Annual Report is crowded full of information which every woman ought to know. We hope to have it ready for distribution at the end of the year, and when sold at the hominal figure of ten cents, every Union should at once send an order for a large supply, not only for a sufficient number for the members, but that they may have a number for gratuitous distribution among the leading citizens of the place, Editors, Ministers, Councilmen and others. The reason oftentimes for the lack of interest shewn in our work by outsiders is that they have very little knowledge of our work. Then let us take every means to give all the information we can, and this is one of the very best. I would also recommend as a help for local workers, the using of the "Readings for monthly meetings of the W. C. T. U.," in Union meetings. Each reading gives a new topic. These responsive readings are on nearly every Department of our work as well as every phase of the temperance work.

These readings not only increase the interest in the meetings, but give a large amount of information to the members. I would also suggest to the local Unions that their work should be helped if they would furnish their officers and Superintendents of Departments with a proper outfit, each Superintendent with a sample package of such literature as is prepared for her special department, from which she may get information and help, and from which also she may select for distribution such tracts as shall best meet the needs of the place. I would call your attention to "The Treasurer's Book," a book that has been prepared for his special use, and the "Pathfinder," one copy at least of which should be in every Union.

## EVANGELISTIC WORK.

The organization of the W. C. T. U. had its birth in prayer. The Woman's Crusade was a spiritual revival, out of which this grand movement for God and Home was born, and the secret of power now lies in the spiritual life of the Unions. Much of our work is done in faith, and to keep our faith strong, spiritual health must be healthy and vigorous. We must feed upon the word and always take it for the man of our counsel. It is very gratifying to know that much work has been done on gospel lines during the year by our White Ribboners, including jail, prison and hospital visiting, with blessed results. Dear sisters, this is the best of all, when we can bring poor, lost, wandering souls to the Good Shepherd.

The following stanza may well be a White Ribbon watchword :

## THE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

"Go, not doubting, if God arms thee,  
Through a troop thou'lt safely run.  
Speed thee on, when He commands thee,  
Stay, when e'er He seeth meet,  
Speak as He shall give thee utterance,  
When He bids, wait at His feet;  
Closely watch His pointing finger,  
Follow on where'er He goes,  
He will make the desert for thee  
Blossom like the summer rose."

## OUR DEPARTED SISTERS.

Our hearts are saddened to-day as we remember those whose places are vacant in our home fellowships and Union circles. They have laid down the weapons of warfare, and implements of labor, and have rest from strife and toil. They have changed their white ribbon for the white robes of the blessed who are washed in the blood of the Lamb.

## SOCIAL PURITY.

Already this question has been brought before you, and you are all familiar with the methods employed in this Department. The outlook was never so hopeful for the true ideal of man and womanhood as to day. The fact that there has been an arrest of thought on the subject means that in the near future there shall be "sweeter manners and purer laws."

How to work this Department is often asked. Work done in this department must be in harmonious co-operation of all the Christian Churches, Young Men's Christian Associations and other temperance societies.

## WORK AMONG SOLDIERS.

Much work has been done in the volunteer camps at Gananoque, London and elsewhere among the soldiers, which in many instances has brought rich and speedy return, to gladden the hearts of the noble and self-denying women who gave their time and energy so freely. One of the great dangers to many volunteers is the "Canteen." This is a relic of the past which speaks of the time when it was thought liquor was necessary to a soldier's life. Many young men take their first lessons in drinking at the Canteen, and it is a great dread to mothers when their dear boys leave home for annual drill, lest they fall over this stumbling block. The public sentiment which makes for righteousness is strong enough in Canada to change this part of our Militia system. Would it not be well to interview the Department of Militia and ask for the abolition of the Canteen, or take some other course which would lead to this end.

## WORK AMONG THE LUMBERMEN.

Several thousand men are engaged in the lumber work so extensively carried on in Ontario, year by year. These men are away from home many months and are excluded from all religious privileges, except an occasional visit from some missionaries who find them out in their distant camps. A growing interest is being manifest by our Unions in these men, and increased efforts are made to supply them with suitable literature. Hundreds of packages and scrap books have been sent through our faithful superintendent, Mrs. Shortreed, in whose report you will be interested. I would ask your careful consideration of her suggestions.

## WORK AMONG SAILORS.

In many of our lake ports vigorous work among sailors has been carried on. This work is of such a nature that few results can be seen. The most and best that can be done is to scatter the seed. It is indeed casting bread upon the waters, results of which shall be seen after many days.

## WOMAN'S VOTE.

The progress made in this department during the year has been very gratifying. Early in the month of February, an influential deputation of our W. C. T. U., with another from the Canadian Woman's Franchise Association, waited on the Government. The deputation was graciously received, courteously treated, and their words listened to with deep interest. The Hon. Oliver Mowat, Attorney-General, in substance said: "It may be that some one can answer the arguments that you have brought forward, but I will honestly say that I cannot. I have reason to believe that benefit has resulted from the use you have made of the privilege of the Franchise granted you. I will not say that what you ask shall be given this year or next, but I sincerely trust that I shall remain in power long enough to grant your request."

The discussion on this subject in the Legislature, soon after the interview, marks an era of advancement, as seen in the high character and more serious spirit of the debate. Our Legislators are beginning to realize that it is not a question for sport, but of serious meaning. It is true the vote of the House seems to mark a loss, but when we understand that a "caucus" was called the evening before, and concerted action taken to defeat Mr. Waters' Bill, we are only surprised that as many as twenty-two members of the House should so utterly refuse to obey the lash of the party whip. It is not my intention to criticise the reasons given by some of the honorable members opposing the Bill, but to look at the amendment which the Hon. Mr. Hardy moved, and which the House accepted. The amendment showed that the movement for woman's vote was stronger than its opponents had at first supposed. It is not easy to see what connection there is between much of the preamble and the conclusion. He says thousands have never voted for the Imperial Parliament, or for the Legislature of the Province, or of any other Province in this Dominion. And further, where the suffrage idea was maintained, there was a strong opposing sentiment which generally prevailed, wherever representative Government exists. Let me respectfully ask if these are arguments why suffrage should not be given to women in Canada? If the Bill carried it would, he said, soon lead to further legislation, which would put women on the same basis, as to franchise, with men, and then the number of voters in the country would be more than doubled, and the women would have a preponderating vote. And, finally, the matter had never been submitted to the electorate for their verdict. Therefore it was the duty of the House to refuse its consent, etc., etc. Now, it is difficult for some of us to see what many of these reasons had to do with the question before the House. The Hon. Mr. Hardy created an apparition, whose material he found in his own imagination, and held it up before the eyes of timid members to frighten them into an acceptance to his amendment. I am glad to tell the white ribbons of Ontario that Hon. Attorney-General Mowat did not share in the fears of his excited colleague, though he did not see his way clear to vote for the Bill, on the ground that it had not yet been submitted to the people as an issue in any general election. I append a quotation from an address given by Lord Salisbury, Premier of England, on Woman's Vote. Evidently he is a man of different idea from the Hon. Mr. Hardy in his views of the result of Woman's Suffrage. The following is the quotation:—

Lord Salisbury, Premier of England, in a late address to an audience of 6,000 people, came out strongly in favor of the ballot for women. He said: "I earnestly hope the day is not far distant when women also will bear their share in voting for members in the political world, and in determining the policy of the country. I can conceive no argument by which they are excluded. It is obvious that they are abundantly as fit as many who now possess suffrage, by knowledge, by training, and by character; and their influence is likely to weigh in a direction which, in an age so material as ours, is exceeding valuable—namely, in the direction of morality and religion."

The following wise words, spoken by a friend of our great reform, will be read with interest:—

The object of voting is to give voice and practical effect to the wisdom, knowledge, and virtue diffused among the people. Do men possess all of these which is worth making use of? Five times as many boys as girls are in reformatories; more than five times as many men as women are convicts; more than twice as many men as women are paupers, and about seventy times as many men as women are engaged in the manufacture of liquor—the nurse of pauperism and crime! Is it not clear that the average woman, with equal opportunities for education and development, will show as much wisdom, knowledge and virtue as the average man?

The Rev. Dr. Annie Shaw, National Superintendent of Franchise Department for the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, United States, spent a few days in our Province during the summer, and lectured in the interests of Woman's Suffrage, in Toronto, at Niagara, and Grimsby Camps, etc. She is a very attractive and convincing speaker, and has done the cause of Woman's vote immense good. Some signs of progress are seen, as in Toronto, where two women have been elected to School Boards. The wonder is that women are not elected to School Boards more frequently, when we know that nearly 5,000 out of 7,000 teachers in our Province are woman. Surely if women are capable of teaching, and who can say they are not? why should they not have more frequent recognition as School Trustees? Another cheering sign of progress is seen in the action of our Sister Union of the Province of Quebec, which, at its last Session, recently held, put upon its list of work a Department for Franchise, and appointed a Superintendent for the first time. Miss Minnie Phelps, Dominion Lecturer, spent nearly a month in these Provinces, attended several conventions and lectured in many places, giving prominence to Woman's Vote. She was cordially received, and her lectures were no doubt largely helpful to the bringing about of the recent action of the Quebec Union.

#### TEMPERANCE PAPERS.

Newspapers are mighty forces in the education of the people to day. No cause can expect to make rapid and sure progress unless supported by the weekly or daily papers, and these must be put into the hands and homes of those we desire to influence. No cause is more dependent on work of this kind than ours. It must be line upon line, precept upon precept. We must make the circulation of temperance and Prohibition papers a special work. Wherever we succeed in putting a good Prohibition paper into a home, we educate that home for Prohibition. Some of our Unions have done good work in this line. I would suggest that every Union appoint a committee to canvass the homes for subscribers to such papers. "*The Canada Citizen*," "*Canadian Voice*," "*New York Voice*," and others are recommended.

#### FINANCE.

To push forward what we have undertaken with its many departments, we

require a generous income. We undertake and carry on a great work with a very little money. If so, then how much could we accomplish with a full treasury. Upon us as individual members of the local Unions rests the responsibility of holding up the hands of our Provincial officers. We find year after year more than one-third of the members reported to Provincial are non-paying members. This should not be. The Corresponding Secretary's report and the Treasurer's should agree in this particular. How is this difficulty to be remedied? It must be done by the local Unions. I would suggest in the first place that no woman be appointed as treasurer who has not tact, push and perseverance combined; for these three qualities are necessary to a successful worker. Don't think that any body will do for a treasurer who can take care of money. This is the least of the work that her office demands. She is to continually devise ways and means by which money may be obtained to carry on the work. An empty treasury means that the whole machinery must stop. So, my sisters, be sure that you put the right woman in the right place when you appoint your Treasurer. When fees are collected will the Treasurer remember that 25 cents of that fee does not belong to the local Unions, but to the Provincial, and should not be used for local work; if so, money is being used that does not belong to them, and the Provincial Treasury comes out minus. Dear Treasurers, will you not do your utmost this year to prevent this occurrence. A special effort should be made to supplement the amount which must go from our Provincial Treasury as dues to the Dominion Union yearly, which will not be less than \$200.

## LIFE MEMBERS.

I would request that our Constitution be changed so as to provide for honorary life members on the payment of \$25 into the Provincial Treasury.

## BEQUESTS.

Perhaps it is not generally known that our organization is incorporated and in a legal position to hold property and receive bequests. Can we not on all suitable occasions remind the public that the W. C. T. U. has a claim on the benevolence of those disposing of their property after they can no longer use it.

## TOBACCO.

The use of this narcotic is a great evil and fearfully prevalent among boys. Cigarette smoking is most seductive, and many boys learn the use of this weed in this form. In several of the states across the line laws have been recently passed prohibiting the sale of tobacco to minors. The State is at last recognizing the fact that it cannot permit the boys to be injured in this way. Would it not be worth while to memorialize Parliament for the prohibition of the sale of tobacco to the boys of our Province.

## UNFERMENTED WINE.

We hope to see the day when the intoxicating drink shall be banished from the Lord's table. Every year the conviction is growing that the poisonous element of alcohol cannot represent the precious blood of our blessed Saviour, and the churches in rapidly growing numbers are taking unfermented wine at the sacrament.

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

This section of our army of willing workers is in vigorous health and is doing aggressive work.

The *Flower Mission* carries its messages of peace to the homes of sickness and hearts of suffering. These beautiful gifts speak of God to many suffering hearts in a way that no other messenger can. And as they consider the flowers, have risen from thoughts of nature to thoughts of nature's God. This, with other lines of work carried on by our young sisters, will be reported by Superintendents of Departments, in which you will be interested. Out of the 22 Unions organized this year, six belong to the young women.

#### FAIRS AND EXHIBITIONS.

Our W. C. T. U. work has been very well represented this year at several of our great exhibitions, and at many county and township agricultural shows. It is one of the very best opportunities we have of circulating temperance literature and deepening interest in temperance questions among the people. We should have all the great central fairs well looked after. Allow no county or township fair to be held without earnest work in every way. By securing from Boards of Directors the exclusive right to furnish provisions on fair grounds, we can greatly aid the cause of sobriety and further the interests of our work. The Unions of Toronto had a large temperance tent on the grounds of the great exhibition in that city, in which a gospel temperance meeting was held every day, temperance literature distributed and white cross and temperance pledges presented for signature. The work of the W. C. T. U. was most successfully managed at the Provincial Fair at London, by our energetic white ribboners of that city. Their refreshment booth alone clearing them the handsome sum of \$300. The superintendent of this department will tell you of many other places which have been doing good work this year. The World's Exhibition of Paris has been well looked after by the National W. C. T. U. of the United States, under the able management of Mrs. Josephene Nicholls. Each of the forty different lines of the W. C. T. U. work was represented. The Pavillion was beautifully decorated with the flags of the various countries and W. C. T. U. banners from various Provinces and States. It is to be regretted that our Province had not representation in some way in that exposition. Mrs. Nicholls had a collection of pictures of representative temperance women from twenty-five countries hanging from walls of the Pavillion. It is stated that \$6,000 worth of literature was given away. Coffee, tea and luncheon sold. The French people and people of other nations have seen for the first time a refreshment saloon successfully managed without wine or strong drinks. This was the only place in the vast area where refreshments were sold without the beneful accomplishment of intoxicating liquors.

#### CONCLUSION.

A great astronomer went out one evening to look up into the starry heavens, with those secrets and movements he was better acquainted, than with the ways and works of men. It was at the dawn of the modern era of advancement in astronomical science, when but few had knowledge of the law which moulds the tear falling from the eye of a weeping penitent and guides the planets in their course. As he gazed into the deep, dark blue vault above him, a solemn reverence filled his soul as he exclaimed: Oh God I thank Thee that I think Thy thoughts, and who will say that he did not. Though we are not great astronomers, looking into the mystery of the stars and studying the laws governing the life and death of world's we can think God's thoughts, know God's will and do His work in the humbler walks of life where He has placed us to live and labor. We are working amongst material that can be made into stars which shall shine forever and ever in the crown of our mighty Prince. We are putting influences into operation which are building the temple of the human soul,



in which the shining of the Heavenly light shall never fade.

Dear sisters, in all our work, the nearer we keep to the thoughts of our blessed Master the deeper will be our charity for the fallen, the greater our love for the lost, the stronger our zeal for the divine glory, the wider and more hopeful our vision of God, and the more burning our indignation against the permitted wrongs of the world.

“Soon and forever,  
The work shall be done.  
The warfare accomplished,  
The victory won;  
Soon and forever,  
The soldier lay down  
His sword for a harp,  
And his cross for a crown.  
Then drop not in sorrow,  
Despond not in fear,  
A glorious to-morrow,  
Is brightening and near,  
When, blessed reward  
Of each faithful endeavor,  
Christians with Christ shall be  
Soon and forever.”

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TABULATED SUGGESTIONS.

1. That Miss Phelps be engaged as lecturer and organizer for Ontario, with salary. The Provincial Union to receive the collections.
2. That a committee be appointed to look over the constitution carefully during the coming year, recommending such changes as shall be for the best interest of the society; report to be submitted to convention next year.
3. That constitution be made to provide for honorary life members.
4. That ten cents out of the fifty cents membership fee be paid into the County Treasury, as fee.
5. That leaflets containing school regulation, etc., on Scientific Temperance Instruction, be sent to the teachers throughout the Province. Unions also to be provided with same.
6. The joining together of Juvenile and Sabbath School Work under one Superintendent.
7. That Provincial Convention be held not earlier than the last week in October, in order that time may be given for Local and County Unions to report fully their work.
8. The careful consideration of suggestions of Superintendent of Petitions and Legislation, relating to a wider circulation of World's Petition.
9. That recommendations by Superintendent of Lumbermen Department be considered.
10. That the Department *Tobacco* be taken up by our Union and a Superintendent appointed
11. That the Government be memorialized for the abolition of the sale of tobacco to minors.

12. Our Union to give all help possible in carrying out the plans of the Dominion Alliance.

13. Would recommend the adoption by this Convention of the Temperance resolutions passed by the Dominion W. C. T. U.

14. The appointment of committees to investigate Literature Department, with power to dispose of all unsaleable literature, and to replace with such literature as will best meet the present need.

15. That the Provincial Union supply the Provincial Superintendents of Departments with such literature as will best aid them in carrying out their plans of work.

16. Contributions of \$1 or more from Local Unions to Literature Department.

17. That the "Demorest Medal Contest" may be arranged for by all Local Unions.

18. Would suggest the propriety of the Annual Report being printed and in circulation by the first of the New Year.



## Report of Corresponding Secretary.

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MRS. WILEY, RICHMOND HILL.

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### BRANT

Reports 3 Unions, Brantford, Brantford Y, and Paris; 114 members; 3 Bands of Hope, with 526 children. 23,124 pages of literature distributed, and 11 churches using unfermented wine.

### BRUCE

Reports 10 Unions, Southampton, Port Elgin, Walkerton, Tara, Warton, Hepworth, Paisley, Lucknow, Kincardine, and Tiverton; membership 212; 3 Bands of Hope, 250 children. 20,445 pages of literature distributed, and 21 churches using unfermented wine

### BOTHWELL

Reports 1 Union, Ridgetown; 15 members. 1 Band of Hope, with 200 children. 600 pages of literature distributed, and 2 churches using unfermented wine.

### CARLETON

Reports 4 Unions, Ottawa, Carleton Place, Ottawa Y and Carleton Place Y; 148 members; 2 Bands of Hope, with 190 children. 7,642 pages of literature distributed, and 12 churches using unfermented wine.

### DUNDAS

Reports 2 Unions, Morrisburg and Iroquois; 45 members; 1 Band of Hope, with 89 children; 5 churches using unfermented wine.

### DURHAM

Reports 4 Unions, Orono, Cobourg Y, Bowmanville and Port Hope; 132 members; 3 Bands of Hope with 278 children. 3,900 pages of literature distributed, and 7 churches using unfermented wine.

### DUFFERIN

Reports 3 Unions, Grand Valley, Orangeville and Shelburne; 65 members; 2 Bands of Hope, with 360 children. 1,000 pages of literature distributed, and 8 churches using unfermented wine.

## ESSEX

Reports 1 Union, Tilbury Centre; 18 members, and 200 pages of literature distributed.

## ELGIN

Reports 3 Unions, St. Thomas, Aylmer and Aylmer Y; 137 members; 2 Bands of Hope. 30,650 pages of literature distributed, and 4 churches using unfermented wine.

## FRONTENAC

Reports 2 Unions, Kingston and Kingston Y; 62 members. 1,150 pages of literature distributed, and 10 churches using unfermented wine.

## GLENGARRY

Reports 2 Unions, Martintown and Maxville; 49 members; 2 Bands of Hope with 154 children, and 4 churches using unfermented wine.

## GRENVILLE

Reports 4 Unions, Spencerville, Prescott; Kemptville and Ventnor; 88 members; 2 Bands of Hope, with 70 children. 7,300 pages of literature distributed and 9 churches using unfermented wine.

## GREY

Reports 4 Unions, Owen Sound, Meaford, Thornbury and Owen Sound Y; 85 members; 3 Bands of Hope, with 205 children, and 8 churches using unfermented wine.

## HALDIMAND

Reports 1 Union, Hagersville; 8 members. 3 churches using unfermented wine.

## HASTINGS

Reports 2 Unions, Trenton and Belleville; 93 members; 2 Bands of Hope, with 193 children. 1,360 pages of literature distributed, and 2 churches using unfermented wine.

## HALTON AND PEEL

Reports 3 Unions, Milton, Brampton and Oakville; 122 members. 500 pages of literature distributed, and 8 churches using unfermented wine.

## HURON

Reports 7 Unions, Goderich, Goderich Y, Clinton, Seaforth, Wingham, Brussels and Gorrie; 125 members; 6 Bands of Hopes, with 773 children, and a large number of churches using unfermented wine.

## FENT

Reports 1 Union, Blenheim; 32 members; 1 Band of Hope, with 89 children. 4,260 pages of literature distributed, and 2 churches using unfermented wine.

## LAMBTON.

Reports 5 Unions, Sarnia, Brigden, Oil City, Wyoming and Sarnia Y; 116 members; 2 Bands of Hope, with 85 children. 3,116 pages of Literature distributed and 4 churches using unfermented wine.

## LANARK.

Reports 4 Unions, Perth, Smith's Falls, Almonte and Almonte Y; 137 members; 1 Band of Hope with 100 children. 1000 pages of Literature distributed and 12 churches using unfermented wine.

## LEEDS.

Reports 6 Unions, Ganancque, Athens, Lansdown, Lyn, Brockville and Brockville Y; 183 members; 5 Bands of Hope with 433 children. 44,089 pages of Literature distributed and 19 churches using unfermented wine.

## LINCOLN.

Reports 3 Unions, St. Catharines, St. Catharines Y, and Camden; 77 members; 6 Bands of Hope with 400 children. 35,000 pages of Literature distributed and 8 churches using unfermented wine.

## LENNOX AND ADDINGTON.

Reports 1 Union, Napanee; 16 members and 2 churches using unfermented wine.

## MIDDLESEX.

Reports 4 Unions, London, Napier, Kerwood and London Y; 140 members; 2 Bands of Hope with 84 children. 240 pages of Literature distributed and 2 churches using unfermented wine.

## MUSKOKA.

Reports 1 Union, Parry Sound; 48 members; 1 Band of Hope with 200 children. 5,000 pages of Literature distributed and 4 churches using unfermented wine.

## NORTHUMBERLAND.

Reports 3 Unions, Cobourg, Campbellford and Cobourg Y's; 83 members; 2 Bands of Hope, 318 children, 5 churches using unfermented wine.

## NORFOLK.

No report except a local report from Simcoe, giving names of officers, and also reporting work done, but giving no number of members.

## ONTARIO.

Reports 7 Unions, Uxbridge, Brechin, Prince Albert, Whitby, Cannington, Beaverton and Port Perry; 212 members; 5 Bands of Hope with 1060 children. 7,650 pages of Literature distributed and 11 churches using unfermented wine.

## OXFORD.

Reports 11 Unions, Woodstock, Tilsonburg, Princeton, Norwich, Kintore,

Ingersoll, Embro, Cody's Corners, Burgessville, Beachville and Brownsville; 234 members; 10 Bands of Hope with 655 children. 2,475 pages of Literature distributed and 26 churches using unfermented wine.

PERTH.

Reports 2 Unions, Listowel and Mitchell; 37 members; 1 Band of Hope, 150 children. 3,000 pages of Literature distributed and 8 churches using unfermented wine.

PETERBOROUGH.

Reports 1 Union, Peterborough; 23 members; 1 Band of Hope with 120 children and 4 churches using unfermented wine.

PRINCE EDWARD.

Reports 2 Unions, Picton and Picton Y; 72 members; 1 Band of Hope with 100 children and 3 churches using unfermented wine.

RENFREW.

Reports 8 Unions, Arnprior, Renfrew, Pembroke, Pembroke Y., Westmeath, Cobden, Calabogie and Greenwood; 237 members; 9 Bands of Hope with 752 children. 10,542 pages of Literature distributed and 12 churches using unfermented wine.

SIMCOE

Reports 5 Unions, Stayner, Gravenhurst, Collingwood, Orillia and Orillia Y; 192 members; 6 Bands of Hope with 600 children. 1,300 pages of Literature distributed and 10 churches using unfermented wine.

STORMONT.

Reports 4 Unions, Cornwall, Aultsville, A yonmore and Cardinal; 88 members; 3 Bands of Hope with 395 children. 3,250 pages of Literature distributed and 10 churches using unfermented wine.

VICTORIA.

Reports 2 Unions, Lindsay and Bobcaygeon; 45 members. 6,000 pages of Literature distributed and 4 churches using unfermented wine.

WELLAND.

Reports 6 Unions, Thorold, Thorold Y., Welland, Fonthill, Niagara Falls and Niagara Falls South; 158 members; 3 Bands of Hope with 247 children. 6,500 pages of Literature distributed and 16 churches using unfermented wine.

WENTWORTH

Reports 2 Unions, Hamilton and Smithville; 130 members; 2 Bands of Hope with 1950 children. 3,020,000 pages of Literature distributed and 13 churches using unfermented wine.

WELLINGTON

Reports 7 Unions, Mount Forest, Drayton, Guelph, Fergus, Palmerton, Rockwood and Guelph Y; 116 members; 5 Bands of Hope with 540 children. A large amount of Literature distributed and 21 churches using unfermented wine.

## YORK

Reports 15 Unions, Toronto Central, Toronto North, Toronto East No. 2, Toronto West, Toronto Willard, Aurora, Newmarket, Malvern, Woodbridge, Toronto Central Y., Toronto East No. 1, Richmond Hill, Parkdale and Toronto "Gordon Y," and West Toronto Junction; 554 members; 8 Bands of Hope with 870 children. 41,449 pages of literature distributed and 62 churches using unfermented wine.

## WATERLOO.

Galt Y's reports 30 members. This I gleaned from Miss Scott's forms for Y. reports. I have received no report from the Waterloo Co. Sec. From Mrs. Graham's report of county work I find that the membership is over 300 and over 2000 children in Bands of Hope

This Madam President and friends is the report gleaned from the statistics sent by County and Local Secretaries. We find an aggregate of 4733 members and 14,945 children in Bands of Hope. We consider the past year has been on the whole successful. We have very encouraging reports from many Local Unions, many of which would be cheering to this convention, but as time would not allow for all to be read we cannot make distinctions, but will wait for their appearance in the Annual Report. May I refer Madam President to a decided improvement in the matter of reports. Your Cor. Sec. has heard from a larger percentage of unions than in any previous year. Then again it is a matter of great advantage that in gathering statistics from the forms, we find that Scientific Temperance is generally taught. This is something for which we are sincerely thankful, truly the "Bread cast upon the water" by our faithful women during the past decade will be found to bear a bountiful harvest in the not distant future.

All of which is respectfully submitted.



## Treasurer's Report.

### STATEMENT OF FINANCES OF THE ONTARIO W. C. T. U., FROM OCTOBER, 1888, TO OCTOBER, 1889.

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

Shelburne.....	\$ 7 00	
	—	\$8 75
<b>ESSEX</b>		
Essex Centre .....	5 00	
Tilbury Centre .....	1 00	
	—	\$6 00
<b>ELGIN</b>		
Aylmer .....	5 25	
Ridgetown .....	3 75	
St. Thomas .....	13 00	
	—	\$22 00
<b>FRONTENAC</b>		
Kingston .....	11 00	
	—	\$11 00
<b>GLENGARRY</b>		
Maxville .....	5 51	
Martintown .....	7 50	
	—	\$13 01
<b>GRENVILLE</b>		
Cardinal .....	5 38	
Jasper .....	2 00	
Kemptville .....	4 20	
Prescott .....	6 38	
Spencerville .....	2 92	
Oxford Mills .....	2 50	
	—	\$23 38
<b>GREY</b>		
Hepworth.....	4 75	
Meaford .....	3 00	
Owen Sound .....	9 81	
Owen Sound Y. W. C. T. U.	3 01	
Thorbury .....	5 50	
Clarksburg & Thornbury.	2 00	
	—	\$28 07
<b>HALDIMAND</b>		
Hagersville .....	2 00	
Jarvis .....	6 00	
	—	\$8 00
<b>HASTINGS</b>		
Belleville .....	17 00	
Belleville Y. W. C. T. U.	3 38	
Trenton .....	4 50	
	—	\$24 88
<b>HALTON</b>		
Milton .....	13 00	
Oakville .....	10 00	
	—	\$23 00
<b>HURON</b>		
Brussels .....	5 00	
Clinton .....	4 00	
Dungannon .....	88	
Goderich .....	5 25	
Goderich Y. W. C. T. U.	4 50	
Seaforth .....	5 50	

Mrs. Hunter, Renfrew	
County .....	\$12 18
Miss Tweedale, Bothwell	
County .....	1 00
	—
	\$ 26 68
<b>GENERAL OFFICERS:</b>	
President—	
Printing .....	\$27 75
Postage .....	30 75
Travelling expenses .....	32 75
	—
	\$91 25
Corresponding Sec'y—	
Salary .....	\$200 00
Postage.....	54 05
Preparing Reports .....	15 00
Telegrams & Express...	2 30
Travelling Expenses ...	1 50
	—
	\$272 85
Recording Sec'y—	
Postage .....	\$1 00
Treasurer—	
Printing .....	\$ 4 25
Postage .....	20 07
Travelling expenses .....	6 95
	—
	\$ 31 27
<b>Sundries:</b>	
Printing Yearly Reports.	225 00
Printing re. Sarnia Con-	
vention .....	100 80
Affiliation Fees, Domin-	
ion W. C. T. U.....	50 00
Prize Banner.....	20 50
Express Charges .....	1 80
Mrs. M. Fraine-Cooke,	
organizing 37 Unions.	147 50
Mrs. Alexander travel-	
ling expenses to Que-	
bec W. C. T. U. Con..	10 15
Mrs. Youmans, travelling	
expenses to Montreal	
Prohibition Con .....	12 00
Thos. McRae, stationery	80
	—
	\$568 55

Total Expenditure.....\$1292 11

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

Wingham .....	2 50	
		\$25 62
KENT		
Blenheim .....	8 87	
		\$ 8 87
LAMBTON		
Brigden .....	2 35	
Oil City.....	1 85	
Sarnia .....	10 50	
Sarnia Y. W. C. T. U.....	5 00	
Wyoming .....	5 75	
		\$25 45
LANARK		
Almonte .....	3 25	
Carleton Place.....	1 88	
Perth.. .....	6 26	
Smith's Falls .....	3 11	
		\$14 50
LEEDS		
Brockville .....	6 00	
Brockville Y. W. C. T. U....	8 50	
Gananoque .....	3 00	
Lynn.....	8 00	
Athens .....	3 12	
		\$28 62
LENNOX		
Napanee .....	5 00	
		\$ 5 00
LINCOLN		
Campden .....	1 75	
Grimsby .....	7 50	
St. Catherines.....	5 00	
St. Catherines Y. ....	1 94	
		\$16 19
MIDDLESEX		
Glencoe.....	2 00	
Kerwood .....	1 00	
London.....	14 75	
Napier .....	2 63	
St. Mary's .....	6 00	
Strathroy .....	1 00	
		\$27 38
MUSKOKA		
Parry Sound .....	8 00	
		\$ 8 00
NORFOLK		
Simcoe .....	1 50	
		\$ 1 50
NORTHUMBERLAND		
Campbellford .....	2 25	
Cobourg .....	3 00	
		\$ 5 25
ONTARIO		
Brechin.....	3 13	
Beayerton .....	6 00	

*Amount brought forward.....* \$1292 11

*Amount carried forward .....* \$1292 11

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Cannington .....	5 51
Greenwood .....	3 00
Port Perry .....	3 00
Prince Albert .....	2 50
Whitby.....	9 37
Uxbridge .....	6 00
	-----\$38 53

*Amount brought forward.....1292 11*

OXFORD

Beachville .....	2 25
Beaconsfield.....	1 75
Burgessville.....	2 50
Coady's Corners .....	1 88
Ingersoll .....	5 75
Norwich .....	7 48
Kintore.....	1 38
Princeton .....	4 25
Strathallan .....	1 50
Tilsonburg .....	8 75
Woodstock .....	7 50
	-----\$47 49

PERTH

Listowel .....	5 00
Mitchell .....	4 75
	-----\$ 9 75

PEEL

Brampton.....	8 00
Port Credit .....	1 75
	-----\$ 9 75

PETERBOROUGH

Peterboro' .....	2 88
Peterboro' Y. W. C. T. U. ...	3 30
	-----\$ 6 18

PRINCE EDWARD.

Hillier .....	1 75
Picton .....	10 00
Picton Y. W. C. T. U. ...	6 00
Wellington .....	2 75
	-----\$20 50

RENFREW

Arnprior .....	6 68
Cobden .....	2 25
Pembroke.....	12 00
Renfrew .....	6 25
Westmeath .....	5 75
	-----\$32 93

SIMCOE

Barrie .....	4 00
Collingwood .....	6 63
Gravenhurst.....	5 25
Orillia .....	2 20
Orillia Y. W. C. T. U. ...	1 50
Stayner.....	6 50
	-----\$26 08

STORMONT

Aultsville .....	4 07
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*Amount carried forward .....1292 11*

Avonmore .....	1 50
Cornwall .....	8 50
Newington .....	2 25
	-----\$16 32

<b>VICTORIA</b>	
Lindsay.....	8 01
Bobcaygeon .....	2 50
Fenelon Falls .....	8 00
	-----\$18 51

<b>WELLAND</b>	
Fonthill .....	5 25
Niagara Falls South .....	3 00
Welland .....	5 00
	-----\$13 25

<b>WENTWORTH</b>	
Hamilton .....	20 00
Hamilton Y. W. C. T. U. ....	10 00
	-----\$30 00

<b>WELLINGTON</b>	
Arthur .....	6 60
Drayton .....	1 50
Guelph .....	5 25
Guelph Y. W. C. T. U. ....	5 00
Fergus .....	2 00
Mt. Forest .....	7 00
Rockwood .....	1 00
	-----\$28 35

<b>WATERLOO</b>	
Berlin .....	8 40
Bloomington .....	2 00
Galt .....	8 25
Galt Y. W. C. T. U. ....	4 90
New Hamburg .....	3 25
Oakwood .....	5 25
Preston.....	3 75
Pine Grove .....	5 63
Zion .....	5 25
	-----\$46 68

<b>YORK</b>	
Anrora .....	4 50
Malvern .....	4 50
Newmarket .....	6 88
Richmond Hill .....	6 00
Toronto North.....	6 00
“ East No. 1.....	9 00
“ East No. 2.....	6 25
“ Western .....	2 25
“ Willard .....	6 50
“ Parkdale .....	7 51
“ Y. W. C. T. U. ....	12 88
“ East Y. W. C. T. U. ....	1 00
“ Central .....	15 00
“ Bathurst St .....	5 75

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TREASURER'S REPORT.

West Toronto Junction...	5 00		<i>Amount brought forward</i> .....	1292 11
	<u>—\$99 02</u>			
<i>Total affiliation fees</i>	\$884 67		<i>Total expenditure</i>	1292 11

*Summary of Income and Expenditure of the Ontario W. C. T. U., for the year ending October 1889.*

Receipts — Balance on hand from last year.....	\$527 55	Donations— Mrs. Abraham ...	2 50
Receipts at Sarnia Convention as per report .....	82 05	“ Thos. McRae .....	80
Fees paid at Sarnia Convention as per report .....	48 50	Affiliation Fees.....	884 67
Sale of Reports.....	44 80	Total Receipts.....	\$1599 37
Advertisements.....	8 50	Total Expenditure .....	1292 11
		Balance on hand .....	\$307 26

MRS. CAVERS, Treasurer O. W. C. T. U.

Audited and found correct.  
Galt, Oct. 24th, 1889

JAS. McRAE, Auditor.

*Affiliation fees paid at Convention.*

Lucknow .....	\$ 3 87	Gordon Y, Toronto.....	1 25
Wingham .....	2 50	Woodbridge.....	1 75
Picton Y .....	3 00		



### Report of Convention Finance Committee.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURE	
Collections—Methodist Church	\$38 03	General Officers—President.....	\$3 53
“ Central “	30 80	Vice-Pres.....	2 50
“ Knox “	43 75	Cor. Sec’y ...	3 50
Proceeds of sale table.....	33 22	Rec. Sec’y ...	6 00
		John A. Nicholls .....	25 00
		Caretakers ... ..	7 00
		Baptist Church .....	10 00
		Stationery and Printing .....	5 15
		Postage and Express.....	3 70
			<u>\$66 38</u>
			145 80
	<u>\$145 80</u>	Balance .....	<u>\$79 42</u>

Mrs. Jennie Cavers, Treasurer.



## Reports of Superintendents of Departments.

### LEGISLATION, FRANCHISE AND PETITIONS.

MRS. J. ROCKWELL, KINGSTON.

The past year has been one of apparent reverse and disaster as regards

#### TEMPERANCE LEGISLATION.

The crushing defeats to which the Scott Act has been subjected, and the showing made at the time of the vote on the Jamieson Prohibition Bill, would seem to indicate a decline in the temperance sentiment of the country. On the other hand the wonderful growth of the "New Party" is a tangible proof that the eyes of at least a portion of the people are being opened to see their true position, from the fact that already so many are found willing to sever old party ties and espouse the cause of Truth and Righteousness. May their numbers be greatly augmented during the coming year

The organization of this department reports progress,—thirty-three Local Unions and three Counties having appointed Superintendents. They are:—Toronto Central, Toronto North, Parkdale, Aurora, Stratford, Listowell, Tilsonburg, Norwich, London, Napanee, Wyoming, Wroxeter, Goderich, Kemptville, Thornbury, Owen Sound, Orono, Brantford, Warton, Kingston, Southampton, Athens, Thorold, Whitby, Gananoque, and three with no post office address given; also York, Waterloo and Lincoln Counties.

The work in connection with

#### THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS

was not so vigorous as in former years,—only eight Unions having reported as taking part in the election of temperance men to fill these various offices. Just here I would suggest that a special effort be made to get as many of the lady voters as possible to become members of our Unions, or to subscribe for some good temperance paper. In this way they would become thoroughly in sympathy with our work, so that when election day came round they would be ready to vote their convictions, and thus become an important factor in Municipal reform. I would also urge that we take steps in favor of the election of

#### WOMEN TO OUR SCHOOL BOARDS.

Surely when the great majority of the teachers in our Public Schools are women, there can be no good reason why our sex should any longer be excluded from some voice in the management of school matters, for none are so deeply interested in the education of the rising generation as are the mothers of our land.

In regard to the

FRANCHISE BILL,

introduced by Mr. Waters, of Middlesex, it will not be necessary to say very much, as that matter was so fully reported in the papers. Thinking that, as petitions had been sent in for two years successively in favor of the Bill, some other method might be better, I tried what effect private correspondence would have, sending also a circular letter to each member of the Legislature. I also wrote to members of Unions, ministers and others, in those constituencies whose representatives opposed the measure, requesting them to write these gentlemen asking them to vote for Mr. Waters' Bill. Then, lastly, a large deputation of women waited on the Attorney-General, and other members of the Government, when able addresses were delivered, to which Mr. Mowat replied that "he personally favored the movement, but that he could not see his way clear to vote for it at present." After interviewing a number of the members privately, and consulting with Mr. Waters, the prospects seemed good for a small majority in favor of the measure. In fact so much alarmed did some of the leaders become that a private caucus had to be called to avert such a calamity. And so we again suffered defeat. Just what form the work will assume in the near future is not yet decided upon, but that it will go on is certain, notwithstanding the almost frantic appeals of certain M. P's that "this agitation be stopped." Never was the movement so much alive as at present, and it only remains for us to hold on a little longer in order that we may see full suffrage an accomplished fact in Ontario.

The important matter of

THE WORLD'S PETITION

must not be overlooked. Last year, as you perhaps remember, 30,000 names were forwarded to headquarters, but, after all, that is a small number for our Province, and as Miss Willard is very anxious to have this petition still more widely circulated, the plan suggested by the National Superintendent of Petitions has occurred to me as a good one, viz., to set apart one Sunday service at which the petition be read and an effort made to draw special attention to it, securing, wherever possible, the co-operation of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society; also giving an opportunity at the close of the service for all who wish to sign it to do so. At the Dominion Convention held in Toronto last June, it was decided to petition the Dominion Government at the coming session for Prohibition. As that Convention also saw fit to appoint me Superintendent of the Department of Legislation and Petitions, there is not likely to be any misunderstanding between Ontario and Dominion methods of work in this branch, at any rate. If these two petitions could be sent out and circulated at the same time, it would save much labor and expense, and I would, therefore, suggest that a Sunday early in the new year be chosen, at which time a special effort be made to bring the World's Petition before the public in such a way as to secure as large a number of signatures as possible, and that the other Provinces be asked to co-operate.

WORK AMONG SAILORS.

Alice P. Morrison, Owen Sound.

What a very short summer this has seemed! I can scarcely realize that once again we are called upon to give an account of our stewardships to the Province.



cial Convention of wise women, who control the affairs of our Province as far as the W. C. T. U. is concerned. Well, we are quite as important in our own line as any Secretary of State, or Finance Minister, and as anxious to be thorough in our work and conscientious in our reports. Enough of preamble, however.

In the Department of Work among Sailors I am pleased to state that we are sensibly moving forward. There is added zeal and energy displayed among those who have previously engaged in this work, and other port towns are beginning to interest themselves in the inhabitants of the steamers, vessels and crafts of various kinds which come to and go from their harbors. How much better and wiser for us to awake *now* to our opportunities and do what lies in our power to help onward and upward our fellowmen, than to be awakened at the last day by our Saviour's solemn words, "Inasmuch as ye did it not." How sad then to look back upon our lives and see the lost opportunities only to realize that it is forever too late, both for ourselves and those we might have helped. But to come down to practical facts:

In Counties where a County Superintendent to this Department has been appointed, there has been greater facilities for reaching the Unions interested, and your Superintendent hopes that all Counties bordering on the water will see that a Superintendent for this work is appointed where one has not been.

In Bruce County Mrs. Reikie reports, that "In Kincardine there has been a general distribution of religious literature or papers of all denominations *sent in by request of the pulpits* (a good idea) and also of gospel tracts, Northern Messengers, Sabbath Reading and Christian Herald. These are given to sailors on all kinds of boats, and always gratefully accepted." Mrs. Johnson is the efficient local Superintendent in Kincardine.

In Wiarton, Mrs. Dunham has zealously and steadfastly sent parcels fortnightly, of family and religious papers, mingled with Gospel and Temperance Tracts, to the fishermen at Byng Inlet, Bustard Island, Squaw Island, South Bay (on Manitoulin Island), Toberruory and Winfield Basin, each parcel averaging twelve papers, usually of four pages, sometimes more, besides the leaflets, &c. We have also gratefully to acknowledge a gift from the Bible Society of as many Bibles and Testaments as we can dispose of profitably among the fishermen in outlying regions. The "Greyhound," the "Pandora," the "Clark," and the "Tona," have all received Bibles, and a number of Testaments were given to sailors who had no part of the Scriptures with them.

In Collingwood the Union supplies five steamers regularly with religious and temperance literature; besides schooners.

In Sarnia the steamers have been supplied, as also in Goderich, through Mrs. Stokes. The Superintendent in that place has not been able to give the work as much time as she could have wished this season, but hopes to have more time next summer.

In Owen Sound the boats, schooners, &c., have been regularly supplied throughout the summer with religious papers, contributed by the members of the Union, and temperance tracts, &c. The Superintendent, Mrs. Kramer, has been unable to do much this summer, but Miss Meir has kindly acted in her place, and so the work has gone on.

The ladies of Meaford Union have supplied their local boat, "The Favorite," with two handsome brackets, which hang in the cabin, and are kept filled with suitable reading matter.

There are several ports from which I have not heard, Toronto and Port Dalhousie among the number. Owing to the Superintendent of this work in Toronto, Mrs. Cowan, moving to Ottawa, there was a delay in forming committees to attend to the various docks, but Mrs. Hughes, the new Superintendent, expected to have all arranged and work systematically carried on.

Mrs. Platt, of Picton, P. E. County, has promised that a County Superintendent shall be appointed there. She states that in Wellington, a port in P. E. County, the work has been taken up.

And so ends our report for 1889. The seed has been sown, the harvest is not yet, but that God will prepare the way for and abundantly bless the literature that has been distributed is the earnest prayer of the writer.

P. S.—Since preparing above report I received a letter from Port Dalhousie, which stated that though the Union in that place has disbanded the work is still carried on.

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### PRESS DEPARTMENT.

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MISS JENNIE HARRISON, GEORGETOWN.

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“The Pen is mightier than the Sword.”

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Swifter than the weaver's shuttle do the weeks and months fly past, carrying in their train the improved and unimproved the opportunities. In our work the reckoning time once more has come, and in giving an account of our stewardship we find that many of the passing moments, “the golden dust of life,” have been allowed to pass unnoticed; to reward their return is needless, for they are gone forever.

Through the din and smoke of another year's battle the press has been going its ceaseless rounds, “instructing all classes, dictating to all classes, and sovereign of all realms.” As in former years we have found the Press to be our most faithful and untiring helper, whole columns have again been placed at our disposal, and our work advertised and commented upon, in many cases even without solicitation. While, perhaps, the same signal success has not been witnessed during the past year which in former years was witnessed, yet the same earnest, effective work has been done. Though the sending of an article, or a few clippings to a crowded daily, or an out-of-the-way rural weekly, may seem to be of little account, yet some weary eyes will read it, and some heart be cheered, and thus the ripple our influence is making will be widened until the other shore is reached.

The different Unions have again been interviewed, and replies received from circulars sent out are most encouraging. All the Unions are not taking up this work; some have no papers published within their reach, others cannot secure space, while not a few make the complaint, “we cannot get a suitable person to undertake the work of this department.” Many whom have heretofore been indifferent, are entering heartily into the work and endeavoring to do their share. The cheering report comes from a number of Unions, “We have no difficulty; our editors publish anything we send, and we will continue to work.”

Some editors refuse us space on the ground that they prefer making their own selections, or prefer original matter, or have no room. These objections should not discourage us. The battle is not ours, therefore let us keep gently pushing, and right will yet prevail. At the present crisis, when foes are exulting, and friends are doubting, it is especially necessary that we keep steadily working, and through the Press tell the world that we are going onward to victory, because we have faith in our noble cause as well as a biding faith in our Leader.

From the office of the World's W. C. T. U., at the World's Fair, in Paris, came the earnest solicitation that temperance journals from Ontario be placed in the reading room devoted to the use of the W. C. T. U. during the exhibition. There being none such within our reach printed in the French language, we were unable to comply with the request. Such a thing only a few years ago was undreamed of in Paris. And so the work goes on.

The leading difficulty in this work seems to be in getting a person in each Local Union to undertake the work of this department. On this account many Unions are not doing anything in this line. We are not all so gifted as to be able to charm the public by our literary productions, yet who among us is not able to send to our local paper an item clipped from our own or other journals? A bright thought, or an item of general interest, few, if any, editors will refuse. All that is required is a little effort on the part of each worker, and the difficulty in this respect will soon be surmounted.

Before laying down the work of this department, soon to be taken up by other hands, I glance back over the past three years, and as I view the work that has been accomplished, I see grand possibilities for work in the future. The School, Health, Agricultural and College Journals have kindly responded to circulars sent, and have promised to assist us whenever possible. The leading dailies and weeklies are coming to our help; nearly all the church papers sanction our work, and from many of the "Society organs" we have a "god speed." The Railway Journals are also willing to be used by us. The temperance Journals, foremost among which is our own Womens Journal, are wielding a mighty influence for good. The number of Unions using the Press has been almost doubled. Newspapers that were once opposed, are now friendly and all over the length and breadth of Ontario, no society is better known, and none whose influence is felt for good to such an extent as our beloved W. C. T. U. With this pleasing state of affairs the outlook is exceedingly hopeful. We will raise our "Ebenezer," and as we do so let us seek a fresh baptism of power, so that our wills may be lost in the Divine Will, and that we each may be an empty vessel in the Master's pathway, ready and willing to be used by him.

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### EVANGELISTIC WORK.

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MRS. MARSHALL, STRATFORD.

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At the beginning of the year a leaflet on this special department of work was published, and copies sent to every Union, asking for a report the beginning of September. Although reports have come in slowly, yet the work has grown more rapidly this year than during any period since this important branch was taken up. It has been carried on in some form by nearly every Local Union, and I believe very much more work has been done in this department than has been reported.

LONDON.

Our dear sisters in connection with the hospital have been very untiring in their efforts; have paid weekly visits, which have been much enjoyed by those dear afflicted ones, who are laid aside from the pleasures of home and health, and to endure suffering and sorrow, which must be much harder to bear. God has smiled upon their efforts. One dear wife and mother was led to accept Christ as her own dear Saviour, and God saw fit to restore her to health. She

returned to her home, and through her efforts her dear husband also received Jesus, and to-day they enjoy a home where Christ reigns. We can understand the joy of that home as God's children.

We are glad that God has given our dear sisters some token of His approbation of their work, and we would ask that the seed sown may spring up in many hearts, and many may be led by their words to our dear Saviour and to lives of purity.

During the time the soldiers were encamped in London, the ladies of the W. C. T. U. held morning and evening service in one tent, kindly assisted by some minister of the Gospel, or some friend from the Y. M. C. A., which seemed to be much appreciated by the soldiers. One rose in a meeting and said he had borrowed 25 cents to go for a drink, but was attracted to our tent by the music, and while there God's spirit touched his heart, and he received Jesus as his Saviour. We have received letters from him since returning home, saying he is so happy in Jesus and trying to work for him. Hourly we must rejoice when God is giving us blessings and allowing us to see the fruits of our poor, weak efforts in serving him. Another letter was received thanking us for our tent and our meetings, saying he had only been reformed and converted a short time before coming to London; his friends were so anxious for fear he might yield to temptation, but he thanked God for keeping him.

Our jail committee have paid weekly visits to those poor unfortunates, bringing many words of cheer and comfort. Eternity alone will reveal the work done by God's dear faithful servants. May God abundantly bless the efforts to reach the outcast and forsaken ones, and may they be led to turn from their sinful ways to the arms of a dear loving Saviour.

In connection with our boys' night school, one of our assistants from the Prohibition Club had a very interesting Bible-class; many of the boys were induced to sign the pledge. Also in connection with girls' night school special efforts were put forth for their salvation. And in our industrial school several of the dear little neglected children were led to Jesus through the efforts of our dear sisters in charge of the school. While we rejoice over God's love to us, we do feel how very little we have to present at the end of a whole year, but we would come asking for greater blessings upon us during the coming year.

#### BERLIN

The Berlin Union has held religious meetings twice a month,—Sabbath afternoons in the County House of Refuge. The meetings are growing in interest. We are glad to report that some have been brought to Christ, and several have been reclaimed that had wandered away from Him. Religious papers and tracts are distributed among the inmates at every meeting, which are eagerly looked for and thankfully received. The jail committee is doing a good work. One of the ladies of the committee was stopped on the street by a young man, who wished to express his gratitude to her for having been brought to Christ, through their efforts, while he was a prisoner. A woman was also converted. Religious tracts are always given to the prisoners, and Testaments were placed in each cell.

#### WALKERTON.

The members of the W. C. T. U. of Walkerton have carried on Evangelistic Work, and have held eight prayer meetings. These meetings have been a very great blessing to ourselves, and I trust to many others. We have tried to reach the drunkards and their homes. We hope the time will soon come when drunkenness and crime shall be banished from our land, and righteousness and true holiness shall reign instead.

## HESPELER.

Miss Emma Copeland writes:—While I regret that we have so little Evangelistic Work to report, it is with thankful heart that I tell you the conviction is gaining ground among our people that all true temperance work is founded on the rock, Christ, on the onward march of the principles of truth and righteousness, and the development of the Divine image in the human heart, is driving intemperance from the country. The precious word is being carried to the County Jail and poor house by the members of the Berlin Union, while temperance sermons and Sabbath School lessons have been secured in some of our rural districts, and we earnestly hope to see the work extended during the coming year. I would also mention the work of our New Hamburg sisters in holding religious services in homes where the inmates are prevented by sickness, or other causes, from attending places of worship.

## GANANOGUE.

The Superintendent of Evangelistic Work writes:—During the year the Evangelistic committee have been very faithful in their visits to the sick and dying. We feel that through our labors and prayers we have been instrumental in leading three persons to the feet of the Saviour. They have since died, expressing themselves happy in their Saviour's love, and knowledge of their sins forgiven. Others have also been visited, and though we cannot at present see any fruit, we feel that we have cast our bread upon the waters, and after many days the fruit will appear. We do not feel at all discouraged, but take courage and continue in the good work.

## GODERICH Y. W. C. T. U.

Our Union holds its meeting monthly at the house of our President. Mrs. R. Henderson opens and closes each with devotional exercises, members assisting. Held Bible-meetings in the winter months. Having chosen texts, each member came with her Bible, with texts of Scripture marked and studied for the meeting; deep interest was taken, and each member did her part, and I believe great good will come from them. Held one open air meeting addressed by the Rev. J. H. Simpson, on "Womans Work and Influence." It was a decided success. Members of our Union visit the homes of the poor, read and pray with them, and relieve them in their want. And what we are unable to do ourselves we go to others and ask them to assist us in our work, believing that we are servants of Him who went about doing good.

We have also a Band of Hope in connection with our work, with 153 on the roll, which meets every second week, in Knox Church, from the 1st of October till the 11th of May. Children cultivate flowers in the summer months, and re-open in the fall with concert and flower show. There were 59 exhibitors, with over 100 plants, and 20 bouquets. Each exhibitor received a book as a prize, according to their flowers. Held second concert on Feb. 1st, children all take part, giving pieces on temperance. Distribution of Gospel and Temperance Tracts.

## NEWINGTON.

During this year we have held weekly meetings for Bible study. A subject is chosen and announced from the pulpit the Sabbath previous to the meeting, and each one is expected to look up texts bearing on this subject, that it may be intelligently discussed at our meeting. In order to get as many as possible interested in this work we meet from house to house wherever they are willing to receive us. We feel that these meetings are a great source of benefit to our

selves, and judge from the interest which others appear to take in them, that they also have a good effect upon them. Our Band of Hope, which we organized about a year and a half ago, is doing fairly well.

We have great reason to thank God for His loving kindness and tender mercy to us, and trust that we may be humble instruments in His hand for accomplishing a work which will tend to the advancement of His cause.

HAMILTON.

Our Evangelistic Work is as follows: Meetings in jail and hospital; mothers' meetings; 150 families visited; cottage prayer-meetings; Bible women; Refuge Home for prisoners, tract distribution, 3,000,000 pages distributed.

OTTAWA Y. W. C. T. U.

The work of this Department might be classified as follows:—

PREVENTIVE WORK.

FOR CHILDREN—Children's Gospel Band, Anglona Square Mission Sunday School, Trphain Home Meetings.

FOR YOUNG WOMEN—Gospel Meetings, Bible Class, Socials, Training Class for Christian Workers.

FOR MEN AND WOMEN—House to House Visitation, Anchoille Mission, Hospital Work, Tract Distribution.

RESCUE WORK.—Home for Friendless Women, Police Court, Jail, Anglona Square Mission.

In one of Napoleon's hurried marches, while riding beside some common foot soldiers, he saw one of them stop, pick up a stone and throw it away. Many others had stumbled over it, and had passed on without caring for those who were following. Recognizing in the man who thought of his fellows a power that gave promise of achievement, he instantly raised his rank. The spirit of the soldier is what is wanted in our Evangelistic Work to day.

In our city a vast army of about 21,000 women are marching to eternity, and entering it at the rate of 41 a month, and the question which has perplexed the mind of your Superintendent during the past year is how to get each one of the 14,000 non-church going women especially, to realize their need of an arm strong and mighty, and who alone can remove the tripple stone of stumbling—Infidelity, Impurity and Intemperance.

To effect this various agencies have been adopted—500 Evangelistic meetings have been held; 572 homes have been visited; 687 carefully written Gospel letters, and 18,000 papers and tracts have been distributed. Beside this hundreds have been personally dealt with. Eternity alone will reveal the number who, having stumbled, in the past year have been lifted up and firmly established on the rock Christ Jesus through the instrumentality of your department.

There are few fields of christian service in which so rich a harvest of souls may be gleaned as in work amongst children—those are so easily influenced—few so easily won. Their simple, unquestioned faith enables them to grasp the plan of salvation, when many an older one has stumbled over it because of its very simplicity. In our work for the children, direct, personal and persistent efforts are put forth for their immediate conversion to God. Our Gospel Bands differ from the Sunday Schools and Bands of Hope, in that they take the form of an Evangelistic meeting, rather than a class for instruction. The Superintendent comes prepared with a short, earnest Gospel address, illustrated with objects, or black-board illustrations. The little ones are encouraged to take part in the meetings in selecting hymns and offering short sentence prayers.

Our Work for Young Women extends over a wider area, and reaches students, society girls, young women in Civil Service, girls in business and working girls. The opening of the Young Women's Christian Institute, in January, afforded us many opportunities for extending our influence amongst these different classes, over 600 having attended classes, meetings, lectures, &c.

Reclaiming the truth of the old adage, "An ounce of preventive is worth a pound of cure," we have eleven branches of Preventive Work and four only of Rescue Work.

In our visits to the jail we found 117 women, being sixty-six less than last year, which we attribute to the number who, having found shelter in the Home, were shielded from evil. Nineteen of them were met at the prison gate by the Bible leader, and taken to the Home, while many others, who at first refused to go with her, were afterwards admitted from the streets.

We are beginning to realize that the Police Court is a far better place in which to effect permanent good than the County Prison. Nine-tenths of our prisoners have become hardened criminals, and in many cases years of effort have been spent upon them with no apparent result. Our work has been sadly deficient in this respect, so little having been done in our city court. In the past year nearly twenty of the young women arrested stood before the magistrate for the first time; many were discharged with a severe reprimand, and for aught we know returned to their old associates. Steps have been taken, however to remedy this evil. Permission has been granted one of our workers to visit the cells whenever women have been arrested, and before the court meets, to assist them in making themselves tidy and clean, for many in their efforts to get away from the police are brought in with their clothes torn from them in such a way that common decency demands womanly care; and then when their case is called, to go with them into the bar, and away from the mass of court loungers, and if sentenced, to find out whether they have hungry and distressed families, who, perhaps, are wondering what has become of mother; and to such turn out and provide for them, and if distressed and homeless to try and induce them to seek shelter in the Home.

The Angelena Square Mission was started in March, in a rude loft over a fish market, with a view of reaching fallen men and women, many of whom we had met in the jail, and in house to house visitation. The meetings, which have been well attended, consist of a short open air song service, which generally attracts quite a number, who are afterwards invited to attend the meeting. In this way we have reached a large number of men and women under the influence of liquor, who have staggered out of the bar-rooms and other dens of iniquity to hear the singing. Several women have been brought from this meeting in an intoxicated state to the Home.

Last but not least is the work in connection with our Home for Friendless Women, which has proved a Bethel to so many. The statistics for the past year show that 224 have fled to it for refuge, making a total of 346 since the opening, January 9th, 1888. Of these 14 were sent to other Homes, 77 were placed in situations, 7 were moved to the Hospital, 23 were sent home to parents and friends, 86 left, 2 died and 15 remained in the home; 32 were unfortunates, 60 abandoned girls, 47 intemperate, or rather 107, for all abandoned girls are intemperate, and 85 others.

The work has been carried on under great disadvantages, owing partly to lack of accommodation, a number having to sleep in a rude unplastered loft over the woodshed, and the fact that we have been unable to classify the inmates, keeping those just entering a life of sin quite distinct and apart from those who have become hardened criminals. A new building is being put up by the landlord adjoining our present quarters; a doorway will be made between the two, thus connecting them, and it is expected by Christmas that we

will have accommodation for about 65 inmates, and will be able to classify them, using the old building as a Preventive Home. The current expenditure which averages \$200 per month, has been fully met, the Treasurer's report showing a balance on hand of \$18.00. It is a fact that calls forth our deepest gratitude to our prayer-hearing, promise keeping God, that our need has been all supplied in answer to prayer, no one ever having been solicited for subscriptions for this work. As the demands upon us during the coming winter will be more than double that of the past, we ask the prayers of all "White Ribboners" that we may be able to give a similar testimony in our next annual report.

## GODERICH.

Mrs. E. Armstrong sends a brief account of the Evangelistic Work done, and, owing to different causes, is not so encouraging as last year.

Number of house to house visits.....	77
Number of pages of Literature distributed .....	1062

## MEAFORD.

Mrs. Raymond writes.—We held our third Annual Meeting of County Convention at Owen Sound on the 27th and 28th of August, at which meeting Superintendents of Departments were appointed for the first time since organization. I cannot furnish you with a report for the county, but can assure you that much Evangelistic Work has been done by some of the Local Unions, such as temperance sermons, individual effort, &c.

A large number of Unions have been heard from, many of them have not taken up this Department of work, but hope to do so another year. A few Unions have taken up Evangelistic Work, but have very little to report. Some have held a few Cottage Meetings others have distributed Literature &c.

Dear sisters, we feel grateful for what has been done in this Department of work, but have we as individuals done *What we could?* Our efforts may seem weak, but in the Lord we can be strong. He can aid weak instruments in putting down the strong-holds of Satan. And now let us dear sisters start fresh and *work* with a *will* during the ensuing year. May God help us in every good work to do His will, working in you that which is well pleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory for ever and ever.—Amen.

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 FLOWER MISSION.
 

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MISS ELOISE SMITH, OTTAWA.

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"The wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad for them, and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose"—Isai xxxvi.

The work in this department has been very good on the whole during the past year, though there are a few "backsliders."

## KINGSTON.

Flower Mission visited the general Hospital every week taking flowers in sum-



mer and fruit in winter, and singing a hymn in each ward. They also paid occasional visits to the House of Industry, where they gave a tea, and a treat of fruit every year. On finding that this home was short of bedding, they raised the sum of sixty dollars by means of an autograph quilt, and provided the necessary clothing.

Tara distributed 50 bouquets also delicacies. Thorold Flower Mission is doing well. Berlin distributed 90 bouquets during the summer; Galt, 74; Walkerton, 116; St. Catharines, 100; Cobourg, 326 and Brockville 237. Sarnia distributed "innumerable" bouquets; Whitby 170; Carlton Place, 12 bouquets weekly. Pembroke have distributed flowers, fruit and jellies - no record of number. Ottawa has distributed flowers weekly, also fruit and jellies. The attendance of members has been regular and the flowers plentiful, though no record of number of bouquets has been kept.

In Rockwood, a little village of less than 300 inhabitants, the Flower Mission at Christmas prepared 14 letters and text cards, which they distributed to the sick and aged. At Easter they wrote letters full of the joyful Easter message, and, having prepared their baskets of flowers and cards on Easter Eve, a committee of Band of Hope girls met early on Easter morning and carried them round to the sick and sorrowing ones. The Superintendent adds: "The girls said afterwards it was the nicest Easter morning they had ever spent." We do not doubt it. Earth has no joy to compare with that sweet fellowship with the risen Christ which comes when we are about His work.

YORK COUNTY.

MRS. D. FOTHERINGHAM.

There are four Flower Missions in connection with Unions in York County, viz.:--The Central "Y's," Richmond Hill, Newmarket, North Toronto Pansy Band.

The first two have existed for some years, the last two were formed in September, 1888.

The work of the Central Y's is reported by the District Superintendent.

Average number of workers.....	10
Number of bouquets distributed.....	6500
Number of glasses of jelly ".....	685
Number of papers ".....	3070
Number of baskets of grape ".....	6

At Christmas a bunch of holly with that attached was taken in place of flowers.

Good Friday we gave Easter Cards, Eggs, Cakes, and to the children who could read, Bibles. During the winter the little ones in the Hospital were taught reading and writing twice each week. Some of them learned very rapidly and looked eagerly for their lesson day. Six assisted in the good work.

Several of the General Hospital workers visited the Hospital twice each week.

In the year that is passed we have made mistakes and erred in judgment and see much room for improvement, but we leave all in the hands of our Heavenly Father, trusting that the good only will be lasting, resting in His assurance, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren ye have done it unto me."

HATTIE COOK, Supt.

## NEWMARKET.

We are very young in this work—scarcely a year old. We find that a Flower Mission, like everything else, needs experience. We have distributed about 20 "Fern Messages," with flowers, to the sick. In every case the bearer was kindly thanked for them. About 120 cards, of various kinds, fastened to clippings, were distributed at the Industrial Home. Sometimes the selections were poems, oftener a touching story with good moral. They were classified for men, women, and children, and one given to each inmate of the Home. A short service of praise and prayer was held by four ladies of the W. C. T. U., which seemed to be highly appreciated by the inmates, and strengthened the ladies. We were asked to come again, which we hope to do this fall. Three families have been helped to clothing and food.

MRS. E. JACKSON, Sept.

## RICHMOND HILL.

The Superintendent at Richmond Hill has been sick for months. One interested writes:—Our Flower Mission work has been practically kept up, but we did not keep a record of visits made or bouquets distributed. We however have used 60 cents worth of "Fern Messages," and one package of memorial cards. Our work has suffered during the year—"Births, Deaths and Marriages" have interfered in some cases very sadly.

## NORTH TORONTO.

This Mission opened a year ago. A band of children was at once formed to carry on the work, named the "Pansy Band," this being the first band known to be made up exclusively of children. In the late season few flowers were available, except pansies. Of these 219 bouquets were distributed during the autumn. It was impossible to get fresh flowers in winter, and it occurred to the Superintendent that New Year's and Christmas cards might be collected and attached to clippings from books and papers, and distributed instead of flowers; also Bible markers. On Xmas, cards, with picture book engravings, and literature, were given to each one of the children in the Hospital. Forty-two Bible markers, with scripture cards attached, were carried to the Industrial Refuge and Aged Woman's Home. Perhaps nowhere so much as in the Refuge were the recipients so pleased with their gifts. The women prized "something to keep," and have since frequently reminded the children how much they valued their Bible markers. On Christmas also 354 cards, with clippings, containing 458 pages of literature, were sent to the Mercer Reformatory. Many were distributed at that time, others retained, and afterwards were slipped into the bundles of the women when they left the institution. This part of the work was committed to a reliable attendant, who had knowledge of the spiritual needs and habits of the women. A very appreciative letter was sent by one of the inmates, acknowledging the gift, and stated they reminded them of home and parity. Eighty six cards and selections, together with a large number of choice books and papers have a mission among the Indian children's Band of Hope in the far-away Island of Trinidad. Thirty bouquets cheered the patients in Clifton Springs Sanitarium. During the Superintendent's absence of two months, the children worked faithfully. In six weeks they picked 3756 pansies from one little bed. Of these nearly 1000 are kindly taken by the "Y's" to the Mercer, as the children could not carry them so far without their Superintendent. Many texts have been selected and written by the children, jellies and other delicacies carried to the sick. Plants in bloom and choice potted cuttings have also been highly appreciated by the sick and secluded. Several written acknowledgements of the pleasure and benefit received have been sent

to the Superintendent; and it has been a blessing to her also, that in weakness and unworthiness "She hath done what she could."

Number of bouquets distributed .....	1020
"    text cards    "    .....	273
"    Bible markers    "    .....	42
"    Christmas cards    "    .....	387
"    pages literature    "    .....	544
Average number of workers.....	3

STATEMENT OF COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT.

I have had but a year's experience in Flower Mission (local) work, but would commend it to the Unions. A member of one of the older Unions informed me that no other branch of work had been so instrumental in bringing members into the Union as Flower Mission work. The kindness and attention shown families during bereavement had broken down barriers of prejudice and reserve, and induced them to engage in temperance work, and in this Union "Fern Messages" had been largely used instead of flowers. If adult members cannot "get time" to engage in the work, let the children, under a Superintendent, take it up—choose some of the winsome ones from the Band of Hope, and send them out as ministers of joy and blessing. "The poor ye have always with you," and these we know are often sick and sorrowful, and doubly value attention and kindness at such times, even though it be shown only by gifts of flowers and suitable text. Some, if straying, may be won to better ways, others cheered and strengthened while passing over rough paths of duty. The work may become a blessing to the children engaged in it, leading them to entertain sympathy with the sick and helpless, and also to the study of the Word of God, especially if they choose their own texts. I know a little Pansy Band girl who, without a word of suggestion, copied two long columns of texts *most suitable* for her mission work, and could not hear the Bible read without choosing some verse which she thought "so nice for the Mercer or Refuge women." In North Toronto little hands sowed the pansies, weeded and transplanted them, gave them "big drinks" when *thirsty*, as well as picked and distributed them. May not other little girls take up similar work? Pansies sown broadcast in June will furnish a summer supply; pansies sown in August and covered lightly through the winter, will produce a marvel of beauty in the early springtime, and on till the end of June, and even midsummer, during a moist season. These, with seedling verbenas, I commend as the easiest of culture, and most abundant and hardy bloomers, as well as the most acceptable in Flower Mission Work.

MRS. D FOTHERINGHAM, Supt

This is very encouraging and shows the guiding hand of Him, who sees the end from the beginning, and who if we will follow Him one step at a time will lead us on to get wider fields of usefulness in the advancement of His Kingdom upon earth.

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PRISON AND POLICE.

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MISS J. INKSTER, KINGSTON.

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Requests for reports to 23 Unions have been made, but few have reported. Those received are very encouraging.

London reports the jail visited weekly, and on festival occasions, sandwiches, oranges, coffee tea, &c., being provided for the prisoners. No new methods are reported.

In Kingston jail the prisoners have not been as many as for the last few years. They are visited weekly, and their friends, if they have any, are communicated with. Needed clothing is provided them on their leaving and everything is done that thought can suggest to alleviate the miseries of their confinement. Drink is invariably the cause of their incarceration. The penitentiary is visited weekly by members of a committee from the W. C. T. U. As the inmates are longer under our instruction than in the jails, our work is more encouraging. Four have been liberated during the past year, one obtaining employment in the city, and is doing well. "Let us not weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

Barrie jail is visited twice a week by the W. C. T. U. members.

#### TORONTO.

Gospel Temperance Meetings have been held weekly in the jail over the Don, the Central Union supplying two workers, viz., Mrs. Cowan and Mrs. Hatch, Mrs. Angus, of East No. 2, and the Superintendent of this department from the Willard Union, making the total for the month. New Year's cards were given to the prisoners the first week in January from the Willard Union, also literature, clothing, &c. The Central Prison refuses to admit any W. C. T. U. workers.

The Aurora Union, not having any Jail Work in their town, have been supplying literature to the lumbermen in the Muskoka district.

There has been a good deal of up-hill work in this department, and the great lack seems to be that when they leave the jail there is no provision or help for them, and so they go back to drink and crime. Many, during the season, have professed their desire to lead a new life.

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### WORK AMONG LUMBERMEN.

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MRS. SHORTREED, TORONTO.

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Your Superintendent is glad to be able to report progress along this line of W. C. T. U. Work. The past year shows an increase in effort on the part of our workers, an extension of our field of labor, and a more evident appreciation of the work by those we seek to benefit. Each year since it began, this work has taken a step forward, yet it seems as though we were only beginning to realize its possibilities. Your Superintendent earnestly desires to press its claims upon your attention.

The Lumbermen in the Province of Ontario have a want which we Christian Temperance Women can, in a measure, satisfy, and in doing so we need not necessarily crowd out any other W. C. T. U. interest. There are but few homes represented in our Unions into which some good reading matter in the form of papers, magazines, &c., does not come at least once a week. When these are read by the family is it too much to ask that, for the Master's sake, it be sent on to do further service? to brighten other lives? and it may be to carry good seed that shall find lodgement in hearts prepared to receive it. There is no doubt that if done for His sake, it will leave a joy with the doer,

while bearing with it a blessing to the receiver. Each month as the members of our Unions meet for conference and prayer, let them bring their gift of papers or books to the local Superintendent, whose duty it should be to select, parcel up and send regularly to the camp which that Union has undertaken to supply. In this way the work could be done without drawing heavily on the resources of the Union. There would, it is true, be a severe strain on conscientious effort; each member must realize it to be her work and have an earnest desire to help strengthen some other soul. The motive impelling to this, must be the same as in all true service for the Master—"Love of Christ." With this constraining us we shall render no careless service, and let us remember His words, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me."

These suggestions have been given with a desire to stimulate to more systematic and concerted effort in this department in the coming year. Heretofore the greater part of the literature has been sent to the Provincial Superintendent, and by her forwarded to the camps. This has grown to be too heavy a responsibility for one who has other duties, having equal claims to her attention, and at the same time does not give each Union its just share of interest and responsibility in regard to the work. Only in so far as anything costs us individual thought and effort are we truly interested in it, so in this work each Union and each member of the Union in order to be interested in it, must share in the thought, labor and responsibility necessary to carry it on successfully.

The following is a summary of what has been done in this department during the past year, as far as reported:—Provincial Superintendent received contributions of reading matter from Peterboro, Oakville, Galt, Guelph, St. Thomas, St. Marys, Goderich, Bowmanville, Uxbridge, North Toronto, West Toronto Junction, Toronto Central, Cashel, Unionville and Almira. Galt Y's, twelve scrap books, and eight from an unknown friend. Rev. D. D. McLeod, Barrie; Mrs. McMurchy, Mrs. Rice and Mr. Foggan, Toronto. From these contributions 123 parcels of carefully selected reading matter were made up and sent to 67 camps in Muskoka and along the north shore. To each parcel was added a certain amount of attractive, new literature, part of which was provided by Provincial Union, the remainder by *two friends* interested in the work, who sent \$7 worth of new literature.

Another friend spent weeks of last winter in selecting interesting articles from old magazines, stitching them together in pamphlet form and pasting outside and inside of the covers gospel and temperance leaflets, by doing this postage was saved, nothing being sent which added to weight, unless it was likely to interest and profit the men.

#### THOROLD "Y's"

Sent 4 packages of papers and scrap-books to Mrs. Hunter, Pembroke, 13 to camps in Muskoka and 6 parcels of papers to Provincial Superintendent for distribution. All the members help in making scrap books and gathering papers.

#### BRUCE COUNTY.

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#### HEPWORTH

Reports having but lately appointed a Superintendent for that line of work. They have distributed 978 pages of literature and are preparing for constant and faithful work during the coming year.

## WIARTON

Has an almost unlimited field for this line of work, as the whole peninsula—over 60 miles to the north of us is dotted with lumber camps during the winter. We have kept no account of the number of pages or pounds of literature distributed; it would be almost impossible to do so; it would add greatly to the labor and be no real advantage. We are much indebted to one of our members Mrs. A. M. Tyson for acting as distributing agent. The lumbermen come to her store for supplies and she gives them the literature with which we supply her. They receive it very thankfully and frequently enquire for more. Walkerton and other points have kindly aided us by sending parcels of literature. All such will be thankfully received if sent from any quarter to my address.

MRS. S. M. BROWN, Supt.

## WALKERTON

Sent a parcel of literature to Wiarton Union for distribution among lumbermen, north of that place, and one to Cargill, north of Walkerton. Mrs. Perrett reports that several of the unions in the eastern part of the province have taken up this work with commendable zeal. Books, scrap books, tracts and papers have been sent to various lumber camps in the counties of Renfrew and Pontiac. Districts of Nipissing, Parry Sound and Algoma. Arrprior 9 scrap-books; Renfrew, 12; Pembroke, 16. In this report Mrs. Perrett strongly advocates the scrap-book form of literature, claiming that it gives proof to those to whom it was sent of personal thought and effort for their welfare and on that account is more appreciated. This is quite true where there is good judgment exercised in selecting for and making up of the scrap-book; but unless there be a pretty clear idea of the needs of those for whom the book is intended there is danger of its failing to accomplish its true mission.

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 DOMESTIC KINDERGARTEN.
 

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MISS TILLEY, TORONTO.

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The only places in the Province where this work has been carried on are Ottawa, Toronto, Brantford and Peterboro. Let me speak of the disappointments before dwelling on the encouragements.

In Brantford the work was very successful for the first season, but the following the teachers scattered, and it fell to a faithful few; after praiseworthy efforts of one or two it was decided to give it up. The "Y's" now offer their utensils for sale, and we trust to hear very soon that it has passed into other hands and is no longer idle.

Peterboro has a similar fate, and owing to lack of workers, and irregular attendance of children, its little tubs and brushes have for some time been stowed away, or that we have nothing encouraging to report. It is not every town that affords a field for this domestic training, nor every young lady who is fitted to carry on this work. It has such an attractive appearance that sometimes our young girls are led to take it up without considering that to be successful it needs patience, and unwearied perseverance.

Ottawa "Y" has been engaged in this department for five winters, and have done grand work. The following is their modest little report:—

Our classes were returned early in October, with a good attendance, which continued throughout the year. Before Christmas the classes were removed to the "Young Women's Christian Institute," where the Union rents a room. At the end of May they were closed by an entertainment for the children, when refreshments were served and games played with great enjoyment, in spite of the unseasonable heat. In June the children went through some of the exercises at the closing of the Institute and received their prizes.

North Toronto W. C. T. U. have for four years possessed two sets of utensils, and for the first season carried on the work themselves, but for two years, owing to a lack of workers, they loaned the utensils to the Central "Y" who kept up the classes successfully, but last season they gave one set to them on condition that the "Y" train a normal class, which Miss Burrell and your Superintendent accordingly did under Miss Johnston's superintendence. Two free classes of twenty each, and one paying class of twenty, were started the 5th of January and continued until the 13th of May, with an average attendance of sixteen at each.

At the closing exhibition the little ones acquitted themselves most creditably and gave proof of the value of the winter's work. Instead of prizes a picnic was given the children the following Saturday, which they enjoyed very much. The rent of piano and purchase of new chairs and other expenses of the classes were met by the fees from the paying class and collections.

In connection with Toronto Central "Y," two classes have been held in the "Girl's Industrial" with about thirty regular attendants. The junior class under Miss Burrell's and the Misses Howland's management has been very successful, although the training was found very difficult, owing to the children being very young, some not more than five years. A number of visitors have attended the exercises and expressed themselves greatly pleased with what is being done.

In addition to this house work training, a cooking class of ten girls of about fourteen years of age has been held every Saturday morning, under the charge of Miss Rose and Miss Swift. This has been very encouraging and has received ready sympathy of a substantial kind, in the way of money and utensils. This class have learned to roast and boil meats, make stews, cook potatoes in several ways, make omelets, fry, boil and scramble eggs, make cakes and simple puddings. After all is done they set a little table and have their lunch, which the children say tastes much better than what they get at home—also by question and answer they have learned many important matters of domestic economy. The exercises are varied with such songs as "If potatoes you would boil, cooking girls," and "The cook has forgotten the salt."

Three receptions have been held during the season at all of which a collection has been taken up, amounting to \$22.45. Great interest has been shown by those present. Prizes were presented at the closing, given by Miss Burrell, the Misses Howland, Miss Elliot, and the District Union. At Christmas the children received little presents, and also Gospel Letters signed "Aunt Belle," which were a source of much interest, many of them never having received anything by post before. A special one was written for the Jewish children which told of the Messiah.

The total amount received for this work during the year has been \$50.20, and expenses, \$48.22, leaving a balance of \$1.98. The result shows that the Union is none the poorer for this good work.

Your Supt has carried on some correspondence with Kingston with regard to starting the work there, but at present they do not see the way very clear. While forming a "Y" in London it was suggested that this work be taken up, and a number of names were given in of those who would like to join a normal

class. Preparations are now being made, and we trust they will be ready for instructions this autumn.

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### JUVENILE WORK

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On account of a much-to-be-regretted misunderstanding, the interests of this department have suffered during the year. No one, seemingly, has been responsible for the work. We have however a report from York and Renfrew Counties.

MARY WILEY.

#### RENFREW COUNTY.

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Renfrew County reports the following Bands of Hope: Pembroke, 62 children; Greenwood, 54; Cobden, 58; Renfrew, 113; Westmeath, 62; Arnprior, 175. Six Bands of Hope with 524 children.

#### YORK COUNTY.

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This report is far from full, but I have done my best to get in the returns, and will have to submit it as it is:

The Unions in Toronto engaged in this work are Bathurst, with one Band, Western, with two, North Toronto, one, with 60 names enrolled, Willard, in which 48 children signed the pledge and 27 attend regularly, and the Central "Y." In this latter Union instruction is given as well in public institutions, and the following is the

Average attendance weekly in Band of Hope .....	105
Average attendance weekly in Girls' Home .....	60
Average attendance weekly in Truant School .....	45
Average attendance weekly in Newsboys' School.....	15

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Total average of children instructed weekly..... 225

Of these 188 have signed the pledge during the past year. All signing have been presented with badges. One little fellow who had broken his pledge took off his badge and handing it to his teacher asked her to keep it for him until he should be able to keep his pledge. The badge is to our children a very sacred thing, many of them thinking that in wearing it they pledge themselves to be good generally. We found this out, for after pinning the badge on one child, another raised his hand, saying, "Please! Mary should'nt have a badge, she dosen't keep her pledge." I wondered (writes the Supt.) whether it were possible that a little girl of six or seven years could be a drinker or a smoker, or if she could indeed be a profane person. But I could only exclaim, "Why, Mary, you would not break your pledge, would you?" "Please! Yes!" answered this voluntary informer, "*she tells lies.*" Examinations have been held in the Bands of Hope connected with this Union and have proved very successful. Eight prizes were distributed, the one gaining first receiving 91 marks out of a possible 105, and only in the Senior II. 5,679 pages of literature have been distributed among the children in connection with this "Y."

Going outside of the city we find a flourishing Band of Hope at Aurora with about 200 on the roll. They gave a very successful entertainment during the



last season, and in July closed with a picnic which proved a great delight.

AGINCOURT

has a Band with 40 on the roll. Their greatest difficulty has always been from the cider; parents and teachers in many cases encouraging the use of it.

NEWMARKET

Band has 50 names on the roll.

RICHMOND HILL.

We have a Band of Hope with 120 children; very good attendance during the first half of the year. Gave a concert on Christmas night, which was a success in every way. The Band rendered "The Temperance Picnic, with the Old Woman who lived in a shoe," which was so favorably received that it was repeated for the benefit of the Sabbath School. We disbanded for the summer (being the first time in our experience), and have not yet been able to resume work. We hope to do this soon. The children are very desirous to commence, but, owing to circumstances in connection with some of our best workers, it is difficult to find officers. We think this disbanding for the summer, especially in the country, is a mistake.

J. TILLEY, Supt.

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SOLDIER'S WORK.

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MRS. A. GREENHILL, PRESCOTT.

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In presenting our fourth annual report of Soldier's Work, I feel that we have made substantial progress in the way we are making ourselves felt as an influence in the summer camps. No new lines of work have been undertaken, but we have learned by former mistakes and improved on old methods. In April I had some correspondence with Major Gen. Middleton in reference to this branch of work, and was gratified at the kindly words of appreciation and sympathy with which he recognized the efforts of our women. His promise of assistance in the matter of tents has also been kept. In May, circulars were sent to each Union and replies received from about a dozen. I regret that there is no properly organized Union at Niagara-on-the-Lake, as the yearly camp there is a very important one.

LONDON.

The London Union reports:—The W. C. T. U. had a tent during the whole time of the soldier's stay, provided accommodation for writing, held noon-day, evening, and Sabbath afternoon services, all of which were well attended. We had fruit, temperance drinks, hot and cold lunch each day, also ice cream which was appreciated by the men. We also distributed literature and had a reading apartment supplied with the daily papers and good temperance and Christian literature.

BERLIN.

Berlin reports:—"There was religious literature distributed and a song service held while the volunteers were in camp here this summer."

## GANANOQUE.

The report from Gananoque, as it appears in the September number of the "Journal," gives a graphic description of the kind of work done there and I give it as nearly as possible in full:—

"All our arrangements have been thoroughly attended to beforehand, so that we were quite ready for our duty without any hurry or confusion at the last moment. This I would say in passing, for the benefit of inexperienced Unions that may have to undertake this work, is all important, the failure or success of the enterprise depending largely on thorough preparation before the soldiers arrive, and good systematic management afterwards. We had two managing committees on our staff, one for procuring, erecting and furnishing tents, and another for purchasing supplies and seeing that plenty of everything was on hand at the proper time. Each of these committees attended to their duties faithfully. Mrs. Day, President of the Supply Committee, and whose duties were very onerous, being particularly worthy of honorable mention.

We felt cheered from the very start this year, on account of Col. Van Straubenzie's immediate and hearty acquiescence to our request, that we might join the camp, and giving instructions that we were to be furnished with a suitable marquee, to receive all the help we needed putting it up, etc., etc. Last year, as you may perhaps remember, we were not at first allowed to go on the camp ground at all, and the soldiers had been encamped nearly a week, when a personal interview with the D. A. G. by the President and myself, giving a full explanation of our aim and object, secured the necessary permission. We then went down at once and commenced our work, and became such good friends that I think this year the old gentlemen was quite glad to see us back again. So much for W. C. T. U. influence.

This year we solicited no outside contributions towards our work whatever, either from our own townspeople or outside Unions, having full confidence from past experience that it would pay its own way.

Still we have to thank the Kemptville Union, and Mrs. Greenhill, Prov. Supt. of Soldier's Work, for kindly remembering us, also Mr. Nicholl and others, for donations of literature. The \$15.00 left over from outside contributions last year we gave to the Y. M. C. A. who undertook the strictly evangelistic part of the work having meetings every evening, conducted by an able staff of workers, Mr. Gooch, of Brockville, being in charge. We than regretted exceedingly that we had not provided an extra tent ourselves for the convenience of the men in which they might read and write, and have opportunities for quiet conversation with some of our own workers, as we felt it was much needed; and wherever the camps may be located next year we trust the Union in charge will see that this is done. However as it was we had many opportunities even in our lunch tent to have a word in season with many of the men, handing them an appropriate tract or leaflet, and pressing an earnest invitation that they would attend the Y. M. C. A. meetings in the evening. As I said before, we had all arrangements made before beginning our camp life, so that each member of our Union knew the days she had to be on duty, or find a substitute if anything should happen to prevent her going. One party of ladies went down each morning at 4.30, remaining until 1.30 p. m., when they were relieved, and others went on duty until 9.30 p. m. so that although the work was hard none were overtaxed. From 5.30 a. m., until 8 a. m. we served one generous slice of home made bread and butter, and a cup of the best quality of coffee for 5cts. each person. Many wondered how we could make both ends meet at these prices, but by good management it can be done as we proved. After settling all our bills we had quite a handsome balance to add to our building fund. We hired no help

except for carting, and had no rent to pay, else I suppose the balance might have been on the wrong side, still we calculated to sell as nearly at cost as possible, setting a fair value on our own time, and I think our calculations were just about right. Another great convenience which cost us nothing except fuel was the use of a 3 burner gasoline stove, loaned to us by a good friend of the W. C. T. U. I only wish all our Unions at their work amongst the soldiers and at fairs, could enjoy just such a cooking arrangement. So simple, clean and quick, I do not know how we could have managed this wet season without it. Speaking of the wet reminds me that our work this year required quite a little courage and self-denial, for oh how it did rain. One day we all had to sit up on the tables, while our movable boards on the ground went floating like boats, and to get up at 3.30 and walk over a mile in a thunder storm, as some of us had to do once or twice to attend the call of duty, took a little bit of the romance out of the picnic, still you know, if you "go to Rome you must do as the Romans do," and if you join a soldier's camp, you must put up with soldier's hardship in order to be quite in sympathy with them. However, nobody caught cold, and the soldier's gentlemanly compliments regarding our bravery? were very refreshing, and the walk on the beautiful, clear, bird-singing mornings, more than compensated for the dark wet mornings, so that altogether, our remembrance of the Camp of '89 will be bright and happy. This year it was quite the fashionable thing for captains to come and order refreshments to be ready at a certain hour for their whole company, which gave us many busy pleasant times with happy recollections. On one occasion, after one of the companies (from Ottawa I think) finished their little feast, they treated us to some really admirable singing, which we enjoyed exceedingly, and if this article should chance to be read by any of the young men who favored us on that and other occasions in a similar manner, we assure them it was highly appreciated. But my letter is spinning out too long, I must begin to draw it to a close. Before doing so, however, I must tell you about the day of the review, when General Middleton, Sir Adolphe Caron, and the other notabilities visited the camps. Feeling sure from the General's kind words in his letter to our Prov. Supt. of Soldier's Work, which she quoted to us in her annual circular this year, that he would honor us with a call, we had provided ourselves with a handsome bouquet of white flowers tied with a white ribbon attached to which was a card with the following inscription. "Presented to General Middleton by the W. C. T. U. in grateful recognition of his kind words in their behalf." Well, we were not disappointed, for at the close of the review, without any invitation from us to do so, not only the General, but Sir Adolphe Caron, Hon. Geo. Kirkpatrick and all the staff officers drew up in front of our marquee, in fine array, and our staunch friend, Col. Straubenzie, called for the officers of the Union to come out and be presented to the commander of our loyal volunteers.

Of course this request was gladly complied with, and then baby Mackenzie, the youngest daughter of our worthy Mayor, to whom, by the way, the Gananoque W. C. T. U. is indebted for many favors, was held up by our "orderly," the Rev. Mr. Haylock, and presented the General with the bouquet, receiving a kiss in return. We then invited the gentleman in to accept of our hospitality, which they graciously accepted, and both the General and Sir A. P. Caron were pleased to address to us some very kind and flattering remarks, thanking us for the interest we had taken in the camp, and the good influence which had been experienced from our presence there, etc., etc. Of course we know all this will be news to you, as none of the daily papers made any mention of the circumstances whatever, and the *Empire* stated that "at the close of the review the General and staff officers were entertained at the residence of G. Taylor, M. P.," whereas, in fact, they were never near the residence of Mr. Taylor at all.

That our work was highly appreciated by officers and men we have not a

doubt; the kind words of thanks as hundreds of the men said farewell to us were worth more than gold. One old soldier said to a member of the Union: "Since the Y. M. C. A. and the ladies have joined our camp it is as different as a church is from a bar-room." The large majority of the officers are in hearty sympathy with our desire to counteract the canteen and abolish it entirely if possible. In fact some of the officers went so far as to say that after this year's experience they believed that if the Provincial W. C. T. U. would offer the government the same license to have entire control of the canteen business conducted on temperance principles, as is now paid by the men who sell intoxicating drinks, that our offer would be accepted. Is not that encouraging? I sincerely trust that our Executive will take this matter into consideration and make the government this offer next year. There is not the slightest doubt that even at 5ct. prices, with the entire control of the canteens, any Union could pay a \$100 license and have something over besides. Let us thank God, take courage and press on.

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### SCIENTIFIC TEMPERANCE INSTRUCTION.

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H. L. PLATT, PICTON.

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"Please don't begin your report with *I regret*," pleads the editor of the *Woman's Journal*, and so it happens that the Superintendent of this department has determined to pass over the disappointments and failures of the year with the briefest possible mention and give greater prominence to that which is encouraging and pleasant. The same authority last year prepared us for the worst by suggesting as a suitable epitaph: "Died of Corresponding Secretaries." After such an introduction to the work it was a surprise to receive some very prompt replies to my late circular. It is an interesting fact that every superintendent learns to look upon her department as the most important in all the work, and we need no better argument in favor of thorough organization and division of labor. I cannot too earnestly request every Union in the Province to appoint a Superintendent of Scientific Temperance Instruction, and if she has any fitness for the work, she will grow into the conviction that this is the most important and responsible position in the gift of the Union.

My first circular was issued in February, containing the following suggestions:

- 1st. Seek to enlist the active sympathy and co-operation of the School Inspectors, whose duty it is to enquire into the subjects and methods of instruction. Appoint an influential deputation of ladies to interview the Inspector.
- 2nd. The appointment of a suitable officer to take charge of this department.
- 3rd. When the influence of the Inspector can not be secured it will be necessary to reach individual teachers through trustees, leading temperance ratepayers, or directly by letter.
- 4th. Send a copy of the Regulation with a request that it be duly observed.
- 5th. Bring the matter before the teachers in Convention. It may be worth while to offer assistance in providing an evening's entertainment, or even to act the part of hostess during Convention.
- 6th. The offering of prizes in each school for the best written examination on the lessons of the text-book, which could not but result in greatly increased interest in this branch of study.

In September I sent out a second circular and have received replies from about one-third of the officers addressed, representing thirty counties or portions of counties. I would like to look into the faces and clasp hands with

the dear sisters who have responded so heartily, and show such an interest in this department of work. Many ask for further information, and I shall be glad to reply to each one as early as possible. Our silent sisters are still largely in the majority. Let us hope they do not ignore the *work*, if they do, the workers of this department.

The regulation regarding the teaching of temperance is not as generally understood and observed as I had hoped, but the work is opening up, and if our School Law means anything *it is going to be observed*. The introduction of temperance into the Public Schools is the greatest achievement of the W. C. T. U. and it is ours to see that it is generally and effectively taught. Having heard from one county that the Inspector did not consider it compulsory I asked Mr. Platt to write the Hon. Minister of Education, and received the following, —

TORONTO, 16th Oct. 1889.

DEAR SIR,—In reply to your enquiry the Minister desires me to state that the subject of Temperance, including Hygiene, is obligatory, as stated on pages 101, 102, of the School Act and Regulations, whether taught orally or by means of the authorized book.

Your Obedient Servant,

G. D. Platt, Esq.,

ALEX. MARLING, Secretary.

School Inspector, Picton.

It is a matter of surprise that in some places the Public School Inspectors are reported "not in sympathy," and one lady says, "Our Inspector often comes to the schools under the influence of liquor!" The Public School *Teacher* has to furnish testimonials of good moral character and temperate habits. Will some one rise and explain why the Inspector has not to furnish similar testimonials; or, why he is continued in office if his example is not a safe one for teachers and pupils to follow?

The principal difficulties mentioned in the reports are these:—*The unsuitability of the Text Book. Teachers do not know how to use it.* It is only a bonus subject, hence teachers will give their time and attention to those subjects upon which pupils *must* be examined, to the exclusion of temperance.

Having received so many complaints respecting our authorized Text-book, I procured from the publishers in New York, copies of both the large and abridged editions of the "Hygienic physiology," perhaps better known as the Pathfinder, or Barnes Series, containing special reference to alcoholic drinks and narcotics, and at present so largely used in the schools of some of the neighboring States, also authorized in Quebec. I find that the larger edition contains 42 pages of temperance instruction, and the smaller one 23 pages, while the Ontario book has 120 pages. The prices of the New York book are \$1.25 and 75cts. respectively, while that of ours is 25cts. In some respects the American book is the more attractive, but it will be readily seen that the subject is treated much more thoroughly in our authorized book. The fact also that the American compiler quotes extensively from Richardson proves that they consider him good authority. Our teachers have the privilege of consulting the best books to be had upon this, or any other subject. There is no regulation to prevent it. If parents desire they may buy the book for their children, but it would not be wise, I think, to make such purchase compulsory. In fact I am led to the conviction the more I consider the matter that the wisest course is to improve our present facilities as fully as possible, without spending precious time in idle regrets.

The second difficulty, that "*teachers do not know how to teach from the text-book,*" is too great a reflection upon the intelligence of our public school teachers to treat seriously. They can teach it if they try, but any deficiency in this re-

spect should be made up in future by special attention to this subject in the training in the county model schools. If it is compulsory for teachers to teach temperance it certainly must be compulsory that they be trained to teach it along with other subjects.

The first question in my circular, "In how many of your schools has the subject of temperance been taught during the past year, &c.," has failed to bring the information that will enable us to estimate the proportion of schools that are receiving instruction in temperance. Even the County Presidents in most cases replied only for the schools of the town in which they reside.

The following counties and cities have taken action to secure instruction in Scientific Temperance in their schools;—York, Lennox, Elgin, Grey, Lambton, Dundas, Wellington, Huron, Northumberland, Welland, Hastings, Renfrew, Waterloo, Lincoln, Simcoe, Oxford, Grenville, Parry Sound, Victoria, Leeds, Lanark, Halton, Kent, Stormont, Durham, Prince Edward, Toronto, Hamilton, St. Catharines, St. Thomas, Guelph and Belleville. It must be noted that in many instances the reports relate to only a portion of the above counties.

The following places have appointed a Superintendent of this Department:—York, Elgin, Grey, Lambton, Renfrew, Waterloo, Lincoln, Oxford, Grenville, Toronto, Hamilton, Guelph, Parry Sound and Gananoque. In Dundas, Hastings and Simcoe the work is left to a committee of two or more.

The following report that they have the co-operation of their Public School Inspector;—York, Essex, Lennox, Elgin, Lambton, Dundas, part of Huron, Northumberland, Welland, Hastings, Renfrew, part of Simcoe, Grenville, Lanark, Halton, Prince Edward, Toronto, Hamilton and Parry Sound.

In the following, prizes were offered for the best written examinations on the subject:—York, Renfrew, Waterloo, Lincoln, Toronto, Belleville, Owen Sound, Sarnia, Iroquois, Whitby, Gananoque, Barrie, Parry Sound and Fenelon Falls.

The following is a summary of the answers received, to the question "In how many schools is the subject of Scientific Temperance taught at present:—Part of the schools of York, Welland and Grenville; nearly all of those of Huron, Hastings, Renfrew, Wellington, Prince Edward, Toronto, Hamilton, Belleville, St. Catharines and all the schools of St. Thomas, Sarnia, Napanee, Cobourg, Galt, Collingwood, Barrie, Gananoque, and a number of smaller towns and villages.

The following counties and cities did not reply to my circular, and consequently are not included in the above statements:—Brant, Bothwell, Bruce, Carleton, Dufferin, Frontenac, Glengarry, Haldimand, Norfolk, Peterboro', Prescott, Russell, Ottawa, Kingston, Brantford and Stratford.

P. S.—Three or four reports were received, without name, post-mark or anything else by which they could be identified.

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### HYGIENE AND HEREDITY.

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MRS. (DR.) J. N. ANDERSON, TORONTO

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The expressions of interest in this department of our work have been encouraging during the past year. At our Dominion Convention it contributed to the interest of our very enjoyable and profitable session. At our semi-annual Convention of York County the subject was brought before the meeting in a paper upon "The Decomposition of Organic Matter." The fact that the air we breathe being effected by it led to much thought upon the subject. The

subjects have been taken up by some of our Unions, but reports have not been sent in. I received a programme from the Secretary of the Hygiene Department in Ottawa, Miss Eloise Smith, with which I was much pleased, and hope other energetic "Y's" will imitate their example. In some of our schools much interest has been manifested. We have reason to take courage and press forward in our work knowing no defeat.

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## YOUNG WOMAN'S WORK.

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MISS SCOTT, OTTAWA, SUPERINTENDENT.

MISS SKINNER, TORONTO, ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT.

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There are 33 Y. W. C. T. Unions in Ontario. In the past year your Superintendent has visited the Y. W. C. T. Unions in Pembroke, Almonte, Smiths' Falls, Brockville, Kingston, Arnprior, and Carleton Place. Seven new ones have been organized since last Convention—Gordon "Y," Toronto; St. Catharines, Cobourg, London (re-organized), Orillia, Carleton Place, and Arnprior. Good work is being done "all along the line."

### ST. CATHARINES

Organized April 30th, 1889, has 45 active and 2 honorary members. Holds meetings twice a month. Has Bible readings. Has headquarters. Held 3 social re-unions. Raised money by a chocolate and lunch room. Receipts \$87.40; expenditure \$67.01. Distributed 114 small books. Has Band of Hope with 100 members. Members are faithful in teaching temperance in S. S. classes. Assist W. C. T. U. at entertainments. Has done work among sailors and lumbermen. Contribute temperance news to press. Reports its meetings. Has tried to secure use of unfermented wine in churches. Has Flower Mission; distributed 325 bouquets. Does relief work. Assist W. C. T. U. in Band of Hope and at the Fair. Emblem: Lily of the Valley. Motto: Psalms cxliv, 12.

### GALT

has 24 active and 6 honorary members. Meets fortnightly. Has headquarters. Held 1 social re union for boys' night school. Held 2 public meetings. Raised money by entertainment; readings by Prof. Clark. Receipts 166.95; expenses \$167.82. Distributed literature. Has used influence in introducing temperance text-books into schools. Has boys' night school with 30 members. Has done work among lumbermen. Has tried to influence the press. Has Flower Mission. Has Friendly Branch. Has district visitation committee. Assist W. C. T. U. Emblem: Daisy. Motto: "The battle is the Lord's."

### LONDON

has 40 active members. Has fruit and delicacy mission and kitchen garden.

### OTTAWA

has 50 active and 20 honorary members. Holds business and devotional meetings fortnightly. Has Bible readings. Has headquarters. Held 3 social re-unions. Has reading circle. Has Hygiene lectures. Raised money by thank-

offering and free-will offering. Distributed literature. Has library. Has Gospel Band of Hope. Two sewing schools with 60 members. Has Kitchen Garden with 40 members. Assisted W. C. T. U. at Fair. Has done work among sailors. Has Flower and Fruit Mission. Has Friendly Branch. Holds services in jail and hospital. Has district visitation committee. Does relief work. Has reading room. Has home for friendless women. Emblem: Pansy. Motto: "The love of Christ constraineth us."

## ORILLIA

has 60 active and 20 honorary members. Meets twice a month. Business and entertainment in one meeting. Meet in Y. M. C. A. hall. Average attendance 25. Visitors at all meetings. One garden party and one moonlight excursion in union with Y. M. C. A. Receipts \$41. Distributed over 400 temperance papers. Take four copies of "Woman's Journal." Take one "Y" paper. Good Superintendent who is working for "Journal," and "Oak and Ivy Leaf." The President takes the "Citizen," and "Royal Templar," and many of the members receive good papers. Members very faithful in teaching temperance in Sabbath School classes. Honorary members give every help we need, both work and entertainment. Have taken up the Fair Work in full and intend it to be a grand success. Intend doing work among the lumbermen. Furnish items for the press every week. Report our meetings in full. Has done relief work, and are furnishing reading rooms this month. Intend working with W. C. T. U. at Fair. Emblem: Scarlet Verbena and Pitcher Plant. Motto: "The love of Christ constraineth us."—II. Cor. v, 14. And "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way thou shalt go.—Psalms xxxii, 8. The result of our Y. W. C. T. U. work is a general stir about temperance and an active interest in the work.

## OWEN SOUND

has 13 active and one honorary member. Holds business meetings twice a month. Has had two public meetings addressed by Mrs. Keefer. Raised money by concert and entertainment. Receipts \$77.03; expenditure \$94.15. Takes three copies of "Woman's Journal," also "Canada Citizen," and "Montreal Witness." Has used influence in introducing temperance text-books into schools. Has one Band of Hope. Members are faithful in teaching temperance in Sabbath School classes. Unite with the W. C. T. U. in the Work Among Sailors. Has tried to influence the press by supplying articles. Has tried to secure the use of unfermented wine in the churches. Emblem: The Easter Lily. Motto: "The Lord our Righteousness."

## KINGSTON

has 13 active and 5 honorary members. Holds business meetings once in two weeks, and devotional meetings once in two weeks. Has Bible readings. Meet at the residence of the President. Has had one public meeting addressed by Mr. J. R. Clarke. Had an excursion to make some money. Receipts \$17.67; expenditure \$5.24. Has Band of Hope; 9 members. Honorary members pay fees. Has Flower Mission. Visit hospital once a week; give bouquets to each patient. Holds service of song in hospital. Emblem: Fuchsia and Cedar. Motto: "With good-will doing service."

## BROCKVILLE

has 35 active and 12 honorary members. Holds business meetings every two weeks, and devotional once a month with W. C. T. U. Has cottage meetings.



Has headquarters. Average attendance 13. Had 8 social re-unions. Public meetings addressed by the clergymen. Has reading circles. Raised money by envelopes, excursion and restaurant. Receipts \$233.39; expenditure \$188.43. Has distributed 2,849 pages of literature. Take six copies of the "Woman's Journal," also "The Herald," and "Citizen." Has two Bands of Hope with 131 members. Has sewing school, 30 members, and girls' night school, 20 members. Honorary members assist in local business and at social gatherings. Report our own meetings. Has tried to secure the use of unfermented wine in the churches. Has Flower Mission; distributed 237 bouquets; also fruit and jelly. Do relief work. Emblem: Heliotrope. Motto: "For it is God that worketh in you."

## COBOURG

has 33 active and 20 honorary members. Holds business meetings twice a month at the Y. M. C. A. hall; average attendance 14. Executive meets twice a month; average 14. Has had one social re-union. Raised money by fees. Receipts \$15.62; expenditure \$15.62. Has distributed temperance literature. Take 8 copies of the "Woman's Journal." Has Band of Hope, 87 members. Has tried to influence the press by sending interesting articles about our work, Flower Mission especially, which distributed 326 bouquets. Do relief work. Emblem: Fern Leaf. Motto: "Let love be without dissimulation; abhor that which is evil, cleave to that which is good." The sick have been benefitted by the flower and Scripture text. Children have been deeply interested in temperance through Band of Hope.

## PEMBROKE

has 21 active and 6 honorary members. Holds business and devotional meetings fortnightly. Has headquarters. Average attendance 10. Held 3 social re-unions and 1 public meeting. Held lawn social. Receipts \$102.87; expenditure \$75.89. Distributed literature at Fair. Take 10 copies of "Woman's Journal." Used influence in introducing temperance text-books into schools. Members are faithful in teaching temperance in S. S. classes. Have done work among lumbermen. Contributed articles to the press. Report special meetings. Has Flower Mission; distributed fruit and jellies also. Does relief work. Has a reading room. Assists the W. C. T. U. Emblem: Scarlet Geranium. Motto: "Whether ye eat or drink do all to the glory of God." Have supplied coffee at fairs and find it prevents intoxication.

## BRANTFORD

has 22 active and one honorary member. Meets twice a month. Has headquarters. Held one social re-union. Raised money by social and Band of Hope entertainments. Receipts \$82.44; expenditure \$63.44. Distributed 6,500 pages of temperance literature. Has used influence in introducing temperance text-books into schools. Has a Band of Hope with 130 members. Has sewing school. Assist the W. C. T. U. Emblem: Phlox. Motto, i Cor. xvi, 13: "Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit ye like men, be strong."

## SARNIA

has 25 active and 8 honorary members. Holds business and devotional meetings fortnightly. Has headquarters. Average attendance 25. Held one social re-union. Receipts \$43.98; expenditure \$16.48. Distributed 2,000 pages of literature. Teach in W. C. T. U. Band of Hope. Members are faithful in teaching temperance in S. S. Classes. Assisted the W. C. T. U. at the Fair.

Has done work among lumbermen. Report our own meetings. Has Flower Mission. Has service of song in jail and hospital. Has district visitation committee. Has done relief work. Assisting W. C. T. U. to pay for headquarters. Motto: "Our sufficiency is of God"—2 Cor. 3, 5. Emblem: "White Hawthorn."

## THOROLD

has 22 active and 6 honorary members. Meets monthly. Has headquarters. Average attendance 11. 3 Social re-unions held. Discussed Scientific Temperance Instruction. Published small cook book, price 10cts. Receipts \$165.67. Expenditure \$144.59. Distributed 1720 leaflets. Members are faithful in teaching temperance in S.S. classes. Distributed literature at fairs. Has done temperance work among sailors. Sent literature to lumbermen. Has Flower Mission; sent out 46 bouquets and fruit. Assists the W. C. T. U. Emblem: "Marguerite". Motto: "Our God shall fight for us"—Neh. 4, 20.

## TORONTO CENTRAL

has 57 active and 20 honorary members. Holds monthly business and devotional meetings. Has bible readings. Average attendance 15. Has executive meetings. Held 2 social re-unions and gave a dinner to Dominion Alliance. Raised money by K. G. classes, free will offerings, fees, socials, etc. Receipts \$178.80. Expenditure \$182.91. Distributed 5679 pages temperance literature and 24,099 pages general literature. Has 4 Bands of Hope with 340 members. Has Kitchen Garden with 30 attendants. Has cooking class. Has done temperance work at fair and work among lumbermen. Has influenced the Press by reports and report our own meetings. Has Flower Mission which sent out 6500 bouquets, 6 baskets of grapes, 685 glasses of jelly and distributed 3070 papers, and in connection with this mission do relief work. Assist the W. C. T. U. at convention. Emblem: "Water Lily." Motto:—"Be not weary in well doing."

## GORDON

has 9 active and 11 honorary members. Meets 2nd and 4th Monday every month in "All Saints Church" School Room. Average attendance 4. 2 Social re-unions, collections at these. Receipts \$25 nearly. Expenditure \$3 nearly. Has Kitchen Garden and 1 class of 20 scholars. Report our own meetings and do relief work. Emblem: "Carnation"—Motto. "She hath done what she could."

## CARLTON PLACE

has 2 honorary members. Meets twice a month. Same number of devotional meetings. Also Bible Readings. Meetings held at residences of different members. Average attendance 15. Take 10 copies of the "Women's Journal." Has 1 Band of Hope, 90 members. Members are faithful in teaching temperance in their Sabbath School classes. Has tried to influence the press by sending temperance items. One Flower Mission which distributed about 12 bouquets weekly; also district visitation committees. Use Y. W. C. T. U. stationery. Emblem: "Golden Rod." Motto. "Be not weary in well doing." Results from our work have been very good.

## ALMONTE

has 27 active members and 26 honorary. Meets twice a month at the homes of our members. One Bible reading. Average attendance 10. One Social re-union. Series of public meetings addressed by Mr. Nicholls with Prof.

Lane in attendance as singer. Receipts \$50.77. Expenditure \$67.90. Have distributed temperance literature to the value of \$8.05. Starting boys night school. Have not received much assistance from honorary members. Do work among soldiers and sent literature to lumbermen. Has tried to influence the press by contributing interesting news founded on temperance and sometimes report our own meetings; also tried to secure the use of unfermented wine in the churches. District visitation in winter. Allotted \$14.10 to be divided among a few deserving poor. Emblem: "Mignonette." Motto:—"To him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not to him it is sin.

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### CONFERENCE WITH INFLUENTIAL BODIES.

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MRS. G. WILEY, RICHMOND HILL.

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Your Superintendent has a very brief report to present. No reports from the County Superintendents of this department have been received, and we can only look on some very encouraging features presented by the most "Influential Bodies" of our land. From the minutes of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church we select the following: "That we again declare our conviction that the general traffic in intoxicating liquors is contrary to the Word of God, that our people should guard against any complicity with it in any form whatever, that its total suppression by the State is the proper goal of all true temperance legislation, and is one of the worthiest aims of an enlightened Christian philanthropy, and that sympathy with prohibitory legislation should be deemed an essential qualification in those who represent us in the Parliament of our country." This same memorial expresses hearty approval of the provision made for Temperance instruction in our Public Schools, and repudiates any sympathy whatever with the license system. We also find amongst the questions suggested for 1890 the following: "Is there, in your congregation, a Band of Hope, a Woman's Christian Temperance Union, or any other Temperance Society?" From the minutes of the Toronto Conference of the Methodist Church we make the following selections: "We believe that evil in any form should not be licensed, but abolished." "We do not think that one sermon a year on the evils of intemperance is sufficient to keep the consciences of our people awake on this question." "We strongly recommend that every minister and congregation use their influence towards securing total prohibition as the only effectual method for suppressing the liquor traffic, and for the better securing of this end we would recommend the extension of the franchise to women, and further to support no candidate for Parliament who will not pledge himself to vote for total prohibition." Then again we find this very important recommendation: "That none but unfermented wine be used for Sacramental purposes, believing this to be the wine used by our Saviour, referred to in the New Testament as 'The Cup, the fruit of the vine,' &c. These, Madam President, are very strong points, and might be duplicated many times by extracts from the minutes of other synods and conferences but time will not allow us to take more of these most encouraging memorials. On the occasion of the Annual Meeting of the Sabbath School Association of Ontario, your Superintendent, accompanied by our worthy Vice-President, Mrs. Fawcett, presented greetings from this Union, and also expressed the wish that we could have more Temperance Teaching in our Sabbath Schools, and whilst we expressed pleasure

at the International Bible Lessons providing one temperance lesson in the quarter, we protested against its being crowded to the end of the quarter, and left optional with review lesson. We also expressed the wish that every Sabbath School would supply its pupils with a temperance paper, and that temperance literature might be plentifully distributed. We were most kindly received, and although, the Executive in duty bound to endorse the action of the Committee on International Lessons, they expressed the fullest sympathy with the work and objects of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

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### FAIR WORK.

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MISS EDITH SLAGHT, LONDON.

Your Superintendent regrets not what others have or have not done, but the imperfect way in which her work has been accomplished, but hopes you will kindly remember the work was entirely new to her, and she scarcely knew where to commence or how to proceed, however in what has been done, the help of the Master has been asked and obtained. I am glad to-day to be able to report progress in this department, the Unions are beginning to realize the importance of this work, still there is yet room for great improvement in this direction. Just think of it—out of 187 Unions in this Province of Ontario only 17 have reported work of any kind in connection with exhibitions; among the Unions which have not reported are several who did much good work last year, and we hope they have not relaxed their efforts this year. I have had no means at my command of finding out how many Fairs have been held in each county and so will have to omit it. Of the six organized counties who have Superintendent of Fair Department only three have reported to me, viz: Bruce, Grenville and Renfrew.

#### ADDINGTON AND LENNOX.

No report.

#### BRANT COUNTY.

Brantford Union report no work.

#### BRUCE COUNTY.

Chesley distributed literature. Paisley distributed 200 pages literature at Paisley Fair; also 200 pages at Walkerton Fair. Liquor on grounds. Tiverton, no liquor on grounds. Wiarton, no liquor on grounds.

#### CARLETON COUNTY.

Ottawa had refreshment room, also parlor in main building which was much appreciated; Directors, Judges, Police, etc., all being their patrons. Cash proceeds, \$200. Liquor not allowed on the ground. 1000 pages literature distributed by the "Y's."

#### DUNDAS COUNTY.

No report.

#### DUFFERIN COUNTY.

Shelbourne Union report no liquor allowed; also literature distributed.

#### DURHAM COUNTY.

No report.

#### ESSEX COUNTY.

No report.

ELGIN COUNTY.

Aylmer and St. Thomas, no work done.

FRONTENAC COUNTY.

No report.

GLENGARRY COUNTY.

No report.

GRENVILLE COUNTY.

Two Unions did Fair work; liquor allowed on grounds.

GREY COUNTY.

No report.

HALDIMAND COUNTY.

Hagersville Union, no work done; also liquor sold on grounds by hotel-keepers.

HASTINGS COUNTY.

Belleville Union distributed 3,000 pages literature at Bay of Quinte Fair; also no liquor allowed.

HALTON COUNTY.

No report.

HURON COUNTY.

Goderich, Clinton, Seaforth report no work done.

KENT COUNTY.

No report.

LAMBTON COUNTY.

Sarnia Union gave hot meals but did not distribute literature.

LANARK COUNTY.

No report.

LEEDS COUNTY.

No report.

LINCOLN COUNTY.

St. Catharines had space in main building tastefully decorated where ice water was dispensed liberally to all who wished it; also distributed 1,000 pages literature.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY.

London Union own a large dining hall and give lunch on the European plan; cash proceeds this year, \$310; also distributed literature. Liquor not allowed on grounds.

MUSKOKA COUNTY.

No report.

NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

No report.

NORFOLK COUNTY.

Simcoe distributed literature.

ONTARIO COUNTY.

No report.

OXFORD COUNTY.

Woodstock Union distributed 700 pages literature.

PEEL COUNTY.

No report.

PETERBOROUGH COUNTY.

No report.

PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY.

No report.

## RENFREW COUNTY.

Renfrew Union gave hot meals and distributed 1,200 pages of literature.

## SIMCOE COUNTY.

Orillia Union and "Y's" gave hot meals.

## STORMONT COUNTY.

No report.

## VICTORIA COUNTY.

No report.

## WELLAND COUNTY.

Thorold Union gave lunches and "Y's" distributed literature.

## WENTWORTH COUNTY.

Hamilton Union report no work done.

## WELLINGTON COUNTY.

No report.

## WATERLOO COUNTY.

Berlin Local Union distributed a large number of pages of temperance literature at our County Fair held in Berlin. Hamburg reports serving hot tea and coffee with lunch; no liquor sold on grounds.

## YORK COUNTY.

Toronto District Union report gospel meetings held daily for 2 weeks in a tent, the different city Unions taking charge each day. Good tea was kept on hand and given away to all who wished to partake of it. 3,000 pages of literature distributed; 300 signatures to World's Petition; 110 signatures to Temperance Pledge; \$80 was taken in the mite boxes.

Woodbridge, a new Union gives such an encouraging word, the Secretary says: "Many were the sneers and jeers we had to listen to while we were preparing, some saying 'we were only laying out money on a work that would be a failure,' but the Lord proved this untrue as we received by voluntary contribution \$6.13, being \$1.92 short of the whole expenses.

Before closing I would thank the County Superintendents and all who have responded to my letters, and also urge upon the dear sisters the necessity of more earnest effort in this department. "The harvest truly is great, but laborers are few." Some of the Unions introduce the pledge, which gives opportunity for personal work, and sometimes the loving word spoken in His name accomplishes untold good.

Only a word for the Master  
Lovingly, kindly said,  
Only a word, but the Master heard  
And hungry souls were fed.



[The following reports were received too late to be put in their proper place.]

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LEGISLATION AND FRANCHISE.

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YORK COUNTY.

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York County reports eight lectures delivered by Mrs. Mary Howells in Toronto, and one in Aurora on the enfranchisement of women. Aurora, West Toronto Junction, Toronto Central, Willard and Bathurst St. Unions did good work at the municipal elections.

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JUVENILE WORK.

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WATERLOO COUNTY.

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I am happy to report an increase in the Bands of Hope; also in our Sabbath Schools and the other societies report an additional number. The pledge card has been signed by a great majority of our Sabbath School Scholars.

GALT.

Knox, Central, U.P. Presbyterian, Methodist and Episcopal Churches report 586 Band of Hope members. Mrs. Craft's blackboard lessons are illustrated. Julia Coleman's Catechism taught. Juvenile Templars number 300, Loyal Legion 25, Sabbath School Scholars 400, total 1311.

BERLIN

At the County Convention in June the Band of Hope were at the 4 p. m. meeting. They are a bright, intelligent, working Band; membership 288—increase 31.

NEW HAMBURG.

In July I visited New Hamburg and re-organized the Band of Hope with 42 members, and 22 Sabbath School Scholars pledged.

BRANCHTON.

A working Band, 80 members; the boys and girls all willing to assist the teacher.

ZION.

I attended a meeting of this (July) Band of Hope and was delighted with

their progress. They had a splendid picnic which was also enjoyable. Members, 70.

## PINE GROVE.

An interesting Band of Hope with a membership of 85. These boys and girls are anxious for a good lively society.

## HESPELER.

Also numbers 85 whose leader is anxious for a prosperous Band of Hope.

## PRESTON.

Has labored under difficulties, but with an energetic leader they still keep moving. Loyal Legion, 50.

## OAKWOOD.

41 members. Although the families are living a long distance from the church; the scholars attend regularly and enjoy the exercises.

Bands of Hope.....	1277	Increase over 1888.....	288
Other Societies.....	375	“ “ .....	175
S. S. Scholars pledged...	422	“ “ .....	422
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>2074</b>	<b>Total Increase.....</b>	<b>885</b>

MRS. G. A. CHRYSLEB, Supt.

## EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT.

## ST. THOMAS.

Services are held regularly every Sabbath in the jail; religious papers and temperance tracts are given to the inmates, also about 16 testaments were donated by our Superintendent. Most of the prisoners have been young men under 24 years of age who are there directly or indirectly through the influence of liquor. During the winter there was from 15 to 20 men and 2 to 4 girls. We also hold service at the County House of Industry (poor house); the ministers of our city have one Sabbath and we alternate, there we also distribute religious and temperance papers and tracts; last Xmas we gave them all cards with scripture mottoes. There are at present between 80 and 90 inmates, of these the majority are able to attend service. They are so thankful for the visits and interested in the service, and so it is encouraging to the workers to see how much their efforts are appreciated.

ANNIE B. YOUMANS, Rec. Sec.



COUNTY OF YORK.

It is with a feeling of deep gratitude that I am able to report a live spirit of Christ-like earnestness throughout the Unions of the County of York, finding expression in caring for the poor and needy, teaching the young and developing the important work of our social purity department.

AURORA

reports gospel meetings held and house to house visiting done with blessed results.

NEWMARKET

has kept up a regular Sabbath afternoon gospel service. Monthly devotional meetings have received much encouragement and many have been helped.

MALVERN

reports devotional meetings and earnest individual effort.

RICHMOND HILL

not officially heard from but believe much quiet loving work has been done here.

WOODBIDGE

a new Union, is doing a good work. At the late Fair they secured a tent in which the local ministers, aided by the City Missionary, Robt. Hall, held evangelistic service, the tent being crowded with listeners.

NORTH TORONTO

presided over by our earnest and devoted sister Phillips, is quite alive in this department of our work. In addition to the regular monthly devotional meeting there has been held a series of Saturday evening Gospel Meetings, at which some 36 pledges were taken. Cottage prayer meetings are held, house to house visiting and tract distributing are sustained.

THE Y. W. C. T. U.

will no doubt report direct but the report of the county would not be complete without acknowledging their devotion and energy in this department. Their Bible readings and care for the sick and sorrowful through their flower mission service is worthy of gratitude and hearty endorsement.

DISTRICT UNION, TORONTO, COMPRISING

The Central,	The Gordon,
“ Willard,	“ Toronto East.
“ Western Union,	“ Bathurst St.,
“ Parkdale,	“ West Toronto Junction.

TORONTO

reported by Mrs. Cowan says: “The jail has weekly visitors from these Unions who distribute clothing and help them to get work, and read and pray with the female prisoners.” It is a great satisfaction to know that a police matron has been secured, a mother’s meeting, a girl’s sewing circle, a paid Bible woman, Gospel temperance meetings, house to house visiting and tract distribution. In addition to this a week of special Evangelistic services were held, taken charge of in turn by the different Unions, from which much good resulted.

In presenting this report I am made deeply sensible of the meaning of the words "We are unprofitable servants," so little seems to have been accomplished. Let us dear sisters put on the whole armour of God, and go forth afresh in His strength, remembering that our loved W. Christian T. Union is an organization of mothers and sisters, breathing the prayer of love and self sacrifice for God and home and native land. Praying God's abundant blessing on you in convention assembled, I am your sister in service,

HENRIETTA FOSTER.



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## Reports of County Presidents.

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### BRUCE COUNTY.

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MRS. RICHARDS.

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Another year has rolled around. It brings with it its discouragements and disappointments as well as its struggles and victories. This is the second year since Bruce County was organized by Mrs. Youmans. Our work in the County is steadily moving along. The Corresponding Secretary reports nine affiliated unions: Warton, Tara, Hepworth, Walkerton, Chesley, Paisley, Tiverton, Lucknow, Southampton, four Bands of Hope, seven Newspapers supplied with Temperance items, 1888 children receiving Temperance instruction in schools. This report comes from the Inspector. Hanover, Allenford, and Port Elgin have disbanded for a time, but expect to re-organize at some future period. Allenford and Port Elgin still attend to Band of Hope work. Mildmay and Teeswater was organized by Mrs. Frain Cook, but never had an existence after. I have not tried to organize any new unions during the year, thinking it best for the cause not to organize than to force those things, and have them fall away. At the Convention held at Warton in September, six unions were represented; reports from the different superintendents of work were very much in advance of last year. Superintendents were appointed for Evangelistic work, Sabbath School, and Flower Mission work, making thirteen different Branches in all. The County Convention was held in the Temperance Hall, Warton. The room was beautifully decorated with flowers of different kinds. A beautiful motto hung on one side of the hall, printed, "Prohibition for Canada"; on the other side of the hall hung the Band of Hope Banner with the words, "The Workers of the Future." I thought how appropriate, Prohibition for Canada, and who are we to look to but the rising generation, the children, the workers of the future. As the old heroes of the crusade opened the way for us, let us strive to pave the road for the future workers. In the evening, the Rev. R. W. Williams gave a stirring address, touching on Woman's Franchise, and how to gain Prohibition for Canada, taking righteousness and truth for his text. The prevailing feeling at present is nothing short of prohibition and how to attain it. Although our numbers are somewhat less than last year, we do not feel discouraged. The command is to us, "Up, sanctify yourselves, for to-morrow the Lord will do wonders for you." Let us then lift up the shield of faith and fight our discouragements with unfaltering courage and our reward is sure.

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## COUNTY OF CARLTON.

## OTTAWA.

The present membership is 59. 29 Business Meetings were held, and 12 Devotional Meetings. During the week of prayer daily prayer-meetings with Bible readings were also held and were well attended. The different branches of work were carried on under superintendents of the following departments:—Evangelistic, Prison, Press, Literature, Fair, French and German, and the use of unfermented wine for sacramental purposes. Definite work has been done by each of these departments. The services for the week of prayer were arranged by the Evangelistic Committee. The prison has been visited weekly. The *Free Press* has been so good as to insert weekly a column of Temperance items compiled by the Press Superintendent. The other local papers have been asked but have not yet complied with the wishes of the Union in this matter. Over 7642 pages of Temperance Tracts, &c., have been distributed at the Fire Stations, Jail and Exhibition. Some advance has been made in regard to the unfermented wine question, but this is a matter that requires time and caution. The Exhibition work this year was quite a heavy undertaking. The Central Exhibition Committee expressed themselves well pleased at the arrangements made by the ladies, and the public seemed to appreciate the comfortable luncheon served by the members of the Union. The total receipts of the Union for the past year have been \$1,796.95, and the expenditure \$1,786.76. The White Trillium was chosen by the Ottawa Union as its emblem with the following text as its motto: "Now abideth faith, hope, love, these three; and the greatest of these is love." 1 Cor. 13:13, (R. V.)

ETTA FALCONER,  
Cor. Sec.

## DUNDAS COUNTY.

## MORRISBURG.

In presenting this our Annual Report, we have great cause for praise and gratitude to our heavenly Father for His guidance and care over us during the year that has gone. Our Union now numbers twenty-seven with an average attendance of eight. We have held twelve meetings during the year, and after the business meeting we have a Bible reading which is much enjoyed. Mrs. Fraine Cook gave a lecture, also the Band of Hope gave an entertainment at which Mr. Kennedy, of Athens, assisted, and which was well received. In the year upon which we are entering we intend putting up a rack in the station and keeping it supplied with literature. The "Rescue Crew" were here for a week in the winter, and their work was much appreciated in our midst. One paper is furnished with temperance items; and all the Protestant Churches, with the exception of the Episcopal, use unfermented wine.

MRS. M. C. GIBSON,  
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## DUFFERIN COUNTY.

## SHELBURNE.

Our Union for the last year had a membership of thirty-six. Average attendance at regular meetings, ten. We have seventeen honorary members. We hold our regular meetings monthly, and we held open meetings during the summer once a month. The Temperance Text Book is now in use in our school, and we are giving three books (all Temperance works) as prizes for this subject. Three churches in our town use unfermented wine, and one fermented wine. We have distributed literature at our fair, and though we feel discouraged sometimes at the slow progress of our work, we can still say we have done some good and are determined to go forward, trusting that the Lord will bless our efforts in His own good time.

MRS. MADILL,  
President.

## DURHAM COUNTY

## ORONO.

Orono W. C. T. U. report steady progress. The repeal of the Scott Act in the united counties of Northumberland and Durham seemed not to discourage the temperance workers altogether. Since then we have had the addition of twenty active and four honorary members—in all, fifty active members. Mrs. Andrews, our retiring President, fulfilled the duties of her office in every respect, never during the two years absenting herself from the regular meeting. There is a great work in inculcating temperance principles in the youth of our village. The members of W. C. T. U. take charge of Band of Hope, which numbered forty when last they met. The members of the Union have no regular place of meeting; will secure a room as soon as possible. Nineteen subscribers for Woman's Journal. We cannot rest upon our oars, for the field is white unto harvest. Through faith and prayer victory will at last crown our efforts.

MRS. T. SMITH,  
Cor. Sec.

## BOWMANVILLE.

The Bowmanville Union still goes on in the usual quiet way. Our members number an average attendance of twenty. During the past year we have raised \$112.95, and expended \$94.47, leaving a balance of \$20.48. Last winter we had Miss Minnie Phelps to help us in our Scott Act work. A mass meeting was held on Sunday night, and a lecture on the Monday following, and a few weeks later she gave another lecture to a crowded house. From the way the people turned out to hear her, merely to mention her name in connection with an entertainment would ensure a crowded house. Since our last year's report, our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. T. J. McMurtry has been called away. She died the 30th of December last. We miss her in the Union, and miss her in the Band of Hope, as she was a great worker. Our Band of Hope has been closed during the summer months, but hope soon to get in working order again. The election of officers took place the 3rd September. Mrs. Mason, our old President, was again elected without any opposition. We can-

not work without her at our head. Vice-Pres. Mrs. J. McClelland, Mrs. Borland, Mrs. J. Jones, Mrs. T. Symons, Mrs. J. Morris, Mrs. Honey. Treas. Mrs. J. K. Galbraith. Rec. Sec. Miss Minnie Haines. Cor. Sec. Miss Neads. We still hope to go on and work for God, home, and native land.

(MISS) SARA NEADS,  
Cor. Sec.

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### ELGIN COUNTY.

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MRS. BURNS, PRESIDENT, ST. THOMAS.

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There are four W. C. T. Unions in the County of Elgin, viz. : St. Thomas, Aylmer, Iona, Dutton. Two Conventions have been held during this year; one in January, in Knox Church, St. Thomas, and one in the Baptist Church, Aylmer, September 11th. There are no County Superintendents of work. St. Thomas Union has charge of the religious services at the County House of Industry Jail on alternate Sundays. I have requested each union to make full reports to you of the work done, number of members, and County and financial statements. Considerable difficulty is experienced in collecting the sum now paid for full membership. In some instances the affiliation fee has to be raised from other sources. Officers for 1889-90: President Mrs. A. Burns, St. Thomas; 1st Vice-President Mrs. Ferguson, Aylmer; Recording Secretary, Miss Murray, Aylmer; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Jno. Farley, St. Thomas; Treasurer, Miss Kinsey, Aylmer. The Semi-annual Convention will be held in St. Thomas in the Spring of 1890.

#### ST. THOMAS W. C. T. U.

Seventeen regular and five special meetings have been held during the year '88 and '89. Average attendance at each meeting, eleven. Three lectures have been given—one public meeting in Baptist Church, Rev. Mr. Munroe presiding, when Rev. Mr. Warner, of Alma College, Rev. Mr. Whiting, and His Honor Judge Hughes, gave excellent addresses. One public meeting in Salvation Army Barracks, S. W. Crothers, chairman. One mass meeting in Opera House, Jno. Miller, Principal Collegiate Institute, presiding. One mass meeting in First Methodist Church. Meetings were also held in Grace Methodist Church, Central Methodist and Church of Christ, conducted by H. Barney, of New York, who gave the Union much help, adding many members. Mrs. Hitchcock, of Paris, addressed public meetings in Baptist and Presbyterian churches. Two parlor concerts and an entertainment by Miss Couthoni added to funds of the Society. Thirty thousand pages of literature were distributed during the Scott Act campaign on the repeal vote. We have fifty-three active and twenty-four honorary members. The ladies gave good assistance to the Scott Act Committee during the campaign. The Superintendents of departments have sent in their reports to the Provincial Officers.

SALOME E. BURNS,  
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## AYLMER W. C. T. U.

Members twenty-one; honorary twenty. Money raised from all sources during the year, \$67.57. This we have expended for lectures, literature, etc. We have had fifteen meetings during the year. Have tried to accomplish some Evangelistic Temperance work by distributing tracts and reform literature, and each minister giving especial sermons on the necessity of Temperance reform. We are gratified to be able to report that three of our churches use unfermented wine for the sacrament. Our local papers have been well supplied with interesting items. In connection with our Public Schools, a Committee waited upon the teachers, and received the promise that Temperance instruction be introduced into our schools at an early date. During the year we have had some very successful mass meetings. Lectures by His Lordship the Bishop of Huron, Police Magistrate Young, also three nights by Mr. Barney. We are convinced that one of the greatest barriers to the success of our work is lack of interest and effort on the part of our friends. They seem to forget that even the smallest effort counts for something. Will not some good friend make some happy suggestions by which we may re-awaken interest and march on to victory, claiming as our reward Prohibition.

BELLE MURRAY,

Rec. Sec.

## Y. W. C. T. U. OF AYLMEER.

Our report this year is not quite as favorable as we could have wished. We have now about twenty members, and about fifteen honorary members. Our average attendance is about seven. During the year we have kept up the Band of Hope which now numbers over one hundred. Last fall we organized a Loyal Legion for the older ones, and it has more than fifty members. The meetings are held in the school-house every second Thursday. Three mass meetings have been held for the children, addressed by Mr. Carswell, the Rescue Duet, and Mr. Barney. Temperance leaflets have been distributed at all the regular meetings. The Water-drop and Crystal Fountain are used. Twelve dollars' worth of literature has been ordered for the children. The papers left over are used in the schools. About twenty-five names have been added to our Temperance Autograph Album, nearly all of the pledges including tobacco. In connection with the other Temperance Societies of the town, we have begun a series of Mass Meetings, held at least once a month in the Town Hall, immediately after Sabbath School. Two have already been held. One addressed by Rev. Mr. Baldwin, and the other by Rev. J. H. Sowerby of New Sarum. The choirs of the different churches have kindly furnished music for us. Literature has been distributed each time, and we hope in this way to keep the Temperance question before the public. We heard of a town in Illinois where a great deal of good was accomplished by the young ladies pledging themselves to avoid the company of any young gentleman whom they knew used intoxicating liquor, even moderately, and a similar pledge is now being circulated among the young ladies of our town. The committee is not quite ready to report, but seems to be meeting with good success. As a society we feel quite ignorant in regard to many branches of our work, and to aid us we are using monthly meeting leaflets. We are unable to give a financial report this year on account of our late treasurer having gone away and our new one has not yet had the books.

## FRONTENAC COUNTY.

## KINGSTON.

In reviewing the work for the year we have often felt it was indeed uphill work, and yet we cannot tell now the seed sown in faith, and trust may bring forth fruit. At the request of the W. C. T. U. to the ministers of the different churches were asked to preach temperance sermons, and on October 14th seven complied, and a profitable prayer meeting was held in the afternoon, at which there was a large attendance.

The Members of the Union canvassed the lady voters in the wards where temperance aldermen were brought out.

Brackets have been supplied with temperance literature at the railway station, and though they have been destroyed more than once, yet they have been replaced. The literature and journal work has had success in enlarging the circulation of our Woman's Journal. The Hospital has been visited every week, many hearts cheered by words of sympathy and love. The House of Industry, the Penitentiary, and the Jail have also been visited, and much good has been done. A Bible class is conducted every Saturday at noon with the women of the Penitentiary.

Eighteen poor families have been relieved and children supplied with clothing. Two prayer meetings have been started among them.

A temperance examination was held at Easter, the pupils of the Public Schools competing, twelve prizes were given, all the books being temperance stories.

Our press Superintendent has furnished temperance items to our city papers.

While reviewing the work of the past year may our record on high be, "Thou hast strengthened the weak hand and Thy words have upholden him that has fallen, and thou hast strengthened the feeble knees."

## GRENVILLE COUNTY.

## MRS. THOS. COATES.

In reviewing the work of the past year, we give thanks to God for what has been accomplished. All the Unions in the County, worked nobly during the Scott Act campaign, helping the executive committee both in raising funds and canvassing for votes, flooding the Towns and Villages with Temperance Literature. The young people greatly aided the Lecturers, and increased the enthusiasm of the Public Meetings which were held every night in some part of the County, in furnishing good stirring music sometimes driving miles through mud and water. Too much praise cannot be given to many of our faithful ministers: the champion Rev. S. D. Chown leading off; the eloquent John A. Nichols did us also grand service. The defeat was a great blow, while the liquor men are jubilant over their overwhelming victory in so many Counties. The only comfort is in the thought, that we did all, yes, we believe we can say, "all we could," but the people generally did not come up to the help of the Lord against this mighty sin. We are constrained to cry, the people are joined to their idols of "restriction" and "license for revenue." They will not see that prohibition will prohibit, and put money into the treasury of the Government,

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as well as build up its citizens in morality and righteousness. As for the W. C. T. Union of Grenville, there is no intention of sitting down or giving up, our aim is Prohibition, and for the sake of our dear boys, we the mothers say, the Saloon must go. Let us not fear, by the grace and omnipotence of God we shall yet be more than conquerors as we march forward in this grand work, for God, and home and native land. There are seven Unions, all active but one (Oxford Mills), and that is caused by sickness and removal of some of their best workers, but we think with a little encouragement it will soon be active and strong again. We have organized two new Unions, Ventnor and Jasper; the latter has quite excelled some of the older Unions in good, practical work, and are letting their temperance lights burn brightly in their small village. Spencerville Union deserves to be the banner Union, for its constant and persistent work. After the Scott Act defeat, two tavern-keepers had applied for license, but the brave White Ribbon Sisters had stolen a march on them with their petitions and they had gained the victory, for the people determined to protect their village against any invasion of the liquor traffic. We would like to ask, How many villages in Ontario will follow the example of noble little Spencerville?

Merrickville has dropped out of our ranks since she was re-organized last fall, but we hope to reclaim her back again for future work, making the number of our Unions one in addition of last year, with a membership of 131. Death has only taken one from our number,—Mrs. John Furgeson from the Prescott Union.

Amount paid in affiliation fees \$27.46, paid County fees, \$5.60. "Loyal Legion" roll of membership 181. We hope to do more active work among the children than has been done during the past year in that department, my attention being more taken up with the Sunday-school department. We had five hundred circular letters printed and sent over three hundred by mail and received in reply about 50 most interesting letters and cards. God blessing the effort to greater activity, and more faithful Temperance work in many of the Sabbath schools of the Dominion. We regret the Sunday school department was not on the list of subjects chosen for discussion at the Dominion Convention.

Our fifth Annual County Convention was held at the pleasant little village of Cardinal, Sept. 26th. On account of the unpleasant weather, there was not as large an attendance as last year; five Unions were represented and a number of visitors. Seven delegates drove from Spencerville, a distance of 16 miles, although it did pour of rain in the morning. Earnestness, enthusiasm and practical work were the natural results in convention. Very excellent papers were read in the Evening Session, on the subject of Hygeinity; Girls work among girls, Soldiers work. Mrs. Blair, Supt. of Scientific Temperance Instruction, read a most interesting paper, followed by a nice little talk and earnest prayer. Excellent music was furnished by the young people of Cardinal and some bright little pages. All the churches in the County, except Episcopal and Roman Catholic, are using unfermented wine at the sacrament of the Lord's Table. Nearly all the schools are teaching from the Temperance Text-Book, but we found the school at Cardinal an exception to the rule. Our Superintendent faithfully interviewed the teachers and they promised to attend to it in future. The dear White Ribboned Sisters in this place have much to do, although they have only eight hundred inhabitants, they have two hotels and pool tables to ensnare the dear boys. In the delightful children's meeting our hearts were stirred and saddened by the number of hands that went up from those boys who had gone to those pool tables; to counteract this, the dear sisters are preparing to open a pleasant reading room for the young lads.

The Rev. Mr. Smith, resident minister, spoke in glowing terms of the need

of prayerful watchfulness over the boys on the part of the mothers and Sunday-school teachers and the Convention was brought to a close with great profit and enjoyment to all, only regretting that the time had been too short. Taking away with us pleasant memories of the kind hospitality of the dear Cardinal friends.

## SPENCERVILLE.

Union was organized in April, 1884, by our County Superintendent Mrs. Thos. Coates, with twelve members. Our members have increased to twenty-four, with six honorary.

We have held twenty-seven meetings during the year, twenty-two business and five prayer meetings. We meet every two weeks. Our average attendance eight.

The Temperance Convention was held here in October. We had charge of the evening meeting at which Mrs. Wilkes gave us a recitation entitled Christian Endeavor. We held a public mass meeting the Rev. Dr. Kellock preaching a very able temperance sermon. A collection was taken up in aid of our funds. In December the Rev. S. D. Chown preached an able temperance sermon. Our sisters did good work through the Scott Act campaign and we sent out about 12,000 leaflets and other Temperance literature which we arranged and mailed to each voter. Mr. Nichols gave us a Temperance lecture.

In March we held a public tea-meeting at which Mr. Nichols again addressed us, with other able speakers. The day of voting was spent as a day of prayer, a public prayer meeting in the Methodist church in the morning and in the Presbyterian church in the afternoon, and when defeat came we were enabled to say, "Thy will be done." Our Band of Hope has been reorganized. We have 12 subscribers for *Woman's Journal* with a few copies of the *Citizen*.

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R. M. CUMMINS,  
Rec. Sec.

## OXFORD MILLS.

Oxford Mills, W. C. T. Union. Members seven. They are few and weak, but not dead.

## JASPER.

The Jasper W. C. T. U. was organized in April '89 by Mrs. Coates of Prescott, assisted by three or four young ladies of Brockville. It was organized just before the voting for the Scott Act took place, so the first work found to do was to try to gain temperance voters on that day which they did by turning out in a body and distributing temperance literature at the polling booth all that day. The next work done by the Union was to form a Loyal Legion which numbers thirty members at the present time, quite a large number for such a small place. To give publicity to the Union a picnic was given in July; the resident ministers being invited and the remainder of the programme being furnished by the Loyal Legion, assisted by their leader Miss Blanche Lehigh. The picnic proved a success, sixteen dollars and a half being raised. But in all this there was not sufficient interest raised to gain the young men, so it was decided to form a Temperance Society of some kind in connection with the Union, one in which the men could hold office. To do this a concert was given with an admission fee of five cents, it being announced that the concert was for the purpose of organizing a Temperance Society. This also proved a success, every encouragement being given to the forming of a Society, and twenty-two signing the pledge that night. It was decided to organize a Total

Abstinence and Prohibition Society which is to be done Monday evening Sept. 23rd. (D.V.) The Union has held thirteen meetings since it was organized. A business meeting was held Wednesday evening Sept. 18th, to appoint officers for the ensuing year but most of the old officers were re-elected. Those now in office are:—Mrs. R. Bannerman, President; Miss Blanche Lehigh, 1st Vice-President; Miss Maggie Chalmers, 2nd Vice-President; Miss Kate Chester, Rec. Sec; Miss Lou Hagerty, Cor. Sec.; Miss Minnie Hannah, Treasurer, and Mrs. F. M. Lehigh, Auditor. Membership 17 and 6 honorary.

LOU HAGERTY,  
Cor. Sec.

## KEMPVILLE.

My report shows our members to be 20. We have met regularly, excepting the hot months. Our average attendance, excepting special business meetings is 4. We did some campaign work during the canvass for the Scott Act, and by circulating leaflets by post to voters; we also came out bravely to vote in municipal elections, having here over 40 votes to poll. Last year, on account of no total abstainers being nominated, we absolutely refused to vote *at all*. We have permission from the head master of the public school to give prizes to the best student in the Temperance text book before Easter next, which we consider a great point gained here. We sent \$4 to the soldiers' fund at Gananoque. If we do not accomplish all the work we desire, we send our affiliation fee *regularly* (\$4,) to the Provincial Union, thus providing the "sinews of war" to those who have more time and better advantages to carry on the work than we have here. We give the County fund \$1; gave 70 cents in aid of hall at Preston; \$1.75 to Men's County Convention to aid the Scott Act, which, although defeated here, was a good educator while in force, for the license system is now much better conducted than formerly. We engaged T. W. Nicholls to lecture, realizing from proceeds \$9.75 cents. We send items to one newspaper occasionally—expended for reading matter \$2.95 cents.

MRS. BLACKBURN,  
Cor. Sec.

## VENTNOR.

On the 22nd of March of the present year, Mrs. F. E. Coates, President of Grenville County W. C. T. Union, came to our village accompanied by a number of ladies of the Spencerville Union, and organized a branch here, with a membership of eleven, now numbers fifteen. The defeat of the Scott Act on the 25th of the following month was decidedly unfavorable to us. The temperance people of this community worked hard to sustain the Act, and a re-action naturally followed. Consequently we have not undertaken any aggressive work, but we hold our meetings regularly every second Tuesday afternoon, and *wear the ribbon*, endeavoring to keep the matter before the public, praying that we may be ready to work for the Master as opportunity offers, "knowing assuredly" that "our labor is not in vain in the Lord."

KATE GILLESPIE,  
Rec. Sec.

## CARDINAL.

Our Union numbers twenty-three members with an average attendance of nine. We held our meetings monthly. Besides these, held several evangelistic meetings on Sabbath afternoon. Band of Hope numbers forty-five children. It was disbanded for the summer months. Several efforts have been made to establish a reading room for the young men of the village, and we

have at last rented a room for that purpose, and it will be duly opened as soon as the necessary arrangements can be made. Through our efforts a petition has been signed for a Mechanics Institute. A Wall Pocket was placed in the Waiting Room at the Grand Trunk Railway Station kept filled with literature. Over one thousand pages being distributed in that way. We have made an honest effort to do good, and we confidently expect success will follow. We look forward to another year with increased faith and more earnest purpose for the good of others. The effort for this will give us such happiness as the world neither gives nor takes away.

MRS. P. ADAMS,  
Cor. Sec.

PRESCOTT.

Our Union in Prescott, though few in number, holds its own; and the best of all is God is with us. Owing to removal of some of our members, and the death of one, we only number twenty-four. Our average attendance being six. The regular meetings are held every fortnight. During the Scott Act campaign we held four mass meetings in Victoria Hall. Several able and stirring addresses were delivered by John A. Nichols, G. T. Williams, and other ministers. The music was supplied on the occasion by the choirs of the different churches, conducted by Prof. Lane, the children of the Sunday school giving their assistance. One thousand five hundred leaflets (S. A.) were distributed to the voters, and at the lectures, also a large number of "Temperance Heralds" and other literature were circulated. We met together for special prayer on behalf of the campaign, and made every reasonable effort to sustain the Scott Act, but were sadly defeated though not disheartened. "We are not dismayed by reason of this great multitude, the battle is not ours, but God's; therefore we take courage and go forward, as our Captain commands." Our Union made an appeal last winter to the General Manager of the G. T. R., respecting a public house at the G. T. R. Station, Prescott, requesting him to use his influence to prevent the tavern-keeper from getting a licence to sell liquor, as it is a resort for drunken and riotous characters, and a dangerous trap to be so near a railway station, many of the railway employees being in the habit of frequenting the place when the trains stopped at the station. A favorable reply was received, though the general manager feared they could not do much to prevent it as the building was not on their property. It was suggested that we present an appeal to our Town Council to have a disreputable house on King Street closed, as it was the means of entrapping many of our boys and girls. The Council took action, and the parties have since left town. On the 19th April, the Teachers' Association met in Prescott, and our ladies went in a body to the High School to interview them regarding the teaching of Scientific Temperance in their classes. Our President, Mrs. Blair, (who is also Superintendent of that department), delivered a very able address on the subject, which I trust may result in good fruit. The Rev. Geo. Blair, Inspector of Public Schools, also addressed the Teachers and our Union in a very happy and instructive manner, giving us words of encouragement and cheer in our efforts to influence the teachers to enlighten their young people on the subject of alcohol and its baneful effects on the human system. A large number of tracts on this subject are being distributed to the teachers to assist them in this valuable branch of education amongst the young. We have a Loyal Legion Army, which was suspended during the holidays, and has not yet been resumed owing to the marriage of the young lady who took charge. We hope soon to be able to appoint another in her place. Mrs. T. Coates, our County Superintendent, went as delegate last year to the Provincial Convention in Sarnia, also to our

Dominion Convention in Toronto, and brought us back a glowing account of the proceedings, which stirred our hearts to greater zeal and more earnest effort to work out the grand scheme we have in view, even Prohibition. Out of four churches in Prescott two use unfermented wine at the Lord's Supper. It is our painful duty to record again this year the death of one of our dear sisters, Mrs. Ferguson, who passed peacefully away after a lengthy illness of great suffering which she bore with Christ-like patience and fortitude. Our President held a memorial service on the occasion of her death, and made some touching and appropriate remarks respecting our sister's last hours. Several of our Union were present to mingle their tears of sorrow and sympathy over our departed friend and fellow worker in our Lord's vineyard. May the Holy Spirit inspire our hearts to work while it is called day, knowing that the night cometh wherein no man can work.

S. KIRBY,  
Cor. Sec.

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GREY COUNTY.

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MRS. RAYMOND, MEAFORD, CO. COR. SEC.

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Number of members in Unions reported. Owen Sound 34, Meaford 15, Thornbury 22,—total, 71. Average attendance: Owen Sound 13, Meaford 7, Thornbury 9,—total 31. No. of business meetings held: Owen Sound 12, Meaford 24, Thornbury 12,—total 48. Receipts from members' fees: Owen Sound (none), Meaford \$6.00, Thornbury \$13.20,—total \$19.20. Amount expended in charities: Owen Sound \$57.00, Meaford \$17.00, Thornbury (none),—total \$74. Amount sent to Prov., for half or whole year: Owen Sound \$3.88, Meaford \$3.00, Thornbury \$5.50,—total \$12.38. Bands of Hope: Owen Sound, under control of the Y.W.C.T.U. It being the only "Y." in the Co. report to Miss Skinner. Bands of Hope: Meaford (one), number on roll, 135; Thornbury (two), number on roll, 1st 160, 2nd 45—205. A large amount of Literature distributed. No account kept in Owen Sound; in Meaford, \$3 worth this year; Thornbury, none reported. Amount paid to Lit. Dept.: Owen Sound \$2.00, Meaford \$3.00, Thornbury (none),—total \$5.00. No meetings held in prisons except in Owen Sound. There are three newspapers supplied with items, one in each place reported. Churches using unfermented wine: Owen Sound 4, Meaford 2, Thornbury 2,—total 8. Churches using fermented wine: Owen Sound 3, Meaford 4, Thornbury 1,—total 8. Scientific temperance instruction is taught in Owen Sound and Thornbury, but not in Meaford. No Gospel temperance meetings are held anywhere. I have written several times to the Unions not reported, but can hear nothing from them, so conclude they are either dead or in a dying condition. I have also communicated with the Pub. School Ins. of Grey, to try and find out in how many schools scientific temperance instruction is taught, but have not yet heard. This year in Aug., superintendents of departments were appointed for the first time, so there is little to report in that line. Hope the supts. will discharge their duty, and that an organizer may be secured to go through this county reviving the work that we may be able to send a better report next year.

Yours in the work,  
R. RAYMOND.

## REPORTS OF COUNTY PRESIDENTS.

## HURON COUNTY.

J. H. LEECH, COUNTY SUPT.

Huron County reports for this year six Unions and one W.C.T.U. Y's., membership 125, paid into Provincial Treasurer as affiliation fees \$25.00; six Bands of hope; number of members enrolled 773. There is an increase in the number of churches that are using unfermented wine at the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The Temperance text books are pretty generally taught in the schools in this County, some of them making it a bonus subject for entrance examinations to the High Schools. During the last term of Goderich High School I spoke to the principal and got him and one of the pupils to place a pledge book in the school against all intoxicating liquors as a beverage; 117 signed it out of a membership of 150. This term they purpose getting the new pupils to sign it and keep in the school for future use. Our hope is in the youth of our country, to have them so educated in Temperance principles that they will be a power for prohibition in the future, when they take the places of their fathers and mothers.

## W. C. T. U. REPORT.

Name of Union.	No. Members.	Affiliation Fees	Band of Hope,
Goderich	22	paid \$5.50	125
Goderich Y's.	18	paid 4.50	153
Clinton	16	paid 4.00	—
Seaforth	30	paid 5.50	150
Wingham	20	paid 2.50	125
Brussels	12	paid 3.00	150
Gorrie	7	paid . . . .	70
	<u>125</u>	<u>\$ 25.00</u>	<u>773</u>

The majority of the schools are teaching the Temperance text book, and the number of pupils in Bands of Hope are increasing, there is also an increase in the number of churches using unfermented wine at Sacrament.

## GODERICH W. C. T. U.

Officers:—President, Mrs. Smeethe; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Campbell; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. Gibson; Cor. Secretary, Mrs. Morton; Rec. Secretary, Miss Trueman; Treasurer, Miss Stokes. Number of pledges received, 15. Number of members, 24, (3 honorary). Average attendance, 10. Number of meetings held 43, (weekly). The half hour prayer meeting we still continue with much benefit. We have held 3 open meetings during the year, and had the pleasure of a lecture from Miss Minnie Phelps in March. In November we were strengthened by a week's visit from the "Life-Boat Crew," a Temperance "Revival Team," who came under the auspices of the "R. T. of Temperance." On July 1st our ladies opened a lunch room in the Town Hall, which was well patronized—proceeds, \$55. Our great work this year has been the cancelling of the debt on the Temperance Hall, on which for years there has been a mortgage of \$600; this the Union headed by our energetic President, Mrs. Campbell, determined to remove. A committee of three canvassed the town for subscriptions, meeting with a liberal response. They succeeded in collecting the sum required. Goderich Union contributing \$75.00.

The Temperance bodies can now meet in a hall free of mortgage. We have superintendents of "evangelistic work," "sailors" and "jail work," this year we added "franchise," all working nobly. We forwarded last year to Mrs. Shortreed of Toronto, 100 lbs. of literature for distribution. Number of pages locally distributed 2062.

MRS. GIBSON,  
Cor. Secretary.

GODERICH Y. W. C. T. U.

As we look over the past year we can say our work has been small. But ever remember our motto that we are laborers together with God, and that our reward shall be from Him, knowing that a cup of cold water given in His name shall not lose its reward. Our Union has eighteen active and ten honorary members; hold devotional and business meetings once a month in the home of our president. Average attendance ten. Has held Bible readings conducted by our president, and taken part in by all our members which was very interesting. Held one open meeting, addressed on Woman's work and influence, by Rev. J. H. Simpson. Had one ice cream social; all were successful. Takes two copies of the "Woman's Journal"; have one placed in the Mechanics Institute. Receipts, \$31.28; expenditure, \$14.60; balance, \$17.68. Have a Band of Hope with 153 members on the roll, that meets in Knox Church once in two weeks in the fall and winter months. We disbanded the meetings in the summer. The children cultivate flowers and take them to the fair as a collection and receive prizes. We then re-open with flower show and concert in the Church. Gave prizes, 59 for flowers, 17 for good attendance, and 100 Temperance cards at Christmas. Distributed 1,700 pages of Gospel and Temperance tracts. Held two entertainments in the session which were very successful, the children always doing their part well and taking great interest in the work. We have great encouragement to go on and work, believing the harvest will be by and by. Receipts, \$21.96; expenditure, \$21.46; balance, 50 cents.

Paid out for 59 Prize books.....	\$ 5 00
“ “ 95 Badges.....	2 38
“ “ 100 Cards and Motto.....	2 50
“ “ 24 Hymn Books and Tracts.....	2 95
“ “ 22 Rituals and Sundries.....	2 78
“ “ 17 Prize books.....	3 88
“ “ Caretaker.....	2 00

LIZZIE STEWART,  
Cor. Sec.

BRUSSELS.

Our membership for the year was twelve, and we gave a Charity Concert in November at which we realized \$77 which was distributed among the poor last winter. Our Band of Hope is still kept up, and we hope to resume work again in the winter. We keep a box at the station supplied with literature, which is about all we have done through the year.

Yours sincerely,  
L. A. HAMBLY.

WINGHAM.

Our Union in Wingham affiliated October 2nd, 1888. We have eighteen members, and held eleven meetings with an average attendance of ten members. We have not undertaken a great deal of work, but what little we have tried to do has been very satisfactory. Our Union started a Band of

Hope on June 14th, and have enrolled one hundred and forty members. We hung up Temperance posters in stations, barber shops, postoffice, &c., and have a Bible in each of our stations, and racks that we keep supplied with literature either religious or temperance. We hope the coming year to be able to accomplish more than in the past.

MRS. ALEX. ROSS,  
Cor. Sec.

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HALTON COUNTY.

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MRS. L. L. BENNETT.

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In taking a view of the year just closed, I feel to say while we cannot report progress as we would wish to do, yet we have great reason for thankfulness for all the mercies vouchsafed to us as W.C.T.U. women. But one, so far as I can remember, has been removed by the hand of death—a Mrs. Johnston—who died in the triumphs of faith. We have always reported four Unions—Milton, Georgetown, Oakville, Burlington. Milton reports 60 members, 52 of these having affiliated; Oakville 51 members, 40 of these affiliating. These two Unions sent \$23 affiliation fees to Prov. Treas. Burlington reports nothing done this year; while Georgetown did not affiliate, but intends to try and keep the Union, and hopes to affiliate another year. We decided last year to hold our County Convention in the town of Oakville, about the 20th Sept., 1889, but owing to the R. T. of S's. holding their ten days' camp there in August, we were able to arrange matters with them, and so held our County Convention on "Woman's Day" of the Royal Camp. We had a very successful Convention. We had our Sister Frances with us by invitation, who did us good service. Mrs. Johnson Harrison gave us a very able paper entitled "A View of the Field." A spirited discussion followed. Our Public School Inspector, Mr. Deacon, was with us, and gave us quite an encouraging report of the working of Scientific Temperance Instruction in the schools of the County. We had secured Miss Philps for the evening service, who sustained her reputation nobly, and gave us a very able and instructive lecture.

MILTON.

The Milton Union was organized in 1877 by two earnest, active Christian ladies from the Toronto Union. As a Union we have met ever since fortnightly for prayer and conference, with the exception of this year, we have not met so faithfully as in former years. Perhaps one reason is, our President has been unable to attend as regularly as in former years, owing to the illness and death of her now sainted mother. At the commencement of the year the town was canvassed for the renewal of membership, as the result of this canvass we have 63 members (55 paying members). Am sorry to say during the past year we have not had any honorary members, owing principally to a misunderstanding that when once joining and paying their fee, they became life members. On the 4th December we held our Annual Meeting—had a very enjoyable time, as well as profitable, listening to an address by Mrs. Cavers, of Galt, giving us a short history of the W. C. T. U. work since the commencement of the Woman's Crusade. During the year we have had several meetings, devoted principally to prayer; but on the whole we might say we have been resting on our oars, and while we were resting the enemy has been busy at work sowing seeds of destruction and death. We might here ask the question, "What will the harvest be?" We think it quite time to take our harps



off the willows and go earnestly to work for God and home. Are we not by our indifference making light of this gigantic evil with which we are surrounded. There never was a time when we needed activity more than at the present. Perhaps it may be thought a little thing to meet for an hour to devise plans and ask for direction and blessing upon our work. If the 63 members were found fortnightly wending their way to the place of meeting, would it not exert an influence for good? Would not even the smaller children think mother and sister were in earnest? Can we be too much so in this cause, when our well-being both for this life and that which is to come is at stake?

MRS. JAMES HARRISON.

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### HASTINGS COUNTY.

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TRENTON, W. C. T. U.

Our Union numbers twenty-three, with an average attendance of about ten at our regular meetings, which are held on the first Thursday of each month. Both our local papers profess a kindly feeling towards the Union, and open their columns for short temperance readings which are regularly supplied by the Union. Interest is also taken in circulating the *Woman's Journal* both within and outside the Union. The ladies of the Union visited the Council in Session several times during the year and succeeded in preventing the repeal of the By-Law of last year which lessened the number of licensed houses, and materially raised the standard of the same; and also in having the billiard-rooms have a separate entrance from the hotels; and the Council always accorded us a courteous hearing. Through the instrumentality of the Union a local licence inspector has been appointed by the Government; and one who honestly tries to enforce the law. Several successful public entertainments have been held, and also a most successful excursion by water, under the auspices of the Union, both resulting in improving our finances and also in directing public attention to the good cause we are endeavouring to advance. Two of our oldest and most enthusiastic workers have charge of our Band of Hope; and while the membership is not as large as we would wish, yet there is good seed being sown amongst the young who are especially the hope of the future, and which we trust will eventually ripen into a grand harvest for the cause of temperance, and for the honor and glory of the Master. While we have been doing what we can the enemy is equally busy, and there are occasionally times of much discouragement. But we shall continue to work and pray, assured that the right must ultimately prevail, and knowing that "He that is for us is more than all that can be against us."

E. SKITCH,  
Rec. Sec.

BELLEVILLE, W. C. T. U.

We have had sixty-eight members, and an average attendance of fifteen at the fourteen meetings held during the year. A Band of Hope was carried on, and two Gospel Temperance Meetings held, at which names were added to the pledge. In the winter we gave an "At Home" to the students of our two colleges, and in June a Lawn Social was held. We placed brackets in the Railway Stations, in which temperance literature is kept for travellers and a large quantity was also distributed at the fair. Again we petitioned the City Council and License Commissioners, for reduction of licenses; and again were unsuccessful. Jail visitation has been continued throughout the year.

E. HOLDEN,  
Cor. Sec.

## LEEDS COUNTY.

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MRS. D. C. COWAN.

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We have just held a very successful County Convention at Lyn, successful in many ways, a failure in one. The papers read were most excellent; our evening meeting, at which none but W.C.T.U. members took part, was most interesting and well attended, a majority being men. The tea afterwards at the house of Mrs. Gardiner was very enjoyable indeed, but specially appreciated, we think, by the Brockville Y's. and their honorary members, who having a drive of some six or seven miles before them in the frosty autumn air, needed something to stimulate and brace them for it, and they seemed to find it in the abundant repast and fragrant cup of tea that "cheers but doth not inebriate," when they started on the home stretch in the best of spirits. The meeting for the Loyal Legion too was very pleasant and profitable, the children so attentive and orderly and the words in season spoken by two or three of our earnest workers, cannot fail to bring forth fruit in some of the young lives present. Oh why cannot we gather more children into our Bands of Hope, and why are there not more workers in this delightful and most hopeful field? Our Convention was a failure in that the new Unions and the weak ones who most need the help and inspiration that such a gathering gives and who, according to their own confession are ignorant of how to work, were not represented by a single delegate, this we regretted very much, still we were cheered with reports from some of these Unions of some very good work done. Among the resolutions that went out from the Convention, was a strong one to the effect that since the 'New Party' is the only one that promises the prohibition of the Liquor Traffic and the Enfranchisement of Women we most heartily endorse it and pledge to it our influence and support.

A great deal of work has been done throughout our County during the past year; I believe more meetings were held, more literature distributed and more money expended in Leeds than in any other County in Ontario—not by our Union alone, but by all Societies together—and although we met with seeming defeat in the repeal of the Scott Act. Surely all this seed-sowing has not been done in vain, but by and by, with the blessing of God must yield an abundant harvest. In regard to my own personal work, I have not accomplished all I hoped at the beginning of the year; what little I have been able to do however, cost considerable self-sacrifice: I have written forty-five letters and thirty postal cards. The goal of our desires is to see a union established in every village and hamlet in Leeds. Three have been formed this year, at Escott, Mallorytown and Landsdowne.

ESCOTT.

Escott sends no report.

MALLORYTOWN

Mallorytown reports vigorous work done during Scott Act campaign, a promising Band of Hope and *no license*, through the influence of the Union which sent a "rousing petition" to the commissioners and they granted their request.

LANDSDOWNE.

Also work hard to sustain the Scott Act and carries on a successful Band of Hope.

## GANANOQUE.

Our principal efforts this year were put forth in trying to sustain the Scott Act, and in securing for ourselves a suitable property, where we may carry on our work in such a way as we wish. We failed in the first but in the second are succeeding beyond our most sanguine expectations. A property came into the market cheap, we thought, at \$1,400.00, and in January last, although we had but \$80 in our building fund, we ventured to purchase and have paid upon it already in all \$300. Will not other unions be encouraged to do likewise?

Our Union as well as others, has been tested and tried during this Scott Act campaign, and many have forsaken us, and whereas our membership used to number seventy we have now only twenty-five; but we consider that a far healthier Union with only twenty-five, or even ten members, who fear nothing but to displease God, than a Union numbering one hundred lukewarm, indifferent women. Oh that God would take the scales from off the eyes of all womankind that they might see their real power and influence in regard to this matter and soon would this mighty traffic totter and fall. We hold regular meetings every week. The Superintendents of our various departments report a good measure of success in almost all our lines of work.

The Juvenile work prospers wonderfully; our Loyal Legion now numbering 168. Miss Coleman's Catechism is the text book, and papers are distributed every week. A pic-nic for the children was given last fall, and a Chalk Talk by Mrs. Blair, N. S. J. N., late in the season. The Evangelistic Committee have not been idle, and fruit has been gathered from the seeds sown of prayer, Bible-reading and godly conversation.

Our work amongst the soldiers while in camp with us this year was most cheering and successful, but as we sent a long and full account of our efforts in that direction to the Woman's Journal, which, no doubt, you all have read it is needless to repeat.

Our work amongst sailors, we must confess, has been almost entirely neglected this year, not from wilful negligence, but because none of our members adapted for this service had the time at their command which was necessary to attend to the matter, for such an important branch of our work, however, and one for which so many golden opportunities are presented in Gananoque, we are praying that suitable workers may be raised up.

Our Superintendent of the press has kept our two local papers supplied with suitable matter, generally original throughout the greater part of the year.

Our Superintendent of Literature reports the distribution of the large amount of about 34,000 pages over and above what we sold.

Our Superintendent of Hygiene and Heredity, although prepared to give us information and enlightenment on this important subject once a month, has only been permitted for want of time to do so once.

Our Committee on Scientific Temperance Instruction reports that matter being attended to in all our schools higher than first division. In regard to Sunday-school work, the Temperance lesson is now taught quarterly in addition to the review, and once during the year the Superintendent of this department distributed suitable Temperance literature to the children as they came out of the school.

Our work for railroad men amounts to nothing, except having a lot of literature on the cars running between Gananoque and the Junction, and some at each of the stations in the town and at the Junction.

For lumbermen we have done nothing except send a bundle of papers occasionally, in fact, as we never come in contact with this class of men, that is about all we can do.

Excellent and fearless Temperance sermons have been preached during

the year in Methodist and Presbyterian churches at our request. The unfermented wine is still used and will, we feel sure for all time, continue to be used by the Methodist and Presbyterian churches. We regret that the Episcopal church has not yet seen fit to adopt it.

We had Messrs. Nichol and Lane for three days last winter. *Grand Addresses* by Mr. Nichol and good singing led by Prof. Lane. Crowded houses. Mrs. Blair also gave one of her interesting Chalk Talks to a host of little ones.

Our Treasurer reports

Money raised by our Union for all purposes last year.....	\$ 362.32
Expended for all purposes.....	338.26
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Balance on hand.....	\$ 24.06

E. A. BYERS.

#### BROCKVILLE

Has a membership of 27; 12 subscribers to *Woman's Journal*. Regular business meeting held first Wednesday in each month. Bible readings have been given, and prayer-meetings held. On the 25th of April, the day of voting on the Scot Act an all-day prayer meeting was held, the different ministers leading in turn, changing each hour. Our President Mrs. Ross, was present all day taking part and manifesting great zeal and earnestness. Six temperance sermons have been preached in town during the year, at request of the Union. Charitable work has been carried on with the help of the Y's., and a few other ladies. The town is divided into districts, and two ladies appointed for each, so that the visiting was faithfully and thoroughly done. We trust this work will be continued and that more of the spirit of our Lord and Master who went about doing good may be ours. About 2,000 pages of literature were carried to the homes of the voters, and opportunities thus afforded of speaking words in season were improved. Two of our local papers, *Times* and *Recorder*, granted a quarter column each, and the press committee attended faithfully to keeping it filled. Mrs. Freeland who has since been elected Vice-President of the Council was appointed to visit the Dominion Convention in Toronto.

Owing to circumstances, some of our most active members have been prevented from attending meetings or doing anything outside their own homes, so that fewer lines of work are reported than last year. Receipts from

Membership Fees.....	\$14.90.
Affiliation Fees .....	\$7.50.

MRS. BEACOCK,  
Rec. Sec.

#### ATHENS.

As a Union we have found much to contend with, and have had many things to discourage us, such as are common to all such organizations; and yet there have been a great many pleasant associations and memories connected with the past year's work. We have a membership of 22 besides honorary members; average attendance nine. Our Loyal Temperance Legion numbers 93, with an average attendance of 45. We have supplied one paper with original matter. We assisted to the utmost of our ability in the recent Scott Act campaign, not only by distributing literature, which we did to quite an extent, but also by holding meetings in every school section in our municipality, and some of our members went to other parts of the county to

address public meetings. Although we met with such signal defeat we are not discouraged, nor will we fold our hands in idleness ; but we are determined to fight this monster evil "King Alcohol," until it is forever banished from our land. We have placed a rack in our railway station, and are supplying it with literature. Mrs. Blair, of Nebraska, gave us one of her excellent "Chalk Talks" in November, which was much appreciated. We donated \$1.00 to the Provincial Literature Department.

MISS M. STONE,  
Cor. Sec.

#### BROCKVILLE Y'S.

Our Union has 45 members a gain of three, having thirty-five active and ten honorary members. Twenty-two business meetings were held during the year, with an average of 14 members present. During the Scott Act campaign, 3500 pages of literature were distributed and a choir furnished for both town and country meetings. A petition drawn up by the Rev. Mr. McGillivray was circulated, requesting that no saloon licenses be granted, and was successful.

Seven Receptions with good programmes and refreshments were held during the winter months. Teachers were furnished for one month for a girl's night school. Eleven cottage meetings were held, with an average of eight present.

The Flower Mission sent out 237 bouquets. A successful Sewing School was conducted during several months. Union meetings for Bible Study were given by the resident clergymen and Mr. Mickle. Two Bands of Hope were organized with a total membership of over 100.

The total receipts for the year were \$233.39; expenditure, \$188.43; balance on hand, \$44.96.

E. GILES,  
Cor. Sec.

#### LAMBTON COUNTY.

Our Unions all reports favorably ; Sarnia shows the most varied departments, having done good work at the Jail and among the sailors, opportunities the other Unions have not. They also continued the fair work, and carried on a very successful refreshment tent for the two days of the County Fair.

Wyoming reports tract distribution and supplying a bracket in the railway waiting room. They engaged a good man to hold meetings through the townships and secure votes for the Scott Act, for two months previous to the voting.

Brigden carries on a very successful Band of Hope ; had a very entertaining platform meeting of recitations and singing by the children, which was a financial success as well, bringing in something like \$40.

Oil City Union is only one year old. They have distributed a great deal of literature and have a flourishing Band of Hope. Two public meetings were held, at which a great many signed the pledge.

The platform meeting at the Convention was quite a success ; the programme consisted of papers read by ladies of the Unions ; speeches by the resident ministers ; singing by the Band of Hope and others.

I think this is all there is to say about the County. With best wishes,

I remain, sincerely yours in the work,

GRACE L. CHRISTIAN.

## SARNIA, W. C. T. U.—TENTH ANNUAL REPORT.

*Mrs. President, Officers and Members :*

In reviewing the records of the Union, the past year appears to have been more eventful and, perhaps, more important than any year previous. The Provincial Convention, held here in October, marks a distinct epoch in the history of the Union. We looked forward to that gathering with mingled hopes and fears—hopes that it might be productive of much good, that many more might be enlisted to work in this great cause, and that we ourselves might receive new inspiration to work on employing all right means for the extermination of the liquor traffic, which is pronounced to be the greatest evil of the present age. Our fears (which were not realized) we need not chronicle; our hopes were realized in part. The increase in numbers has not been so marked as the greater interest in the work manifested by those who have been members for years past, and for whatever good has been the result of our labors, we offer thanks to our Divine Leader for his presence and guidance throughout the year.

We have 42 members, exclusive of honorary members. Have held 28 regular and 9 special meetings. The average attendance has been larger than formerly. We considered our Fair Work a success, inasmuch as by securing the right of refreshment privileges we kept liquor off the grounds, although financially it was not a success for we just cleared expenses; this, however, was due to our modesty in soliciting provisions on account of the work of the Convention which followed so closely, together with the high rent we have to pay for the grounds.

Work among prisoners has been particularly interesting and has received more attention from the Union in general than any other department. Many of the prisoners appear to heartily appreciate the efforts made in their behalf. Several have signed the pledge and expressed a desire to lead a better life. I need not, however, enter into the details of the different departments, as each superintendent will give a full report of her own work.

Work among the sailors has been carried on again this season, the superintendent taking advantage of every opportunity to place literature on both steamers and sail vessels, which has been gladly received—particularly by men on sail vessels. In no other department of work have efforts been made with as little results apparently up to the present year as in Scientific Temperance Instruction. A paper on "Temperance as a Subject in our Public Schools" was prepared by the Superintendent, and read at the West Lambton Teachers' Association, held at Petrolia, May 22nd. A lengthy discussion followed, from which we learned the chief objections to teaching temperance in the Public Schools were, (1), the want of suitable text books and, (2), a set of questions on the subject for examinations. The discussion resulted in a committee on the subject of temperance being appointed, which brought in the following report: 1. That each teacher be recommended to obtain a copy of the authorized text book, study it and teach temperance by notes from the text book and other temperance works. 2. That a set of questions on temperance be issued for promotion examinations from III. to IV. class valued at 60 marks, and that the marks obtained be added as a bonus in June, and all over 20 marks as a bonus thereafter. 3. That the Association represent to the Minister of Education that the text book on temperance is quite unsuitable to Public School class work.

There are now two large Bands of Hope. The authorized temperance text book is being taught successfully in the Central by the "Y's," who kindly offered their services as teachers. The South-End band, recently organized under the

leadership of Mrs. Ellis, and which was the outcome of two gatherings held in Queen Street Methodist Church, bids fair to come up with the Central in numbers. The necessary supplies of books and badges have been furnished, and we are looking forward to good reports from time to time.

In this year we have become an incorporated society, and have purchased a property at a cost of \$2,500 for the purpose of opening a Coffee House and Reading Room. This is a great undertaking for so small a band, yet we have little to fear if the harmony of the past exists in the years to come. We have been successful in obtaining subscriptions amounting to about \$500. Literature has been sent to Muskoka lumber camps. We assisted the I. O. G. T. with two entertainments for the benefit of Victoria Hall. Our Annual Social was held at Mrs. McAlpine's in April. We take this opportunity of thanking all who have assisted us in any way in our work—those who entertained delegates at the time of Convention—those who furnished provisions for the Fair Work, the trustees of Methodist Church for use of Queen Street Church for various meetings, the Board of Education for use of 4th Ward School House for Band of Hope meetings, the ministers who kindly support us at our public gatherings, the Editor of *Observer* for notices of meetings, etc., the *Observer* and *Canadian* for free copies of their respective papers for the prison work, and those who by kind words and liberal subscriptions encouraged us in the Coffee House scheme.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

(MRS.) E. J. LAWRENCE,  
Rec. Sec.

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### LINCOLN COUNTY.

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MRS. H. YOUMANS, PRESIDENT.

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The Counties of Lincoln and Welland held a Convention in the latter County in the month of March, 1889. A full report will doubtless be given by the Welland County Union, as the meeting was held in their County. Suffice it to say that Lincoln was very much helped and benefitted as well as Welland. At that time it was decided to separate, and each County work as the Unions therein saw fit. So we, of Lincoln, had a little meeting of our delegates in a class room of the Church where the Convention was held and roughly sketched out our future, naming officers, and hoping to have a meeting to perfect our work in our own County later. We were then in the throes of a Scott Act agitation, our vote coming on in April, and all our energies were given to that work. After the defeat came the usual collapse, and we are just beginning to get on our feet again, figuratively speaking, so that the County officers who were appointed at that meeting have not had a fair chance to carry out their plans, and owing to various causes we have not yet completed them. The County Secretary has had very incomplete returns, and as the Unions seem in doubt in some cases as to what ought to be done, I have thought it best to send in a report of things as they appear to me as County Superintendent, since from my standpoint I have, perhaps a better "view" of the County than any one else. St. Catharines stands as usual, as reported by our local secretary. Grimsby, fine new Union is setting us all a good example, and shows how much can be done when the right ones get to work. Campden was shaken a little I am afraid, and much discouraged at the utter failure of the Scott Act; but is going to work more bravely than ever, and will take up work among the

children next year. They will find this the best paying work they ever did I am sure. Beamsville, after much discouragement and many drawbacks, writes in reply to a letter that they are about to begin again, and will send delegates to the Convention. I am hoping they will revive the fine Band of Hope they had a few years ago. Port Dalhousie I am sorry to say has given up, and I cannot say or do anything to induce them to try again. This is a source of much trouble to me, for the opportunity to work among sailors is an unusual one; and the Band of Hope which flourished so well is also defunct. Two of the members of the late Port Union have joined us at St. Catharines, and will still carry on the distribution of literature among the sailors and do whatever they can for the work there. This is the best we can do for the present.

Thus you have a report of the state of the Unions in the County of Lincoln as seen by your County Superintendent. After the Convention, when the different delegates have come home full of inspiration and new plans and vigor, we shall call a meeting and try to utilize their fresh thoughts, in new and extended County work, as well as local endeavor, and shall hope to be able to report more progress next year. Outside of the Unions, though under our auspices, are several Bands of Hope conducted by teachers in the County schools. Most, or perhaps all of these Bands close during summer vacations; but are being re-opened, and in some places the children are anxious to begin as soon as school opens. In the City we have one Band, and there are four or five in connection with Sabbath schools and other societies. Temperance is not a popular subject in this County. Noble souls there are, who do and dare much for the cause, but generally speaking, the sentiment is not what we wish it were. And we have to contend with indifference from those who should sustain and help us, and I do not think there is a County in Ontario which needs reform work more than the County of Lincoln.

Oct. 7th, 1889.

H. YOUMANS,  
County Superintendent.

#### ST. CATHARINES Y. W. C. T. U.

In April last the young ladies of St. Catharines were organized, and now have a Union of about fifty-six, including the honorary members. The vigor and earnestness which characterizes their work, promises well for their future. They have given their report for the year; but since that report closed they did good work at the County Fair, where in connection with the W. C. T. U. they distributed between nine and ten thousand pages of literature. They will give special attention to social work this winter, and hope to have many pleasant gatherings such as they gave this week, proving that a very enjoyable and profitable time may be passed without having recourse to any questionable means of enjoyment. We are very proud of our Y's.

#### ST. CATHARINES.

Our meetings are held weekly, with an average attendance of nine members. Our first principal work for the year was the distribution of literature at the County Fair. We paid the usual fee of \$1.00, took a space in the main building (which we decorated) and gave out literature to those in attendance. We also supplied ice-water for all who wished it. Following this work we commenced a series of Gospel Temperance meetings which were kept up through the winter months. At these meetings also literature was distributed, a tract being given to each one on entering the meeting. Several signed the pledge during these meetings. At Christmas time we sent out cards to the mothers and sisters of our city asking them not to offer intoxicants to their



friends. Until the trial of the Scott Act in our County we helped to supply literature for distribution in the County. In the spring we joined with the Thorold W. C. T. U. in having a convention of Lincoln and Welland Counties. We have formed a Y. W. C. T. U. during the year, which, at present, has a membership of about forty, and who are doing good work. We have four Bands of Hope, to whom we give aid. We have supplied each of our members with pledge books, and we are all working to increase our membership. We have supplied two hundred pledge cards to parties outside of our work. We also gave a copy of the annual report to each of our city ministers. We feel our chief work has been the distribution of literature (we have given out between 30,000 and 40,000 pages), and we trust this will do much good. We have tried to do *what we could*, and we look to our Heavenly Father for His blessing upon our efforts.

MRS. F. WALKER, Sec.

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### NORTHUMBERLAND COUNTY.

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#### CAMPBELLFORD.

The Campbellford branch of the W. C. T. U., organized by Mrs. L. Yeomans in December, 1887, have worked hard but seemingly accomplished little. We have had twelve business meetings, eight prayer meetings, and four union meetings with the R. T. of T., making in all twenty-four meetings for the year. We petitioned the S. Board to have the Temperance Text Books introduced in the schools, succeeded in getting it used in one department. Last Fall we applied for booth on fair grounds but was refused through influence of Anti-Scotts. We also did our best to get Temperance men in as Village Councillors, succeeded in having one elected. We gave \$5.00 to assist in defraying the expenses of the Scott Act Campaign, and had mottos printed "Vote for the Act and save our Boys" in the polling places. It has been a discouragement to our members that the Scott Act is apparently a failure, and owing to that and removals, our membership is not as large as this time last year. We feel sometimes that we are little more than the amount required to claim the promise, but God's promises are sure and steadfast, therefore we intend to push on with renewed hope, trusting to our Heavenly Father for the result. We have had a handsome bracket with mixed literature placed in waiting room of Station, and succeeded in having unfermented wine used in one Church. Our Band of Hope has prospered very well, with open meetings occasionally. The Crusaders rendered good service for several evenings with Gospel Temperance Songs and speaking, but Scott Act was lost by a small majority. Our average attendance is not more than ten members.

MRS. ASHTON,  
Cor. Sec.

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### NORFOLK COUNTY.

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#### SIMCOE.

We have had 11 regular meetings; attendance from ten to twelve. Three lectures during the year. One entertainment benefit for the W.C.T.U. The members of the W.C.T.U., visit the Home every two weeks, hold prayer and

testimony meetings. Take boquets. Attached passages of Scripture. The Public School Board, also the Principal have been visited for the teaching of Temperance, and using the text book in the school. Rev. Mr. Carry, Baptist Minister, preached a temperance sermon. The Band of Hope. President, Mrs. Woodyly. The work has been quite a success. Held two entertainments during the year with success.

MRS. GOULD,  
Rec. Sec.

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OXFORD COUNTY.

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Report of Oxford County W.C.T.U., for half year ending Sept. 1st, 1889 :  
Out of fourteen Unions in our directory, only eight have reported to me for this half-year's work ; and one a partial report.

No. of members.....	192
No. of Business meetings.....	86
Receipts from members fees.....	\$75 10
Amount expended in charity besides food and clothing.....	\$21 25
Juvenile Societies.....	10 00
Children on roll.....	536
Pages of literature distributed.....	3771
Newspapers supplied.....	8
No. of Churches using unfermented wine.....	17
No. using fermented do.....	12

Since the repeal of the Scott Act there seems to be less interest taken in Temperance work throughout the County.

Respectfully submitted,

C. G. HOLTBY,  
Cor. Sec.

WOODSTOCK.

The Woodstock branch of the W.C.T.U., desire to present the following yearly report :—The meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month, of which there have been twenty-two regular and two special. The number of members upon the roll, thirty ; the average attendance ten.

The work upon the whole has to a large extent been of an evangelistic character, though little money has been expended. Several families have been relieved by food and clothing, who have become reduced through drink, besides two thousand pages of literature distributed throughout the town. During the last year we have placed a wall pocket in each of our railroad stations which we keep supplied with leaflets. There is also one in the Jail, which we supply with religious literature once each month.

The amount of money received during the year amounted to \$75.00, being the proceeds of concerts, lectures, members fees, etc.

There are three divisions of the Band of Hope established in connection with the W.C.T.U., each doing effective work, with a total membership of 242.

Now that we have entered upon the duties of another year, we pray and trust that more may be accomplished for the Master in the future.

Yours in the work,

HATTIE G. RICE, Cor. Sec.

## TILSONBURG W. C. T. U.

Fifth Annual Report for the year ending Sept. 1st, 1889.

In looking over the Secretary's and Treasurer's books we find that the year just ending has not been one of idleness. We have held during the past year twenty-one regular and three special meetings, in all of which great interest has been shown and work done.

Those who have been elected for office for the ensuing year are as follows: President, Mrs. T. T. Brown; Vice-Presidents, Mesdames Savage and Brown; Treasurer, Mrs. J. Wardle; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. C. Fountain; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Geo. Mantle. At present we have a paid up membership of thirty; honorary members eight.

We have had three lectures, one by Mr. J. Gibson of Ingersoll, Feb. 9th. Two by Rev. T. A. Moore of Princetown, March 12th and May 7th. In addition to these lectures, we had a week of Gospel Temperance Revival services, beginning Monday evening, April 9th, with an open Temperance experience meeting, which was very interesting. Tuesday evening we had an address from the Rev. Mr. Cohoe of Courtland, which was listened to by an attentive audience. Wednesday evening was well sustained by a short address by our chairman and a speech by one of our townsmen. Thursday evening Rev. Mr. Orme of Dereham Centre, gave a grand address on the Third Party; and Friday evening Rev. J. S. Ross of Hamilton, spoke to a full house, thus closing a week of special interest. These lectures and addresses were all free to the public, the W.C.T.U. paying all expenses. We also held prayer meeting two days, April 4th and May 9th, when the repeal of the Scott Act was being voted on, and though the Act was lost, the meeting helped to make us more of union. At the same time we had 1,000 dodgers distributed throughout the County. Our Band of Hope is still alive with about 100 members, and they hold their meetings under the leadership of Mr. Reavley, in their rooms in Victoria Block (same flat with the W.C.T.U. rooms,) every Friday afternoon. During the past winter they held a concert in the Music Hall, at which Mother Goose and her family were presented to the public, from which they realized about \$30.00; also in the spring they gave a Sugar social in their rooms, the proceeds of which were applied on organ. In May last, one of our members, Mrs. C. Graves, passed away from our Union to where they have no sorrow caused by drunkenness, making two whom we have lost since our organization. We are at present holding our meetings every alternate Thursday afternoon at Mrs. Kalar's, to which all interested in Temperance are cordially invited. We have received from all sources the sum of \$103.00, and expended \$92.40.

MRS. A. C. FOUNTAIN,  
Rec. Sec.

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 ONTARIO COUNTY.
 

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MRS. (DR.) BASCOM, PRESIDENT.

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Ontario County has at present six Unions, Uxbridge, Cannington, Beaverton, Brechin, Prince Albert and Port Perry. Two, Cannington and Brechin have been organized since our last Annual Convention; the former by Mrs. Jarman of Toronto—the latter by myself. I think each of them has reported to you. But in case they have not done so I enclose numbers. I have not been able to visit the Unions this year, and feel I have not done my work as it

should have been done, and if you think it best at the convention to appoint another lady in my place, I shall not be at all hurt, indeed I think it would be much better to do so ; for I have so much to do in other lines I cannot properly attend to the County work.

UXBRIDGE Union numbers 30 members. During last winter our Y's., kept up a good Band of Hope, but they have not yet organized for this season. Indeed our Y's. appear to have grown somewhat discouraged, and perhaps need a little attention from Miss Scott, their superintendent. Our Union has held its meetings regularly. But the repeal of the Scott Act was a great blow to us, and we scarcely know how to go to work again. It does not seem as if we had accomplished anything this year. We have held regular Gospel Temperance meetings once a month, and in the early part of the season worked hard to have the Scott Act sustained. On the day of voting we held an all day prayer meeting, and although very much disappointed at the result of the vote, we did not give way to entire discouragement, trusting some new and better plan would be given us for work in the future. Two ladies represented one Union at the Dominion Convention. We have succeeded in introducing the Temperance text book into the Public School. We put up brackets in the railroad stations at Uxbridge, Goodwood and Blackwater, and have tried to keep them filled with temperance literature.

CANNINGTON organized about the end of October last. Their numbers are members, 23 ; honorary members, 3 ; average attendance, 8 ; members Band of Hope, 180—supplied with the Water Lilv. Receipts, \$60.00 ; expenditure, \$43.00.

BEAVERTON appears to be doing finely as usual. Members, 30 ; honorary members, 39 ; receipts, \$64.13 ; expenditure, \$45.70 ; no Band of Hope reported.

BRECHIN is new, but has done fairly ; members 24 ; honorary members 4 ; No Band of Hope.

PRINCE ALBERT reports meetings held regularly ; members 10 ; honorary members 2 ; Band of Hope 40.

PORT PERRY sent a very discouraging report which would lead one to the conclusion that the Union there was very low. For some time they have been without a Cor. Sec., and owing to the illness of the President's husband they have been unable to hold a meeting. They have lost several members by removals, and since the Scott Act failure find it hard to get any new ones.

Matters stand thus in Ontario ;

Number of Unions.....	6.
“ “ Members.....	117.
“ “ Honorary Members.....	48.
“ “ in Band of Hope.....	245.

There is supposed to be a Sunday School Temperance Association in each Sabbath School in Uxbridge town, consisting of over 500 members, but as it needs re-organization it is perhaps as well not to report it, this makes our number of children in Band of Hope work less this year than last.

A. M. BASCOM.

BRECHIN.

We held our Annual Meeting and elected our Officers as follows :—Mrs. W. Kelly, President ; Miss McLennon, Vice-President ; Miss A. Ritchie, Cor. Sec. ; Miss N. Muir, Rec. Sec. ; Miss S. Hutchings, Treasurer. Names of Members:—Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Clutchy, Mrs. J. Stewart, Mrs. M. Muir, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Bloomfield, Mrs. Prophet, Mrs. W. Kelly, Mrs. McDougall, Mrs. W. Stewart, Mrs. Wescott, Mrs. Simpson, Miss A. Ritchie, Miss B.

McLennon, Miss M. McLennon, Miss McNabb, Miss K. McNabb, Miss B. Graham, Miss U. Muir, Miss A. Muir, Miss McDougall, Miss S. Hutchings, Miss J. Kelly, Miss Windatt. Honorary Members:—Mr. Prophet. Mr. C. Leigh, Mr. J. Hudgeon, Mr. S. S. Osterhout. We have held our Meetings every two weeks and had an average attendance. Entertainments, none; Lectures, none; Band of Hope, none.

MISS A. RITCHIE,  
Cor. Sec.

WHITBY.

Our Union has now a membership of 45, average attendance 12. Business and prayer meetings are held twice a month. We have a very successful Reading Room for Men open every evening during the winter. The Flower Mission sent out 195 boquets with texts to over 60 sick persons. The Band of Hope has over 200 names on the roll.

The Evangelistic Committee worked hard last winter visiting and relieving the sick and poor of our town. Our Union is steadily progressing due largely to our zealous President Mrs. (Rev.) Dr. Hare. In looking back over the four years we have been in existence we feel that our Union has been greatly blessed. We have faith that in the near future we will have a W. C. T. U. building of our own. We deplore the defeat of the Canada Temperance Act and the consequent increase of drunkenness in our town.

JANET LOGAN,  
Cor. Sec., W. C. T. U.

CANNINGTON.

This branch of the W. C. T. U. was organized by Mrs. Jarman of Toronto, about a year ago, after a series of meetings, held under the auspices of Royal Templars of Temperance, and has had a membership of 23, with 3 honorary members. We have an average attendance of 8. We hold our meetings once a month. We have about 180 children belonging to Band of Hope, who are deeply interested, and we hope to do a good work among them. We supply them with pledge cards; also the "Water Lily." Our receipts for the year were about \$60,—expenditure \$43. We invested in some literature and spent considerable money for charitable purposes. The officers were re-elected for next year.

ANNIE ROSS, Cor. Sec.

PRINCE ALBERT W. C. T. U.

Present number of members, 10; average attendance, 7. One Band of Hope, under the direction of our first Vice-President, Mrs. S. C. Philp. Number on roll, 40. Through the influence of our honorary members a good school trustee was elected; and a number of pages of temperance literature was distributed at the Port Perry fair. We were pleased to be able to forward to Toronto a small donation for the Headquarters' building fund. One very sad item to report at the closing of this year is the death of our beloved Treasurer, Mrs. Forrister. We miss her kind words of encouragement; but our loss is her gain.

ABBIE L. CASH.

BEAVERTON W. C. T. U.

Our Union has kept steadily on holding meetings fortnightly except during July and August, when, on account of the heat, we only held them monthly. We held our third open meeting on October 31st, and our fourth

on May 8th. One committee of ladies takes charge of the programme, another of the refreshments. We have songs, speeches, readings, etc. We send written invitations to our honorary members, and they are each allowed to bring a friend if they choose. We have been allowed the use of the Odd-fellows Hall—a very pretty comfortably-furnished room—a privilege for which we are very grateful. All express themselves as having spent pleasing and profitable evenings at these entertainments, and at each of them we have added new members to our Union. Rev. Mr. McKay, of Woodstock, lectured for us in Dec., and Miss Phelps, of St. Catharines in March; both gave excellent lectures to large audiences. On Dominion day a pic-nic for the Band of Hope was held. About a hundred children attended, and also a number of the members and honorary members of the W. C. T. U. All seemed to enjoy the day's outing. Our Union was represented at the Dominion Convention by Miss Davidson. We have made several attempts to have the temperance text book placed in the Public School, but as yet without success. On the day of voting for the repeal of the Scott Act the W. C. T. U. and others interested in temperance work held a prayer meeting. There were thirty-four present, and three new names were added to our list. We all regret that the Scott Act was repealed, for though it was not perfect, no unprejudiced person will say that the present system is not a great change for the worse in our village. We send short accounts of our meetings regularly to our local paper, and have received permission from the Assist. Superintendent of the G. T. Railway to place a bracket containing a Bible, Annual Report, Temperance leaflets, etc., in the railway station here. Our Union is about to sustain a great loss in the removal of Miss Robinson, who has so ably filled the President's chair for two years. 30 members. 39 honorary members.

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### PETERBORO COUNTY.

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#### REPORT OF PETERBORO.

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W. C. T. U. in Peterboro numbers 23 with an average attendance of 9. Through the winter a good work was done in caring for the families of drunkards. Later on opportunities to help fallen women presented themselves, four were cared for, and two with apparently good results.

In April came the Scott Act contest *and defeat*.

Large quantities of literature were sent to Mrs. Shortreid for the lumber men, distributed through the town and in the Jail, also to the soldiers in Camp.

Occasional meetings were held in the Jail. Several public meetings held in the interest of Temperance.

The year taken as a whole has been one of encouragement.

MARY E. HAWKINS,  
Cor. Sec.

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### PRINCE EDWARD COUNTY.

On account of the illness of our respected President, Mrs. (Rev.) J. Young—and treasurer our Union has not been as active as usual this past year.

The Town has, however, been divided into wards—two ladies being

responsible for the distribution of literature and the obtaining of signatures to the pledge in each division; from which we trust good will result in the future.

Sincerely yours,

SARA E. BRANSCOMBE,  
Cor. Sec.

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PERTH COUNTY.

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CLINTON.

Our Union is alive, but we cannot report quite so many paying member this year as last, although the average attendance is about the same, viz. : ten. Those who do attend the meetings are very earnest in the cause, and yet we feel somewhat discouraged; we realize that the time is passing away, the enemy is in our midst, and we have accomplished so little. During the year, on two or three occasions we held an "At Home," and made special efforts to induce young men and those who had been addicted to drink to attend and take part in the programme at these meetings: we secured twenty-eight signatures to the pledge. At the commencement of the year upon which we are now entering, we intend to start a "Band of Hope," and with God's blessing upon our efforts, hope to accomplish much good in this branch of work.

L. WHITE,  
Cor. Sec.

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PEEL COUNTY.

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MRS. E. STONEHOUSE.

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Another year with its duties, responsibilities, failures, and successes, has passed from us.

Fitting time to pause on this vantage ground, and sweeping the eye back over the past, and forward into the dim future, ask with reverential, prayerful, humble hearts the momentous question that has come ringing down from the prophetic age, "Watchman what of the night?" Are the clouds of discouragement and defeat closing around us? Nay let us take our answer from the same source as our question, and though we have waited long, "The morning cometh."

There never was a time in the history of our country when so many earnest Christian workers were centreing their energies, and giving their time, talents, and money for the overthrow of the liquor-traffic.

One feature in our modern warfare with this evil is, that it is becoming intensely personal. Men and women are ceasing to rail at politicians and are settling down to the conviction that he who holds the ballot holds the power and is the one who is most responsible.

With earnest thinking people the outcome of this conviction is constant, persistent, personal effort. Our W. C. T. U. is an important factor in this regard.

We are aiming at and succeeding in forming public opinion to a greater extent than many are aware of who are not conversant with the working of our Society.

Another branch of our work which recommends itself to all is the seeking out and relieving the poor and distressed.

Our Band of Hope work is of great importance. The education of the rising generation in Hygeine and Heredity and the inculcating of right principles among those who would otherwise be without instruction on these points, cannot be over-estimated. I am sorry to say our County has done very little in his department. We hope the coming year may have better results to report.

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### RENFREW COUNTY.

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MRS. MURPHY, RENFREW COUNTY, PRESIDENT.

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In preparing our annual report we may take the advice given by Miss Scott in our Journal and "not say we regret," but under many difficulties and discouragements, "onward is still our motto." On account of the defeat of the Scott Act, our number decreased slightly; a few who thought our work was then over, left us; but with the return of license law, our country is proving to them the need of such an organization as ours, and we have no doubt they and many others who were hitherto undecided will be with us during the coming year. We have seven unions with Pembroke Y's, in all an active membership of about three hundred; also ten Bands of Hope with six hundred names on the roll. Temperance instruction is given in many of the schools, and we hope the day is not far distant when it will be faithfully taught by all the teachers. Flower mission is taken up principally by Pembroke; lumbermen's work, fair work and evangelistic work are taken up with good results. Temperance literature distributed in station houses and other public places. Several of our local papers are supplied with items on Temperance and Religious subjects.

The number of our churches using the unfermented wine is increasing. We held our second annual Convention in Arnprior on 12th September, it was very well attended; all the local Unions but one being represented.

### ARNPRIOR.

We can report an active membership of thirty-two, and an honorary of four. We have monthly business meetings and weekly prayer meetings; opened a library for the use of members and have just added several new books, distributed five hundred pages of literature and sent eight scrap books along with a number of papers, such as the "Graphic and London Illustrated," to the shanties; four prizes awarded for Temperance Essays written by scholars attending our public school; visited sick and last winter did much to relieve the poor.

MRS. T. W. KENNY, President.  
MRS. R. H. MCEWAN, Cor. Sec.

### CALABOGIE.

Organized 30th March with a membership of nine; at present we have twenty active and forty-eight honorary members. Business meetings held regularly every two weeks and prayer meetings every week. Very instructive



lectures delivered by Rev. Mr. Coates and Mr. Killock have increased the membership and interest in the work. Have also started a free reading room for the hands employed in the mills here.

MISS W. YUILL, Pres.  
MISS B. DIXON, Cor. Sec.

## COBDEN.

Reports nine active, several honorary members, with a thriving Band of Hope.

MRS. JAS. HUMPRIES, Pres.  
MISS JULIA MACDONALD, Cor. Sec.

## GREENWOOD.

We have twelve active and six honorary members, Band of Hope fifty four: four prizes awarded for Temperance essays. Worked well through many discouragements.

MRS. F. WINTERS, Pres.  
MISS A. C. NELSON, Cor. Sec.

## PEMBROKE.

During the past year we held 20 business meetings. A Bible reading cottage meeting commenced, which we trust will do much good. Band of Hope numbers 63. Through our efforts the Temperance Text Book is taught in three departments of public school, temperance literature distributed. Show fair and lumbermen's work on a good footing. We sent 16 scrap books to the shanties, and kind words have come to us as to the way in which they were received. Twenty-one copies of the Woman's Journal are taken in town. There is much to encourage us, but still more earnestness is needed. Our earnest prayer is that we may be strong and of good courage.

MRS. W. HUNTER, President.  
MRS. A. DUNLOP, Cor. Sec.

## RENFREW.

We held 20 business meetings, 75 prayer meetings, and have 120 on the Band of Hope roll, with a very good attendance. One of our honorary members has interested the children very much in the cause. We use the triple pledge. Temperance instruction given twice a week in two departments of our Model School. Sent 14 scrap books and 8 large packages of literature, (*Canada Citizen* and *Witness*) to the shanties. Many encouraging letters have been received informing us of the delight and pleasure it gave the poor men to think they were so kindly remembered by the ladies in their comfortable homes. One young gentleman kindly laid aside those sent to him after they were through with them for this year, so that they might be used by his successor. We have bought and fitted up a booth on the Fair grounds, and served dinner and tea both days, and were well patronized, many coming to us who would otherwise have gone to the hotels. A large quantity of literature was also distributed at the same time. During the past year about 1,500 pages. All our churches but one use unfermented wine. 36 copies of Woman's Journal is taken in town. We have rendered great assistance to the

poor, and visited the sick during the past winter. We have great reason for thankfulness to God for His goodness to us, and we pray that He may guide and bless, and enable us to work more faithfully and earnestly for God, and home, and native land.

MRS. McMARTIN, President.  
MRS. H. A. WRIGHT.

## WESTMEATH

Reports a membership of 24. A Band of Hope with 63 on roll.

MRS. G. THOMSON, President.  
MRS. A. FRAZER, JUN., Cor. Sec.

## STORMONT COUNTY.

## AVONMORE.

Six lady members and two honorary members. Six copies of "*Woman's Journal*" taken. Five annual reports sent for. Literature distributed at Township Fair. A small but interesting Band of Hope is carried on by members of the W. C. T. U. A pic-nic was held before the summer holidays, when a collection amounting to \$5.00 was received for the Band. It seems impossible to get more than two or three members together even on Band of Hope days; but if we are met "in His name" we are sure of His blessing.

NELLIE BROWNELL,  
Secretary.

## CORNWALL.

Membership, 34; average attendance, 12. Meeting held on last Monday of every month. Interest in temperance work has been deepened by the marked increase in drunkenness since the repeal of the Scott Act. The burden of our prayer has been that some way might be opened for direct practical work, and the answer has come in part at least. For a long time we have felt the need of a Public Reading Room, (as there is none in town), and although several attempts have been made in that direction, it was left for us to do the work. In a few days we shall open a most desirably located room. We have rented the whole building, and intend to use the upper part for ourselves. The next W. C. T. U. meeting will be in *our own room*. The rental of this building is \$200 per year, and we have pledges to cover expenses. These days of papering, painting and planning in our building have been days of joy and thankfulness. May results only deepen our joy and increase our faith in the work. Through the efforts of the Union, scientific temperance instruction is now given in our schools, and another Church is using unfermented wine. The Band of Hope continues to grow and meets regularly. We are looking forward to better work in all departments during the coming year, because of increased interest and improved facilities for the work. May the Master's hand guide, and His presence cheer and comfort us, as we thus labor in His name, and for His sake.

JENNIE MACARTHUR,  
Cor. Sec.

SIMCOE COUNTY.

COLLINGWOOD.

We are pleased to be able to report that at our request and through the good-will and energy of the head master, who put no difficulties in the way, Temperance Instruction is regularly taught in our Public Schools; and in order to stir up some enthusiasm among the pupils, we have decided on offering prizes for proficiency in this department. Our president every month appoints different members, whose duty it is to visit the schools and listen to the instruction given. Several of the teachers belong to our Union. This summer we took the steam-boats and schooners under our charge, and a good deal of literature has been given, both to the boats and through the town. Assisted by the R. T. of T. we intend to have a Temperance lecture, or a course of lectures, as soon as possible. It is a great pity that want of money prevents us doing this frequently, as our town is sadly in need of stirring up.

Our president and several members attended the Dominion Convention, held in Toronto last June, and heard much to cheer and encourage. We were, of course, especially delighted with Miss Willard, whose clear voice and distinct enunciation made it a real pleasure to listen, which I regret cannot be said of many of the women who read from the platform. I noticed the same fault at the Women's Auxiliary Meetings, held the preceding month, in St. James' School House. So that it must be a common failing among women speakers, and it is a great pity it should be so. However, we are all young at this sort of work, and we can improve if we try.

CHRISTINA CAMPBELL,  
Cor. Sec.

WENTWORTH COUNTY.

HAMILTON.

In order that a brief report be presented to the Convention, we have simply summarized our work, adding here and there some little item of special interest.

We have a Membership of.....	252
Our Secretary reports Meetings.....	582
Families visited.....	200
Letters and Cards written.....	500
Signatures to World's Union petition.....	2,500
Pages of Literature distributed.....	200,000
Christmas Cards and Letters.....	200
Children attending Bands of Hope, Sewing School and Cooking Class.....	1,737
Teachers.....	70
Books in Library for Mothers' Meeting and Hospital Work.....	200
The total amount raised and expended in our work during the year was.....	\$1,152 63
Of that amount the Women's C. T. U. raised.....	470 91

And just here I would like to mention a most successful method adopted for raising money. Each lady took from twenty to fifty cards, printed and prepared with a small opening the size of a twenty-five cent piece and the words circling around it "please put twenty-five cents here." Along with these cards we sent a summary of our work and sent them out enclosed in two envelopes, the inner one addressed to the party sending them out and containing card and statement, so that it could be returned by the party to whom it was addressed after they had placed the 25 cents in the circle. Nearly every lady had from five to ten dollars to bring in at the end of the month.

The Young Ladies' Report will speak for itself, so I will pass on to the work of our Bible woman. She takes charge of the Mothers' Meeting, fifty-two of which have been held during the year; where Libraries are exchanged. These Bible Readings and conversations with prayer and singing of Gospel Hymns have been a great blessing and burden lifter from many a mother's heart. Our Bible woman is most earnest and conscientious in her work, and her visits have been made a great blessing to many homes made miserable through drunkenness, either of one or other of its inmates, and some have passed triumphantly home to the better land, through the blessing of God on her labors.

The hospital has been regularly visited by our workers, and good results reported. We have a rescue home in connection with our jail work, and seven women were reported at our Annual Meeting as having given up drink altogether, and are leading happy, useful lives. These women had been drunkards for years, and some of them had been in prison as many as three and four times in the year; but in the prison cell they had asked God, with tears rolling down their blighted cheeks, to send some good woman to help them to a better life. And the women of the Temperance Union were asking God to help them to maintain a rescue home. The prayers were answered, and to-day we are rejoicing over the rescue of those seven women who have been tested for from two to four years. Others are struggling for their freedom and we believe they will get it. The lady in charge of the duty to introduce unfermented wine into the churches for sacramental purposes has had great success given to her. Fifteen of our churches are now using it, and we expect soon to see others joining them. The same lady has supplied the churches with Temperance leaflets through our Union, and fifty-eight thousand pages of this educating power have been scattered through our city, and we are looking for and expecting that around public sentiment will show the good that has been done through them at our coming city elections. The Press Committee have kept, through the kind permission of the editors of our city papers, temperance topics before the citizens every week; and here allow me to urge our sisters to use every available inch in the newspapers for this purpose. It is one of the most important factors in our work. Largely through the efforts of the W. C. T. U. the children in our Public Schools are being trained as to the evil effects of alcohol on the system, and what with that and all other efforts mentioned and the Bands of Hope, the Sabbath school and pulpit teaching, surely a better state of things may soon be confidently expected.

HAMILTON Y. L. T. U.

After another year of seed sowing, watching and careful training, we meet to review our work and mark the progress made.

Each year we are pleased to note advancement. This is more apparent, perhaps, because our work is amongst the children. We all know how comparatively easy it is to implant right principles in youthful minds, hence how important that our work should be faithfully pursued and wisely directed. We have on roll, 143 members. The business meetings have been well attended,

and the reports which are given in each month, from the various branches of work, contribute much to the interest of the meetings. We have received during the year a donation of \$25 from the W. C. T. U.

An entertainment was held in March at Mrs. Fearman's home, the proceeds of which amounted to \$50.

There are 1,737 children in our Bands of Hope, Sewing and Cooking Schools, in which 70 young ladies are engaged as teachers. The Central Sewing School has met in the school room of First Methodist Church, 550 girls attending, the work being superintended by 20 teachers. There are in all, seven different kinds of needle work taught. The children begin work in the class for plain sewing. From this they pass to the button-hole class, then darning, knitting and embroidery classes follow. 160 bank accounts have been given out, amounting to \$313. The highest savings was \$22, with \$1.10 interest. Four prizes were given for the largest accounts. During the year a cooking class has been organized. Lessons are given on the essential elements of food, with their component parts, and how different methods of cooking affect the various elements of which the food is composed. The practical part of the work is rather more interesting to the children. They are taught to cook eggs in six different ways; to make six kinds of soup; to make toast, biscuits and plain cake. There are only twelve girls in the school at present. The reason for so small a number in attendance is plain when we say that they are obliged to complete the course in the sewing school before they are entitled to membership.

This year we have but five bands of hope, showing one less than reported last year. This is owing to the removal from the city of one of our best workers, who had charge of the sixth band.

Band of Hope No. 1, held in the Boy's Home, always deserves much credit in our reports. The boys prepare their lessons well. At Christmas time they had a punch and judy show, also they had an acrobatic performance. Supper was served. Band of Hope No. 2, (has been held in the school room of First Methodist Church,) 600 children attending and 22 teachers. An average of 300 merit ribbons have been given out monthly. Forty-five prizes were awarded to those having ribbons for six successive months. A stereopticon entertainment was given at holiday time. A new feature of this band is the choir formed from among the ribboners.

Band of Hope No. 3, meets in the school room of Simcoe St. Church. There are 192 members, an average of 40 ribbons have been distributed monthly.

The annual treat took place at Christmas time. Later a cantata was given by the children, the proceeds of which were highly satisfactory.

Band of Hope No. 4, is held in the western part of the city. Membership 108. Forty ribbons have been distributed monthly. 79 bank accounts have been given out, amounting to \$37.84 cts. A choir has also been formed here. Band of Hope No. 5 meets in the school room of Centenary Church, 200 children attend and 10 teachers. An average of 50 ribbons have been given out monthly. 30 prizes were distributed to those having ribbons for six months. (Last winter they had a donkey party.) The temperance mission box collections, will be used this year to help in supplying clothing for the poor in our "Bands of Hope." The method of teaching is the same as adopted in former years. A lecture is given weekly on the physiology and hygiene of the body effects produced by alcohol on each part. The pledge is used, certificates and badges of membership are granted. Ribbons are distributed for general proficiency. We have much reason for gratitude to our Heavenly Father who has blessed us so abundantly in our work.

## GENERAL SUMMARY OF THE WORK.

Membership of Union .....	143
No. of business meetings held.....	12
“ “ Children’s meetings held.....	224
“ “ “ in attendance.....	1737
“ “ teachers engaged.....	70
“ “ Bands of Hope.....	5
“ “ Sewing Schools.....	1
“ “ Cooking Schools .....	1
“ “ Ribbons distributed.....	4946
“ “ Bank Accounts distributed.....	239
“ “ Pledges taken... ..	668
Amounts of Money Received.....	\$681 72
“ “ “ Expended .....	681 72

FLORA M. LOUNSBURY,  
Secretary.

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COUNTY OF WELLINGTON.

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MRS. R. PERRY, FERGUS, COR. SEC.

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In our County we have 8 Unions, with a membership of 116. Average attendance at meetings, 42; 27 prayer meetings, 59 business, and 11 mothers' meetings have been held. Mount Forest, Drayton, Guelph and Fergus report prayer meetings; some of those are combined with business, others are cottage prayer meetings. Receipts from members fees \$27.30. Amount sent to provincial, \$5.37½, eleven dollars less than last year. To the County, \$6.65, a slight increase over the past year. Guelph reports a night school during winter. All the Unions report Bands of Hope with the exception of Guelph and Drayton. Names on the roll 545. Meetings have not been held regularly in the jail during the last year. A considerable amount of literature has been distributed. Three newspapers supplied with literature, twenty-one churches use unfermented wine, thirteen fermented; sixteen Sunday Schools have Temperance pledges, nineteen not organized; \$17 have been expended in charity. Mt. Forest offered a prize to the Public School pupils for the best essay on Temperance. It was not accepted. Guelph, Palmerston, Mt. Forest and Fergus have Scientific Temperance Instruction in Public Schools; Rockwood expects to have in the Fall. Palmerston has not yet affiliated. Have not had a report from Harriston. No Unions formed during the past year.

Since making out this report I received the report from the Guelph "Y's;" also have learned that Rockwood has Scientific Instruction taught in schools.

WELLAND COUNTY.

MISS PHELPS, PRESIDENT.

At a Union Convention of Lincoln and Welland Counties held in Thorold in March, Welland County was regularly organized, with Miss Minnie Phelps as President. Since that time Miss Phelps has visited nearly all the towns and villages in the county, and has spoken at the following places:—Welland, two meetings, one being for ladies; Port Colborne, 1; Niagara Falls, 2; Font-hill 1; Port Robinson, 1; Niagara Falls South, 1; Stamford, 1; Allanburgh, 1, and Thorold, 1; making a total of eleven public meetings. She organized one Union, Welland. In Allanburgh there is no union, but a good Band of Hope. In Port Robinson she found an interest in the Temperance work, as the Sons of Temperance have a strong division there, and it was thought a weakening of the forces to have too many organizations. Port Colborne has no union, but one is hoped for. Stamford is a rural district, but the meeting was well attended, and as a result, Rev. Mr. Robinson says great good followed. Welland, reorganized, has gone into the work with enthusiasm. Miss Phelps was invited to speak before the Public School Association of the county, but owing to an engagement was unable to do so.

In our county we have five W. C. T. Unions, and one Y. W. C. T. U., with a total membership of one hundred and fifty-eight (158.) We have as yet only one department, Scientific Temperance Instruction, Mrs. Law, Niagara Falls South, being Superintendent. We find that temperance instruction is given to a good many, but not all of the children, and that the feeling in regard to its importance is growing. Prizes are offered for best papers at examinations on the text books, and for best essays on a given subject, and good results have followed. Flower Missions are also at work. Tracts have been placed in railway stations, newspapers in barber shops, leaflets and reports have been distributed at the township and county fairs, scrap-books and parcels of papers have been sent to lumber camps, and to the hospital, and tracts and papers have been given, to a small extent, to sailors along the canal. Three newspapers are supplied with temperance items, sixteen churches use unfermented wine. We are sorry to have a decrease of from 500 to 247 in the Band of Hope work, which is partly accounted for by the fact that public Bands of Hope have been replaced by bands in the Sunday schools, and these, although members of the W. C. T. U., take part in them, do not come under the direct control of the W. C. T. U. We should add that the ministers throughout the county have been very kind and helpful to us in our work, and for this we are grateful. Copies of last year's report were sent to all Protestant ministers in the county. We are also glad to have had with us our Provincial President, who, by her strong interest and enthusiasm, has greatly forwarded the work, and has endeared herself to all. The year has not been an idle one, but we see on every side work waiting to be done. A little more faith, a little more boldness, more hands and hearts ready for work, and we will have more to report in the future.

On the 22nd May, Miss Phelps was kind enough to come and treat us to one of her delightful lectures, which all enjoyed so much. The evening previous to the lecture, a meeting of ladies was held in the Methodist church, and organized by Miss Phelps into a W. C. T. U

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In September our annual meeting was held, and the officers and superintendents re-elected. Membership is over twenty. We meet on the first and third Thursdays of each month. Of course in so short a time little has been done, and much that might have been done failed on account of the serious illness in the homes of our members. We bought one dollar's worth of Temperance tracts, and through the kindness of the Rev. Dr. Moffatt, Secretary of the U. C. Tract Society, obtained a large number of Gospel and Temperance Tracts, all of which we arranged to distribute through the town, asking the ladies of each house to join our W. C. T. U. Wall pockets have been placed in the railway station and the Lock house, it being our intention to keep them full of Temperance tracts. The Mechanics' Institute has given us permission to furnish a table with our literature in their rooms. And we are at present arranging to rent and furnish a room in a central locality for our own use. The two town papers gave us space in their columns for W. C. T. U. items, of which the Press Superintendents have gladly availed themselves of.

We feel ourselves that all we have really done so far has been to get ready for work, and hope next year to report some real work.

J. MCCUAIG.

THOROLD W. C. T. U.

During the year now closing the Woman's Christian Temperance Union held 17 meetings, three of which were union meetings with the Y's, average attendance 12. After the return of our delegates from the county convention at Sarnia, it was felt that the time had come when our union in Thorold should provide itself with head quarters, accordingly after due consideration the present rooms were rented and furnished. The Young Woman's Union taking an active part and furnishing half the funds.

The entertainments held under the auspices of the W. C. T. U. were a lecture during December by the Rev. D. V. Lucas, whose subject was "Queer things in Australia," a lime light entertainment given by J. G. Chapman in March, and a strawberry festival on the 4th July in which the Young Woman's Union co-operated.

A Reception was held on our opening our rooms when a beautiful Bible was presented to the Union on behalf of the Bible Society here.

Literature was distributed at the Township fair last year held in October. The expense of half of which was borne by the Young Woman's Union. Temperance literature was also distributed in the town before the election for councillors with a view to influencing the election. The franchise committee canvassed the town and secured pledges from a large proportion of the woman voters that they would vote for temperance men. Our council has taken a decided stand for Temperance.

A parcel of last year's reports sent for distribution to our secretary were distributed by her at the County Fair held in Welland last fall.

In March, a very successful Convention was held for the Counties of Lincoln and Welland, when it was decided that in future there should be a separate organization for each County, but holding union meetings once a year. Miss Phelps was unanimously elected County Superintendent of Welland.

In the matter of Scientific Instruction, prizes for the best written examinations were given in the public schools, and \$11.50 were awarded to the best papers in the second, third and fourth classes. The examining committee was very much pleased with the numbers who wrote, over one hundred papers being examined, and the large proportion of which showed that an intelligent understanding of the subject was given to the pupils of our public schools. In the high schools prizes were offered for the best essay on "the Influence of Temperance Principles on Success in Life"



The subject of Temperance Instruction was brought before the County Convention, when the fact was elicited that many of the teachers were not aware that teaching Temperance was compulsory; our Inspector has clearly been neglecting his duty.

A column in our local paper, the "Thorold Post," has been placed at the disposal of the Union and has been supplied with Temperance items from time to time. The Mechanics Institute reading-room and the barber shops have been supplied with newspapers, also twenty-five copies of the Voice have been subscribed for in our town by the energetic canvassing of our President; midst much to discourage the brightest and most hopeful feature of our work, is educational. When funds are wanted for work amongst the children, it is bestowed cheerfully by many not in accord with Temperance work—but no matter how much a man is opposed to Temperance, he wants his children taught to do and be better than he is himself, and energetic work now will give us prohibition in ten years when our educated Temperance boys are men and voters.

THOROLD Y. W. C. T. U.

EMBLEM: Marguerite. MOTTO: Our God shall fight for us.

The past year in the history of our Union has been one of growth and progress. Our membership numbers twenty-five active and nine honorary members; and financially we have reason to be thankful. In October two of our members distributed one thousand leaflets at the Township Fair. In November we co-operated with the W. C. T. U. of our town, and secured two comfortable rooms for headquarters for our Unions. In November also we began what seemed at the time a stupendous undertaking, viz.: the issuing of a cook book, and succeeded beyond our utmost expectations. The book being successfully printed, our bills discharged and ready sale met with. The income from this source enabled us to enter many more branches of the work. Our flower mission committee have brightened many sick rooms with their fragrant bouquets. The scrap book mission has penetrated many lumber camps with their welcome parcels of papers, reporting for the year 1208 papers, and five scrap books distributed. The railroad tract committee have kept two boxes supplied in railway stations, reporting 1,200 tracts for the year; and the canal tract missionaries distributed forty leaflets among the sailors, and were very courteously received. In March we joined the older union in a petition to the Town Council to have no increase in the number of licenses for the present year, which was granted. Looking back with satisfaction on the year which has just ended, we feel that we have a bright outlook for the future, trusting in Divine guidance to enable us to steer clear of the shoals of error and to assist us in doing all that lies within us for God and home and native land.

MINA DOUGAN,  
Cor. Sec.

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WATERLOO COUNTY.

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MRS. WM. GRAHAM.

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The year now closing has been an auspicious one for the County of Waterloo. It is now seven years since the first union was organized in this county in Galt, and from a small beginning it has grown and increased until over three hundred women have taken the pledge and joined the great white

ribbon army, who with God's help labor and pray for the complete overthrow of the liquor traffic. There are also more than two thousand children and youths in the county enrolled in Bands of Hope besides a great number of others who have taken the pledge by means of this society. This county has also gained the honorable distinction of being the first to carry off the Provincial prize banner! all honor well worthy of the name! Good women of Waterloo whose faithfulness and perseverance have been so notably rewarded. Another event looked forward to with pleasure is the annual meeting of the Provincial, which will be held in this county for the first time, and will no doubt prove a great stimulus to the work.

It is also gratifying to report that more has been done for the young in this county the past year than in any former period, through the efforts of the superintendent of this important branch of our work, and a great number have been added to the Band of Hope.

Our County Convention was held in Berlin on the 20th of June. All the unions were well represented by delegates and others, and the reports shewed work progressing and carried on with spirit. One new feature was that each union prepared a little bannerette with the name of union, number of members, number of new members, number in Band of Hope and the number of names in the Pledge book. These were tied up with white ribbons so that any one could see what progress each union had made during the year.

In the evening the meeting was well attended, several ministers of the town were present and took part. The Rev. Mr. Hinks of Preston gave an able and interesting address, which was well received by the audience and called forth a hearty vote of thanks. The absence of our faithful and much-loved Treasurer was regretted by all. Miss Weaver had met with a serious accident a few days before the meeting, which has confined her to her room ever since. It was also a great disappointment that the provincial prize banner from Toronto did not arrive in time for our meeting. It was decided to hold our next meeting in June. Oakwood Union and Pinegrove Union uniting will hold it in Galt. A beautiful banner has been prepared for the County. The Y. W. C. T. U. organized in Hespeler about two years ago fell through, so that I have but nine Unions to report. More will be added in the near future. The Temperance name is rising. I have visited some of the Unions, have corresponded with all, and went to several places to hold meetings. I have written forty-seven letters, besides post-cards and other writing.

In looking back over the past seven years there is much to encourage us to go forward. The Lord is on our side, and any work done for Him in a right spirit and with a pure motive cannot fall to the ground. The defeat of the Scott Act is only another proof that no law can regulate the liquor traffic, and that a respectable liquor law that could be truly carried out is an impossible thing. Prohibition is the only remedy, and prohibition is steadily advancing and is one year nearer than it was last year. Then "let us not be weary in well-doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

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Nine Unions:—Galt, Berlin, Oakwood, Bloomingdale, New Hamburg Zion, Preston, Pine Grove, Galt Y's,—251 members; twelve Bands of Hope having with other societies, 2074 pledged members. Seven schools using Temperance text book. Twelve churches use unfermented wine at communion.

RACHIE A. OBERHOLTZER.

## OAKWOOD UNION.

Oakwood Union has a membership of twenty-two ; meets monthly ; has an average attendance of fourteen members. Meetings are partly devotional and are interesting and instructive, and a lively interest is kept up in the cause of Temperance. Our Union being a country one, our field of labor is not so varied as in towns or cities. We have a Band of Hope in district school, which is in a flourishing condition, although comparatively speaking in its infancy ; has forty-five members ; meets once a month for scientific instruction ; is supplied with Temperance papers monthly, provided by Union. We have also a committee for sending Religious and Temperance literature to different parts. Several large packages as well as scrap book have been sent to Indian school and other places in the North-West.

All members of Union are expected to visit sick, or any place or family where good may be done. We have forty-five names in our pledge book.

L. GIBSON,  
Cor. Sec. Galt.

## PINE GROVE W. C. T. U.

We have on our membership roll twenty-three names ; an increase of four since last year. Have held twenty-two meetings with an average attendance of seven. In connection with our Band of Hope children (numbering eighty), we had an ice cream and strawberry festival which was much enjoyed by the children and very beneficial to our funds ; proceeds amounting this year to over twenty dollars clear of expense. We awarded six prizes to pupils taking highest marks on examination of Temperance text book. Quite a number of packages of literature were sent to different parts which were very satisfactorily acknowledged. A box for Temperance literature was put in our nearest station house, and has been well patronized. Gave \$5.00 to evangelistic work ; \$2.00 to help a sister union to obtain a building to hold their meetings in. Have started a weekly prayer meeting with favorable success.

C. A. MCARTHUR,  
Cor. Sec.

## PRESTON.

The Preston W. C. T. U. has been in existence for four years, and although we cannot say we have done a great deal of good, still we have done what we could. We have 39 members, and meet from house to house fortnightly, as we have not yet raised funds enough for a Hall. We have a column in our local paper, *The Preston Progress*, which we keep filled with Temperance and household items. We also have a box at the Railway Station which has been of great service, from 40 to 50 Temperance papers being taken out weekly.

MRS. ROSENBERGER.

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 COUNTY OF YORK.
 

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Your Secretary begs to submit the following:—

## TORONTO CENTRAL

Reports 161 paid members, average attendance of 25. 32 prayer meetings, 40 mothers' meetings, 32 business meetings.

Receipts from Members' fees \$55.17½. Provincial fees \$15.00. County fees \$4.08. One sewing school distributed 5,400 pages of literature besides that used in Jail Railway, and Lumbermen's Work. Paid to the Literature Department for supplies \$5.00. Have held weekly meetings for female prisoners. Supplied 6 papers with items besides our own "Journal." Have taken part in the District Fair Work on Exhibition grounds. Scientific Temperance taught in the schools, and as part of the District, contributed to the purchase of prizes for the best examination on the Text-book from which it is taught, Gospel Meetings, by a Bible-Woman kept for the purpose, in which successful meetings were held, at which 124 signed the pledge.

## TORONTO NORTH

Reports 24 members, with an average of six. Ten business meetings. Members' fees, \$2.40. Provincial fees paid, \$3.00; County fees, 60c. Distributed 300 pages of literature. Three papers supplied with items. Four Churches using unfermented wine, two Churches using fermented. Five Sunday Schools have a Temperance pledge, and one yet to be pledged. Have taken part in the District Fair work.

## TORONTO EAST, NO. 2

Reports 20 members, with an average attendance of 10. Members' fees, \$17.00. Paid Provincial fees, \$3.25; County fees, 60c. Held meetings in Jail. Supplied three papers with items. Nine Churches using unfermented wine, and five using fermented. Fair work at Industrial Fair. Temperance instruction given in Schools, and have given Prizes for proficiency in Temperance Text Book.

## TORONTO WEST

Reports 30 members, with an average attendance of 10. Thirty-five Mothers meetings, 20 business meetings. Receipts from Members' fees, \$18.00. Amount spent in Charities, \$25.00. Provincial fees, \$3.75; County fees, \$1.50: Two Bands of Hope with 300 children. 2,000 pages of Literature distributed. Obtained 300 signatures to petitions. One paper supplied with items. Six Churches using unfermented wine. Took part in Fair work at Industrial. Temperance taught in the Schools. Held Gospel Temperance Meetings, at which 44 signed the pledge.

## TORONTO "WILLARD"

Reports 30 members, with an average attendance of 10. Ten Prayer Meetings. Twenty-five Mothers' meetings and 22 Business meetings. Receipts from Members' fees, \$18.60. Paid Provincial fees, \$3.25; County fees, 65c. Band of Hope with 50 children. Held meetings in Jail. Supplied five newspapers with items. Seven Churches using unfermented wine. Six Sunday Schools pledged. Distributed 350 pages of literature at Industrial Fair.

## AURORA

Reports 18 members, with an average attendance of six. Twenty-eight Prayer Meetings, 28 Business Meetings. Receipts from members' fees, \$9.00 Amount spent in Charities, \$4.50. Paid Provincial fees, \$4.50; County fees, 90c. Band of Hope with 200 children. Signatures to petitions, 260. Three papers

supplied occasionally with items. Two Churches using unfermented wine, three using fermented. Three Sunday Schools pledged, and two not pledged. Have used efforts to have Temperance instruction in the Schools, and will give prizes when this is done. Held Gospel Temperance meetings last winter, and hope to do so this coming season.

## NEWMARKET

Reports thirty members, with an average attendance of eight. Prayer meeting held monthly. Sixteen business meetings. Receipts from members fees, \$18.00. Paid Provincial fees, \$7.50. County fees, \$1.50. Band of Hope with 100 children. Paid \$1.00 to literature department. Supplied two papers with items. Four churches using unfermented wine. Distributed literature at Fair. Held Gospel Temperance meetings every Sabbath; over 100 signed the pledge.

## MALVERN

Reports nineteen members, with an average attendance of six. Held four business meetings. Receipts from members fees, \$5.70. Paid Provincial fees, \$2.25. County fees 95 cents. Band of Hope with forty children. Distributed 600 pages of literature. Six churches using unfermented wine, and two using fermented. One Sunday school has a temperance pledge. Scientific Temperance taught in the schools.

## WOODBIDGE

Reports twelve members, with an average of eight. Held ten business meetings. Have a Band of Hope with thirty children. Distributed fifty pages of literature. Three churches using unfermented wine. One Sunday school has a Temperance pledge, three have not. Have held Gospel Temperance meetings.

## TORONTO CENTRAL "Y'S"

Reports seventy-seven members, with an average of fifteen. Have held seven prayer meetings and fourteen business meetings. Receipts from members fees, \$43.75. Amount spent in charities, \$12.38. Paid Provincial fees, \$5.75. County fees, \$2.30. Band of Hope with 240 children; also do work in mission school. Distributed 24,099 pages of literature. Three papers are supplied with items. Gospel Temperance work; 191 signed the pledge.

## TORONTO EAST, NO. 1.

Reports 28 members, with an average of 13. Held 14 business meetings. Supplied one newspaper with items. Reports 15 churches as using unfermented wine, and one Sunday School with Temperance pledge. Fair work has been done. Scientific Temperance taught in the schools.

## RICHMOND HILL

Reports 24 members, with an average of 10. Held 24 meetings—prayer and business combined—and two mothers' meetings. Receipts from members' fees, \$12. Amount spent in charities, \$3. Provincial fees paid, \$6. County fees, \$1.30. Has a Band of Hope with 120 children. Literature has been distributed, but no account of number of pages. Flower mission distributed "fern-messages" and bouquets, and in connection with this and Relief Committee, probably seventy-five visits have been made. Two newspapers supplied occasionally with items. Supplied five churches in village and country with unfermented wine.

## WEST TORONTO JUNCTION

Reports 31 members, with an average of 10. Held 20 business meetings. Receipts from members' fees, \$15. Provincial fees paid, \$5. County fees, 90c. Band of Hope with 90 children. Distributed 10,000 pages of literature. Paid Literature Department \$2.30. Supply two newspapers with items; four churches using unfermented wine, and four Sunday Schools pledged. Temperance taught in the schools. Prizes offered for Temperance essays. Have held Gospel Temperance meetings, at which fifty signed the pledge. We are pleased to report from 13 Unions, but would have been still more pleased had the remaining four returned the form sent them. From those reported we find 534 members; 384 meetings held. Receipts from members' fees, \$214.62½. Amount sent to Provincial Union, \$59.25. County fees, \$15.28. 42,449 pages of literature distributed. \$8.30 paid to Literature Department. Thirty-one newspapers supplied with items. Eight Bands of Hope, and 870 children. Two churches using unfermented wine. The majority of our Unions have done "Fair Work," which will be reported in that department. Gospel meetings have been very successful, but this and other evangelical work will come in the proper place. All of which is respectfully submitted.

HELENA H. WILEY.

RICHMOND HILL, October 3rd, 1889.

NOTE.—This Report is taken from the last half-year's forms. Those sent in March were, with one exception not returned. H. H. W.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS  
—OF THE—  
**Woman's Christian Temperance Union**  
—OF THE—  
**PROVINCE OF ONTARIO.**

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 intemperance, 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 :—

OBJECTS OF THE PROVINCIAL UNION.

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 combatting 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.

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.

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## CONSTITUTION.

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### ARTICLE I.

*Name.*—This organization shall be known as the "Woman's Christian Temperance Union of the Province of Ontario."

### ARTICLE II.

*Officers.*—The officers shall be a President; a First Vice President; a Corresponding Secretary; a Recording Secretary, and a Treasurer. These officers, together with the Presidents of County Unions, (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, and to fill vacancies which may occur during the year.

### ARTICLE III.

*Sub-Committee.*—The President, the First Vice President, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries and Treasurer shall form a Sub-Committee of the Executive Board, for the transaction of business, three of whom shall form a quorum. This Committee shall meet annually, or if necessary oftener, at such time and place as the President may direct.

### ARTICLE IV.

*Membership.*—The Annual Meeting shall be composed of the Executive Board, two delegates from each Affiliated Union, and one additional delegate for every twenty paying members of such Union. This meeting, at which the officers shall be elected, shall be held the second 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 contributing to the funds of the Provincial Union at the rate of  $12\frac{1}{2}$  cts. per member, half-yearly, shall be auxiliary to the Provincial Union, and shall be entitled to the privilege of sending delegates to the annual meeting.



## BY-LAWS.

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### SECTION 1.

The President may, in addition to the other duties of her office, call special meetings through the Recording Secretary, when she may deem it necessary.

### SECTION 2.

The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Union, and, in organized Counties, shall send to the County Corresponding Secretary half-yearly blank forms for reports of Local Unions, and from information thus received, shall summarize her annual report. Where no County Union exists she shall send blank forms to the County President. At the close of the Provincial Annual Meeting she shall provide a directory of Unions for Provincial Report.

### SECTION 3.

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 a notice of each meeting, and notify Superintendents and Committees of their appointment and the business referred to them. 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 also perform all other duties usual to the office.

### SECTION 4.

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 order signed by the President and Recording Secretary.

### SECTION 5.

Each County President in unorganized Counties shall visit the Unions of the County in which she presides, and shall secure the organization of new Local Unions, and, if possible, a County Union. Where practicable she shall hold two County Conventions, the annual to be held not later than the 20th of September, at which time the Local Unions shall report new officers, and give a detailed account of their year's work, from which she shall make up her report to the Provincial Corresponding Secretary, not later than October 1st. She shall also provide a directory of Local Unions for the Provincial Corresponding Secretary.

### SECTION 6.

Duties of 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 County Superintendents of Departments, through whom they shall receive reports of Local Superintendents.

They shall submit all circulars and plans of work to the Sub-Committee of the Provincial Executive.

They shall, annually, or when the interests of their departments require it, send circulars, blank forms, petitions, etc., to County Unions, Superintendents or to County Superintendents where no County Unions exist, from which they shall make reports to Provincial Union.

They shall have power to name a committee from the Local Unions or Provincial Executive resident in their own or adjacent districts, to call upon influential bodies when the interests of their department demand it.

All necessary expenses for stationery, postage and printing shall be borne by the Provincial Union.

#### SECTION 7.

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

This Constitution and By Laws may be altered and amended by a two-thirds vote of the members present at any annual meeting.

## County Constitution.

#### ARTICLE I.

*Name.*—This Organization shall be known as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of ——— Co., Auxiliary to the Ontario Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

*Motto.*—"Thou art my rock and my fortress, therefore, for Thy name's sake, lead me and guide me." Psalm 31: 3.

#### ARTICLE II.

*Object and Pledge.*—Its object shall be to promote the cause of total abstinence from all intoxicating liquor, and to secure the complete extinction of the liquor traffic by such means as shall from time to time be deemed wise and expedient.

*Pledge.*—I hereby promise, God helping me, to abstain from all distilled, fermented and malt liquor, including wine, beer and cider, as a beverage, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of the traffic in the same.

#### ARTICLE III.

*Officers.*—Its officers shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary and a Treasurer. All to be elected annually, and to hold office until their successors are appointed.

These officers, together with the Presidents of Local Unions, who shall be also *ex-officio* Vice-Presidents, and Superintendents of Departments in County Union, shall constitute an Executive Committee, with full power to provide for the interests of the work, and fill vacancies which may occur during the year, three of whom, including the President and one of the Secretaries, shall form a quorum.

## ARTICLE IV.

*Meetings.*—This Union may hold two meetings at such time and place as may have been designated at a preceding or by Executive Committee, to be called annual and semi-annual meetings, the annual to be held on or near the 20th of September, at which time the officers shall be elected by ballot, an informal ballot having first been taken for nomination. The meeting shall be composed of the Executive Board and one delegate for every five paying members of each Local Union.

## ARTICLE V.

*Committee of Arrangements.*—The President and Corresponding Secretary of a County 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.

*Auxiliaries.*—Any Local Woman's Christian Temperance Union may become auxiliary to the County Union by endorsing its constitution, reporting the names of officers and number of members to the County Corresponding Secretary, and by paying annually to the Treasurer the sum of (5c.) five cents per member.

## ARTICLE VII.

*Amendments.*—Suggestions for the amendment of this Constitution may be made at any annual meeting, subject to the approval of the Provincial Executive, by a two-third vote of the members present, notice having been given in writing by Recording Secretary at any regular meeting.

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**BY-LAWS.**


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## ARTICLE I.

*Section 1.*—The President shall preside at annual meeting and meetings of Executive Committee, and may through Recording Secretary call special meetings of that committee when such are required; visit the Unions in County and organize new Local Unions. She shall also perform all other duties usual to such office.

*Section 2.*—The 1st Vice-President shall preside at meetings in absence of the President, or secure some other Vice-President to do so. She shall also when required assist the President in organization and general management of the work.

*Section 3.*—The Corresponding Secretary shall attend to the correspondence of the Union. One month before the annual and semi-annual meetings she shall send blank forms to the Local Corresponding Secretary of each Union for their statistical report, from which she shall prepare her report for County Unions and Provincial Corresponding Secretary.

At the close of annual meeting she shall provide a written or printed directory of each County and Local Union officer and superintendent.

A copy of this directory shall be sent to each Provincial, County and Local officer and Superintendent.

*Section 4.*—The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of proceedings of County Unions, notify the public of its meetings, and also report them if requested to do so. She shall also be Secretary of the Executive Committee, and shall send to each member of that Committee notice of its meetings, and notify Superintendents and Committees of their appointments.

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 file and sign all orders at the request of the President and perform any other duties usual to the office.

#### ARTICLE V.

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 affiliation fees* before Annual Meeting, and endeavor to secure contributions for County Union work. She shall also forward to the Provincial Treasurer the half yearly Provincial affiliation fees received from Local Unions.

*Section 6.*—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 Union Reports. These in turn shall be given to Provincial Superintendents from which they may make up complete reports for Provincial Union. The County and Local Superintendents of any Department shall form a Committee to carry on its work when united action is essential.

*Section 7.*—The Executive Committee shall appoint Superintendents of Departments and Special Committees.

*Section 8.*—The expenses of the five General Officers in travelling to and from meetings of the Union—also for postage and stationery, shall be paid from funds of County Union.

Suggestions for amendments to these By-Laws see Constitution.

CONSTITUTION, BY-LAWS,

—AND—

ORDER OF BUSINESS

—OF A—

Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

(LOCAL.)

ARTICLE I.

*Name.*—This organization shall be known as the Woman's Christian Temperance Union, of \_\_\_\_\_, auxiliary to the Ontario Provincial Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

ARTICLE II.

*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 liquor, including beer, wine and cider as a beverage, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of the traffic in the same.

ARTICLE III.

*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, which shall be used for local work. They shall be entitled to all the privileges of members, except the vote and holding office.

## ARTICLE IV.

*Officers.*—The officers of this organization 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 the different Departments, shall constitute the Executive Committee.

## ARTICLE V.

*Auxiliaryship.*—Each Union shall pay to the funds of Provincial Union, through the County Treasurer (in organized counties) a sum equal to 12½ cents per member, half yearly, and to the County Union five cents per member yearly. This amount to be taken from the membership fee. In unorganized counties this fee shall be sent direct to Provincial Treasurer.

## ARTICLE VI.

*Annual Meeting.*—The Annual Business Meeting of Local Union shall be held early in September for the election of officers and Superintendents; also, for election of delegates to County Union and Provincial Annual meetings. At these Local Annual Meetings, reports of Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer, and Superintendents of Departments shall be read and confirmed before being sent to the County Union Secretary and Superintendents.

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## BY-LAWS.

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## ARTICLE I.

## DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

*President.*

Section 1.—It shall be the duty of the President to preside at meetings of the organization, and supervise its general interests, and she may, with any three members of the Union, call special meetings, due notice being given to the members.

*Vice-Presidents.*

Section 2.—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 their own church in the work.

*Corresponding Secretary.*

Section 3.—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 Union half-yearly on receipt of blank forms (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 it with the delegate or forwarding to the Provincial Corresponding Secretary two weeks before the date of meeting. In small Unions the work of the Secretaries may be done by the Recording Secretary if desirable.

*Recording Secretary.*

Section 4.—It shall be the duty of the Recording Secretary to keep a record of the proceedings of the Union, and notify members and the public of its meetings.

*Treasurer.*

Section 5.—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 moneys 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 Recording Secretary. She shall forward regularly in organized Counties to the Treasurer the half-yearly fees for the Provincial and County Unions.

ARTICLE II.

*Election of Officers.*—The Officers shall be elected by nomination and ballot. Nomination may be made either by a committee appointed for that purpose, or on motion of any member.

[If there be more than two persons balloted for, and the one having the highest number of votes has not a majority of all the votes given, the one having the lowest number of votes shall be struck off before proceeding to the next ballot. More than one name may be struck off, provided that the sum of all the votes so struck off is not equal to, or greater than, the number of votes given to the lowest remaining one.]

ARTICLE III.

*Departments of Work.*—If the demands of the work justify it there shall be the following departments of work:—Juvenile Work, Temperance Literature, Influencing the Press, Evangelistic Work, Parlor Meetings, Heredity and Hygiene, Scientific Temperance Instruction, Kitchen Garden, Flower Mission, Unfermented Wine, Prison and Jail Work, Young Woman's Work, Work among Railroad Employees, Work among Soldiers and Sailors, Legislation and Petitions, and such other as the needs of the locality seem to call for and recommended by the Provincial Union.

ARTICLE IV.

*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\* Union on or before the 17th day of September. Where no County organization exists, the report should be sent to Provincial Superintendent of that Department.

ARTICLE V.

*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.

## ARTICLE VI.

*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.

## ARTICLE VII.

*Delegates to Provincial Convention.*—Delegates to the Provincial Union, are received on the following basis :—Two for each Union and one additional delegate for every twenty paying members of each Union. The expenses of general officers for postage, stationery, &c., shall be borne by the Union. Travelling expenses of delegates to Annual Convention shall, where at all practicable, be borne by the Unions sending the delegates.

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## Order of Business.

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Devotional Exercises.  
 Reading Minutes of Last Meeting.  
 Treasurer's Report.  
 Unfinished Business.  
 Reception of Communications.  
 Reports of Committees.  
 Reading of Paper on Temperance Question.  
 Discussion.  
 Regular Course of Reading.  
 Discussion.  
 Miscellaneous Business.  
 Adjournment.

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# CONSTITUTION

—OF THE—

## DISTRICT UNION OF TORONTO.

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### ARTICLE I.

The objects of this Union are:—

1. The centralization of the work of the various Toronto Local Unions for more effectively carrying out the objects for which they were formed.
2. Joint consultation and advice on plans for more effective work.
3. Formation of new Unions in the city where it may be deemed advisable.

### ARTICLE II.

The officers of this Union shall be:—President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer. These officers shall be elected by ballot after open nomination at annual meeting. Presidents of Local Unions shall be Vice-Presidents *ex-officio* of the District Union.

### ARTICLE III.

The Executive Committee shall consist of the President, Vice-Presidents, Secretaries, Treasurer, Secretaries of Local Unions and Superintendents of Departments appointed by the District Union, five of whom, including the President and Corresponding Secretary, shall form a quorum. This Committee shall have general management of affairs in the Union, shall transact business in the interval of the quarterly meetings, nominate Superintendents of Departments of work required in the city, and draw on the Treasurer for the necessary expenses.

### ARTICLE IV.

#### *Duties of Officers.*

1. The duty of the President shall be to preside at all meetings, have supervision of work in the city, organize new Unions and issue calls for meetings.
2. Vice-Presidents shall assist the President in managing the work of the Union, and shall aim to create and stimulate interest in their own localities and assist in organization.
3. The Recording Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Union, publish the minutes of meetings, notify the public of its meetings, and file and sign all orders at the request of the President.
4. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Union, notify Local Unions of new branches of work, send the name and address of each Officer and Superintendent in Local Unions to Corresponding

Officers in the County Union, secure reports from the Corresponding Secretaries of Local Unions from which she shall formulate a report to the County Union, notify Superintendents of their appointment and duties, and assist the President in preparing for quarterly meeting.

5. The Treasurer shall pay bills on order of the President and Secretary, keep an exact book account and present a quarterly report of the same.

6. Superintendents of Departments shall advise and encourage the Local Superintendents in the prosecution of their branch of work, secure reports of the same, and embody each separately in their respective reports to the County Convention, giving each Union credit by name.

#### ARTICLE V.

1. The quarterly meeting shall be held in \_\_\_\_\_, time and place to be settled at previous meeting. Executive shall meet monthly.

2. Funds for carrying on the District work may be raised by any means determined on by the Executive.

#### ARTICLE VI.

This Constitution may be amended at any annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

