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## The Kingdom of Home.

Dark is the night and fitfully, drearily  
Rushes the wind like the waves of the sea.  
Little care I as here I sing cheerily—  
Wife at my side and baby on knee.

King, king, crown me the king.  
Home is the kingdom and love is the king

Flashes the firelight upon the dear faces.  
Dearer and dearer as onward we go;  
Forces the shadow behind us and places  
Brightness around us with warmth in the glow.

King, king, crown me the king.  
Home is the kingdom and love is the king

Richer than miser with perishing treasure,  
Served with a service no conquest could  
bring;

Happy with fortune that words cannot measure.  
Lighthearted I on the hearthstone can sing

King, king, crown me the king.  
Home is the kingdom and love is the king

## Field Notes.

A very pleasant reception was given Mrs. W. C. Green, of Ham-ilton. Some of the members of the W. C. T. U. dropped in upon her for the afternoon and brought two or three expensive presents in the way of cut glass and silver. A very nice address was made upon the presentation of the presents. It was the occasion of Mrs. Green's 50th birthday. A bountiful repast ended the evening and all enjoyed it very much.

On Sat., Feb. 19, a memorial meeting was held by the Fairview (Englevale) union in honor of beloved and departed ones—Frances E. Willard, who left us a year ago, and one of our own union, Mrs. Edith Loomer, who has been called up higher. A short talk in memory of both was given by the president. Reading of extracts from the beautiful Life of Frances Willard and Glimpses of Fifty Years were given. The following resolutions were made in behalf of the departed Mrs. Loomer: Whereas God has seen fit to call from our midst our sister, Mrs. Edith Loomer, resolved that we as a union extend our heartfelt sympathy to the husband and parents in their bereavement; that we mourn not as one without hope, but trusting and pointing our brother to the great Burden Bearer. Mesdames Nina Porter, Ina Smith, Mary Fletcher, committee.

Wimbledon has a new L. T. L. of 30 members, lead by the wide-awake president of the union, Mrs. Minnie Minnie Cox. This union recently sent \$11 to F. C. home.

Grand Forks Scandinavian union had a very successful meeting on the anniversary of their organization. Nearly 300 people were present and they took in \$35. At their memorial for Miss Willard Rev. Hultengs gave a beautiful address on the life of our promoted leader.

Moselle union held a memorial service Feb. 19. The program consisted of readings from Great Mother and childhood and womanhood of Frances Willard, the pastors of the churches assisting. Mrs. Ida S. Clarke gave an address in the evening on Temperance Reform in the homes. Twenty signed the pledge.

Riverside union held an open meeting and New England supper at the Riverside school house on Sat. evening, Feb. 18. Nearly a hundred people were present and a very enjoyable evening spent. The music furnished by the Wesley family, accompanied by guitar and mandolin, was well appreciated and the recitations and readings which followed were well rendered. The receipts of the evening were \$10 and the pledge received ten signers. Mrs. Fannie Palfrey, Cor. Sec.

A COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE BY LARIMORE UNION—On Sunday evening, Feb. 26, there was held, at the Methodist church, a union service by the U's and Y's to commemorate the promotion of our beloved leader. The meeting was presided over by the Co. Pres., Mrs. Naylor, who spoke lovingly, reverently, yet proudly, of the dear one who has preceded us. Mrs. Gheering, the local president, told of her early home and of her childhood. Mrs. Campbell spoke of her influence as an educator, while Miss Ballard gave her last address to young people. About 26 young children took part, speaking, singing and marching. The music was most excellent. Mr. McAllister rendered two beautiful solos; Mr.

Maxwell sang Some Glad Day. The church was draped with flags and a lovely portrait of Miss Willard. Helpful quotations were given by White Ribboners from Miss Willard. Mrs. Fannie Campbell, Sec.

Park River union have a program arranged for ten meetings to be held in the M. E. church. March 2 Rev. T. Davis Acheson gave an address, March 16 two papers (one by Mrs. McCullough of Milton and one by Mrs. Kreitzberg), March 30 the Y's furnish the program; April 13 a paper on Woman's Sphere from a Mother's Standpoint, by Mrs. Merriam; question box by Mmes. Schell, Strachan; April 27 a debate will be furnished; May 11 Flower Mission Day; May 25 purity meeting; June 8 lawn social; June 22 an address by Rev. J. A. Strachan and an address by Dr. Waugh on The Effects of Narcotics on the System; July 20 an address will be given by Rev. M. N. Knutson. An excellent musical program has been arranged for each meeting.

## Sabbath Observance.

DEAR SISTERS: Having been out of the state for four months, our work has been at a standstill as far as my efforts are concerned, but we hope that many of our faithful sisters have done what they could. We rejoice that friends of the Sabbath, both within and outside of our organization, have been busy, and owing to their efforts our legislature has granted an amendment to the penalty clause of our Sabbath laws. This is certainly cause for thanksgiving, and it encourages us to go on with renewed energy to labor for the cause of right. Our national supt. asks us to observe the week from April 9 to 16, inc., as a week of prayer. The leaflet will explain this to you. Will not all unions who can co operate with this plan? If for any reason you cannot, then try to observe the last week of April for this purpose. I shall issue a circular very soon, and I trust after the long rest we have had that all our unions will respond gladly. Yours for the Sabbath, LOUISE C. MCKINNEY.

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APRIL, 1899.

Larimore, Casselton, Devils Lake and Leeds have each sent in nice lists of subscribers, beside a number of single subscriptions, with words of encouragement for the little BULLETIN.

We again wish to remind our subscribers to avoid postage stamps for your remittances where possible. If you find it necessary to send stamps, please send nothing larger than 2-cent stamps; 1-cent stamps are better. The 5, 8 and 10-cent stamps are almost useless.

Mrs. Mary Upham, pres. of Wis., in speaking of the anti-canteen bill that has recently become a law, said that while in Washington some army officers who believed in drinking were busy denouncing the W. C. T. U., saying they were at the bottom of it, and things had come to a pretty pass when an organization of women could carry the U. S. congress. The great petition was started by the W. C. T. U., but perhaps no petition ever went to congress with so solid an endorsement of the best moral forces in the country. All honor to congress for passing this bill.

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## PRESIDENT'S CORNER.

The friends of the temperance cause everywhere are rejoicing over the anti-canteen victory. From all quarters come congratulations to the brave young prohibition state of North Dakota, for it is well understood that to this state through its representatives, belongs the honor of striking the death blow to the army canteen.

It was our Congressman M. N. Johnson who introduced the anti-canteen amendment to the army bill in the house, and made a speech on the measure which won for it many votes. It was our Senator Henry C. Hansbrough who skillfully championed the amendment through the senate. It is very appropriate and exceedingly gratifying to our citizens that these representatives from our prohibition state should be the acknowledged champions of temperance measures in the Fifty-fifth Congress. Senator Roach also voted for the anti-canteen amendment, and all of our representatives voted against the repeal of prohibition in Alaska, which unfortunately carried. It would be a graceful act, and one which I trust our white ribboners will not neglect, to express the gratitude we feel in a note of thanks and appreciation to the men who have so nobly represented this state.

The growth of temperance sentiment is indicated by the fact that the last legislature was the first in the history of the state in which there has not been a strong fight made for re-submission. A re-submission resolution was introduced, but was never heard from afterward.

The failure of the temperance commissioner bill to pass, was due in part at least to the apparent division among temperance people in regard to the merits of the measure.

The anti-cigarette bill passed the senate with only two dissenting votes, and would have undoubtedly passed the house on the last day of the session, but for the fact that the records failed to show that it had had its first and second reading, although one of the clerks remembered reading it and there were members who remembered hearing it read.

The bill making the penalty for Sabbath breaking one to ten dollars at the discretion of the court, passed both houses, although strongly opposed in the senate.

The bill providing for physical education in the public schools, also passed both houses.

Within the last ten days I have visited the unions at Pembina, Drayton, Bowesmont, Cavalier, Tyner, Hamilton and Bathgate. I organized a union at Glasston with Mrs. Nettie Chidlaw, president, and Mrs. Cassie Joy, corresponding secretary. I hope to be able to re-organize at Neche to-night. **ELIZABETH PRESTON.**  
Neche, N. D., March 27, 1899.

Towanda, March 15.—Dear Comrades: After an absence of seven weeks from my desk, I am very glad to be in communication with the beloved unions again. I wish I could write each dear sister and tell her how more than ever I feel the beauty and grandeur of our work, and help her to be loyal and true to all our principles. I hope to hear from all the unions much that will make a report to the Union Signal inspiring and helpful to all who read. Sincerely yours,

EMMA F. VAIL.

The Valley City union took in \$5 at a recent 10-cent afternoon tea, this being the first of a series of teas to be held at the homes of the members.

Park River, with an active membership of 93 and average attendance of 25 and growing interest along all lines, owe something of such growth to a printed program covering the dates of meeting from March 2 to July 20, and which are sent to every house. Very attractive are the subjects of addresses, papers and music that is promised.

"The Mercy and Help Dept." of Milton union is blessed with an ingenious supt. in Mrs. Waterman. She invited the public to a "coasting party" on the bank of a ravine. There was a good turnout and sleighs and sleds of all descriptions might be seen sliding swiftly down the hill, each heavily laden with fun lovers. After a couple of hours of rare enjoyment the party adjourned to the home of Mr. and Mrs. McCullough, where refreshments were served. A \$13 collection was taken for the department.

## Y Department.

The edition of our beautiful Y Almanac for 1899 was exhausted long before the holidays. We were very sorry to disappoint so many who sent in their orders late in the season.

We trust that the same interest will be shown in the new almanac for 1900, when we will ask you to help in the sale of an edition of 5,000.

From some of the Y secretaries no orders were received, although each one was requested to take them at their respective state conventions. Thus the sale of the booklets, outside the efforts of the editor and custodian, has fallen upon the faithful few who are always ready to help in furthering the cause of the missionary and world's Y fund. This year Pennsylvania took the lead, having sold more than 300 almanacs. Next year we propose to offer our booklet to those guaranteeing the sale of 300, if ordered in that quantity at one time, at the rate of 22 cents each. Please send in your orders early, so that none may fail of having the daily help therein afforded, as well as well as one of these helpful souvenirs. A prospectus of the almanac for 1900 will soon be published.

We still have on hand a few of those of '99 which, considering the pictures, are worth the nominal price, but we will offer them for 10 cents each. You will find these very helpful in your philanthropic work. Numbers have been used for distribution among the soldiers and sailors. The proceeds of the sale will go towards the world's Y fund. (Address Mrs. Frances B. Yarnell, 1011 Park Ave., New York City.) Yours in white ribbon service,  
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FROM MRS. PIERSON.

Dear Co-Laborers:

I greet you through these columns, that in the future shall be our own. We feel that the women of N. Dak. have met with a great loss in the removal of such an indefatigable worker as Miss Weldon, one whose almost every thought was for the promotion of woman's cause along its many lines. We shall miss the bright little paper that came to our homes so regularly, of which she was so much a part, and I am sure the prayers and best wishes of every Y in N. Dak. are with her today. I am so glad that we may keep our work before the public even though Western Womanhood belongs to us no more, and feel that we shall learn to love our White Ribbon Bulletin because it is peculiarly our own. The corner that will hereafter belong to the Ys. must be made one of the brightest spots in it. We should seek to obtain a greater degree of fellowship among workers, giving each other all the encouragement possible, and to this end I would urge every union to send me items of interest that may, through our Bulletin, be passed on to others, giving them ideas to be applied to their needs. I would be glad to know how many unions are trying to follow the plan of work, especially the calendar that I mailed each of you in January. Only three unions have responded to the pledge cards.

Miss Larimore wrote in her last letter that she had received nothing for the Parrish fund, but I trust she has a goodly sum ere this. All of the 100 almanacs were sold and I have orders for a few that I cannot supply. Let us order in time for next year. I have just received a beautiful letter from Miss Parrish full of love for N. Dak. girls. I may give you the letter in another issue, for I am sure you will all be glad to hear from her.

This is the month in which a special effort should be made for new members. Let us not be satisfied short of a doubled membership. Yours in loving comradeship, HATTIE K. PIERSON.

6. 17. 6. Corner.

STATE MOTTO:—"For Truth and Right in the King's Name."

Dear Superintendents: I presume you have all ere this received copies of the plan of work for the year. Let us systematic-

ally carry out this plan of work laid down by our national secretary that we may accomplish the more during the year. I wish to call your attention thus early to the fact that L. T. Ls. may have a representation in state convention by the payment of \$5 to state treasurer. We hope many legions will follow the example of the wide-awake legion of Maza last year, it being the only one entitled to representation on this basis. It will mean much to our legion work if our leaders could attend and catch the inspiration from our state convention. Also remember the beautiful L. T. L. banner to be presented to the legion having the largest per cent of gain in membership—this year. Who will win it? Let us try and push the infant grade L. T. L. as outlined in plan of work. Its resources are very great for the spread of temperance knowledge among the motherhood of our state. We may reach many in this way that could not be otherwise reached with our helpful literature. Do you feel that you need something to awaken fresh interest in your legion? Have you tried the Seal course of study. I wish our superintendents might take up this work. It would be so helpful to our children. The full directions for carrying on this work will be found in the leaflet "Diplomas and Seals," price 3 cents—W. T. P. A., Temple, Chicago. Yours for our children, MRS. G. W. RYAN,  
State Sec. L. T. Ls.

The Pembina Ws., L. T. Ls. and Ys. joined in holding Frances E. Willard commemorative service on Fri., 17th. It was a large gathering and very successful in every way—4 new Y. members secured, 1 W. and 4 L. T. Ls. The L. T. L. rendered Miss Willard's "Song of the Flags," also marched onto the platform to her song, "Saloons Must Go." A letter from our nat'l L. T. L. sec. requesting the L. T. Ls. of our state to join in these services was received too late to have the plan carried out.

### Health and Heredity.

An American authority on sanitation says: "A very slight knowledge of hygiene would have saved many a soldier in our late war with Spain." Surely nothing is of greater importance than the science of health which is in truth the science of life. Its

relation to the whole cause of temperance is so close that if rightly applied intemperance and disease would be unknown problems. No more vital subjects can be pursued than those by which the most perfect conditions of life may be attained. No life can be mentally or spiritually perfect without a corresponding physical state.

The laws of Health and Heredity reveal the secret of well being and all that is included in the great facts of being "well-born, well-trained and well envired." Also the hygienic uses of food, water, fresh air, sunshine, exercise, dress, etc., and by no means least, mental and spiritual hygiene, especially self-control in all things. Mothers! did you but dimly realize all that you may do for your children through the equipment which this department holds for you, you would gratefully bend your faculties toward learning its life-giving laws. You are workers on that immortal fabric, character. In each of these young human organisms there hides the spark of divinity, ready to answer your touch and reflect throughout eternity the impress you make here in the present. No voice speaks to you more solemnly than the one which comes to you from the young lives whocallyou mother. Health, Heredity and Purity hold the keys of character and ability, that shall unlock the doors of success and well-being for this life and the life which is beyond. Where is the mother who would not endure anything to secure these for her best beloved?

In an article of such limited space it is impossible to more than suggest something of what this department means. Every union can have at least occasional meetings in these interests—though this department should belong in the regular work of every union. If you have a county superintendent apply to her for "helps," etc.: if you do not have one I will reply to any such requests made of me to the best of my ability. Dear Co. Supts., I shall be glad to confer with you about the needs and conditions of this great department. I have mentally styled it the "Omnibus" department, as it is certainly as full as the typical omnibus, and at the last annual convention it fulfilled its

time-honored reputation by taking "one more" department, that of "Mother's Meetings." I have been unable thus far to send out a contemplated letter to the unions concerning this department in its varied claims upon our consideration, but expect to soon. Faithfully yours,

LUCY M. BROWN,

State Supt. H. H. Purity and Mother's Meetings.

Cooperstown, N. D., March 15, 1899.

SUNDAY SCHOOL DEPT.

The aim of this department is for the advancement of temperance and prohibition principles among the S. S. scholars. A state, county and local supt. should endeavor to carry out the plans along the various lines. The lines of work are:

1. Quarterly Temperance Sabbath.—The securing of these Sabbaths given specially to temperance was not an end, but rather a means to an end. Have the singing of the S. S. and other exercises bear directly upon the subject of temperance, and if possible, upon that of the special temperance lesson. A black-board talk will help to emphasize the lesson.

2. Temperance Literature.—Distribute suitable temperance literature on these quarterly Sabbaths, and at other times among teachers and scholars. This literature should be furnished free of charge by the local W. C. T. U.

3. Pledge Signing.

4. Mass Meetings.—Once in three months hold a union temperance S. S. mass meeting.

5. Visitation.—The local supt. should visit each S. S. in town once at least during the year, make a public appeal for temperance and ask pastors to preach a temperance sermon quarterly.

6. The family temperance pledge should be given. Members of the S. S. may be influenced by teachers and others to pledge their respective families. When framed and hung on the wall it is not only an ornament, but a silent teacher.

7. Let all important facts regarding the work be given to the public through the press.

Our state superintendent, Mrs. Necia Buck, of Cando, expects to direct her efforts this year to the appointment of local superin-

tendents and pledging of children that these lines may be worked thoroughly. A good supt. in every union is necessary.

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