



"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH."

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Wrought Into Gold.

I saw a smile—to a poor man 'twas given,
And he was old.
The sun broke forth; I saw that smile in
heaven
Wrought into gold.
Gold of such lustre was never vouchsafed
to us,
It made the very light of day more lumin-
ous.

I saw a tolling woman sinking down,
Footsore and cold.
A soft hand covered her—the humble gown
Wrought into gold.
Grew straight imperishable, and will be
shown
To smiling angels gathered 'round the
Judgment throne.

Wrought into gold! We that pass down
Life's hours
So carelessly,
Might make the dusty way a path of
flowers
If we would try.
Then every gentle deed we've done, or kind
word given,
Wrought into gold, would make us won-
drous rich in heaven.

—The Silver Cross.

From Evangelistic Supt.

To White Ribbon Sisters, Greeting:
When appointed Supt. of Evangelistic
work at the last state convention, I said
to myself, "Can I undertake it?" I lis-
tened a moment for that inner voice and
the answer came, "Yes, child." And so
I am sure that my work among you this
year is of God's appointment. You
remember the words of our Saviour:
"All power is given unto me in heaven
and in earth." We are anxious to make
our W. C. T. U. a power for good in our
state and land. There is but one way to
do this. We must constantly resort to
the fountain head of all power. Weak-
ness in the past has been due to the fact
that we have looked at our weakness and
leanness—not at all power in Christ.

Dear sister, no matter what your
office may be, as you look upon your
work and feel small and weak, just re-
peat the words, "All power in Christ."
If from president to the most humble
wearer of the emblem white, we deter-
mine to flee as never before to this source
of all power, our beloved W. C. T. U.
will be a "Wonderful Conqueror, Tri-
umphant Uplifting." Without this
power no work that we can do will be
enduring. May the arms both powerful
and tender fold us all closely until tran-
sused with power. Lovingly yours,
DORA J. STANTON.

**Relation of W. C. T. U. Work to
the Incoming of the Kingdom.**

BY MAY WELLS LOVE.

Our Lord's prayer has been on the
lips of the world for nineteen hundred
years. From torrid plain and frigid
peak, from savannah, steppe and prairie,
from tepee, hut and mansion, wherever
Catholic or Protestant is found has risen
the petition to our Father in Heaven,
"Thy Kingdom come." More than this,
from every eager, fainting heart of every
tribe or clime, the same prayer ascends
in varied phrase; whether it be to Allah
or Vishnu or the Great Spirit, or even
Nishana of the African jungle, eyes are
uplifted in earnest pleading, "Thy King-
dom come!" The import of the prayer is
as varied as the individual surround-
ings and personality; to the Filipino it
would mean victory over his enemies, to
the mothers of these our soldiers, it
would mean peace, universal, everlasting
peace. The Liberian exile would be
praying for freedom, the woman of the
Zenana for hope, the half-alive families
of the tenement districts for light and
air. And all this yearning and aspira-
tion of the world's heart through the

years has brought the kingdom that
much nearer, and taught so much the
more the meaning of the laws of the
kingdom and our relation to the King.

Perhaps on the whole no better inter-
pretation of the spirit of Christ's king-
dom has ever been than exists to-day in
our own land. Some of the results are
seen in Jane Adam's work in Hull
House, Chicago, and in similar social
settlements in the large cities; in insti-
tutional churches, Florence Crittenton
Homes and all sorts of rescue work;
reformation, methods in prisons, Con-
necticut for example, improved tenement
houses, public playgrounds, scientific
temperance education for children; in
short an honest attempt to answer in a
practical manner the question, "What
would Jesus do?"

There are two elements that seem to
enter prominently into the Christian
ideal to-day; one is service, work for
others; the second is specialization, to
every man his work. An illustration of
the first may be had in Helen Gould.
Born of a race of greedy, unscrupulous
money getters, she is the rare blossom
from the black soil, and pours back into
the needy world like refreshing frag-
rance the wealth that had been gather-
ing in darkness. In opening Lyndhurst
as a bureau of supplies and a resting
place for wounded soldiers, and in donat-
ing her millions for justice's sake, she
has most grandly interpreted the words
of our Lord: "He that would be greatest
among you must be servant of all."

As an example of specialization of
work, Clara Barton stands pre-eminent.
The marvels of the Red Cross work in
food, fire, famine and war, are known to
everyone. Somebody asked her how she
could manage to superintend the
organization and its work to such per-
fection, and she replied: "Why, I
wouldn't sew a button on my shoe for
worlds." Her way of saying, "This one
thing I do." Hundreds of women need
the employment of sewing buttons on
Clara Barton's shoes, but thousands of
thousands of victims of disaster and war
have smiled and thanked God at sight of
the red cross on the arm of a nurse,
Miss Barton's sign of her way of light-
ening the world's cross of woe and sorrow.

If we unite in one personality these
two ideas of service for others and
special work, we shall get the motive of
the life of Frances Willard. She lived to
be servant of all, and her life found
its expression in her own labor as pres-
ident of the W. C. T. U. She had the
rarest faculty of inspiring work, and of
finding the particular work each person
could do best. And through her the
dominant note of our organization has
been unselfish work, and to each her
work. So while we would not bestow over
praise, yet we may believe that the W. C.
T. U. has led the way in some directions
and has always been in the trend of the
Christian ideal of our age.

Take the department of organization,
including the Young Woman's Branch
and the Loyal Legion. From the world's
union down to the local, there is some-
thing each one may do, and lines of work
so urgent and numerous that no woman
may say, I am excused because I am not
called. Eyes are opened to the personal
intent of the great commission, "Go ye
into all the world and preach the gospel
to every creature." Then the Preventive
work, such as Purity, Mothers' Meetings
and non-Alcoholic Medication. When
Christ said, "Except ye become as little
children, ye shall in no wise enter into
the kingdom," He forever laid the ban
upon the notion that men must become
drunkards and brutes, that children

have to develop all their incipient evil
appetites and passion. Of such as chil-
dren is the kingdom of heaven, and if
the Preventive department of the W. C.
T. U. can make it easier to keep our boys
and girls children in purity of heart and
action, they are walking in the steps of
our Lord.

The Educational department with its
temperance instruction, literature and
press work, helps us to know what is to
be done and how to do it; and the Evan-
gelistic department makes the connec-
tion with our source of power. It is the
wire that runs from the great dynamo of
God which makes all things possible to
him that believeth.

Next comes the Social department,
whose purpose is best shown by the
Flower Mission. If one thinks of Jennie
Casseday lying on a sick bed for a score
of years, and yet maturing and dictating
plans for flower messages of hope and
comfort to thousands of sick and weary
and wicked, there will be found the
spirit of Him who went about doing good.

The Legal department, including legis-
lation, Christian Citizenship and arbitra-
tion, crosses the threshold of home,
goes into courts of justice, halls of legis-
lation, the council chambers of kings,
traverses seas and continents, and clasps
the hands of every nation, hastening on
the day so long desired, yet is dreamily
distant, when there shall be no more
war, but peace on earth, good will among
men.

The kingdom will come, the kingdom
of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.
Let us go on, scatter palm branches in
the pathway of our King, not that to-
morrow we may crucify Him, but that
we may join with all nations to crown
Him Lord of Lords and King of Kings.

Snap Shots.

An uplook is the best outlook.
Growth makes the glad Christian.
God may deny you many toys, but He
will certainly give you the kingdom.

He who looks up may miss the glitter
of earth, but he will catch the glory of
heaven.

If our hands would touch humanity,
our hearts must touch heaven.
A man's power with men often depends
on his persistency with God.

An impure thought in the heart lacks
its odor on God.
Strife boils up so quickly, that he who
stirs it often gets scalded.

QUESTION BOX.

All White Ribboners are invited to send
questions to this Department.

Q. What is the object of the Woma-
n's Christian Temperance Union?

A. To educate public sentiment up to
the standard of total abstinence, train
the young, save the inebriate and secure
the legal prohibition and complete ban-
ishment of the liquor traffic.

Q. What are the universal conditions
of membership?

A. Signing the total abstinence pledge
and payment of dues.

Q. To whom should state dues be
paid?

A. To the state treasurer.

Q. Where can we get the state min-
utes, and what do they cost?

A. Of state treasurer—cost 10 cents.

Q. How can we learn how to transact
the business of our union properly?

A. By studying Robert's Rules of
Order.

Q. We are all such busy women how
can we always have some literary pro-
gram for our meetings?

A. By using the responsive readings

and Bible readings which are issued
monthly by the W. T. P. A.

Q. How can we find out what litera-
ture we want for different kinds of
meetings and what it will cost?

A. Send a postage stamp to the Woma-
n's Temperance Publishing Associa-
tion, The Temple, Chicago, Ill., and ask
them to send you one of their latest
catalogues of publications.

Medal Contests.

INKSTER, N. D., Dec. 18, 1899.

Dear White Ribboners: I hope all of
you read Mrs. Carman's letter about con-
test work in the Christmas number of the
Union Signal, and memorized a little
quotation she gives— "A union that holds
contests regularly seldom disbands." Now
will not each local pres. see that a supt.
of contests is appointed at once, if there
is none (be sure and appoint a worker),
and then, that there is no rest given her
till a contest is in progress? If your work-
ing force is small the supt. of scientific
temperance instruction could easily com-
bine that department with hers. In fact
the two departments fit together beauti-
fully. Try to hold at least two contests
during the year more if you can but let
two be the minimum. Arrange your
programs carefully, so as to give the best pos-
sible entertainment of the kind. In a very
successful matron's contest held in Ink-
ster recently we divided the program into
two parts, the first part consisting of six
numbers, given by the L. T. L.— three
songs, one composition, one original story
and one recitation all temperance. They
were bright, spicy numbers, and added
much to our program. The children en-
joyed it greatly, and, of course, advertised
the entertainment well for us. The sec-
ond part was the contest proper, with two
pieces of music, and also plenty of music
on hand for the period while the judges
were out. It was the first contest ever held
here, so we were very anxious to have it
a success, and we were well satisfied with
the result. This is only one way of hand-
ling the program, but may help some of
you. I might add that people came to
hear the contest who never attend tem-
perance lectures: that we netted a nice
sum for the work and that our union
was enthused as never before. On the
whole it is a most pleasing and effective
way of presenting temperance truths.

Now, sisters, LET'S GET TO WORK and
make this year THE BANNER YEAR for
contest work in North Dakota. Write me
for supplies, books, rules, blanks and
medals, and I will reply as promptly as
possible. Yours for contests,
MINNIE GOODES COOK.

Proposed Amendments.

Dear Editor: Will you kindly publish
the following proposed amendments to
the constitution of the National Ameri-
can Woman Suffrage Association?

Presented by Lillie Devereux Blake,
New York: To amend Article III, Sec-
tion 3, by adding at the close of the sec-
tion the words, "But no person shall
cast more than one ballot at the elec-
tion of any officer, nor vote more than
once on any question."
To amend Article VI by striking out
Section 4.

Presented by Rachel Foster Avery:
To amend Article V, Section 1, by
omitting the words, "And the Chair-
man of the Organization Committee."
To amend Article VI, Section 1, by
omitting the words, "And the Chairman
of the Organization Committee."

Very truly yours,
RACHEL FOSTER AVERY,
Cor. Sec. N. A. W. S. A.

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OBJECT. To promote the advancement of the W. C. T. U. work of North Dakota in all its departments, and to do all in our power to bring the triumph of Christ's Golden Rule in custom and in law.

STATE MOTTO: I am but one, but I am one; I can not do everything, but I can do something; what I can do, I ought to do, and what I ought to do, by the grace of God I will do.

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Secretary L. T. L. Franch—Mrs. G. W. Ryan, Acting Secretary.

JANUARY, 1900.

Our Club Offers.

White Ribbon Bulletin and New Crusade, 75c; Bulletin and Light, 70c; Bulletin and Union Signal, \$1.00. Bulletin and Backbone, 25 cents.

A happy New Year to all of our readers.

It is with sorrow that we announce the illness of Mrs. Flora Gates, press supt. of the E. S. A., and an earnest worker for progression along all its lines.

A request comes asking a correction in the name of the president of Larimore union as given in State Minutes. It should be Mrs. Flora Naylor instead of Mrs. Gheering.

It is with sadness that we chronicle the death of one of our earnest, faithful white ribboners, Mrs. Kneeland, president of Hillsboro union. We extend heartfelt sympathy to the bereaved family.

Over 300 of our subscribers are now in arrears. Look at the date on your paper and see if that means you, if it does, please respond promptly. The amount is small, but it means much to our work. I urge you not to wait for a personal invitation, but remit at once.

With this issue closes the first year's work of the White Ribbon Bulletin. What benefit has it been? is a pertinent question for us to now ask. Send in your responses to this question for publication in next issue. Perhaps that will help us to know how to make it still better for the coming year. We wish to remind you also, that every interesting feature of your union work is solicited for our columns.

Resolutions for better work, if not already begun, let them start with the beginning of the year 1900. When we look around and see the great work to be done we need not ask, why? Great things have been accomplished during the past century, but still the final blow to the greatest curse that ever blighted any nation, has not been dealt. God grant that not many years of the 20th century's history shall be made, until the death dealing blow by the ballots of the enlightened civilized people shall be given. You can help do this, and no better resolution could be made than to say, I will use my influence to help secure ballots to free our land from this greatest of all sins. Plant principle at the ballot box in the year 1900.

Sabbath Observance.

Drayton, N. D., Dec. 18, 1899.
Dear Sisters: Do we fully realize the value of the Christian Sabbath? Do we believe that on its sanctity and right observance depends, to a great extent, our civil and religious liberty? Look at the countries where there is no Sabbath. Do we wish to have in our country a continental Sunday? Then, sisters, will you not take up this department of work

in earnest? Appoint superintendents, send for literature and circulate it wisely and widely. Ask your pastors to preach, at least one sermon, during the year on the better observance of the Sabbath. More individual conviction, as to the obligation to keep the Sabbath, is needed among Christian people. More care in our homes in preparing for the Sabbath is necessary, so that our help as well as each member of the family may be free to keep it as a day of holy rest. Churches and pastors need an arrest of thought along the lines of R. R. travel on this day of the lines of Sunday newspapers, getting more work done in this department not later than Aug. 15, 1900.

L. M. WYLIE,
State Supt. S. O. Dept.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER.

NEW YEAR'S GREETINGS.

Dear Comrades: - Accept my loving greetings for the New Year. May the peace of God be upon your homes and in your hearts. May His will be done by each one of us individually, and by our great organization. It is a solemn moment when we stand upon the threshold of a new year with its great responsibilities, its new opportunities, and its wonderful possibilities.

It is customary with business men at the beginning of the year to take an inventory of stock, of assets and liabilities, to see what they are worth, how they stand with the world. I believe it would be an excellent thing for us to do this as individuals, if we are brave enough to do it honestly. While we may meet some unhappy surprises, it will undoubtedly cause us to strengthen the weak points in our characters, and to build more carefully and wisely for the future. I wish every union might have an "inventory" meeting early in the year, and make careful note not only of the things that have been done, but also of the things that should have been done. See wherein the union is strong, and wherein it is weak. Note the points that need specially guarding and building up. Let us see how much our organization is worth in the community, how much it has done to enlighten the public conscience, to make public sentiment better, to interest the children and young people in the temperance reform, to invade every home with the gospel of temperance and purity. Then let us decide what we shall do in these lines for the coming year. We ought to make this year, which rounds out the century, memorable because of the great victories won in the temperance reform. To do this we must first strive for greater efficiency in our methods of work, and for increased membership. Let each union endeavor to double their membership, let every member promise to make an earnest effort to secure one new member. If you have all the women in your town in the work, go to a neighboring town or country district and see if you can not organize a new union, or at least secure members to the Willard union. Let us make this last year of the century the crowning year in our work. Will you help?

MRS. ADA W. ENRICH.

Mrs. Ada W. Enrich, national organizer, begins work in our state at Williston, January 2d, and will be with us until the middle of February. We are fortunate in securing the services of this spare no pains in advertising and working up her meetings, and that they will do everything in their power to make her trip through our state a great success.

THE DEATH OF MRS. M. S. KNEELAND.

Hillsboro union has suffered a sad loss in the death of its president, Mrs. M. S. Kneeland. Mrs. Kneeland was a charter member and for four years has led the union through sun and shade. She had in a marked degree the qualifications of a leader. She was never dismayed before difficulties, she never quailed before danger. She cheerfully took up tasks that would have appalled a woman less brave. She sacrificed much for principle and steadfastly labored on with no hope of reward here, save that reward which comes from a conscience at rest with itself and at peace with God.

She left her home week before last going to St. Paul to undergo a surgical operation for the removal of a cancer. The operation took place Thursday, Dec. 14th, and seemed at first to be successful, but she did not rally, and passed away the following Monday. The funeral services took place at Hillsboro, Sunday, the 24th, and by her request were in charge of the W. C. T. U. There were no emblems of mourning;

beautiful white satin draped the pulpit arch and upon it were the words, "And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain; for the former things have passed away." Sweet music and fragrant flowers spoke hopefully of the resurrection and the life to come. The W. C. T. U. in a body, accompanied the loved form from her home to the Scandinavian M. E. church. The militia, in full uniform, acted as a guard of honor, showing the universal esteem in which she was held. There was not standing room in the church for the large number who wished to attend. Dr. M. V. E. Knox spoke of her as a Christian, and as a wife and mother, and I spoke of her as a loyal white ribboner and a philanthropist.

The following resolutions were adopted by the general officers on behalf of the State W. C. T. U.:

Whereas, Death has again entered our ranks and taken from us our dear sister, Mrs. Martha S. Kneeland;

Therefore, Resolved, That we heartily appreciate her loving devotion and loyal service to our organization during all the years of her comradeship.

That in her death the Woman's Christian Temperance Union suffers a loss and the members a bereavement.

That we extend to her husband and daughter our sincerest sympathy in their great sorrow and pray God's richest blessings to be vouchsafed to them in this life, and a joyful reunion with her who has left earth for heaven, in the life hereafter.

THE W. C. T. U. HOME.

As there seems to be a misapprehension on the part of some in regard to the status of the Home, I have been requested by the board of directors to make a statement of the facts.

At the State Convention at Grand Forks in 1891 upon the recommendation of our state president, Miss A. M. Kinnear, and after a speech by Miss Emma Bates, a committee was appointed to devise ways and means of opening a home for needy women. At the next annual convention at Lisbon in September, 1892, the Home was in running order and there were eight inmates. At the National Convention at Denver the next month, Mr. Chas. N. Crittenton very generously gave \$2,000 to the National W. C. T. U. for the purpose of establishing five homes for women to be known as Florence Crittenton Homes. At that convention \$1,000 each was given to the Ancestral Mission at Chicago, a mission at Norfolk, Va., and a mission at Denver, Col., the remaining \$2,000 was placed in the hands of Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens to apportion after further investigation. Miss Kinnear made application for \$1,000 for our Home which was granted, and the name Florence Crittenton was given to the Home. The \$1,000 was used to erect the building. (The lots were donated by Miss Briggs of Fargo.) The Home from the first has been supported by the W. C. T. U., and has always been under the sole control of the State W. C. T. U.

The conditions of Mr. Crittenton's gift were that the Home bear the name Florence Crittenton, and that it be open to any woman who was in need, and these conditions have been faithfully carried out. Mr. Crittenton has never had any control over the management of the Home, nor in any way been responsible for its finances. Since the Denver convention, Mr. Crittenton has established the National Florence Crittenton Mission, and has a large number of Florence Crittenton Homes connected with this Mission, so it is now generally understood that a Home bearing this name is owned and controlled by him.

Mr. Crittenton while in Fargo made the proposition that the Home be turned over to him, or if it was not thought best to do so, that the name be changed, as he is now held by the world to be responsible for all Homes bearing this name. Mr. Crittenton could not be with us at the convention at Grand Forks as we had hoped and the convention felt that it was not in possession of the information necessary to act intelligently in regard to turning the property over to Mr. Crittenton. As we understood from Mr. Benedict, the president of the board of directors, that some action must be taken at once, either the property decided over or the name changed, the motion prevailed that for the present the name be changed to W. C. T. U. Home, and that in the meantime we secure from Mr. Crittenton a written proposition as to what he wishes and what he will do, and that it be printed for the information of the local unions.

Please take note of the following facts: The ownership of the Home has not been

changed; it has always been owned by the W. C. T. U. The codr. of the Home has not been changed, as it has always been controlled by the W. C. T. U. The financial support of the Home has not been changed as it has always been supported by the W. C. T. U. The only change is in the name, and this was done in deference to Mr. Crittenton's wishes. We would gladly have retained the name Florence Crittenton, as it has become very dear to us.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING.

A meeting of the board of directors was held at the Home the 20th. Under direction of the local committee and the efficient matrons, Miss Huston and Miss Cummings, the work is progressing in a most satisfactory manner. It was decided to make temporary arrangement to warm the bath room until a heating plant can be put in, to add some necessary articles to the laundry and to warm a room up stairs by means of a register over the dining room above. Rules for the government of the family were adopted, which will be published later. A number of unions have generously remembered the Home during this month.

GENERAL OFFICERS' MEETING.

At the general officers' meeting held the 21st inst. it was decided to accept the invitation to hold the next state convention at Devils Lake. It was also decided to appropriate from the state treasury \$25, the sum asked from North Dakota, for the W. C. U. exhibit at the Paris exposition. Plans for Chautauqua, for W. C. T. U. institutes, and also for strengthening of the work, were discussed.

MEMORIAL MEETINGS.

It was decided at the last national convention to push the work of organizing this year as never before, and a sum not to exceed \$5,000 and not less than \$3,000 was appropriated for this purpose. It is proposed to raise this by the \$2 memorial contribution. Every union is asked to hold a public meeting on Miss Willard's heavenly birthday, February 17th, and to send \$2 of the collection for the memorial fund, all of which is to be used for organizing, building up and strengthening the work to which Miss Willard gave her life. It is not too early to begin preparations for this meeting. We hope every union in the state will observe this sacred day and send \$2 to Mrs. Carr, who will forward it all to the national treasurer.

During this month I have taken a trip on the "Soo" road, and visited the unions at Wahpeton, Lidgerwood, Forman, Cogsweil, Harlem, Moselle, Valley City, Harvey, Fessenden and Minot. A union was organized at the stirring new town of Velva, with Mrs. G. W. Strong president and Miss Catherine West corresponding secretary. Nineteen young people, most by Normal students, gave their names at Valley City for the organization of a Y. The organization was left in the hands of competent young women, who have been identified with the work in other places, and we hope soon to hear of a flourishing Y at Valley City. Yours sincerely,

ELIZABETH PRESTON.

Tower City, N. D., Dec. 28, 1899.

From Mrs. Clarke.

Northfield, Minn., Dec. 5, '99. Dear Sisters: Will you make one block for our E. S. quit? The blocks are to be one foot square, of white muslin; names are 5c each, outlined in yellow. Those of you who will promise to finish and send to me by the 1st of April, let me hear from you at once. I am now at Northfield with my two daughters, who are attending Carlton college; shall be back to North Dakota in the early spring. Now, dear sisters, let us make our bazaar this year a grand success. Will you help? Please address me at Northfield, Minn., until further notice. Yours in the work,

IDA SPARKS CLARKE,
Chairman State Bazaar.

Books for the Equal Suffrage Circulating Library have been received this month from A. L. Wood of Grafton, Dr. George Herron, of Grinnell, Iowa, Dr. J. C. Charnel of Fargo, Mrs. Ida Crum of Fargo, Mrs. Flora Naylor of Larimore, Miss Preston of Tower City, Rev. W. D. Bliss of California. We have about 25 books in circulation; we want 500. The women of North Dakota are not doing their share. If you have no book to send buy one or send money to the press supt. to purchase one and send you for first reading.



Greeting From Miss Larimore.

Larimore, N. D., Dec. 15, 1899. - My Dear Girls: During this joyous holiday season my thoughts have been much with you, and especially since I have been recently denied the pleasure of visiting many of you in your home unions. I am happy to report my health improving and trust as the days of the new year dawn to grow stronger in health, more valiant in service and more fervent in spirit.

My ambitions and desires for you are many, and I am hoping and praying that as during the happy Christmas tide you have had your hearts stirred anew with love and adoration for the meek and lowly Jesus, you may resolve to emulate Him in your lives more than you have ever done. Let us be ever "going about doing good" for some of Christ's "little ones." Oh, dear girls, there is need of so much and such earnest work, and my most sincere prayer is that the young women of the Y in North Dakota may arise in their might and say "with God's help I will do all I can." Below you will see our plan of work adopted for the year. Please read carefully and select those lines of work which you can do best and most satisfactorily in your local unions. You can see readily that this plan of work systematically carried out would mean a great impetus to Y work in our state, and that is what we are all looking for. My heart goes out to you with the most tender love in this New Year greeting. May the coming days hold for you many of life's choicest blessings, and may you under the divine guidance accomplish much in His name and for His service. Yours, lovingly,
CORA W. LARIMORE.

Plan of Work Adopted by Y Conference.

Realizing the importance of more systematic work among the Ys of North Dakota, we as a committee present the following plans and earnestly urge every union to have them read and discussed in the meetings and so far as possible, adopt them. Remembering that all that ours is a Christian organization, let us pray earnestly each day, especially at our trying time in the early morning, for the Young Woman's Branch and at noon for the work and workers of the world's W. C. T. U.

We insist that every union supply its president with a copy of the Y Manual, to be purchased from W. T. P. A., Temperance Temple, Chicago, Ill.

The aim of the Young Woman's Branch being to establish young women and young men in temperance principles, we urge the organization of Young Woman's Christian Temperance Unions wherever practicable, and to this end would recommend:

1. That efforts be put forth to secure Y secretaries in every district and county.
2. That the state Y secretary co-operate with state officers in securing the services of a national Y associate or Y organizer each year to revise and increase membership.

Department Work - We see the necessity of each union taking up certain lines of work at the beginning of the year and appointing superintendents of each department. We believe and know from experience that the Department Evening plan is a most effective way of advancing this work. Let each superintendent take charge of a social evening, and prepare a program bearing upon the work of her department, invite the honoraries and make each evening an event.

Purity As we recognize the importance of young men and young women taking a decided stand for purity, and adopting the same standard of morals for both sexes, we especially urge each union to appoint a superintendent of this department who will have the work at heart, and to adopt pledge cards recommended by our former Y secretary, Mrs. Hattie K. Pierson. Let each pledge herself to put forth every effort to arouse deeper interest and more prayerful attention along these lines of purity and righteousness.

Calendar of Work We would most heartily recommend the adoption of the

"Calendar of Work" prepared by Mrs. Pierson, which many unions have used with great success.

Treasurer's Duties - The state treasurer's books show that a large proportion of the enrolled members of the state have not paid their dues. We believe the fault lies largely with the local treasurers and would therefore urge them to be more prompt in the discharge of their duties.

Official Organs - Appreciating the value to our work of the state organ, The White Ribbon Bulletin, we especially commend the continuance of the Y column every month, and that all unions give the paper their hearty support and encouragement. We also urge our members to subscribe for the Union Signal with its helpful Y department, this and our state paper being absolutely necessary for information along the various lines of work.

Y Membership, Crusade Day - We recommend that April 14, the birthday of our world's Y secretary, be observed each year as Y Membership Crusade Day, a systematic canvass to be made during the day for members, the evening to be given to mass meeting of young people or reception for them.

Physical Education - We recommend that a superintendent of Physical Culture be appointed in each local union who shall teach or secure the services of a competent specialist for a course of lessons in Physical Culture, and whose especial duty it shall be to visit the schools and see that the law is enforced.

Narcotics - The time has come for an advance movement along this line, not only against tobacco in all its forms, but against home prescription of opium, morphine, chloral and other narcotics. Let each one show disapproval of the use of cigars, cigarettes and other forms of tobacco by personal effort, the distribution of literature and the organization of anti-cigarette leagues.

Anti-Gambling We deplore the extent to which gambling is carried on by telegraph lottery, card playing for prizes, nickel-in-the-slot machines and in all other ways. We urge our young women everywhere to use all influence in their power to stem the tide of this increasing evil.

Clara Parrish Fund - Appreciating the wonderfully successful work of our Y round the world missionary, Miss Clara Parrish, whose noble efforts in Japan and Burnah have done so much for the uplifting of the women, we pledge ourselves to renewed efforts in her behalf, and pray the Father's richest blessings on her and her work.

LORENA KING, Hope.
JENNIE BARRETT, Sherbrooke.
MURIEL FULL, Pembina.

Y Resolutions.

The following resolutions were adopted by the Ys at the state convention.

Whereas we, the Y. W. C. T. U. of North Dakota, assembled in conference, acknowledge God, the sovereign ruler of the universe, and whereas we trust in His power to lead us through the coming year as in the past, be it therefore resolved:

- 1st. That we follow as nearly as possible the adopted plan of work.
- 2d. That we pledge ourselves to special effort along the lines of purity work, upholding a single standard of morals for both sexes and demanding "a white life for two."
- 3d. That we distribute an abundance of good literature as a means of moulding public sentiment.
- 4th. That we make greater effort to forward the work of the Loyal Temperance Legion.
- 5th. That as we wish to come into closer relationship with the state W. C. T. U., we continue to pay 30 cents per capita dues into the state treasury as auxiliary, make pledges to state work, etc., they in turn supporting the Y as any other branch of work.
- 6th. That we hereby express our hearty appreciation of the work of the State Enforcement League and uphold the hands of its members.
- 7th. That we deplore the condition existing in the state capital in non-enforcement of the prohibitory law, and demand either the law concerning selling of intoxicating liquors be enforced or the capital removed to a law-abiding city.
- 8th. That we appreciate the work of Senator H. C. Hansbrough and Congressman Johnson in championing the anti-entente bill and we appeal to President McKinley to use his power as commander-in-chief of the army to carry out the will of congress and the intent of the law by issuing an order prohibiting the sale of intoxicating liquor in the army cantin.

9th. That inasmuch as Brigham Roberts, of Utah, was elected to congress in direct violation of the law by means of which Utah became a state, and is yet living in polygamy, thereby lowering the national standard of morals, we petition congress to take active measures toward expelling him from that legislative body.

10th. That we extend hearty thanks to Mrs. J. O. Smith for her work in securing the passage of the physical culture bill.

11th. That as our beloved leader, Mrs. Hattie K. Pierson, must after many years of faithful service lay down the work at this time, we assure her of our love and appreciation and pray God's choicest blessings to rest upon her. Also that we hereby express sorrow and regret that our co-laborer, Mrs. Grover, must lay down the work so precious to us all.

12th. That the people of Grand Forks, who have been so untrifling in their labor to make this convention a success, thereby giving new impetus to the temperance cause, accept our sincere gratitude, knowing they shall ever be held in grateful remembrance.

ENFORCEMENT LEAGUE.

EDITED BY SEC. A. LINDELLE.

This is a comparatively quiet season in the "pig" business. Still the league has been moving on, and we have during the past four weeks secured evidence against fourteen offenders. There seems to be work yet undone, and the prospects are that we will find plenty to do during the winter months.

Some time ago the league's attention was called to the bad state of affairs existing in Wahpeton. It was stated that at least one dozen blind piggers were operating in said city. Two of our men located a majority of the places and obtained the necessary evidence. The secretary of the league called upon the state attorney of Richland county to ask prosecution. He met with a very chilly reception. The prosecutor had plenty of time to pass mean remarks about the league, the friends of the law and about the law itself, but he could find no time to receive our testimony or to make out any papers. The interview was one of those unsatisfactory ones we are used to having with the states attorneys who do not want to do their duty. Feeling we could expect nothing from that source, we applied to the attorney general for an assistant attorney general. But that gentleman has not as yet found time to answer our repeated requests. Our efforts did not seem to be blessed with results in the way we expected it; but the work has, however, resulted in "cleaning the town," as it appears from a letter received the other day, which says: "All the places have been closed up, and most of them have remained closed, since you were here. I surmise that somebody told them they better quit," which goes to show that agitation for the right always pays, even if the enemy succeeds to block the road we intend to go.

We are glad to report that the saloons at Mandan have been closed. Attorney General Cowan made out the papers by urgent request of the State Enforcement League. The Missouri' slope is awakening.

There are good prospects now of getting a test case in court dealing with the express agents' right to run a blind pig. We will try to get two judges to pass on the question. The outcome will be watched with great interest.

The fight between the friends of law and order and the drug stores of Langdon will come to a finish in February in Judge Sauter's court. Attorney J. H. Bosard is representing the prohibitionists. The fight stands on three injunctions served more than one year ago.

The blind pigger who was instrumental in having two of our detectives arrested last summer in Walsh county, on the charge of perjury, was caught again and arrested the other day. This is the second offense, and he is about 90 years old. His name is Christie Currie, of Minto. His son, who is serving a five months sentence now for pigging, prided himself on being the president of the Red River Valley Blind Pig association. This association is "busted," and only the old age will perhaps save his father from the penitentiary.

It is very amusing to hear Mayor John-

son praised for keeping Fargo clean, particularly so when we remember his grief under the league had the gambling den under the Metropole hotel pulled, and also when we remember his defense of the houses of prostitution when a committee appointed by the league waited on him last spring and demanded to learn why the houses were tolerated in Fargo.

Even in Cass county can a jury go wrong on a blind pig case. But it was only an accident that Stechman, of Cassleton, won out. Such things occur only once in five years in Cass county. In some counties such occurrences are unfortunately frequent.

More than 18 months ago the league obtained evidence against Bui's drug store at Hamilton, Pembina county. Liquors were found upon search. Defendant was bound over to district court in \$1,000 bonds and the drug store was opened under \$2,000. The case was never tried, and Bui is now running a saloon in Minnesota. Leniency of this kind is very disappointing to the friends, and the league suffers criticism, because the big sinners "are allowed to get out of it so easy, while the poor piggers are always put to jail." We can assure the friends at Hamilton that the league is not to blame. We held the witnesses in the state over one year. We can not, however, hold them here forever waiting the pleasure of the state attorney.

There is, however, more than one state attorney who exhibits great energy in justice court, but nearly always forgets to try the cases in district court. Through such forgetfulness Druggist Cubbison, at Minnewaukan, got new lease of life, as the state attorney again failed to push the case for trial.

Has anybody discovered how the league is to continue work after the five years are up?

Social Reform.

As this copy goes in the sympathizers of the Social Reform union are deeply interested in the meetings being held along the line of the Great Northern railway by President Bliss. He has already spoken five times, and the class of people who are endorsing him, even more than their numbers, speaks great things for the future of genuine reform in this state.

The chapel hour at the State University was one of those reminiscences which will be treasured in memory together with the times when I heard Mr. Beecher and Mr. Gough, and with that amount of elation when, as a child, I donned the white ribbon, looking up into Miss Willard's sweet face. Mr. Bliss is not an orator, a politician or a crank, he is simply a manly man, under whose masterly guidance the various progressive movements are slowly but surely swinging into place on the broad platform formulated at the conference last July.

President Merrifield sounded the gong and the hundreds of young people came pouring in till even standing room in the spacious chapel was at a premium.

During the 40 minute address which followed the atmosphere was electrical with the sympathetic interest of all. Wave after wave of applause at some telling point alternated with the intensest quiet as Mr. Bliss demonstrated the need of reform in various ways and the working basis of unity contained in our platform.

Mr. Merrifield closed his remarks with the statement that "no millionaire was rich enough to own the University of North Dakota," and was applauded to the echo.

So many of the students expressed a desire to study up the question of Direct Legislation, preparatory to writing on it, that I deferred the closing of our contest till March 1. Please mention this to friends.

Through the courtesy of Geo. B. Winslip we will have a regular department appearing in both the daily and weekly Herald, through which, and our publications in other leading state papers, our membership can be kept well informed.

KATHERINE V. KING.

The Jan. number of the Bulletin will be of special interest to club women.

The national organizers, Miss Gregg and Miss Kember, report that there is a strong suffrage sentiment in Minnesota, and that they find the field more favorable than in any other state where they have worked.

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Emerson says: "The truth is in the air and the most impressionable brain will announce it first. But all will announce it a few minutes later." And heads that woman, being the most susceptible, is the best index of the coming hour.

The Power of the Press.

To the Suffragists of North Dakota: The wonderful power of the press as a factor in the moulding of public opinion is fully recognized the civilized world over. There is scarcely a man, woman or child who does not read a paper of some kind, if it is nothing more than an old one cast aside by someone. There is no one agent in the world through which so many people can be reached as through the press. You may have lectures, you may organize, you may scatter leaflets, but you cannot reach the masses through any of these avenues. It therefore behooves us as suffragists to avail ourselves of the grand opportunity that is before us of educating the people along these lines through the public press.

My experience with the newspapers all over the United States has shown me that almost without exception they are ready and willing to give us space if we but fill it with the right kind of matter. With a few editors it is necessary to call it by some other name than suffrage, but the suffrage lesson can be there just the same. All that is necessary is to study the character of the editor and bring in your suffrage lesson accordingly.

Rev. Anna Shaw says that no matter what her subject for a lecture may be, it is always upon woman suffrage, even her Sunday sermons from the pulpit, and so it is with suffrage lessons—they can be woven into almost any article. Events are continually transpiring from which good texts for suffrage arguments can be obtained if we are on the alert to take advantage of them when fresh. Such matter will always find space in the papers.

The international council of women held in London last July and the anti-suffrage paper read at that meeting served as texts for hundreds of suffrage articles. Miss Anthony's reception there at this time compared with her reception on a previous visit, showing the growth in public sentiment. The vote of the New Orleans women for better drainage and a purer water supply. These are a few of the illustrations of things that are continually transpiring that can be made to serve as texts for strong suffrage arguments and lessons.

To do all this requires much effort and money. Expenses for stationery, postage and the many little things must be met, to say nothing of the labor that a few must give to the work. If in every town someone would volunteer to look

after the papers in her own town, the labor would not come hard upon anyone and the work would be thoroughly done. Mrs. Flora B. Naylor Larimore, the Gates a most competent and energetic press superintendent. I am really amazed at the amount of work that she is willing to take upon herself, and I beg of you to assist her in every way possible. If you are not able to write for the press, help the work along by contributing the money for necessary expenses.

I think North Dakota is the only state to attempt an equal suffrage circulating library, and I trust that the women will give this progressive undertaking their hearty co-operation and financial support.

Remember that whatever you put into press work will bear fruit an hundred-fold. You can obtain better results for your money than in any other direction, from the fact that more people can be reached through the press than through any other avenue of work. Yours for the cause,
ELNORA M. BARCOCK,
National Superintendent Press Work.

Notes of Interest.

West Australia, following the example of South Africa and New Zealand, has extended full suffrage to women.

The editor of the Fargo Forum invites the women of the state to send signed communications to that journal upon any subjects that they may wish to discuss. He says in a letter to the press superintendent: "The Forum hopes it is not prejudicial. It shall not be our fault if woman is not heard." It certainly will be the fault of the women of North Dakota if they do not take advantage of this liberal offer.

At the recent state convention of the W. C. T. U. for New York Governor Roosevelt delivered a short address. At its close the following resolution was offered by the superintendent of franchise: Resolved, that the Woman's Christian Temperance union of the state of New York, in convention assembled, hereby expresses to the honored governor of the state its appreciation of his recommendation of the further extension of the suffrage to women in his first annual message, and respectfully and earnestly requests his kindly co-operation with future efforts in this direction, especially in behalf of the women-taxpayers' bill to be re-introduced this winter at Albany.

Dr. Cora Smith Eaton, who is one of our honorary presidents, gave an address before the woman's council in Minneapolis last week upon the subject "Women and War." She argued that there is not the remotest relation between firing a musket and casting a ballot. The military argument against woman suffrage has no foundation. Either the ability to fight is a necessary qualification or it is not. If it is the men who lack it ought to be excluded. If it is not, there is no reason for excluding women. Dr. Eaton spoke at length upon the Cuban and Philippine wars. With the former she declared that women were in sympathy, but they did not favor the latter. "Under our own authorities," said Dr. Eaton, "we can obtain a legal title to Philippine territory only by a treaty with the people of those islands. During the Spanish regime vast areas of land in Luzon were granted to resistential bodies, principally Spanish friars. The rent exactions were intolerable, primarily causing the revolts. Under the treaty with Spain this country is bound to respect all these land grants and patents. The United States would have no more right to interfere with it than it has to arbitrarily take away from a settler in Dakota his homestead upon which he has a government patent. The enormity of the thing is not understood. General Funston says: 'If congress would drive out the friars and confiscate every inch of church property the bottom would drop out of the insurrection within a week.' But congress can't do it. The treaty of peace transcends its power. The Filipinos know this. And rather than have eternal serfdom fastened upon them they are willing to die. I say, all honor to them in their struggle for the inalienable rights—life, liberty and pursuit of happiness."

Mrs. J. S. Kemp, of Galesburg, sent a letter to the Forum a short time ago and in it she says: "It is said to take a thousand years to make a man, and character is slow in building, but time at last will prove who is progressing and who is retreating. Time will prove who is reaching out a helping hand to make our broad, beautiful state better. Time will develop many things, and among others it will keep green in memory the names of women who have dared to be loyal and true to this cause of suffrage. A cause

that has created for women all the rights they now enjoy and which, but for it, they would never have had. A cause that without the slightest hesitation, all women should espouse, from the simple fact that they are women and would leave an equal inheritance to the boys and girls of our state."

A PRUDISH CLUB—Rev. Florence Collock Crooker, of Ann Arbor, is authority, in an address made before the Fortnightly of Boston, that the Ladies' Library club of Kalamazoo, Mich., has lately dropped from its list of honorary members, because she was too radical, its founder, Mrs. Lucinda H. Stone, the patron saint of Michigan women and honorary vice president of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. The club objects to being called a woman's club, regarding the term as strong-minded. When Mrs. Stone wanted the club to send delegates to the meeting of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, a member said: "Why, if I were to attend one of those big meetings, very likely I might find myself seated next to a suffragist." Mrs. Stone answered: "You certainly would, if I could get near you."

Rev. S. G. Smith, of Minneapolis, delivered a lecture recently before the Woman's Civic League. He closed by saying: "There is but one great social problem and that is the reconciliation of the individual with the community so that the best interests of both shall be served. The world has always progressed through its great people and not through 'the man with the hoe.' The evils that we fight were blessings at the time they were first practiced. The radical is not always right; he makes many mistakes; but he is the hope of the race. For the conservative is always wrong."

In a recent letter to the Forum, Flora P. Gates says: "The combined sentiment of the women of North Dakota is against war, but the mothers are not allowed an active part in the administration of the government. It is not their place, the lawmakers say, and so the only work they can do is to nurse the wounded after the evil has been wrought and to grieve over the loss of their boys with bare resignation. The nation is trying to carry on its work of expansion using but half of its mental force. It is endeavoring to adopt and rear new colonies, without the active help of the maternal instinct, and no wonder there are numerous deficiencies and mistakes. Some time when the mothers take their share in the conduct of national affairs the policy of force, severity and subjugation will give place to charity, sympathy and co-operation."

L. T. L. CORNER.

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

Dear Supts. You see, although my resignation was handed in at state convention, I've consented to be acting secretary until some one can be found who will succeed me. As I so often have inquiries as to L. T. L. courses of study, I will here give the plan.

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