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Methods of L. T. L. Work.

The tendency of the times seems to be toward concentration and specialties. It was not so very long ago since any one who could secure admission into a conference or church organization could preach; any one who could manage to pass the necessary examinations, could teach school. And throughout the professions and trades much the same methods seemed to prevail. But things have changed, and now the student studies and aims to do one thing well, to be thoroughly acquainted with the line of business he means to pursue; to be a specialist along his particular line. The reign of the "Jack of all Trades" seems to be giving place to the "Master of One." Temperance workers always keep step in the grand march of progress, they are never in the rear of any reform movement, and so they, too, have caught the spirit of special preparation and direct methods. The goal toward which their energies are bent is the creation of that perfect type of political manhood, the Christian Citizen. And we confidently affirm that in the whole economy of reform there has not been found another method so direct, so unflinching, in the production of this type as the Loyal Temperance Legion.

It has been called the Life Insurance Policy of the W. C. T. U. It is all of that, and more. It contains in itself possibilities of the complete fulfillment of the whole aim and end of temperance workers the world over. Very short sighted indeed must that union be that dreams of accomplishing any permanent good without maintaining an L. T. L.

The Star of Hope has long been standing over the Little Red School House; the sooner we realize the importance of work among the children the nearer the dawn of "that morn for which we pray." Haphazard methods have ceased to prevail in the Loyal Temperance Legion also. And our gifted and devoted Mrs. Rice has the machinery so nicely adjusted, each part fitting into the other, and running so smoothly that there is no loss of power, no waste of energy. We take the wee kindergartener or the high school graduate and find just the place for each to fit into. All children under twelve years of age should belong to the Junior L. T. L. and the first lessons they learn are from Vol. 3 of the Temperance Lesson Manuals, "We and Our Friends," "Scientific Temperance for Little Folks," "The Temperance Crusade," and "Our Marching Orders." The real methodical Loyal Temperance Legion superintendent will now have an examination on this volume and all who pass satisfactorily will secure the Orange Shield Seal. These seals may be attached to certificates, and may later be put on the Diploma when it has been secured.

The next study is Vol. 2, Tobacco, Beer and the Body; The House We Live In; and another number of the House We Live In. For satisfactory examination on this volume they may secure the Pink Oval Seal. This seal should also be placed on the certificate. The last study in the diploma is Vol. 1: "Alcohol and the Nation"; "Alcohol and the Pocket Book"; "Alcohol and the Body"; "Alcohol and the Mind." When the scholars have passed the satisfactory examination on this subject they are presented with a diploma, and now become Loyal Temperance Legion Graduates.

A state Loyal Temperance Legion can only be composed of graduates, so we are very anxious to secure a great many more, for at present we have but 15 graduates in our state, and it would be impossible to organize until that number

is increased. It is thought best to make quite an affair of the Diploma Presentation, having it in the nature of Commencement exercises, with a good program of music and temperance speeches or readings. Fancy drills, etc., are always interesting.

But bring the Legion into prominence; advertise it; let the people know that you have such an organization in your town and let them know what we stand for. If there is a number of boys and girls twelve years of age or more who have not taken any of these studies let them begin with volume one. There is a special senior edition of this volume which it would be well to order for the advanced scholars. The securing of the diploma is not, however, by any means the end of the legioner's work. If he has started at the first, secured the Orange Shield Seal and the Pink Oval Seal and his Diploma, the next in order is the Band of Mercy course. For the reading of the four books of this course: Eyes Open, Stories of Friends, Black Beauty and Beautiful Joe he secures another seal, a dark blue Shield. The next is Sunday afternoon series. Robert Hardy's Seven Days, The Jeweled Serpent, and Ruth's Sunday, and I Will to Will God's Will. For these he secures the green oval seal. The helping hand is the name of the next series, and the books are St. Rockwell's Little Brother, The Beautiful Life of Miss Willard, and His Brother's Keeper. This course takes the Green Shield Seal. Then we have the Purity course. This is intended for personal rather than class study, and includes a Loving Word to Boys, or a Loving Word to Girls, Boys and other Boys, Girls of To-day, and The Psalm of Life. These are intended for pupils of from 12 to 18, and the seal for the Purity course is the silver shield. The next is the pledge series, the dark blue square seal. The books are: Gospel Lights, Seven Studies in Temperance, Anti-Tobacco Leaflets and Danberry's Nature.

This course takes the Air, Star Land and Glimpses of the Plant World. The seal for this is a dark red shield. The next is a very important reading course for boys from 13 years and upwards. Cards and Drink, Drinking and Betting, The Fall of the Staincliffs, Two College Boys, and Yard Stick and Scissors. This course takes a dark blue oval seal. The crusade series comes next. And in this we have His Prison Bars, Sinner and Saint, The Spirit of the Crusade, and After Twenty Years. The seal is a square orange shield. The next is Character Series. Noble Lives and Noble Deeds, Pushing to the Front, Self Help. The square pink seal belongs to this course. The scarlet shield for the Indian course is secured by reading Stiya and Romona. Then comes the Civil Government course. An examination on Vol. 6 and 7 of the senior grade lessons. For these we have a yellow shield seal and a dark red square seal.

A very interesting science series comes next. First Steps in Electricity, Coal and Coal Mining, The Autobiography of the Earth. This takes the scarlet oval seal. The next is Temperance: Why I Never Tasted Liquor, The Knight that Smoked the Dragon, Freshman and Senior. An oval orange seal belongs to this. The next is Patriots Wanted, Your First Vote on the Right Side, The Twentieth Century City, Patriotic Citizenship, The National Leaflet No. 75, and The Man Without a Country. This very excellent course takes a pink shield seal. The next seal is a green square seal for the Freedom Series, which commences the Pilgrims in their Three Homes,

Courtship of Miles Standish and Heros of the Revolution. Next is the Christian Citizenship Series, Christian Patriotism, a City Without a Church, and the Science of Politics. And there are just four more. The Golden Rule Series, comprising Mervel Eastman, Socialist, and Richard Bruce, for which we have a yellow square seal. Political Economy which includes Problems of Today, Proportional Representation and American Politics, and takes a dark red oval seal. The Home Training Series: One More Chance Beforehand, Afterward and the Voice of the Home. A yellow oval seal, and Evangelistic, Scripture Wines, the Pledge and the Cross, Mr. McKenzie's answer, and Ripley's Parsonage.

There is no line of argument that can be pursued that will make us believe that a boy who takes the diploma and seal course of L. T. L. study will be anything else than a Christian citizen. Surely the end is worth our best endeavor.

Let us try then to abandon any previous notion we may have had to the contrary and enter into an earnest and practical methodical campaign to secure the best results from our work and hasten the bringing of the glad day when the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of man shall be recognized by men of every language and nation throughout this whole wide world.

BENA HALCROW,

Drayton, N. D.

What a Local President Ought Not to Do.

(Read at State Convention.)

The subject assigned is quite suggestive and the first thought was this: The president and members of a union should be as nearly related each to the other, in one sense, as mother and daughter. For that reason one ought not to do anything that members cannot do.

Above all things she ought not to be late at a meeting. We used to say: "Better late than never," but it is better to be never late. The president ought not to be late. If she fails to be on time the audience, if she has any, soon gets tired of waiting and the minds of all will be more on getting home than on the topics assigned for the meeting. She ought not to be late because it is a bad example to set for the members. You would soon hear some one say, "Oh! our president is always late, so it does not matter if we do not reach there on time." She ought not to accept the position without due sense of the obligation resting upon her. She may feel the lack of preparation for the place, but she can prepare herself.

She ought not to take the place unless she is willing to do her best to make it a success, though she may not be able to accomplish her thought and plans for success.

She ought not to be always saying: "If a member makes a suggestion that is not my way, I want it done my way or else I will not sanction it."

She ought not to criticize or condemn the work of any of the union if it is good work done in the right spirit, and is consistent with the teachings of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

She ought not to get angry in a meeting; it would be like a teacher in the schoolroom; she would soon lose her influence, and then, is it not a sin to get angry?

She ought not to use any adjectives when asked questions regarding the work. If one asks, "What is the W. C. T. U. doing anyway," it does not sound

well for her to say, "Oh! I do not know, lots of things, I guess."

She ought never to lose control of her tongue. She can grate her teeth and twist her apron strings, but must not show any irascibility.

Ought not to do all the talking at a meeting each one should be assigned a part and should do it. She is there to preside and to give needed information when called upon.

Ought not to make any mistakes for "Woe is me" if she does.

Ought not to be too imperative nor use too much logic, neither ought she to spend all of the time during the meeting arguing on any particular point. Rather give a few convincing proofs that will give them an "arrest of thought."

Ought not to take an aggressive attitude, some other opinion or suggestion may be better than hers, if so, use it, give the credit to whom it belongs.

Ought not to forget that there is a peculiar faculty, called tact, and that tact is power.

Ought not to let a member go from a meeting cast down or depressed.

Never push any particular department of work if the majority of the union are opposed to it and we should be careful if even one objects, because it is very easy for some of our followers to drop out. Once a white ribboner, always a white ribboner, for the signing of the pledge is for a lifetime, but when dues are not paid, we are not counted.

The president ought not to make a motion when in the chair.

Ought not to do the work of the cor. sec., neither ought she to act as rec. sec. She ought not to do the work of the treas. She ought not to do the work of the supt's. If the president does all of these things, she will soon find that the president is about all there is to the union. We must all work decently and in order. If it was not for order the world would soon lose its equilibrium and so would the Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

She ought not to hold the position longer than her interest leads her to sacrifice in its behalf. There are unions that are crippled because the president has ceased to be active, but holds on rather than to decline and the women fear to make a change.

She ought not to have the hour for opening the meeting at 3 o'clock and wait an hour for the women to come, or worse than that, she ought not to delay going herself, because "the women will not be there."

She ought not to overlook the importance of living in harmony with the principles of the W. C. T. U. and should never permit the standard to be lowered by any act or declaration on her part. She holds a sacred trust.

MRS. ANNA McCORMY,
Cogswell.

Miss Preston has recently organized two new unions, one at Vela, Mrs. F. B. Johnson as president and Mrs. Olive Fuller cor. sec. The other union was organized at Granville with Mrs. Minnie Goozee as president and Miss Ella A. Martin cor. sec.

Mrs. G. W. Ryan, formerly of Pembina, but for the past year of Peury, Cal., writes us of attending meetings of the W. C. T. U. in that place, and of conducting a "mothers' meeting." We are sure that Mrs. Ryan will always be interested in the good work of which she was such a loyal member and efficient worker in North Dakota. She also mentions attending a tea given for the benefit of the state paper, The Pacific Ensign.

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Our Club Offers.

White Ribbon Bulletin and American Mother, \$1; Bulletin and Light, 70c.; Bulletin and Union Signal, \$1; Bulletin and Backbone, 30 cents; Bulletin and Dakota Farmer to new subscribers, 75 cts. for one year, for one-half year, 50 cts., and as a premium a map of the two Dakotas with a map of the world on the reverse side. Westland Educator and Bulletin \$1.00.

National Convention, Fort Worth, Nov. 15th to 20th.

The marriage of Miss Preston and Rev. James Anderson will be solemnized Wednesday, December 11th, 1901, in the M. E. church at Tower City.

We must again remind our unions to send in all news items from your unions for publication in the Bulletin. That is one of the best methods to keep our work before the public and add very much to the interest of the paper.

An invitation has been extended to Miss Preston and N. D. W. C. T. U. to attend the wedding of our National Y. Secretary, which occurred Oct. 30th, at 8 p. m. in the Christian Church at Paris, Ill. Miss Parrish's home town. In behalf of the N. D. W. C. T. U., congratulations and best wishes for Miss Parrish's future happiness were sent, also a small gift as a token of remembrance of the occasion, consisting of a souvenir spoon engraved with the following words: "North Dakota W. C. T. U., Oct. 30th, 1901."

The following communication has been received from the president and corresponding secretary of Texas. It was addressed to Miss Preston and ladies of the W. C. T. U. convention at Lisbon:

Dear Sisters: Please accept greetings from the Texas W. C. T. U., together with a desire that your state may be able to send a full delegation to the national convention. A cordial welcome awaits you. Fraternally,

HELEN M. STODDARD, President.
MINNIE D. KIRLSTAD, Cor. Sec.

To our delegates who are planning to attend the national convention at Fort Worth, we wish to announce that the Minnesota delegates will be pleased to have them join them at Minneapolis.

Casselton Reporter

CASSELTON, N. D.

Neat Job Work for W. C. T. U. on Short Notice, AT REASONABLE PRICES

They will leave that city Tuesday evening at 8:35 over the Minneapolis and St. Louis R. R. They hope to meet the White Ribbon train from Chicago, at Kansas City. The fare from Minneapolis to Port Worth and return will be \$30.52. Sleepers may be had for \$3.50 for each with the privilege of occupying all the time or for \$2.00 during the night. We are trying to arrange for reduced rates from points in North Dakota to Minneapolis, but have received nothing definite as yet. We hope North Dakota may have a full representation at this great convention, which promises to be so full of good things. Delegates will be entertained by the hospitable people of this southern city.

PRESIDENT'S CORNER.

Dear Comrades:—Our Annual Harvest Home this year was one of the most delightful in the history of our organization. Our hostesses of the Lisbon union were most thoughtful and considerate in their arrangements for our comfort and pleasure, and that beautiful little city on the Sheyenne Valley sustained its reputation for open hearted hospitality.

Our speakers, Miss Kearney and Mrs. Burger, were charming in their personality and convincing and inspiring in their logic and eloquence.

We could not rejoice in the gains in membership that we have made in other years. The treasurer's books showed a falling off, as we count no member whose dues are not paid and owing to the stress of the hard times of last year, many members did not pay dues. But we could rejoice in the evidences that our unions are doing their work in a more systematic and intelligent manner, and also in the fact that the loyalty and esprit du corps of the workers has been demonstrated in the past year as never before.

We are beginning the new year under most hopeful conditions. The splendid crops with which the state has been blessed this fall are now being threshed and money, which is so greatly needed in our work, is beginning to circulate freely again.

We are planning to push the work of organization this year as never before. Thousands of new settlers have been pouring into the state during the last six months and the western and northwestern parts are rapidly filling up. We must establish our organization in these new towns and communities, that a healthy temperance sentiment may grow with their growth. There is no other way to insure the enforcement and retention of the prohibition law.

This work of organization can be carried on only with the assistance of the local unions. We urgently request every union to secure one life member or patron for the state W. C. T. U. The dues for life membership, ten dollars, and the dues for patrons, five dollars annually, are used exclusively for the work of organization. Please bring the matter up in the next meeting of your union and let us know as soon as possible what you will do to help.

Soon after the state convention I had the pleasure of meeting with the Tower City Y. These young women, led by Miss Ella Crawford, are planning for aggressive work and study during the coming year. Early in October I started on a trip through the northwestern part of the state, by way of the "Soo" line. My first meeting was with this wide-awake Leal union. The attendance was good and after adjournment refreshments were served by our hostess, Mrs. Smith. The following afternoon, Sunday, I spoke in the hall at Leal, then drove to Wimbledon where we had a good meeting in the evening, notwithstanding the rain. The next evening at Courtenay the rain poured down, and the audience was composed mostly of your men. Two of the three ladies present, Mrs. H. N. Tucker and Mrs. John Bradford will do all they can toward working up the organization of a union.

When I reached Harvey, Wednesday morning, I found the minister had forgotten to announce my meeting, and in consequence the audience was small, and little, if anything, was accomplished.

At Velva I was entertained by Rev. and Mrs. Woolley, who arranged for my meeting which was well attended. A union was organized with Mrs. F. B. Johnson, president, and Mrs. Olive Fuller, cor. sec.

A good meeting was held at Kenmare, where the work is meeting with many difficulties. All of the members of the union, save the president, Mrs. Jennie Cole, live out of town or have moved

away, but they are determined to hold the fort until reinforcements shall come.

At Bowbells I spoke in an unfinished hall. The keeper of the "billiard parlors" kindly offered his lamps for our illumination. He said he intended to close up and come anyway, which he did with all his followers. A union was organized with Mrs. Mary McKinzie, pres., and Mrs. Etta Dilworth, cor. sec.

At Minot a meeting was held with the union Sunday afternoon, all the churches united in the evening service, which was very largely attended.

At the new town of Granville, I spoke in a building formerly used for a "blind pig," but which has recently been converted into a Methodist church. The pastor, Rev. Gress, was graduated last spring from Taylor University, a school which I attended years ago when it was known as the Fort Wayne (Indiana) College. A union was organized at Granville with Mrs. Mima Gooding, pres., and Miss Ella A. Martin, cor. sec.

Miss Edith Carey presided over the meeting at Bithun, and demonstrated that it is a Carey trait to be a good presiding officer. Miss Mary Carey finds her time fully occupied with her duties as county superintendent of schools and she makes an excellent officer.

At Willow City, no one could be found to take the leadership of a union, but a number of the ladies promised to work up the matter.

At Rugby the union was reorganized with Mrs. Mary McDonald, pres., and Miss Hattie Sikes, sec. Mrs. McDonald will be away for a few months, and while she is absent Miss Eva Bigelow will be her place. The train for Bigelow was late trains I arrived at 8:20 p. m. A fine audience was waiting for me and we had a good meeting—Mrs. Markell, presiding.

I spoke at Michigan City Sunday afternoon and organized a union with Mrs. Carrie Warren, pres., and Miss Edith Fleming, cor. sec. Mrs. Warren was for many years the faithful secretary of the Harlem union and is well equipped for the work.

Sunday evening I spoke at Lakota and the following day had a meeting with the union. Mrs. M. J. Whitford, an earnest worker, who for a number of years was president of the Tower City union, is now president of the Lakota union.

A meeting at Niagara was presided over by the energetic president, Mrs. Belle Hoff. I was entertained in her home and had the pleasure of meeting a number of the ladies there.

At Grand Forks I had an interview with Mrs. S. H. Smith, who has promised to remain in the state and work among the Scandinavians for a month or so. Every union, or near, a Scandinavian community, should immediately make arrangements for her and send in their application to Miss Maude I. Mathews, Larimore, who is making her arrangements. The State W. C. T. U. pays Mrs. Smith and asks only entertainment and collections from the places she visits, with the understanding that the meetings shall be well advertised and worked up.

At Fargo I had the pleasure of dropping in for a few minutes to a W. C. T. U. meeting presided over by Mrs. Best.

The following two meetings of the local Home committee since the state convention. The nursery is plastered and when a little carpenter work is done we are ready to receive the money to pay for this is needed at once, and should be sent to Mrs. A. Carr, Northwood. Grand Harbor union recently sent a barrel of plow iron, which was gratefully received and we trust that other barrels may roll in before it becomes too cold to ship. The money to pay for this is needed at once, and should be sent to Mrs. A. Carr, Northwood. Grand Harbor union recently sent a barrel of plow iron, which was gratefully received and we trust that other barrels may roll in before it becomes too cold to ship. The money to pay for this is needed at once, and should be sent to Mrs. A. Carr, Northwood. Grand Harbor union recently sent a barrel of plow iron, which was gratefully received and we trust that other barrels may roll in before it becomes too cold to ship. 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Larimore, N. D., October 17, 1901. My beloved comrades:—As my thoughts have been much with you of late I feel I must have a chat with this month, even though it will be brief, for I cannot long be absent from the bedside of my invalid. I presume many of you have heard of the sad accident to my precious mother, which came so near terminating in her death six weeks ago; the runaway horse became unmanageable, and she was thrown from the overturned phaeton with such violence as to cause concussion of the brain and render her completely unconscious for ten days; another long period of semi-consciousness ensued, and then gradually the cloud was lifted, and a slight improvement noted, until now the dear brain is entirely cleared, and the physical strength is increasing, though still so slowly as to be scarcely perceptible. Only within the last ten days have we felt all danger passed, and so, dear girls, you can imagine the agony of suspense and sorrow we have endured for these six weeks.

My last letter to you was a song of joy and thanksgiving at being once more at home with my loved ones after such a long absence. How quickly that happiness and gladness was changed to sorrow and mourning when the danger was imminent of one of my beloved parents being so suddenly taken from me, and yet, this morning as I write you, joy is again the key note of my song. Joy that my dear mother has been spared to us after such a hard struggle, joy that I was permitted to be home to care for and serve her during her need, and profound gratitude to the Giver of every good and perfect gift, that He has heard and answered the prayers of our aching hearts, and given back to us from the very verge of the grave one who is so much needed in the home circle, and so warmly loved by so many.

Right here let me thank you collectively and individually for the kind solicitous letters that have come to me during these days of trial; they have warmed my heart and helped me many times when the burden seemed greater than I could bear, and the knowledge that your tears were mingled with mine, and that your petitions for the dear life were also ascending to a Throne of Grace gave me fresh courage and strength.

The shock to my mother's whole nervous system has been so great that the doctors assure us a long, weary while must elapse ere she is completely restored to health, many months and perhaps a year. We will take her to a warm, sunny climate as soon as she can be moved with safety, we trust in three or four weeks. So, my dear girls, for another time we must be separated, and I am denied the pleasure of meeting you face to face before I once more leave the state. I cannot tell you how I regret this, for I had counted largely on visiting each union this fall, and thought by personal touch we could come more closely together, and by mutual help and support be enabled to accomplish much in our beloved work this year. Since this cannot be I write you all to bring a lively correspondence with me; write to me, write soon and write often! Ask me questions, tell me what you have done and what you plan to do, and in every way in my power I wish to aid you.

If possible, the work is dearer to me because of the year I was absent from it and at so great a distance unable to assist. Now the same glorious flag waves over us all, and while Uncle Sam's mail facilities are so perfect, and so much can be said for two cents, I, for one, am exceedingly anxious to keep his clerks busy between North Dakota points and wherever I may be. As soon as possible I will give you in this column a definite address, but until then and at any time letters sent to my home will be promptly forwarded.

Those of you who were at convention met our charming new Assistant Sec'y, Mrs. Mary Grover, of Lisbon. While we all regret that our former assistant, Miss Adams, felt it necessary to resign because of home cares and school duties we rejoice that her talents and enthusiasm will still be devoted to our cause, both in her local Grand Forks union and

in her capacity as Sec'y for Grand Forks Contry.

Our dear Mrs. Grover in her quick, decisive, "prompt to action" way has already introduced herself to you in her official capacity through her recent letter regarding our share in the national gift to our beloved Clara Parrish. I do trust you have responded promptly and generously, and made Mrs. Grover feel you were ready to follow her initiative. No one can appreciate as I what that one quick, prompt action meant; it was a matter needing quick work and at the time, because of the stress of anxiety and care I was utterly unable to attend to it, but Mrs. Grover lifted a great load from my mind by arising to the occasion like a general, and taking the matter in hand. During my absence Mrs. Grover will have charge of the work and is eager to serve where she may, so, dear girls, you have two hearts and two pairs of willing hands at your command. Take us and use us! we can feel no higher pleasure than in helping you and thus advancing and building up the cause of Temperance in our great state.

Let us unite our forces then, and work together, doing all in our power to help others, remembering that "Love's secret is to be always doing things for God, and not to mind because they are such very little ones."

Yours for consecrated service,
Cora W. Larimore.

Sunday School Work.

Dear Sunday School Workers.

A new year is before us and our first work as planned by the national spirit is for the observance of World's Sunday School Temperance Sunday, Nov. 24th. In addition to the usual recommendations, viz: temperance sermons in the morning, special Sunday School programs, rallies, mass meetings, etc., a pledge signing crusade has been planned, and you are earnestly requested to consider these plans and endeavor to have them carried out in every Sunday School within your reach.

A circular has been issued by the department which announces the date of World's Temperance Sunday and gives the method of carrying out the Pledge Signing Crusade. A new leaflet, "The Pledge. What is it? Why sign?" has been issued. "Why should I abstain?" and "A Study of the Pledge for Primary Workers" are leaflets also recommended for use in this work. The use of the red, white and blue pledge cards is urged that we may add to our national pledge chain. The department will also furnish the single pledge on white cards for the Home Visitation Department's use.

Our attractive blackboard exercise has been prepared for Temperance Sunday. The Quarterly Lessons Leaflet furnishes valuable hints on the temperance truths of the lesson and should be distributed to teachers one week in advance of the lesson and used for general distribution on November 24th.

Dear sisters, here is an excellent opportunity to do good work right in the beginning of the year. Will you not procure the literature without delay and make the very most of this opportunity? And I am sure the interest awakened now will be easily kept alive the year through and who can calculate the work for temperance that may be accomplished through our Sunday Schools?

Send to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, 300, The Colonnade, St. Paul. Send at once, and may God bless your every effort.

Yours lovingly,
Mrs. Necla Buck.

A Girl's Value.

"Who can find a virtuous woman?" for her price is above rubies."

Notice that Solomon who was called the wisest of men said a virtuous woman, not a careless woman, not a woman who spent her days and nights in enjoying herself and in trying to kill time, but a virtuous woman. Then why should we whose value ought to be above rubies make ourselves cheap? Why do not we value ourselves so high that every person who knows us will always show us proper respect?

Ordinarily others estimate us at our own valuation. Sometimes indeed we are misjudged and our conduct attributed to motives very different from the ones which actuated us, therefore, is it more necessary that we should be very careful in all of our conversation and conduct. A girl who has proper respect for herself and who wishes for the respect of others will not, when she goes on the street, conduct herself in such a manner that she will attract the atten-

tion of everyone in sight. She will not talk and laugh in a loud voice nor try to monopolize all the sidewalk as some girls are in the habit of doing.

But most of all is the habit some young girls have of going to the stations to see all the trains arrive and to flirt with the traveling men and the trainmen. I do not like to speak of "flirting," because it does not sound well; neither does it look well, but we all know that some girls will flirt. To my mind there are very few things that a girl can do which are more detestable than flirting and which will lower their value more. By flirting she encourages attentions from men of all grades of character, and as many of the men are strangers to her, she has no chance of knowing their moral condition. They do not know whether they are pure in heart and in body. They do not know anything of the conduct and conversation of these men.

Dear girls, sisters, be careful of the acquaintances you make and do not flirt, but remember how high your value should be. Do you know the remarks those men make about you? If you could know how they value you and the remarks they make, you would hide your face for shame. They wonder what the girls think of themselves. I have frequently seen on our streets young girls not more than fourteen years of age walking with young men who puffed vile tobacco smoke in their faces and laughing and talking at an hour when they should have been at home.

Mothers, how much do you value the lives of your daughters? Have you taught them their value? If they are not taught it in childhood and girlhood, how can they know it in young womanhood? When you train your daughter so that they never ask your advice or opinion, never consult your pleasure or interest, so that they have no respect for you and, if you interfere with some plan, tell you to mind your own business, how do you expect them to have any respect for you or any idea of their own value?

It is very distressing to hear on the streets such remarks from young girls as, "I see Nell has caught on to Fred at last; well dear knows she has been trying hard enough walking up to him, making eyes at him, etc." Do not know how often we girls, she can have him if she admires that kind of beauty, I shall not try to take him away from her, he isn't my style." And Fred, what do you suppose he thinks of Nell and her style? At what value will he estimate her? How can he respect her when she does such un-ladylike acts? What can we think of the value of a girl who will greet a young man on the street with the expression: "Heavens, girls, see what I have found, is this really you, Charlie? you are just in time to treat us to soda, we are all dyed in for something to drink." What does Charlie think of such girls? Do not think that I am drawing on my imagination, I am not. I have actually seen and heard these things; I am not even depending on the words of others.

I have seen girls who went to parties with young men who were intoxicated and could not walk straight. Any young man who shows so little respect for a young woman should be avoided, but if the girls will tolerate such conduct they need never expect the men to improve. They will never be any better than we require them to be.

The men are temperance lecturers say: "The men are what the young and pretty girls make them." Then why not have a high ideal and require them to rise to it? Why do we have two codes of morals? Because when a girl steps aside we all condemn her and will not allow her to return, but what of the man? We simply ignore his share of the sin and welcome him to our homes just the same as usual. I know that many young men, if they are re-monstrated with, say: "Oh it does not make any difference if I was drunk and in the gutter yesterday; all I have to do is to clean up and the girls will be just as glad to see me."

Do you know what some noted people of other nations think of us American girls? A noted English writer, Mrs. Josephine Butler, said: "The one thing I feel is their lack of dignity. The sense of their own worth should be impressed upon girls in all ranks in life. They are too cheap; they are made cheap, and they allow themselves to become cheap." People from other lands admire American girls who are bright, witty, womanly and modest; but for those who are bold and cheap; but for those who are contempt. Modesty is a girl's greatest charm, no matter what she may lack in wealth, culture or beauty, she can still be modest and so conduct herself that she will in-

variably command respect. It is so easy to make a mistake, you think it is all fun now and that these warnings are all nonsense, but in a very few years you will thank God if you have heeded them, and if you have not, you will never cease to feel shame and remorse.

Be true to God, be true to yourselves. Be careful in your choice of associates, you cannot avoid making the acquaintance of undesirable people, but you need not make associates of them. Always know who you are making your friend and never tolerate companions who will make rude jests and use foul language. Do not habitually associate with young men who will become intoxicated and who will puff clouds of vile tobacco smoke in your face. If you do, you will surely lose the respect of every one, even of yourself. Remember the homely saying: "Birds of a feather flock together," or in plain English, people are known by their associates. People have a right to think that you are no better than the company you keep.

"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God." It rests entirely with yourselves what your value shall be, whether your price shall be above rubies.

FRANCES MARION WALKER,
Grand Forks, N. D.

Heart Talks.

"When He is come He will tell us all things." The incident related by John from which this scripture is taken is quite familiar. Christ on His way from Judea to Galilee, going through Samaria, rests at Jacob's well. Why has Jesus come this way? A soul hath need and is ready to be taught; a woman despised and from whom the self righteous Jew would draw back her skirts in disdain. The love and compassion of the Savior goes out to meet and greet her, and this tender touch of Jesus prepares the heart to receive the word. A beautiful picture! The woman, busied and hurried with her daily work, comes into personal contact with the Redeemer of the world, and, although unknown to her, it is by His appointment.

Sitting quietly on the well, He asks of her a simple service. She, remembering the customs of her people, doubts the propriety of rendering the service and starts the inquiry, Why? Why do you ask this service of ME? Ah, dear sisters, do we not sometimes do the same when God asks some service of us? Do we not often say, "I cannot do this or do that; it is not customary." Why? What will the world say? etc., etc. We will know the excuses. Now, see what we miss. Jesus said to the woman, "If thou knewest the gift of God and who it is that saith unto thee, 'Give me to drink,' thou wouldst have asked him and he would have given thee living water." She did not know Him nor appreciate the "Gift." Do we know Him? Do we show appreciation of the Gift of God to us when we draw back from service or refuse the call to duty? She does not understand, but feels that there is something that will allay physical thirst and lighten labor. So she asks for the living water. How often we come to God from a selfish purpose, asking for relief from some duty that is distasteful, or for exemption from a decision for a cause or principle which is unpopular, or to be relieved from some labor because it is labor. O! we are unprofitable servants! As Jesus opened up to this woman the fact that He knew all about her, there was brought to her mind the worship of her fathers. "Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and ye say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Are we not as tenacious as this woman as to where, and when, and how we will serve the Master and worship God? Christ meant that God's sanctuary is to be enlarged, would be established in other places than in the mountain of Jerusalem, that all mankind should have its privileges. God wants His kingdom to come into all hearts: He wants you and me to carry the Gospel, to listen to Him as He tells "us all things." Our fathers worshipped in this mountain; and He says that others may be helped; how to deliver His message that others may seek Him; how to give the life that is "hid with Christ in God" that others may be charmed with its beauty and brought into this blessed experience of right-living; how to engage in the necessary temporal work of the church and W. C. T. U. so that His name will be honored. Illinois Watch Tower.

The new Y at Lisbon has now 28 members and more coming in very soon. The L. T. L. is also in a very flourishing condition. It has three classes and about 33 members.

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Extracts From an Address

BY CLARA BARTON.

It was a surprise to me that my opinions either way should be held of sufficient importance to be mentioned. What difference could it make to others what I approved or disapproved, believed, or disbelieved in? But as I reflected upon it, it did occur to me that perhaps it ought to be of sufficient importance to myself to induce me to take the opportunity which offers at this moment, to make my record a trifle more clear, if possible, and this will require very little time.

"I believe I must have been born believing in the full right of woman to all the privileges and positions which nature and justice accord to her in common with other human beings. Perfectly equal rights—human rights. There was never any question in my mind in regard to this. I did not purchase my freedom with a price; I was born free; and when, as a younger woman, I heard the subject discussed, it seemed simply ridiculous that any sensible, rational person should question it. And when, later, the phase of woman's right to suffrage came up, it was to me only a part of the whole, just as natural, just as right, and just as certain to take place.

And whenever I have been urged, as a petitioner, to ask for this privilege for woman, a kind of dazed, bewildered feeling has come over me.

Of whom should I ask this privilege? Who possessed the right to confer it? Who had greater right than the woman herself? Was it man, and if so, where did he get it? Who conferred it upon him? He depended upon woman for his being, his very existence, nurture, and rearing. More fitting that she should have conferred it upon him.

Was it governments? What were they but the voice of the people? What gave them their power? Was it divinely conferred? Alas! no; or they would have been better, purer, more just and stable.

Was it force of arms—war? Who furnished the warriors? Who but the mother? Who reared the sons and taught them that liberty and their country were worth their blood? Who gave them up, wept their fall, nursed them in suffering, and mourned them dead?

Was it labor? Women have always, as a rule, worked harder than men.

Was it capital? Woman has furnished her share up to the present hour. Who, then, can give her the right, and on what basis? Who can withhold it?

Conservatism Rules Women.

From a letter of Alice Stone Blackwell.

Many changes for the better have been made during the last half century in the laws, written and unwritten, relating to women. Everybody approves of them now, because they have become accomplished facts. But not one of them would have been made to this day if it had been necessary to wait till the majority of women asked for them. In the light of history, the indifference of most women and the opposition of a few must be taken as a matter of course.

When a man in Saco, Mo., first employed a sales-woman, the men boycotted his store, and the women remonstrated with him earnestly on the sin of which he was guilty in placing a young woman in a position of such "publicity." When Lucy Stone tried to secure for married women the right to their own property, women asked with scorn: "Do you think I would give myself where I would not give my property?" When Elizabeth Blackwell began to study medicine, the women at her boarding house refused to speak to her, and wo-

men on the street held their skirts aside so as not to touch her. Mary Lyon's first efforts for the higher education were received with infinite ridicule by the mass of men and women alike.

Public Opinion Says:

"In a recent speech from the throne, Queen Wilhelmina of Holland dwelt on the necessity for social reform. While, said her majesty, the general conditions of the country were satisfactory in many respects, it must be recognized that there was a manifest deterioration in the moral and material conditions, demanding legislative attention. Among the measures which it was necessary to revise was the law bearing on the observance of Sunday. Legal and more decided protection of the moral character of public life and of the people and a more effective repression of public gambling and drinking, without infringing on individual liberty, were required."

A noted press comments that there are reasons for believing that Wilhelmina, like the late Victoria of England, has a mind of her own, and, within constitutional limits, proposes to express it when it involves the interests and happiness of her people. The young queen is an honor to her sex, and to her country. Pure in character, exemplary in conduct with a high estimate of her own royal authority, it is not at all unlikely that she has insisted upon proclaiming to her subjects her displeasure of looseness in morals and habits as practiced by any of them directly under her control. The influence of such a life and example as hers, however lightly they may be treated by the frivolous and dissipated, can not fail to do much towards counteracting the evils of loose thinking and loose living which prevail to so large an extent upon the continent among the upper, but not necessarily the better, classes.

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Pertinent Queries.

Rev. J. H. Keeley, formerly of Larimore, but now District Superintendent for the Northwest District, State of Pennsylvania Anti-Saloon League, sends out the following:

PLAIN QUESTIONS FOR CITIZENS.

- 1 Do we want saloons? If so, why?
- 2 Who of us want them, and for what?
- 3—Is the time spent in them profitably employed?
- 4—Would you spend in them an advantage to the patron or his family?
- 5—Is there likely to be gambling in them?
- 6—Do fathers who patronize them set good or bad examples to their boys?
- 7 Do boys who patronize them form habits that will make them good men, or good for nothing men?
- 8—Is the saloon a good place to educate the young men who are to be the husbands of our daughters?
- 9—Would anybody be hurt by having these places shut up; if so, who?
- 10—Would not a vast multitude of men be better off today if they had never been in a saloon?
- 11—Would not many thousands of women and children be better fed and better clothed, and thousands of homes be happier, without the saloon?
- 12—Would not many now smouldering in drunkards' graves be alive today?
- 13—Are saloon-keepers seeking our welfare or our money?
- 14—More than \$20,000,000 annually is expended for strong drink in the country of Philadelphia; from \$5,000,000 to \$8,000,000 annually, each, in the counties of Luzerne and Lackawanna, and about \$4,000,000 in Lycoming. If this money were turned into channels of legitimate trade, what would be the financial and moral effect?
- 15—Is the saloon-keeper's patronage of as much worth to trades-people as that of their victims might be?
- 16—Are waifs a saloon product or has God created them as special objects of charity?

17—Are criminals sought for in the church or in the saloon?

18—Would closing saloons diminish church membership or attendance?

19—Does the saloon bring happiness to our mothers, wives and sisters?

20—If the saloons were abolished would there be more immorality, more poverty, more homes destroyed, more abused childhood, more expenditures to prevent crime, more destruction of property, more taxes to pay, more idleness or shameless conduct, more oppression, more insanity and more murders, or would there be less of these things and more civil and religious progress?

21—Will the saloon be able to shield its promoters or patrons in the day of judgment?

22—Are not these questions worthy of serious thought? If they lead to right convictions, ought not right actions to follow?

FIELD NOTES.

The L. T. L. of Cooperstown is now well established and has a good Supt. and two assistants, and best of all, they are much interested in the work. They are planning a medal contest with drills for the small ones. The leader of the Legion says: "She is getting very much interested in the work since she commenced to study it up."

On Sept. 19th Mrs. Nelle Burger lectured for the Cooperstown union on "The Jericho Road." Her audience was charmed with the force and cleverness of her address and the sweet attractiveness of her bearing. A collection of \$8.00 was taken and five new members received, three active and two honorary. The Cooperstown union also held a silver medal contest, Sept. 20th. Five young ladies were the contestants. Miss Daisy Moffatt was awarded the medal. The contest was held in the court house and the gross receipts were \$29.40.

Drayton Y has been having a very successful membership contest an account of which they pass along for the encouragement of the other Y girls. There were two sides, one called the Red Ribbons and the other the Blue Ribbons, each one wearing a badge of the color they represented. The defeated side, or the one receiving the least number of new members, entertained the entire society. The contest lasted two weeks. At the end of that time the result was that the Reds had secured 29 new members and the Blues 23, making a total of 52 new members. The Blues at once set to work to prepare the entertainment. The reception was given in the Columbia hall. The invitations were tied with dainty bows of blue ribbon and the tables were decorated in blue and white, the napkins being of blue tissue paper tied with bows of white ribbon. The rest part of the evening was spent in song-ways and getting acquainted with the new members, after which supper was served. Some of the younger members of the blue side waiting on the table, wore blue and white aprons and caps. After the refreshments were served, appropriate toasts were given and responded to, which were both interesting and instructive. After the singing of "America" the guests departed, everyone voting the entertainment a success.

BESSIE SMITH,
NELLIE WILKINS.

The Only Canteen Question for Congress.

BY REV. WILBUR F. CRAFTS, PH. D.

Both sides might as well face at once this question: Should congress accept as conclusive the anticipated reports of post commanders that the abolition of canteens has caused an increase of drunkenness and disorder in the army? These reports, we are told, are not to be sent in until about the time congress meets. Let us charitably hope that this delay is to insure that the trial may cover as much time as possible, though such a timing of the reports certainly gives the anti-canteen side no fair chance to frame replies based upon direct investigations until after congress has the canteen side in its hands. But we have no fear that congress will act until after such a delay as fair play requires in order to allow counter investigations and a full hearing of both sides on all relevant facts.

It is a mistake to assume that all post commanders will report increased disorders. Maj. P. H. Kay, commandant at Fort Snelling, whose views we have in our own hand, has indignantly denied over his own signature that the abolition of the canteen has increased drunkenness and disorder there and speaks

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with scorn of officers who cannot maintain discipline without a beer saloon. And there are others. In view of such reports those who do report increased disorders will be placed in this dilemma, by fair inference: Either the alleged increase of disorder at their posts is due to their incompetence or to their desire to repeal the anti-canteen law by making it odious.

And what of those posts from which commanders will report increased disorders, while civil officers and citizens as eye-witnesses make a contrary report? Secular editorials assume that the military officer as a witness so outweighs the civilian that the latter's testimony should hardly be heard or needed. Let me test this official testimony on two pay days, the first with a canteen, the other without. I saw a pay day with a regular army canteen in the fort at Newport, R. I., where, at a long bar, drunken soldiers got all the beer they could pay for, and where gambling of the worst type went on openly, from which I followed the soldiers to the "outside saloons" of Newport, to which the canteen was a preparatory school. Neither in the canteen nor on the street was there a military officer in sight that pay day to see or restrain these evils. Who should be the best witness as to that pay day, the absent officers or the eye-witnesses? I saw another pay day at Fort Sheridan, without the canteen, where there was less drunkenness, and again there was no officer in sight to see or restrain what there was. Chaplain Vattman told me the saloons had increased in the neighboring village of Highwood since the canteen was abolished, which he had accepted on the newspaper report, while I had visited the mayor of the village and had his written statement that not one new saloon had opened. Union Signal.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S LETTER

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their departments of work with the understanding that they were to study it until they had mastered it. If this were done by all there could be no more eye-witness inspiration to induce them to plan and pray for its promotion.

Twelve departments of work are taken up by this union by means of the annual report plan to all. Let us teach our willing women how to do what they would like so much to do. This year we have another state superintendent, that of institute work. Our state recording secretary will act as correspondent of this important department. Correspond with her in regard to the institute plans.

We recommend that each local superintendent begin now, if you have not already done so, to keep a book record of all work done and be prepared to present the blanks which will be sent out in March.

Finally, let us be very courageous and work on this union for the economy's sake. One very great change also was made in the superintendents' reports. The formal reports which were read at the convention and adopted were not printed this year, but in their places you will find "Methods and Plans for Department Work" by the state superintendents, short, pithy and to the point, just what is most needed for practical local union helps. They should be read, studied, weighed, anything in the report is or not. If the officers and superintendents of the local unions would all provide themselves with copies and make constant use of them it would be a great incentive to the rank and file to do likewise and the average intelligence in our work would be raised very materially. Yours for progress.

MATTIE VAN DE BOGART.

State Minutes.

Editor of the Bulletin: I would like to say just a few words about our new minutes, which will soon be out. Those who attend the state convention will remember that we felt as our funds were low, we must cut down the expense of printing the annual report in some way. A committee considered the matter, and several things which have hitherto appeared in the minutes are discontinued. Those who attend the convention will remember that we adopted a very great change also was made in the superintendents' reports. The formal reports which were read at the convention and adopted were not printed this year, but in their places you will find "Methods and Plans for Department Work" by the state superintendents, short, pithy and to the point, just what is most needed for practical local union helps. They should be read, studied, weighed, anything in the report is or not. If the officers and superintendents of the local unions would all provide themselves with copies and make constant use of them it would be a great incentive to the rank and file to do likewise and the average intelligence in our work would be raised very materially. Yours for progress.

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