



"NOT WILLING THAT ANY SHOULD PERISH."

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Marching on to Victory.

In spite of Lyman Abbott and the indifference of many who are most vitally concerned, our cause is more certainly gaining ground, and from the fragrant forests of Norway, through phlegmatic Germany and the populous countries of Central Europe on to those progressive islands of the sea, Australia and New Zealand, come most cheering news of lively interest and great accomplishment.

Mr. John G. Wolley, who is lecturing in New Zealand, writes from Auckland to the New Voice: "Politically, New Zealand is by far the most interesting and inspiring country I have ever seen. Just as Japan in these days, stands first in war, this colony stands first in peace; just as Japan is the greatest killer, this country is the greatest maker alive. Absolutely any respectable and respectful proposition can get a hearing on its merits here. The referendum secured by the Prohibitionists in 1890 under which the liquor problem comes up every three years, has worked out the greatest peaceable revolution of modern times, in making people conscious of themselves. Mistakes are made here as everywhere; there are grafters and there is dirty politics; but it is actually what the United States is not yet, a government of the people and by the people. There is a fair chance in New Zealand for every human being.

They have had absolutely equal suffrage there since 1893, and South Australia has had it since 1895; West Australia since 1900; New South Wales since 1902; Zasmama since 1903; Queensland and Victoria have fallen into line in this year of grace 1905, so now in all these progressive colonies there is absolute equality between men and women politically, and we have good reason to expect something from there even more valuable than the Australian Ballot, that has been so generally and so cordially received throughout the length and breadth of our land.

Eight times before, this law enfranchising women, passed the popular branch of the Victorian Parliament with ever increasing majorities, only to be thrown out by the non-representative upper house—though the right to full national suffrage had been granted to all women in all the Australian states, Victoria included, as far back as 1892, and it was there as if the women of North Dakota could vote for representatives to our national congress, but could not vote for the members of our own state legislature.

The report of the E. S. A. Convention at Portland this summer and the fascinating account of the trips taken on the side and the high hills and mountains climbed by the octogenarians of the party, made one think of the answer made by one of our wise ones when asked for a charm to keep from growing old, replied: "Espouse some unpopular cause and work for it early and late"—and truly the long and beautiful lives our reformers have lived, as a rule, is enough of itself to bring every woman into the ranks.

The fact that the suffrage sentiment is always spreading into contiguous territory is proof enough the terrible prophecies made by the "ants" cannot be true, and if we, who see the truth, labor faithfully and faint not, some of us will live to enjoy the good things equal suffrage will bring us as a nation, as states, communities and as individuals.

L. L. MUIR,
Supt. of Franchise.



MRS. CALLIE H. HOWE,
St. Joseph, Mo.

National Lecturer and Organizer, who will help in the Annual State W. C. T. U. Convention to be held in Grand Forks September 29 to October 3.

Mrs. Howe will be remembered by many of our white ribboners for the efficient work and the many friends she made when in the state three years ago.

Why Should a Church Member Belong to the W. C. T. U.?

One of the grandest thoughts that has dawned upon the church is the conviction that this world must be evangelized and converted through the influence of gaved, educated and consecrated womanhood. This conviction is the cornerstone of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society. The women of India, China and Japan must be saved if their people and countries are saved, and women alone can save them in the ministry of the gospel of Christ. Frances Willard's mission and message were to call this christian American womanhood of the age up to its noblest rights, its highest ideals, its grandest possibilities of power and usefulness. Hence all reforms, all charities, all missions controlled by the new womanhood have felt and ever will feel the charm of Frances Willard's character and life, for she never lost faith in the ultimate triumph of the temperance reform. Her faith in God and in humanity filled her heart with the prophecy of victory. Her glorious hope and magnificent courage have given emphasis to the grand old proverb, "What woman wills, God wills." God raised up the W. C. T. U. to create a deep and universal sentiment in our life against one of the greatest evils the world has ever known—the drink habit.

We believe that the saloon and its allies are the greatest obstacles which lie in the way of the triumph of Christ and His church in the world. The altars of our church are pitifully destitute of young men and the pitfalls of vice in our large cities are crowded with them. They are drawn farther and farther away from purity, and the influence of mother's prayer. It is not enough that we offer a prayer occasionally for the downfall of the drink traffic. Not enough that we have quarterly temperance S. S. lessons, and once or twice a year a good temperance sermon; not enough that the church pass strong res-

olutions against the sale of intoxicating liquors. Prohibition measures are good, but alone they are not sufficient. They need to be enforced. They cannot enforce themselves.

We belong because the missionary work of all our churches is handicapped by the liquor sent out from this, and other, so-called christian lands. Just at this point the World's W. C. T. U. is being felt and may it never rest until it brings every government to an active co-operation against this world-wide, soul destroying traffic. Furthermore, we have our own missionaries, led by Mrs. Leavitt, who, in the name of the white ribbon sisterhood, are carrying from nation to nation the gospel of Christ and of total abstinence.

We belong because the W. C. T. U. work together as one body, against this common foe to all, and realize the Saviour's prayer that has been uttered for our 1900 years, "Thy Kingdom come." Through these years it has brought the kingdom that much nearer and taught so much the meaning of the laws of the kingdom and our relation to the King. Some of the results that exist today can be seen in Jane Adams' work in Hull House, Chicago, and in similar social settlements in the large settlements in the large cities. Florence Crittenton Homes and all sorts of rescue work.

There are two elements in the christian ideal today. One is new to others, the second, to every man his work. The first may be seen in Helen Gould. Born of a race of greedy, unscrupulous money getters, she gives back into the needy world the wealth that has been gathered in darkness. An illustration of the second is in the efficient work of Clara Barton. The marvels of Red Cross work in flood, fire, famine and war are known to everyone. Take the departments 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 for Christ says, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." Then the prevention work, such as Purity and Mothers Meetings. 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. The Evangelistic department, the Legal department and next the Social department, whose purpose is best shown by the Flower Mission. If one thinks of Jennie Cassiday lying on a sick bed for a score of years and dictating plans for flower messages of hope and comfort to thousands of sick and weary and wretched, there will be found the spirit of Him who went about doing good.

It is generally understood by temperance men of the Dakotas that prohibition has not been prevailed in these states had it not been for the work of the organization carried on by the W. C. T. U. We have no claim to having accomplished this alone. The Enforcement League, the Prohibition Party, the Good Templars and churches have all worked together, and the liquor can never prevail over the temperance people of North Dakota, united and awake.

What are we as an organization and as individuals most in need of at the present time? That it may be fully equipped for the conflict before us; that our Union may be increased in numbers and in the power for the Master's work to which we are called. May we study, work and pray that we may conquer, for the battle is not ours, but God's, and while we toil on in faith and hope, let us remember that

"Though Right seems ever on the scaffold,

Wrong forever on the throne,
Yet that scaffold dims the future,
And behind the dim unknown
Standeth God within the shadows,
Keeping watch above His own."

MRS. AUGUSTA BATES,
Forest River, N. D.

Synopsis of State Convention.

The Sixteenth Annual Convention of the North Dakota W. C. T. U. will be held Sept. 29-Oct. 1, in Grand Forks.

Friday evening will be welcome night and prominent citizens of Grand Forks will speak upon that occasion and Mrs. Anderson will deliver her annual address.

Saturday evening addresses will be given by speakers of national reputation in connection with Loyal Temperance Legion exercises.

Sunday afternoon Mrs. Callie H. Howe, of St. Louis, a national organizer and lecturer of wide reputation and large experience, will deliver the annual sermon.

Sunday evening Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman, State President of Missouri, and national corresponding secretary, will give an address. Both Mrs. Howe and Mrs. Hoffman will be present for other days of the convention and will give us their assistance and inspiration.

On Monday evening will be held a diamond medal contest.

The usual convention work will be carried on in the morning and afternoon sessions.

Saturday morning will be given over to conferences.

Our own Mrs. Anderson, refreshed and strengthened as we hope from her needed vacation, will be with us again at convention time, and we expect to hear frequently of European lands as viewed through American eyes.

Although rather early to announce as assured speakers, yet we are safe in saying that we hope for addresses from President Merrifield, Hon. Tracy Bangs, Rev. F. E. B. Miller, Editor Winship and Mayor Duis and other Grand Forks speakers.

A fine musical program will be rendered throughout the convention.

Attend at once to the matter of sending delegates and come to the state convention for instruction and inspiration.

B. FERGUSON, Cor. Sec'y.

National W. C. T. U. Convention

at Los Angeles, Oct. 27-Nov. 1.

Who is planning to go from North Dakota to the national convention? Please let us have your names.

The special white ribbon train leaves Chicago the night of October 18, stopping at Colorado Springs one day, and Salt Lake City for Sunday. Round trip, \$32.50. Route, C. B. & Q., Denver & Rio Grande, Southern Pacific going—Santa Fe returning. Send for all information and circulars to

MINNIE E. HORNING,
The Temple, Chicago.

Stirum, Aug. 3.—Today we organized a new union at Stirum, Sargent Co., with ten members, and officers as follows: President, Mrs. J. M. Black; Harlow; vice pres., Mrs. Henry Robinson; Stirum; corresponding and recording secretary, Anne Campbell; Stirum; treasurer, Mrs. James Borthoff. The meeting will be held every Thursday afternoon at 3 o'clock. We expect to have a larger union in the near future. Yours for the work, ANNA CAMPBELL, Sec.

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The day is best wherein we give
A thought to others' sorrows;
Forgetting self, we learn to live,
And blessings born of kindly deeds
Make golden our to-morrows.
—Rose H. Thorpe.

Casselton Reporter

CASSELTON, N. D.

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

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Important.

Miss Winnie Nicholson wishes to announce to the unions of the state that the names of delegates to the State W. C. T. U. Convention be sent before Sept. 20th to Miss Winnie Nicholson, 419 North 4th St., Grand Forks.

We trust that our next issue will have its "President's Corner." We have greatly missed the "Much in Little" that we have been accustomed to in the home and Mrs. Anderson will be before this number reaches you. If good wishes can avail, we are sure our dear president is renewed and rested in body and mind.

All our readers are glad to know that Miss Robbins thinks of us while away. And we take this opportunity of expressing to her our appreciation of her work in the state. And also extend to her and her mother our sympathy in the weary hours of watching and suffering.

Browning wrote his beautiful poem "Pippa Passes," to show the force of unconscious influence. The little maid singing her cheerful song.
"God is in his heaven
And all's right with the world."
stays the hand of the slayer and the thief leaves his booty. We wonder if the "up-to-date" story writer could realize his unconscious influence if he would not less often have his hero "Calmly roll a cigarette and light it."

We hope every union in the state has in mind the state convention to be held in Grand Forks, Sept. 29th to Oct. 2d. The program is progressing. Mrs. Callie Howe writes that she is looking forward with pleasure to again coming into North Dakota. Let us remind you that the treasurer's books close Sept. 15th, and representation is based on amount of dues paid before that time. Send delegates names early to Miss Winnie Nicholson, 114 Cottonwood St., Grand Forks. Send banners a week before convention to Mrs. Ernest Larson, Grand Forks, chairman of decorating committee.

"Field Notes" are limited in number in this issue. Of course you are busy, but stop long enough to tell us what you are doing. The "Enemy" is working nights and Sundays. Let our side make some record.

The state has been fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman for state convention. Here is what Helen M. Barker, our own president in territorial days says of her: Mrs. Clara C. Hoffman is one of our very best speakers. A natural born orator. A fine education and a quick perception enable her to seize upon facts, modern and ancient, for illustration, which gives her unusual power over an audience. Her great love for humanity carries her burning words home to the hearts of her hearers, with convincing power.

HELEN M. BARKER,
Treasurer National W. C. T. U.

Sunday School Dept.

Dear Superintendents—Sept. 17th is our next Quarterly Temperance Sunday, and as it is near the birthday of Miss Willard, we are recommended to have special exercises in the Sabbath Schools referring to her life. Sketches may be given of her as a Teacher, a Reformer, a Philanthropist, an ideal woman, what great men and women have said of her, quotations from her writings, facts concerning the Frances Willard statue at the National Capitol.

Pledge signing follows well the study of Daniel's Abstinence and let us use the Frances Willard picture cards at this time. Miss Willard's pledge could be presented to the Sunday Schools at this season.

Every superintendent should be supplied with the "Quarterly Temperance Budget" which contains samples of everything needed in the work. This is 15 cents per quarter or 50 cents per year and always comes two months in advance. Send to Mrs. Stella B. Irvine, Riverside, California.

Let us sow Temperance Seed Truths everywhere. May our eyes be opened to see our duty and great opportunity in this His work.

Yours in loving service,
EDNA F. SALMONS, State Supt.

Railroad Rates.

To State Convention at Grand Forks, Sept. 29th to Oct. 3d.

All persons from all points in N. Dak. can secure reduced rates to Grand Forks—one fare and one-third on the certificate plan by complying strictly to these instructions: Purchase one way ticket and take receipt therefor on form ticket and take receipt or certificate. These certificates properly signed by the secretary of the convention will be honored by the joint agent at Grand Forks for a ticket to return for one-third fare with a minimum charge of twenty cents. Any one failing to present the certificate of the local agent will not only inconvenience himself by rail others, as the total attendance by rail must not be less than seventy-five.

MATTIE MEACHAM,
Supt. of Transportation.

A Letter From Miss Robbins.

Mt. Vernon, Ill., Aug. 10, 1905.
Dear White Ribbon comrades—As I sit in my mother's sick room in the heat of the summer, my thoughts wander back again to the cold times I had with you. I remember the blizzard in Dec. you and how lonely I felt on my way to Kenmare, but a change came over me when Rev. Bell gave his hand of welcome and led me to the decorated church where his wife and others welcomed me. The kindness of another brother is not forgotten, that of Mr. Matters, of Apsaraka, who drove me 75 miles from place to place to meet my appointments when trains would not connect. There, too, is Mrs. Mezey, who wrote the many, many letters, trying to get the women to say they wanted me. I remember each place and meeting, and oh how I long to know that these new unions are faithful and have entered the ranks to be strong, to work and to stay. I cannot stop to mention all the many friends and their kind deeds, but send this to you with greeting, love and best wishes for the coming year. My seven months hard work in your state does not sum up as I could wish for. Let all try a little harder to have the plans made in advance so that better work can be done.

Addresses of all kinds given in N. D. 238, unions organized 67, organized 4. L. T. L. 2, dist. unions 1. Calls made, 147, persons reached, 17,832, miles traveled 8,900. I cost the state above collections taken in for my expenses and salary, \$10.01. This was better than I feared, as many times hotel bills had to be paid. Mother is still with us and suffers greatly all the time with no hope of becoming better. I go to Iowa next. With love and best wishes, your friend,
ANNIE A. ROBBINS,
1313 W. Broadway, Mt. Vernon, Ill.

Advantages of Membership in W. C. T. U.

In the first place numbers give strength to any organization. I believe that the White Ribbon Army, as an organization, was first of God to lead the Nations of the world over the Jordan of Intemperance. When the women of America started out upon the crusade against the rum power, God called into existence the White Ribbon Army. I think every woman ought to count it one of the greatest honors to be a member of the W. C. T. U. I, for one, feel it an honor to wear the little bow of ribbon white when I realize how much it means for God and Home and Native Land. I believe no other organization is doing so much for humanity and for purifying the home as the W. C. T. U. I believe the saloon and its allies are doing more for the downfall of our people than anything else. Oh, may the day be not far distant when this light is cleared from our nation's Sisters. I pray you to try to get every woman in your vicinity to join our ranks. I think if every woman understood what this organization meant to the home and the training of children, for purer and better lives, she would become a member of the W. C. T. U. It is the one organization feared by the rum power. We best help the church by working in the Women's Christian Temperance Union. If the dram shops could be closed and the liquor traffic outlawed, how gloriously would the Church of Christ arise and shine. I could not refuse my membership to an organization which makes the protection of the children its Battle Cry. Oh mothers! how can you refuse your membership to a society which under the blessing of God is doing so much to make clear and pure and safe the pathway for your children? How can any

woman refuse support to such an organization? You recognize intemperance as the greatest curse of modern civilization. It cannot be overthrown by individual effort. Will you not then give to this great organized body of women, pledged to its overthrow, your name and become a member? You have everything to gain and nothing to lose by being a member of the W. C. T. U.
Mrs. VICTOR WALLACE,
Page, Cass County, N. D.

What to Bring Home.

The grandmother had spent her afternoon in a round of calls among sick and troubled acquaintances, and her tender heart was full of all she had seen and heard—the loss of fortune that had brought hardship to one family, the tidings of accident and death that had crushed another household, and a third where the hours dragged heavily by the bedside of incurable pain. She recounted her interviews at the tea table, where the eyes of the gentle mother filled with tears as she listened, and a hush fell over the circle. The atmosphere oppressed little Donald, and he looked from one face to another.
"Aren't there any happy folks in the world, grandmother?" he asked suddenly. "Didn't you find any?"

The grandmother, who is herself one of the brightest of the "happy folks," looked into the clouded young face, and came swiftly back to her sunny self. "The child was right," she said later. "It is all well and good to go out and try to cheer up those who need cheer, but we have no call to gather up the shadows and bring them home with us. It is no more right to spread a pall over the sky with other people's griefs than with our own. God's world is full of brightness, after all, and that is what we must bring as well as carry if we are to be His messengers."—Ex.

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Fargo, N. D., August 20, 1905.—My Dear Y Girls:—I am glad that I can report favorably to you this time. I can now say that I have succeeded in getting some kind of a reply from every union which was reported when I took the work, and I am very thankful to you for supporting me so loyally. In Mrs. Soberry's letter, in the Union Signal, she says, "There is nothing quite so chilling to enthusiasm as absolute silence and indifference. Say something even if it is not good news." And I am proud that my girls have all said something.

This week I have been helping Miss Ferguson arrange the program for the "Y Conference" at State Convention. In responding to roll call your delegate is to say something on "An Ideal Y Member," telling what an ideal member should do and be, or telling of some member who is as near the ideal as she can be. Then, instead of having more than one paper, we are to have talks on four different departments of work, led by different members of the conference. These talks will be very inspiring I am sure, and you want to go with the intention of taking part in the discussions which follow, and learning all that can be learned about these departments. They are: Scientific Temperance Instruction, Physical Education, Anti-Narcotics and Parliamentary Law.

I am sorry that I cannot be with you at convention, but I think Miss Moore will be there, and I know you will all help her, and that things will go off smoothly. I hope you will have a secretary next year who can be at home with you all year, and can go and visit the unions as I should like to have done.

The report blanks are out and nine have been returned to me, seven from W's and two from Y's (Sherbrooke and Lisbon). I hope you will all fill yours out in full and return very soon.

Thanking you again for your loyal support this year and wishing you great success in the coming year, I remain,

Your loving secretary,
EMIR BEST.

1111 3d Ave. So., Fargo.

Letter From Larimore Y.

Larimore, N. D., July 15, 1905.—Dear Miss Best:—The Larimore Y feels very much honored by your request to hear from them, and my only regret is that the pleasant task of writing a letter to the Bulletin was assigned to the least eloquent member.

We are getting along nicely in our Y; we have more encouraging experiences than the latter, however is concerning the double dues. Some members are intending to drop out on account of the dues being raised. I know this will not sound well to the ears of the state officers who need the money to carry on the work, but "facts are facts." If some one will give some suggestions as to the best way to obtain one dollar where half that amount was hard to raise, they will be thankfully received by our treasurer. Meanwhile we will try to hold our own by gaining new members.

It is customary for each union to have a banner, but our Y has never owned one until recently, and it is so beautiful

it deserves especial mention. Mrs. Geo. Swengel, an honored past president, presented the Y with this delightful gift. It has pink roses tied with ribbon applied on tan leather, with the name and motto of the Larimore Y executed in pyrography.

Some time ago we took up the Flower Mission department, but for a number of years nothing was done along that line, owing to the withdrawal of some members who especially interested themselves in that branch of work. This year our efficient president, Miss Theolynne Holton, revived the Flower Mission department. We held a social early in the winter and created a fund for the purpose of carrying out the plans of the Flower Mission superintendent. This work has proved very popular. The girls are enthusiastic and those who receive the fragrant floral emblems are equally so.

We are jubilant because the state convention is to be held so near us. It sounds selfish but an increased number will be able to attend from here. Miss Tressa Mason, who represented us last year at Fargo, brought back more than our money's worth of enthusiasm and we wish it were possible for all the girls to go to Grand Forks this year. I do not think we fully realize what a grand organization is ours, what splendid work it is accomplishing, nor in how many different ways each individual member can help the great work along, until we attend a W. C. T. U. convention.

With best wishes,
(Mrs.) BLANCHE E. MOWRIS.

L. T. L. CORNER.

"For Truth and Right
in the King's Name."

My Dear Co-Workers:—As vacation is nearly at an end and we are all busy getting ourselves or others ready to start in school again, I hope new energy will manifest itself.

Many legions have had a vacation and now as school opens I hope they will resume the work with greater aspirations than ever, and each senior legion that is unable to send forth graduates this year I hope may do so next.

It will be a great pleasure for your secretary to meet as many of you as can possibly attend the state convention at Grand Forks. We shall try to hold conferences at that time which we hope will prove helpful to all of us.

The reports are coming in splendidly and I wish to take this opportunity of thanking each legion that has been so prompt. As the work has been comparatively new to most of us this year we may not have accomplished as much as might have been done, but we certainly have advanced some, and if each of us do all we can during another year we shall have a much better report.

I wish to impress upon each subscriber of The Crusader monthly, whose subscription soon expires, that it will save a great deal of trouble at the head office if they will renew their subscriptions a month or so before their year expires. In that way you will not miss an issue of the paper, and none of us can afford to miss even one copy.

I quote a clipping from the Park River (Gazette-News of Aug. 11 which shows that that legion is very much alive. What Park River legion can do other legions can if they only think so.

"CARD OF THANKS:—The Park River L. T. L. desires to express its appreciation and thank the public for the very liberal attendance at the lawn entertainment Wednesday night on C. H. Honey's grounds, also for the many compliments tendered regarding the quality and arrangement of the program. By numerous requests we will try and give you another good time this month. Watch for date. The gate receipts were very flattering and places our treasury in good condition to commence the second year of our existence. We assure you that every penny put into the L. T. L. treasury will be used for the good of our young people."

Hoping to meet all of the county and local superintendents and as many others who can come to state convention, I am

Yours lovingly,
ELLA C. BOISE.

"Keep thee far from a false master."

"My son, keep sound wisdom and discretion."

"Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee."

Effects of Government Control
of Sale of Liquor as Seen
in Russian-Jap War.

The advocates of government control of sale of liquor cannot receive much inspiration from the accounts of the "way it works" in the Russian-Jap war. We clip the following from "Canadian White Ribbon Tidings":

Last year's Russian revenue from this one source alone was two hundred and fifty million dollars, the largest item in her whole income budget.

Since the government became the national bar-tender and realized that every additional glass of intoxicants meant that much for the government treasury, temperance organizations have been frowned upon, temperance advocates imprisoned and Russia's lower classes are the most sodden in Europe.

Take a few facts that are burned into the pages of history by the present war.

When the Russian fleet fired on the British Dogger Bank trawlers, the papers headed their accounts "Vodka and Champagne!" Why? Because the whole navy is so notoriously drunken, and because private information showed that the officers and crews on these boats were at that time indulging in a general carousal.

After the almost annihilation of Rojestvensky's fleet in the straits of Iushima, the Japanese published an account given them by their Russian prisoners of the events leading up to this disaster. The "Asahi" of Tokio says:

"When the junction of the two squadrons took place at Annan on May 5th a great celebration was held, grog being served, bands playing, yards manned and cheers given for the Czar. Next day a council of war was held in Rojestvensky's cabin. The vessels of the two squadrons were represented by all their officers and the question of the route from Annan to Vladivostok was considered. There was much variance of opinion. At last Admiral Rojestvensky, who had not spoken, rose, a glass brimming with champagne in his hand, and after solemnly toasting the Czar, the Russian Fatherland and victory, he announced to the assembled officers that his mind was made up and that the route should be through the Strait of Iushima, where he fully expected to encounter Togo and sink him. The assembly then broke up with loud cheering and officers returned to their respective ships, while the fine band of the flagship played the Russian national hymn."

It will be seen therefore, that the historic Council of War which cast the die that (at least temporarily) blotted out Russia as a sea power, drew its inspiration from "the vintage of death."

Whisky sold by the government has very much the same effects as when sold by the bar.

It is not the seller that makes the victim drunk; it is the WHISKY.

It is not the "dirty floor" and "screened window that makes the drinker drunk; it is the WHISKY.

It is not the "low surroundings" that make the man drunk; it is the WHISKY.

Whisky that is sold by the angel Gabriel will make a man thrash his wife just as quickly as when sold by the Son of Darkness.

Attempts to solve the whisky problem by selling whisky bring about as satisfactory results as would an attempt to cure nightmare by sleeping in the daytime.

The Toronto "Mail" of June 3d sums up the situation thus:

"The Russ-Jap war is the greatest illustration the cause of temperance ever had. The Japanese silent, steadfast, clear of brain, great of strength, alert, watchful, muscular to an astonishing degree, the water-drinkers as against the Russians, enervated, timid, muddled with wine, slow of movement, discouraged, dragging about with them enormous stores of vodka and champagne, indulging in carousals while at the very seat of war and defeated on every occasion—there is the picture, and a more powerfully illustrated argument in favor of temperance has never been offered to the world."

There is only one ray of light in the inky outlook, and that is contained in recent press reports, which state that for some months the workingmen, realizing how largely the war fund depends on the government liquor shop and desiring to cripple the government income, have been signing a pledge to touch no liquor till Russia is free. Already this movement has had an appreciable effect on liquor sales.

FIELD NOTES.

Resume of W. C. T. U. Work in Fargo.

The W. C. T. U. perhaps differs in its methods from many other organizations as its work is carried on principally through departments and committees. In a well organized society each department is virtually an organization of itself for the carrying on of one line of work. The departments are classified into six general divisions and these are subdivided until there are about forty distinct departments of work. The general classifications are: Organizations, preventative, educational, evangelistic, social and legal.

The Fargo W. C. T. U. has during the past year been carrying on work through sixteen departments and four standing committees.

The social department has given two public receptions and entertained the L. T. L. children twice. Light refreshments were served at every meeting during the year.

The flower mission department reported 300 bouquets distributed among the sick and infirm, thirty-five text cards sent out, 120 glasses jelly and fruit, and 125 visits made.

The superintendent of jail and prison work held services every Sunday in the jails, and distributed 25,900 pages of literature and sent 1,100 pages to the state penitentiary. Several inmates have professed conversion.

The literature department reports about 5,000 pages distributed besides quantities of magazines.

The mercy and help department distributed eatables and clothing among about thirty families during the winter.

On world's temperance Sunday the pledge was circulated in five of the largest Sunday schools in the city and about 350 signed the triple pledge against alcohol, narcotics and profanity, and 150 the single pledge. One Sunday school temperance rally was held and much interest was manifested.

The Loyal Temperance Legion was organized in the winter and reports 146 members; pledged boys, seventy-one; unpledged, nine; pledged girls, sixty; unpledged, six, and a cradle roll of fifty members.

A large picture of Francis Willard was placed in the Fargo High School.

There are 100 members of about 100 society and honorary. Money raised, \$336.38; expended, \$239.39; on hand, \$76.99.

There has been a general increase in interest and membership and a promise of greater results the coming year.

Amenia, N. D., Aug. 8, 1905.

Our union served ice cream and cake Saturday evening, Aug. 5th, and made a little over \$11.00. At our annual meeting, July 14th, we elected as officers, Mrs. W. R. Reed, pres.; Mrs. McCannan, vice pres.; Mrs. Craven, cor. sec.; Mrs. Vaughn, rec. sec.; Mrs. R. B. Reed, treas.

Flower Mission Day at Cogswell.—The ladies of the W. C. T. U. met at the home of Mrs. L. H. White last Saturday to observe their annual Flower Mission Day. Dainty refreshments were served and each lady presented with a beautiful bouquet of pink roses. Mrs. White is the very efficient superintendent of the Flower Mission department, and her valuable services are much appreciated by the W. C. T. U.

Dear Temperance Co-workers:—Christian greetings. I have hoped to get a full report from each local union in our county and have somewhat failed, but I know this is a very busy time of year and can sympathize with those who can scarcely have time to meet all the demands of correspondence. I know we as a county are planning to send our Co. President to State Convention and hope each local to have her full number of delegates for state convention. Our five unions are all in earnest and each is trying to do its best. Hankinson, our new union, has 15 active members and 2 honorary, take 5 Union Signals and are arranging for a contest in the near future. Our Wyndmere union has been encouraged by three new active members. We are all busy. Have taken up five departments and we hope to do more effective work than in the past. Mrs. H. A. SPRINGER, Co. Press Superintendent.

"Keep thy heart with all diligence, for out of it are the issues of life."

"Keep thy tongue from evil, and thy lips from speaking guile."

The Temperance Question.

By Rev. HERVEY WOOD.

(Financial Secretary National Temperance Society.)

"Watchman, what of the night? The morning cometh, and also the night." (Isa. xxi. 11-12).

These words of Holy Scripture have been brought very forcibly to the mind of the writer recently, by the frequent inquiry, "Is the temperance cause gaining ground or receding? What is the outlook for temperance reform?" These inquiries are honestly made, not in a captious or fault-finding spirit. Friends of temperance see the ebb and flow of temperance sentiment, they see the disintegration and disbanding of organizations that set out with a great flourish of trumpets, that make great promises of what they will do to the monster strong drink, and the drunkard maker, but, but, but—Where are they to-day? Again, friends see the fearful inroads made by strong drink; they see our brightest young men and young women go down in the maelstrom of drink; they see the laws of the Federal Government and of every State in the Union set at defiance, broken by liquor dealers every day in the year. They see our police departments corrupted; politicians doing the bidding of the Liquor Dealers' Association; they see the halls of Congress and of every State Legislature packed with lobbyists of the liquor and brewing interests, seeking to defeat every measure that would restrict the trade, and also to push bills that will fasten the traffic more securely on the backs of our people, and at times, everything seems to be going their way! But, is this so? Let us see what are the facts.

"The morning cometh." Evidence of this is seen in the following facts that "winna budde, and canna be refuted." Here they are:

1. That there never was a time in the history of our race, when there were so many total abstainers in the world as there are to-day.

2. Twenty-seven years ago on the first day of Jan., there was not a single city or state that taught in its public schools "Physiology and Hygiene," or the effects of alcohol on the body and the brain; but, during the year 1878, after much hard work, the National Temperance Society succeeded in getting introduced into the public schools of the City of New York, Dr. Benj. W. Richardson's text book on Temperance. Now on the 18th day of May, 1905, there is not a State or Territory in the Union, where the laws do not make it obligatory upon the teachers to give instruction for so many hours in each school term, on what is known as "Physiology and Hygiene, or Scientific Temperance Instruction." Twenty-six millions of children of school age, it is estimated, are being warned against this evil thing, alcohol. A race of men and women are growing up in our country that in the near future will drive this withering, blighting, soul and body-destroying thing to the pit, from whence it came.

3. At this moment there are living south of the Mason and Dixon line some 27,000,000 of people. Over 17,000,000 of said people in the Southland are living under prohibition, in the form of local option, while there are at least 30,000,000 of our people in the United States that are living under prohibition in some form, either as local option or prohibitory State laws. In fact, it is said that there are only four States in the Union that have no local option laws. Temperance sentiment is further advanced in the South because the people are American-born, and the people are homogeneous. This not the case in the North, East and West. Justice demands also that another statement be made right here, viz., that of the saloon keepers and liquor dealers, over 90 per cent. of them are foreign born; the average American won't stoop so low as to go into the saloon and liquor business, much as he loves the "Almighty Dollar."

4. The saloonist and liquor dealer is not received in good society. He would not be tolerated for five minutes amongst the good people of any part of our country. This is one thing in which our people are ahead of England and Great Britain generally. There they make baronets, knights, members of parliament, and lords, of their public house keepers, brewers and liquor dealers. But not so in our beloved Republic. It is true that they get into our State Legislatures and into Congress, but they "flock by themselves." No self-respecting congressman or legislator ever associated with liquor men; they and their families are tabooed.

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5. Fraternal and benevolent organizations, like the Masonic fraternity and Odd Fellows, won't have them in their ranks. If one makes an application in many of the lodges he is blackballed. Why, even the trades unions have turned down the saloon keeper and will have none of him.

6. Insurance companies are now refusing to insure the saloonist, or at a drinker of alcoholic liquors, except at a higher premium than the total abstainer.

7. The railroads of our country are against strong drink. Of the 1,200,000 men employed by the railroads of our country, over 800,000 of these are employed by railroads that won't allow a man to drink or frequent saloons either while on duty or off duty, night or day; if he does they will discharge him instantly. The road managers have been driven to this by the awful disasters that have been caused by the engineer and train hands being drunk while on duty. This same rule holds good in nearly all our steamship companies, whether ocean going or coasters, passenger or freight carriers. Bitter experience has taught them that a captain or engineer or officer with his brain muddled by alcohol will commit blunders that are beyond repair, while our commercial houses have been driven by the business done by their seamen while drunk to prohibit men from drinking, or entering saloons, even the Subway Tavern, if it is a church saloon and "dedicated."

8. The Christian Endeavor Societies, the Epworth Leagues and Baptist Young People's Unions, with their millions of bright, wide-awake young men and young women, are every one of them total abstainers; and more than this, they are aggressive fighters of the whole liquor business.

9. There is not a single branch of the Christian Church in our country that has not in the strongest, plainest language conceivable, in convention, convocation, conference and association, denounced the liquor traffic and warned its members against strong drink. Any minister or church official that should be seen entering a saloon, his usefulness in that town would be at an end. In fact so bitter are some churches against the liquor traffic that if one of their members is known to sign a petition in favor of a license, he would be subjected to discipline and perhaps expelled from membership in the church for so doing. To the Glory of God and to the credit of the ministry of the Methodist, Baptist and Presbyterian churches, the ministers are almost to a man of them total abstainers.

10. Many of the governors of our states are Christian gentlemen and total abstainers; some of them refuse to appoint a man to office if they know he drinks, while judges, magistrates, congressmen, legislators, merchants, in a word the brainy men of our country—thousands of them—are out and out total abstainers. This is as it ought to be.

11. The religious press is overwhelmingly in favor of temperance, while many of the secular papers are doing grand service for the cause, and hundreds of so-called temperance sheets devoted exclusively to the cause of temperance are found all over our country. When the writer was a boy scarce such a thing as a temperance paper or library book could be found. Yet today books upon every phase of the temperance question, physiology, scientific, philosophical, financial, legal, Biblical, moral, in a word, on every phase of the question, abound. Our people are being educated, and they can be trusted to do the right thing when they see it.

Yes, yes, yes! "The morning cometh."

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Fourth-Dist. Convention.

Report of W. C. T. U. 4th Dist. Convention held at Kenmare, June 27, 1905. Afternoon session opened by singing, followed by prayer by Rev. Bell.

Mrs. Crane, of Minot, then read Facts from Prohibitory Law of N. D., also Declaration of Rights, followed by discussion on same.

The Badge—its Meaning, When and Where You Wear it, was next read by Mrs. J. W. Bell, and was very well received.

The election of officers was next on the program and resulted as follows: Mrs. Addie Carr, of Minot, pres.; Mrs. J. W. Bell, of Kenmare, vice pres.; Mrs. A. M. Olson, of Kenmare, rec. sec.; Mrs. George Wilson, Minot, cor. sec.; Mrs. L. A. Johnson, Portal, treas.

The adoption of constitution came next, the nine articles of which were adopted as a whole.

After prayer by Mrs. Anderson, meeting adjourned until 8 p. m.

The ladies of the church served a dainty white ribbon tea to the visitors in the church parlors. The table decorations were in white and very appropriate.

The evening meeting was opened by a piano duet by Mesdames Bell and Olson. Kenmare's male quartet sang a beautiful song, followed by a cordial address of welcome by Mr. Ford.

The principal speaker of the evening, Mrs. Preston Anderson, was then introduced and delivered an inspiring temperance address, which was earnestly listened to by all present.

The convention came to a close by the quartet giving another selection.

Per MRS. BLANCHARD, Acting Sec'y.

"One of the illusions," says Emerson, "is that the present hour is not the critical, decisive hour. Write it on your heart that every day is the best day in the whole year. No man has learned anything rightly until he knows that every day is doomsday." Young people, especially, are tempted to live more in the future than the present. What they are going to be is more attractive and exciting than what they are. Each young man, each young woman, needs to realize thoroughly that to-day is the key of all the future.

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