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A Prayer In Armor

Lord, give me a place in the world's great fight,
 The fight for the good and the true.
 A place where the wrong outwails the right,
 And there's soldier's work to do.
 Help me to grapple some giant wrong,
 That baffles the good and the true.
 With a white hot heart, and a tireless song,
 And a far hope ever in view.
 Hold fast my gaze to that gleaming height,
 Lest, urged by reproach and applause,
 I battle more from lust of fight
 Than love of a Christ-like cause.
 Yet show me the worth of the next small hill,
 As well as the distant peak;
 Instruct me when to wait and be still,
 And when to stand forth and speak.
 Give patience, Lord, for a steady struggle
 Through the league-long dust and heat;
 And a dogged faith that will not budge,
 Come victory or defeat.
 Make strong my heart, and tender as strong,
 Prayer-tempered and toned for the fight;
 With love for the man whose monstrous wrong
 I loathe, and must dare to smite.
 And when with the earth and it's strife I'm through,
 Let me leave a safer place;
 With a clearer field for the good and the true,
 And the kingdom of love and grace.

The Benefits Derived From Equal Suffrage.

The question under consideration is not in its experimental stage, for there have been many precedents established to show how wonderfully and well the Equal Suffrage Law works. Not longer than seventy years ago women could not vote anywhere, except in Sweden and a few other places in the Old World. At the present time they are on an equality with men, in the political world, in Australia, New Zealand, Isle of Man and Finland; also in four states of the Union, viz: Colorado, Wyoming, Utah and Idaho; while many states and countries have adopted limited suffrage. There is even an organization for woman suffrage in Natal, Africa. China has recently founded a school for girls with the Viceroy as its patron, showing that that country is awakening to a realization of the fact that the strength and prosperity of a nation depend upon the enlightenment of the girls and women.

We all know that this country has patterned after the Australian system of voting. That reform has proved most beneficial. Why not then continue to pattern after the Australian system and adopt the full franchise? Some will make the objection that if women were given the right to vote they would not exercise it. Let me tell you how this works in Australia. According to statistics, within the last seven years the women of Australia have polled 6 per cent. more votes than the men, in proportion of course, to the number of votes—in other words, the women have shown 6 per cent. more interest in the affairs of the country than the men have. Some of the reforms secured in Australia are these:—

- Improvements in laws dealing with the drink evil.
- Improvements in laws dealing with the gambling evil.
- Suppression of indecent advertisements.
- Age of protection raised.
- Prohibition of smoking for children under 16.
- Improvements in the methods of dealing with neglected children.
- Equal pay for equal work.

And many others of like character.

One of the St. Paul papers sometime ago, when giving an account of the fire which destroyed the Parliament Buildings in New Zealand, described that structure as "The Home of the Best Laws in the World." Very suggestive, was it not? In New Zealand they have governmental ownership of railways, compulsory arbitration, an old age pension, a law which makes the taxing of property to its full value obligatory, there has not been a strike for fourteen years, there are no poor houses, they have no millionaires, but they have the most money per capita of any country in the world; and all this, we are told by those who are in a position to know, is traceable, in a great measure, to the Universal Suffrage Law.

What we want is more honesty in politics, and this has been another result in New Zealand and Australia. The men who are elected to office now are not just the same stamp as were elected before. It is asked about every candidate, "Has he a good reputation?" "Will he be useful in making laws for the benefit of the community?" "Is he free from any suspicion of pandering to that which is corrupt in politics?" And that is the man who, under Equal Suffrage, is given the most votes. When Sir Joseph Ward, ex-Premier of New Zealand, was asked if it is true that the possession of the vote by women produces antagonism between the sexes, he said, "Not so, but on the other hand, it is useful to provide intelligent topics for men and women to talk about, it enlarges the mental horizon, and so far as the women are concerned, makes them more companionable." "Another good point," Mr. Ward says, "in the behavior of women in politics, is the absence of wrangling and bitterness. The women usually vote for the correction of abuses in politics, irrespective of party affiliations."

A report comes from Queensland that the principal feature of the last election there was the interest exhibited by the women, and the percentage of votes registered by them was little less than that recorded by the men. The women there are now bending all their efforts to establish a Children's Court.

All these things go to show that instead of politics degrading women, women have upgraded politics. Political meetings are conducted on a more elevating basis, and the general surroundings of polling booths have taken on an improved appearance. It has been proved beyond the shadow of a doubt that women do not neglect their homes. The devotees of politics among the women are usually unmarried women, or married women whose home duties are such that the members of the household are not neglected by the mother's participation in politics. Public work is not nearly so engaging, or so destructive of home life as the continuous round of social frivolities.

There are various evils threatening the peace of this country, one of which is the downward trend of moral standards in politics and business; another, the absorption of the money, at unwanted cost, by the few. It seems to me that the American woman is quite as capable of combating these perils as the American man. It requires no demonstration to show that she would be less tolerant of lack of morality in a candidate for public office; and it appears quite evident that as a thrifty housekeeper and aspiring mother, ever putting into practice those little economies for the promotion of her children, she

would be actively engaged in restraining monopolies from unduly increasing the cost of breadstuffs, etc.

Coming a little nearer home, we find that Wyoming has had full suffrage for thirty years, and, according to statistics, that state shows the smallest proportion of "illiterates" among its inhabitants, and has the fewest number of divorcees.

From Colorado comes the report that in every way woman suffrage has been decidedly beneficial in its effect. The general public conduct themselves more orderly on election days, it is impossible for men of notorious reputation to secure nomination and election, and it is a comparatively easy matter to obtain liberal appropriations for educational purposes and the correction of human ills.

Again consider the millions of money that were expended, and the dreadful sacrifice of life that was made in connection with the emancipation of the slaves. Yet those blacks, who from the very nature of their subjection had not been allowed to even think for themselves, are allowed to vote. And those very men who boast of the freeing of the slaves, apparently do not consider that their wives and daughters are capable of using the franchise.

Look at the number of foreigners who drift into the United States from year to year, and who, before they can thoroughly understand Anglo-Saxon as she is spoken, are permitted to vote. Surely the women, (or as I have heard them described "half-citizens"), of this country are more intelligent than these, and better fitted to have a voice in the affairs of the country. There is one thing positive, women would not be so easily influenced in the casting of their votes as men are—they would not sell their franchise for a mere paltry sum.

MRS. SADIE RUTHERFORD,
 Hunter, N. D.

Medical Temperance

Dear Presidents of Local Unions:—I have sent to the superintendents of the different counties (where there was no superintendent of Medical Temperance. I sent to the president of county) a package of Medical Temperance Literature to be distributed among the local unions, with the name of each union on the package intended for that particular union. If by any mistake you should not secure this package, will you kindly notify me and I will send you some. Each package contained a program for Medical Temperance meeting and several very fine leaflets, such as "Colds, their Causes, Prevention and Cure," by Dr. J. H. Kelley of Battle Creek. "Alcohol Not a Food," "Percentages of Alcohol in Proprietary Medicines," "Why Headache Remedies are Dangerous," etc. These leaflets, of course, cost something, and it costs to send them to you, but if you will make good use of them the money will be well spent. In addition to these leaflets which I send you should be ordered by each union some of this literature for distribution, or Mrs. Allen's book, "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine" to be placed in a school library, or kept in the Union and diligently read by the members. I have a few posters, "Consumptives Beware of Alcohol" which you may have by sending seven cents for each, to be posted in some public place. I have also more of the programs and several good leaflets—you will find the price of leaflets on any of those leaflets which I have sent you. I hope we may have an unusually good report for our National Supt. Mrs. Allen,

this year. If each union does its part, we surely will have. We have the best of literature and enough of it to send free to each union for two good meetings.

Yours cordially,
 NELMIE E. MOTT,
 Supt. Medical Temperance,
 Lisbon, N. D., March 5, 1908.

Treasurer's Report.

Mayville, N. D., April 17, 1908.
 Dear Sisters: I herewith give you my report hoping to be able to give a full financial report for next month. I am sure you will all be inspired by Cray and Leal.

LIZZIE SCHLOSSER, Treas.

State Treasurer's report ending April 17, 1908:

Valley City, state dues.....	\$11 90
Mrs. L. L. Mack Dwight, president's stenographer.....	4 00
Minto Memorial \$2.00; box to Home \$12.....	2 00
Bothel, box to Home \$5.....	1 40
Northwood, state dues.....	3 50
Portal, state dues.....	3 50
Crary, Memorial \$2; state dues \$10.50; state minutes .30.....	12 80
Cooperstown, Y.; Memorial \$2; state dues \$7.....	9 00
Cooperstown, Y.; Japan Missionary Cavalier, state dues.....	2 00
Cavalier, state dues.....	4 90
Valley City, Y.; Japan Mission.....	5 00
Tower City, Y.; Japan Mission.....	2 00
Mrs. Elna Helgeberg, Japan Mission.....	1 00
Sanborn, state minutes.....	15
Leeds, York and Knox, Memorial.....	3 00
Mrs. Bell Hagan, Willard.....	1 00
James Golding, Bulletin.....	25
Valley City, Memorial \$2; state dues \$2.10.....	4 10
Hunter, Home.....	10 00
Bisbee, box to Home \$6.....	10 00
Mrs. Miller, Home.....	40 00
Cogswell, state dues.....	9 80
Dwight, Chautauque.....	2 00
Grand Forks, L. T. L. dues.....	4 00
Sanborn, box to Home \$8.75.....	8 75
Cavalier, Home.....	5 00
Mayville, Home.....	42 00
Grand Forks, state dues.....	28 00
Pembina Y., Japan Mission.....	3 00
Mrs. Simmons, organizing.....	46 53
Mrs. H. W. Wilson, Carrington, life member.....	10 00
Times-Record, Valley City, 'ad' in state minutes.....	5 00
Lansford, state dues.....	1 40
Lakota, Home.....	5 00
Sherbrooke Y., state dues.....	5 60
Crary, state dues.....	7 00
Sherwood, state dues.....	1 40
Crary, for plastering Home.....	100 00
Edgeley, state \$5; Home \$2.....	7 00
Mrs. Miller, Home.....	85 00
Mrs. M. A. Tompkins, Oberlin, life member.....	10 00
Preston, state minutes.....	25
Wyndmere, state dues \$9.80; Home \$6; Memorial \$2; state minutes .45.....	18 25
Steele Co., state \$20; Home \$20.....	40 00
Steele Co., Bulletin deficit.....	5 00
Mrs. Lucy B. Majar, pres. sten.....	1 00
Leal, 12 life members.....	120 00
Westhope, state dues.....	4 20
Bottineau, state dues.....	1 40
Minnewaukan, state dues.....	2 10
Fargo Scandinavians, Home \$20; provisions \$7.90.....	20 00
Kenmare, state dues.....	7 70
Mrs. Miller, Home.....	70 00
Park River, state dues \$49; state \$10.....	59 00
Grand Forks, Home, for bed furnishing.....	5 25

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Let us believe that there is more of good than of evil in every human being, thus helping every one with whom we come in contact to develop the best in him.

We have a goodly number of "Field Notes" for the April number, but we want more. Send us our exchanges print several pages of news from the counties and unions. We appreciate the words of commendation which our correspondents give us, but we realize that the only successful paper is our paper that each diligently works for.

We are in receipt of the American Prohibition Year Book, which is twice as large and contains twice as many temperance items as ever before. The Year Book is from the Lincoln Temperance Press, 92 LaSalle St., Chicago. We wish every union in the state would get one for a reference book.

Miss Flora E. Strout, of Baltimore, Md., the newly appointed World's W. C. T. U. representative in Japan, sailed from San Francisco April 14. Miss Strout visited National Headquarters in Evanston, en route to the Pacific coast, for a conference with Miss Gordon, secretary of the World's Union.

Here is one man who makes whiskey, another who sells it, another rents a house for the sale of it, another who votes a party to license it, another who dies drunk. Now, if you can fix that up so that some of the crowd will go to Heaven and some to hell, you are more profound philosopher than I have been.—Sam Jones.

Some unions have held a membership contest with excellent results. Let the good work continue. To get the best results in our battle for the home, every good woman should be secured. Each will make more effective the home influence and build up the sentiment which will not only vote the states dry, but will keep them dry.

Plans for the next National W. C. T. U. Convention are already under way, and Mrs. Stevens and Miss Gordon will go to Denver in May to confer with state and local committees. It is expected that the convention will be held in the fine new auditorium now in process of erection in Denver for the special accommodation of the great National Democratic Convention to be held in that city in July.

Mrs. L. M. Stevens and Miss Anna Gordon, president and vice-president-at-large, are spending the months of April and May at National Headquarters in Evanston, Ill. In addition to the heavy correspondence incident to the general work, they have taken an active part in the local option campaign in the state, delivering addresses at Springfield, the state capital, and at Momeuse, where a hot fight resulted in a no-license victory. A prohibition majority of nearly 40,000 in Illinois rejoices the hearts of all enemies of the saloon.

All hail to the heroic people of free Finland! On October 31 a cablegram from Dr. Matti Helenius announced that Finland's Parliament had passed a full prohibitory law. Last year Dr. Helenius came to Maine to study the effects of prohibition, commissioned by the Finnish government. Immediately after liquor trade, according to its custom, sent representatives to the Pine Tree state, evidently to gather proof that prohibition is a failure. Both parties investigated and returned to their country and the conflict went on. Meanwhile some great changes in governmental management, and prohibition has won the day.

The Bismarck Palladium says: "Down in Moorehead they have raised the saloon license to \$1,500 a year and state 'that is the kind of prohibition North Dakota needs.' The taxpayers would be relieved and those now selling whiskey would be helping to pay the taxes." This reminds us of Mark Twain's saying in regard to the value of license: "A man bought a pig for \$1.50 and then paid \$40 for corn to feed the pig. He then sold the pig for \$9." That is just the way that license works. Get a license and then make the taxpayers pay for taking care of the criminal caused by drink and you make money just as the man who paid \$40 to feed the pig and sold it for \$9. This is a clear representation of the economic point."

There is no "new woman." We are all identically the same as Eve and Sarah and Ruth, and—I say it with all reverence—Mary, the carpenter's mother. We have the same natures, the same intuitions, the same love of family and home, the same desire to be of use to others that women have always had, only in these wonderful modern times we are beginning to keep pace with the progress of the age, both as individuals and as a class. And now that women have stepped forth and won place as physicians, and lawyers and ministers, and are widening the ranks of all occupations and professions, as they press forward on the way of development, it behooves every woman-soul of us to ask herself: What am I to do about it? Am I doing my duty to the rest of woman-kind? Am I bearing my share of the burden of the world?

PRESIDENT'S CORNER.

Dear Comrades:—This year the first election will be held under the new primary election law. Do not forget that women have a vote at the primary election June 24 for the nomination of state and county superintendents of schools. A special effort should be made to get all women to use the ballot to make our schools what they ought to be, to nominate and elect officials from the highest to the lowest, who not only have ability, but whose habits are safe examples for our children to follow. We need to teach the child the deleterious effect of alcohol and narcotics, but the example of the superintendent, principal or president of the school board will more powerfully affect the child's mind than anything the teacher may say or the books may teach.

It is time now that all candidates for the state legislature were interviewed as to their position on the Ueland initiative and referendum bill. The State Enforcement League, the State Sunday School Association, and the Woman's Christian Temperance Union have put themselves on record as opposed to this measure. Every effort should be made to secure the nomination and election of members of the legislature who will vote against it. Mr. B. C. Skulason, in a disquisition of this measure published in the Grand Forks Herald of April 22, calls attention to the fact that under its provisions the constitution may be amended with favorable action of the legislature, within thirty-one to seventy days after the petition is filed. The danger of a law making it possible to amend the constitution with so little consideration, ought to be apparent to everyone. It makes resubmission exceedingly easy and we do not wonder that the resubmissionists are enthusiastically in favor of it.

We are in the midst of a nationwide battle for prohibition, and for some time to come, the center of the fight will be at Washington. There never was a time when it was of such vital importance that the men who represent the prohibition state of North Dakota should be true and tried on the temperance question. One of the candidates for United States Senator, Mr. C. Little, of Bismarck, has been for years an avowed resubmissionist. His record in the state legislature, which is published elsewhere, is worthy of careful study.

Mrs. Anna R. Simmons made a very successful trip through the state in the month of March. She put \$46.53 in the state treasury after paying her salary and traveling expenses, beside securing the promise of twenty-three life members. She organized a new union at Searles, with Mrs. Maude E. Pyle, president, Mrs. W. R. Whitty, secretary and Mrs. A. C. Naismith, treasurer; reorganized at McKinzie with Mrs. L. E. Heaton, president, Mrs. Flora E. Kahl, secretary and Mrs. Myrtle Thompson, treasurer; also re-organized at Oakes, Amanda Van Horn, corresponding secretary and Mrs. Jerusha Libby, treasurer.

Good reports come to me of the work of our own Miss Thea Whiting, who is giving citate and training contest classes in Pembina county. We hope every county in the state will arrange for her. Miss Whiting organized a union at Crystal with Mrs. David Lane, president, Miss Mary McIntosh, corresponding secretary and Mrs. Mudge, treasurer. There was a misunderstanding of Miss Whiting's terms, as stated in my letter in February White Ribbon Bulletin. Miss Whiting will give a recital, organize and train a contest class, giving the unions arranging for her one-third of the net receipts of both recital and contests, they to provide her entertainment.

Has your union held a membership ship contest? If not, please hold it before your county or district convention. My confidence in your desire to strengthen our work and help in the great nationwide fight for prohibition was such that I promised at the Nashville convention that every union in North Dakota would send two dollars to the Willard Memorial Fund. Please help me to keep my promise by sending your offering at once to Mrs. Schlosser.

We have been proud to hold the Union Signal banner for three consecutive years. The only way we can hope to keep it by seeing to it that the subscription list in every union is equal to at least one-fourth of the membership. The Union Signal mailing list just received shows me that a number of unions are failing to attend to this important matter.

The battleship North Dakota will be ready to launch next fall. It is eminently fitting and proper that a battleship named after a prohibition state should be christened with pure cold water instead of wine. Senator Hansbrough, who was instrumental in giving the ship its name, has promised to use his influence to help to bring this to pass. He suggested that we petition President Roosevelt. Petition blanks have been sent to every union with a request that a post card be sent me, giving number of names on each petition and the time when they are sent in to the president. Berlin is the first and only union heard from so far. Within the next few weeks we hope to hear from every union in the state.

Yours sincerely,
ELIZABETH PRESTON ANDERSON,
Valley City, April 27, 1908.

Record of C. B. Little.

When a man comes before the voters of the state asking their support in placing him in an office of honor and trust, they have a right to know his record and his position on matters of public interest.

Col. C. B. Little wishes to represent the prohibition state of North Dakota in the United States Senate. The representatives of prohibition states are looked to with confidence by the temperance people of the nation to espouse temperance and moral issues in that great body. This is a critical time in national legislation. Because of the temperance victories that have been won, the liquor interests are aroused and are making a tremendous fight. North Dakota should send no man who cannot be counted on in this struggle.

It would require too much time and space to give a detailed record of Mr. Little on prohibition and kindred measures during the years that he has been a member of the state senate. A few instances will suffice to show his position.

When the present prohibition law was adopted we find him laboring strenuously to give the saloon keepers more time and not to have the law go into effect before Jan. 1, 1891—which effort was unsuccessful. (Senate Journal 1890, page 149).

In the fight for resubmission, session after session, he has been a leader. (Senate Journal 1893, pages 468-9). We find him active in the effort to cripple the enforcement of the prohibition law—by championing the White Bill, which struck out the penalty clause. (Senate Journal 1897, pages 585-6). He opposed every effort made to secure a state temperance commissioner to provide for the better enforcement of the prohibition law. (Senate Journal 1897, page 583; 1899, page 343; 1907, page 637). He voted against the law defining intoxicating liquor which has been of great assistance to the enforcement of prohibition. (Senate Journal 1895, page 533; 1907, page 918). He opposed legislation for better Sabbath observance. (Senate Journal 1897, page 429; 1899, page 664).

In the effort that has been made for several years to protect the youth of the state by passing a law to prohibit the manufacture and sale of cigarettes, Mr. Little's vote has been against such measures. (Senate Journal 1901, pages 155-6; 1907, page 759). When the attempt was made to fasten the infamous lottery fraud upon our state, he voted for it. (Senate Journal 1890, page 448). In the battle extending through several sessions to repeal the ninety days divorce law—which brought to our state an undesirable class of people and gave us an unenviable reputation—the records show that he was, as usual, on the wrong side. (Senate Journal 1897, page 355; 1899, page 20).

In the last legislature, it was the Judiciary Committee of the Senate, of which Mr. Little was chairman, that amended the Ueland Bill by making it apply to the constitution. Thus making it possible to bring about resubmission by a petition of eight per cent of the voters.

The North Dakota Herald, a German paper published at Bismarck, makes the statement that C. B. Little is a friend of the German people, an advocate of resubmission, and, if elected, will, in the United States Senate, vote against bills that would limit personal liberty. Another German paper published at Rugby takes issue with this as being inconsistent with his recently published platform which declares for prohibition. To which the North Dakota Herald replies that Mr. Little has given his word to the editor personally to this effect, and that his vote in the state legislature proves it.—Elizabeth Preston Anderson.



A Sonnet.

TO MY MOTHER.

To you who have for years with tender care
Kept from my pathway troubles, strife and
harm.
And given all my childhood added charm.
I write these verses, "fairest of all fair."
Your love for me is of all things most rare
In all this world. When I felt great alarm,
My fears dispelled within thy tender arm.
And all my childish griefs you helped to
bear.
My thanks I cannot half express to you.
Since I have grown to understand your love.
And know that you to me are always true,
Just like my guardian angel up above.
You watch my path to make my trials few.
On you my dear, may God his blessings strew.
JULIUS F. SIMONS.
Minneapolis, Minn., Feb., 1908.

Letter from Miss Best.

Fargo, N. D., April 20.

My Dear Ys:—I have a very encouraging report of the missionary money raised. We have sent in fourteen dollars since last month and have five more to send. There are still some unions which have not helped with this fund. We hope to have some of these to report next time. Following is a list of the amount sent by each union:

- Miss Helgeand, Aneta \$1.00
- Tower City 2.00
- Valley City 5.00
- Cooperstown 2.00
- Pembina 3.00
- Casselton 5.00

The liquor men are sending post cards around our country to create sentiment. There are a great many temperance post cards too, and each union should use a great many of them. Sent ten cents to Fairbanks Blotter Postal, 693 W. Lake Street, Chicago, for a package of their cards.

There is a new Y union at Grandin and I wish you would all write letters of welcome and good fellowship to them.

I wish to thank Casselton and Sherbrook for their contributions to this number. I am sure you all will enjoy them.
 Lovingly,
EMIR BEST.

Letter from Casselton.

Casselton, N. D., April 14.

Dear Y Workers:—After the glowing report of the Valley City Y, not to mention the Pembina and Tower City reports in the April Bulletin, Casselton Y feels rather timid about stepping in with her modest account of things done and things planned to do. We have no difficulty in planning any number of beautiful things, but find it a little hard to carry them all out.

Last night we gave a Waffle Supper, having also home made candy and fancy articles on sale. The merchants were unusually kind to us, donating almost everything that we needed to buy. This was a very pleasant surprise, as we had supposed our organization to be rather unpopular. We took in over \$37.00 and on the 13th day of the month too!

For several months we have kept High School banners on sale in one of the leading stores and have sold quite a large number of them. Perhaps this is an idea some other Y might successfully follow:

We are planning to take up the work suggested by Mrs. Anderson relative to the launching of the North Dakota battle ship, and are also doing everything we can against the wholesale signing of the druggists permits.

Last year our flower mission work was not a great success, but we hope to have a far different report for this summer. Another of our plans is to keep temperance reading matter in the waiting rooms at the depot.

One of our greatest difficulties is in getting up programs for our open meetings. Altho we have about twenty members, not all of them are very active, and it is extremely hard to get them to take part. If any other Y has had success along this line, we would be very glad to profit by your example if you could explain to us thru the pages of the Bulletin just how you did it.

Yours sincerely,
CORR. SECRETARY.

A Letter from Sherbrooke.

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FIELD NOTES.

Rolla Union: The Frances Willard memorial service held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Rognas recently, was well attended and proved to be a pleasant as well as a profitable social event.

Cogswell, N. D.—To the Bulletin: The Cogswell W. C. T. U. recently held a memorial service in the Methodist church for Mrs. Emma F. Vail, who was called to her Heavenly home, March 24, 1906. The church was decorated with plants and white ribbon. A picture of Mrs. Vail rested on an easel draped with white ribbon. The pastor gave a touching and inspiring memorial of her life. Tributes of love and esteem were given by those who knew and loved her best.

Portal is to entertain the Fourth District convention in May. We have gained seventeen paid up members, mostly at our memorial meeting held on March 17, instead of February 17, at which we took in nearly \$15.00. We had a program well rendered, and about sixty were present. I never saw so many gentlemen wearing the white ribbon as at that meeting, so you can see there is quite a change since four years ago, when only a mere handful of temperance people could be found here.—Mrs. A. F. Johnson.

Fairview, N. D.—It has been some time since you heard from our union, but we have been at work holding parlor meetings, giving dinners, working our honorary members in assigning their work as leaders of meetings and so on. We have lost a few of our working members. They went to make homes for themselves. We have ten members. Our agent for the Union Signal, Mrs. May Hanson, succeeded in getting ten subscribers; each member takes it.—We have held two double contests; Feb. 21, a Silver Medal contest and L. T. L. medal class; March 20, a Gold Medal and L. T. L. class contests, both double contests.—Mrs. Martha Porter, Press Supt.

Fargo, N. D.—A big meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the home of Mrs. Geo. A. Carpenter on the south side yesterday afternoon. It was a special occasion, as the membership contest, which had been in progress for several weeks, was brought to a close. Mrs. Haggart's side won, gaining 30 new members, Mrs. Warner's side adding 20, making a total of 50 new members. The membership of the organization before contest was about 90, making the total at this time 140. The Scandinavian W. C. T. U. held a contest at the same time and increased the membership of that organization from about 60 to more than 100, making the total membership of the local W. C. T. U. about 240.—Mrs. Wilder gave a talk yesterday on recent prohibition victories. Mrs. Pollock spoke along the same line, and Mrs. Tousey talked of prohibition in North Dakota.

Hunter, N. D.—Hunter Union has held its regular meetings with ever increasing interest and attendance since the beginning of the year. The Ys, too, are active despite the wholesale depletion of the active membership from the number away at College, Normal school or teaching. Our plan for a yearly program is at last realized, and we are all delighted with it, the officers especially finding it a great help and a great creator of enthusiasm. Other organizations are waking up to their opportunity it seems with more than usual enthusiasm.—We gave a supper in the town hall which enabled us to pay our pledge for state work and donate a dozen chairs to the Young Men's Club, which is another progressive institution made possible by the generosity of one of our foremost business men.—We had Miss Willard for the subject of our meeting Feb. 21st, and sent our \$2.00 to Mrs. Schlosser, but a grand debate on the Equal Suffrage question in Odd Fellows Hall and where the whole town was represented, was the most satisfactory entertainment we have yet had.—L. L. Muir.

Wyndmere, N. D.—Frances E. Willard Memorial service was held Feb. 16th in the Methodist church at Wyndmere, N. D. Rev. Bercil gave a very eloquent and interesting talk on the life and beautiful character of Frances E. Willard.—At the meeting of the Wyndmere W. C. T. U. held Jan. 31st, it was decided that the Union have a membership contest. Captains were selected who chose sides. It was decided that we would have a reception, with program and supper, for the new members when the contest was

closed; the side which won, to prepare the program, and the one which lost, to get the supper. The winning side gained fifteen new members; the losing side, thirteen, giving with the old members a total of forty-one. The reception to the new members was given Friday evening, March 13th. An interesting program was rendered and a delicious supper was served. The Wyndmere W. C. T. U. gave a young people's silver medal contest in the church Friday evening, Mar. 6th. Admission of five and ten cents was charged. The contestants were: Miss Nelie Duffy, Miss Mable Spohn, Mr. Jay Gardner, Miss Nelie Duffy won the medal. The other contestants were presented with Frances Willard book-marks.—Mrs. Whitcomb, ex-county president, of Hankinson, presented the

with her. Offering, \$11.60. Three new members and a life membership to state assured. On Temperance Sunday we expected to have a Sacred Concert in the evening, but on account of the death of a prominent citizen, it was postponed for a time.—We have our regular meetings, having topics on the training of children more frequently of late. One of our meetings recently was held five miles in the country and after starting were caught in the worst snow storm of the season, yet we kept on and were no worse for the pelting of ice and snow, and, although arriving a little late, had a profitable meeting and enjoyable social hour.—After each meeting the hostess serves refreshments.—We have the text book "Alcohol a Dangerous and Unnecessary Medicine;" also several copies

sympathize. This included two solos, "The Ninety and Nine" and "Where is My Wandering Boy Tonight." The closing address was "Is the Young Man Safe?" The young man who is president of the Christian Endeavor, sang finely "Oh, Make Me Pure!"—The Union acted promptly on news of a wayward girl and her actions. They were ably helped by the states attorney, A. Weber; the sheriff, A. Jovanag, and the district judge, E. B. Goss. Within a week a place was found for the poor girl in the State School at Mandan, and two women are pledged to write to her every week. The grateful letters of the girl are balm to the weary heart.—We hear of the womanizing of our churches. I would that we could womanize our courts and goals.—An able lawyer, who is also a fine man, and is, probably, the Republican nominee for the new Ninth district, was regretting in my hearing, that women stenographers had a hard time of it in taking all sorts of testimony in court, and that only a man was fit for it all. But he admitted that said cases were those that affect women.—So I averred that we need, in every court, the presence of a woman or a group of women, when any case affecting a woman is tried. Not the idle fashion devotees, nor the curiosity seeker, but the earnest women, who, like Abou Ben Adam, love their neighbors.—I would that every union would think of this proposal, that a committee should always be ready to stand by, as our union did one Sunday evening lately. Our sheriff phoned me, and then came to tell me he found it necessary to arrest a girl. Inside our town I found two earnest, discreet women who were willing to stay with the girl in the goal that night. Two days later one of these good women accompanied the girl to Mandan.—Our local officers have learned to trust us, and they are kind to transgressors.—So I said to one of our husbands and fathers ourselves.—But we have not yet secured our footing in the court.—Let us hear from every union.—J. McNaughton Stevens, Supt. of the Work.



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BANQUET FOR NEW MEMBERS.

Grand Forks, N. Dak.

As a sequel to the membership contest by which the Grand Forks Women's Christian Temperance Union more than doubled its membership, gaining fifty-eight members, the new members were tendered a reception and banquet by the losing side in the contest at the Baptist church last evening, and the event proved a most enjoyable and interesting affair. The winning side in the contest undertook to entertain the company, with a number of invited guests, early in the evening, and a short but attractive program was given under the direction of the president, Mrs. D. Fordney. Miss DeRemer rendered a charming piano solo. Miss Kaufman recited with fine effect "Pledge With Wine." Miss Valencia Kirk rendered two violin solos and a piano duet by Misses DeWeese and Reading was greatly enjoyed. Miss Alice Jackson recited "Bennie and Singing Jennie" and responded to an encore. Inga Forseth gave a fine recitation, and Mrs. Jos. Bell DeRemer favored the audience with an exquisite vocal solo. Miss Graber played with fine effect a piano solo, and then the company repaired to the dining room, where a superb feast awaited them. The menu provided by the ladies included an abundance of substantial and delicacies,

served in an appetizing manner. When full justice had been done to the spread, the company was called to order and the toasts followed. Miss Beatrice Johnstone officiated as toastmistress.

Mrs. DeWeese responded to the toast, "New Members," and after giving a most enthusiastic welcome in behalf of the W. C. T. U., gave a wise sketch of the development of the organization to its present worldwide extent.

R. B. Griffith responded to the toast, "The Enforcement League." He took occasion to pay a high tribute to the work of the W. C. T. U. and referred to the fact that the Enforcement league was brought about through the efforts of the W. C. T. U. organization. The W. C. T. U. was largely responsible for giving North Dakota prohibition in its constitution and has rallied to its support when its future was threatened. He urged the union to look out for danger threatened by the Ueland bill.

Don Ford spoke for the Y. M. C. A. and assured the members of the union of the hearty support by the Y. M. C. A. organization.

Rev. F. E. R. Miller responded for the churches and paid tribute to the valuable service given the churches by the organization.

Mrs. H. H. Healy spoke for the parents and the children and gave some earnest counsel to the fathers and mothers.

medal with an appropriate talk to the contestants.—Mrs. Neil Campbell, Press Correspondent.

Sturim, N. D.—Late in the fall we had a second medal contest with seven contestants. The chairman of judges committee said on presentation of medal, "They all ought to have a medal." Hazel Ward was a trifle ahead, therefore won it. We had Miss Bowers, who captured the large crowd with her eloquence and received a very good collection for the state, gained one new member and several honoraries. Still later our young people gave the cantata, "The Saving of Daddy." Our reader was fine as well as the singers.—A company of four were here from Minnesota. They expressed surprise that we could do so well out here.—The 23rd of March we had Mrs. Anna R. Simmons and were delighted

of "The Great American Fraud" which every union ought to get and circulate.—Mrs. C. G. Black.

Towner, N. D.—The Mary Young Union of Towner finds the snowy streets of February and March something of a hindrance to effort, but some things are accomplished. Our Seventh Annual Willard Memorial service was held as usual in the Presbyterian church on Sunday, Feb. 23. Rev. J. R. McLean presided, and paid an able tribute to that devoted woman, Miss Willard and her followers. The secretary read a paper on "The Statue and its Acceptance." This was a digest of the proceedings in the volume published by Congress in Feb. 17, 1906, a copy of which can be had on application to any member of our State Delegation. Some very fine music was contributed by citizens who

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Our State President has been trying for a long time to secure a Scandinavian organizer. I am sure if we could find a woman who could go and work among the Scandinavian people, both to hold meetings and to call at the homes, many women might be won for the W. C. T. U. One who would do personal work would have the best success. If anyone knows of a woman who can be secured for this week, please let Mrs. Anderson know.

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