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#### ORGANISER'S REPORT.

Dear Sisters,—

The time left to our disposal before the great day of the poll is fast closing in, and but little now is left for us in which we may work. There is much to be done, and I regret that my work in the South Island was so limited. Continuing my work in the Canterbury district, on October 7th I left Ashburton for Timaru, calling at Geraldine for a meeting. Here, I believe, work could be done in the way of organising if time had permitted. Next day began the "big blow" that passed over Canterbury, huge monarchs of the forest being levelled to the ground or splintered off like matchwood. One goes through many miles of such as far as the eyes can reach. At Timaru was glad to see the kindly face of Mrs Fraser, and found her home a safe retreat during my stay there. A public meeting in Theatre Royal on Sunday evening, and a special meeting of the Union on Monday was all that time allowed. I was sorry indeed not to be able to visit the outlying district of this splendid town. Nevertheless glad to meet with Mrs Rule, Miss Avison, and the sisters here, who are determined to strive together for the abolition of the great evil. Coming back to Rakaia and Methven, my hopes were realised in that a Union was formed in each of those places, with splendid officers. Ashburton came in for quite a number of calls, as I made my way up and down the country. Tinwald was visited, and a meeting held, though for lack of officers at present, it was thought advisable to wait awhile, and those present became affiliated to the Ashburton Union.

My stay in Ashburton was made very pleasant by the kindly hospitality of Mr and Mrs Dent; also I wish to acknowledge our indebtedness to Mr Dent and his motor car, which was ever at our service; also to Miss Collins and Mr McArthur, who did similar service as we visited the vari-

ous outlying places; to Mr Ferriman for donation of literature, "Danesbury House," for sale for funds. Mrs Watson, Mrs Dent and myself lost no time doing all that seemed possible in the time we had at our disposal. I must not forget a visit to the gallant little Union at Winchmore, who, though in such a scattered farming district, covering a distance of 10 miles or more between the members, yet carry on quite a lot of work.

This, of course, can only be a very brief record of a busy time in this district, with much more that might be done if only one could go in a dozen different ways at once.

As I boarded the train to go North, I found myself in the midst of the newly called out Third Contingent, a great number of whom were having a merry (?) time, drink flowing freely, so much so that it became objectionable to many of them, who sought refuge in the carriage where I was. This gave me an opportunity to speak a word or two, which I felt I could not afford to miss, and I found I had quite an audience, who were not a little interested in the facts as given. As a result one young fellow signed the pledge, his officer witnessing to it, and as the train steamed into Christchurch hearty shake hands and good wishes for our work were expressed. I felt deeply sorry to think we had to leave those fine young fellows with such pitfalls in our land.

The time had come when I must return to the North, and I am now here once again, as per promise, in Taranaki. A plan of itinerary has been arranged, so that every moment will tell.

Last Monday and Tuesday I visited nearly every house in Mere Mere, Ohangai, going down to Patea on Tuesday night, in each place gaining new subscribers to the "White Ribbon." There are farms of miles apart, consequently it involves quite a lot of travelling, and to Mrs Scott, of Normanby, and the Misses Williams, of Mere Mere, I am indebted for making this part of the work possible. The

individual contact with the people, I am convinced, is a telling factor in our work for this campaign. Some of these people can never get out to a meeting, though a No-License meeting has been arranged in each of these places, in which I took some part, and they would never know facts if they were not taken to them.

On Wednesday, Rev. Ireland, of Patea, and myself visited all round Manutahi, gaining four members to the proposed new Union at Patea, and also four subscribers to "White Ribbon." In the evening Rev. Buttler, of Normanby, and self addressed a meeting. Next morning, in answer to an urgent request, found myself once more in Manaia to assist in special meetings. Met the Manaia Union; four members initiated.

On Saturday night a most successful open-air was held. A four-horse waggon, driven by our good friend J. J. Patterson, filled with children, and an organ, who each carried a flag, and effectively sang "Red, White and Blue" and "Hold the Fort." The meeting was addressed by Rev. Fee, and although much opposition was prophesied and expected, yet it passed off as a good typical open-air, and so another shot was fired into the enemy's ranks. My findings are that a strong vote will be cast for National Prohibition. Nevertheless it is necessary and important that not one muscle be relaxed in our effort at this time. There are yet many votes to be captured.

"The evil hosts are bidding too  
These precious souls to gain."

What matters it if our house has not the latest shine on. Souls are in the balance. The shining can be done after this opportunity has gone for ever. Let us go back and reach the birth of our movement, and then catch up the spirit that then burned in the hearts of our sisters as they prayed and went forth—to Victory!—Yours for service,

ALICE L. MOWLEM.

Address for month—Care Mr L. G. Grace, Hawera.