

Stocking League met at the residence of Mrs Menzies, and packed 290 garments (which they had made from cast-off stockings and clothing), to be sent to Dr. Barnardo's Home. Mrs Menzies entertained the League at afternoon tea.

Oct. 30. Meeting held, President (Mrs Landels) in the chair. Deputation from the No-License League to discuss plans of work for the forthcoming election. Decided to divide the town into sections, and two members to take a section and find out if all adults were on the electoral roll. C. S. Tape, evangelist, Church of Christ, gave a short address.

AUCKLAND.

Oct. Meeting held October 8th, Mrs Thorpe presiding; present, 30. A letter of sympathy to be sent to our President (Mrs Pudney) on the illness of her husband. A vote of sympathy was passed with Miss Atkinson, of the Nelson Union, on the death of her mother. Miss Evans reported that the names of volunteers for street canvassing had been forwarded to various organisers. Mr Lovell Smith presented the Union with a copy of his book, "Woman's Franchise in New Zealand." Decided to order some copies, if obtainable. Mrs Taylor, Mrs Thorpe, and Miss Dewar appointed to attend the meeting called by Mr McDermott, "Top Line Demonstration," and report. Rev. E. P. Blamires then gave an address on "Contagion of Personal Influence," and gave some valuable hints to No-License workers.

Wednesday, October 28. Meeting held, Mrs Thorpe presiding. Decided Miss Evans be released from her duties to work for the No-License League till after the election. Final arrangements made for the Sale of Gifts, to be held in St. David's Schoolroom November 5th.

NAPIER.

Oct. 15. Paper read by Mrs Neal on "Medicated Wines and the Awakening," by Dr. Wallace Smith, and was highly appreciated. Members hoped next Convention would ask the Government to legislate that medicated wines should have formula printed on label and percentage of alcohol stated. Suggestions were asked for striking wall sheets for the public schools; present ones have too much and too close printing for the children to read easily, and certainly too much for them to remember. Mrs Walter Fossey was nominated to stand for the coming election on the Hospital and Charitable Aid Board.

Nov. 4. Mrs Venables was congratulated on her husband standing for the Napier seat, as he was a warm friend of W.C.T.U. and a great Temperance advocate. Mrs Fossey was congratulated on being on the Hospital and Charitable Aid Board, she being the first woman in Napier to get on that Board. Members requested to attend a special Temperance Sunday service on November 15th at the Methodist Church,

FEILDING.

At the annual meeting a large proportion of our 40 members were present, Miss Moore in the chair. The following officers were elected:—Pres., Miss Moore; Rec. Sec., Miss Svendsen; Treas., Mrs Williamson; Cor. Sec., Mrs J. C. Thompson; Vice-Pres., Mrs Frost and the ministers' wives; Dorcas, Mesdames Walpole, Carr, Harford, Penny, and Thompson. Mrs Walpole, treasurer for the little girl in the Home, said the father sent thanks to those who had helped. The Secretary's and Treasurer's annual reports were read. Mrs Budd's kind invitation to hold a social at the manse was accepted with thanks.

Nov. 5. There were about 40 present at the manse social. £2 14s was raised by a collection, to go to the Dorcas funds. Members contributed solos. Afternoon tea was handed round.

NEW PLYMOUTH.

Sept. 10. The Union members were able to organise a monster tea meeting, the proceeds from which were handed over to the No-License League for campaign expenses.

Sept. 26. Franchise Day was kept by issuing special invitations. An excellent address was given by the Rev. A. B. Chappell on "Women's Franchise." New Zealand funds will benefit by £1. Mrs McIsaac presided. One new member.

Oct. 13. A very large meeting was organised for Mrs Snowden's visit, about four hundred being present. Six new members were initiated.

Oct. 25. We commenced weekly meetings on this day to organise campaign work.

Nov. 5. Home meeting held, when Mrs Cowie gave excellent address, "Encouragement," to workers.

Nov. 6. A home meeting at Oruata resulted in six new members joining our ranks. Mrs Cowie again gave a most telling address on "Motherhood."

OXFORD.

Oct. 15. Special meeting held in the S.A. Barracks, kindly lent free of charge. Attendance fair. Mrs Gainsford presided. The following resolution was carried unanimously:—"That this Union protests against the action of members of Parliament who recently voted in favour of an increase of facilities for gambling. It views with special indignation the attitude of the member for Kaiapoi, whose vote went in favour of this disgraceful measure. This Union holds that the interests of our young people should be the first consideration of our legislators, and we will work and vote at the coming election against the men who supported and passed this Bill."

Sept. 26. Mrs Lee-Cowie gave an earnest address in the East Oxford Town Hall. A snow storm responsible for small attendance.

Nov. Meeting held in Coronation Hall; attendance fair. Mrs Gains-

ford presided. Arrangements made to hold a rally Band of Hope on November 18th in the West Oxford School, at which the prizes won for essays on Temperance Wall Sheets will be distributed. Decided to send £5 5s to the Belgian Relief Fund. Decided to invite Mrs Brighting to organise at Cust. 12 having promised to join. Afternoon tea was handed round.

SOUTH DUNEDIN.

Aug. Members attended the evening church service in Presbyterian Church. Rev. Fairmand made special reference to the local work carried on by the W.C.T.U.

Monthly meeting was held in the Reid Hall, St. Kilda. Mrs Hancock presided. The hall well filled with members and visitors. Mrs Don, New Zealand President, gave a stirring address, and asked all women to make it a time of special prayer for peace from the dreadful war, and freedom from drink's curse. Three new members were enrolled.

Sept. meeting was held in the hall of the Baptist Church, Caversham. Mrs Hancock presided. Mrs Driver gave a very fine address, urging women to do all in their power to save humanity from the evils of drink.

Oct. Meeting held in the Presbyterian Church Hall at Anderson's Bay. Mrs Hancock presided. Prayers for peace and for the overthrow of the drink curse were offered up. Miss Bisson, from England, lady organiser of the Temperance Reform Council, told of her labours in the London slums, and urged those present to banish the drink from this young country before it gets too strong a hold.

Our meetings are in different localities, and we have thus been enabled to come in contact with many women and interest them in our work. Literature has been freely distributed. Our meetings have been small, as all our women have been so busy in patriotic work; still we have realised that "If you meet in My name, there will I be to bless you."

METHVEN.

Second meeting held in the Anglican Schoolroom on November 4th. This Union was organised about a month ago by Mrs Mowlem (Organiser), Mrs Watson, and Mrs Dent, from Ashburton. The meeting was small, but all those present agreed to join the Union, and office-bearers were appointed as follows:—Pres., Mrs McKee; Vice-Pres., Mrs Powell and Mrs Aitken; Sec., Misses Wilton and Livingstone; Treas., Mrs Barrett; "W.R." Agent, Mrs J. McD. Anderson. The increased attendance at the second meeting was very encouraging, and eight new members joined. Three Ashburton representatives were present, and addresses were given by Mrs Watson and Mrs Lill. At both meetings afternoon tea was handed round.