

papers. The horror and desolation of the present upheaval in Europe will undoubtedly be followed by an extraordinary period of reconstruction. It will depend on women, even more than on men, that this supreme opportunity shall be turned to the highest advantage of the race. The sacred duty lies on each one of us.

Will you please do all you can to make the subject of this letter known, and lend the papers sent you to as many people as possible?—Yours in the cause,

HARRIET C. NEWCOMB,

Hon. Sec. B.D.W.S.U.

October 21st, 1914.

Care International Women's Franchise Club, 9, Grafton Street, London, W.

(Any one wishing to borrow English Suffrage papers can have same by sending ½d stamp for postage.—Ed. "W.R.")

As in the Plymouth Town Council the question has been raised of the advisability in the present emergency of some measure on the lines of the C.D. Acts, the Hon. Secretary of the British Dominions Woman Suffrage Union has written to the Premier (Mr Asquith), the Secretary of State for War, and the Town Clerk of Plymouth, protesting against the possible granting by Parliament of special powers in the way of police regulations. The B.D.W.S.U. is acting in this matter in concert with the Women's Freedom League and the other Suffrage societies. The women forming the Suffrage Societies and the Women's Political Associations Overseas, many of them the actual mothers of the young soldiers now arriving for the defence of the Empire, are unanimous in condemning any attempt to legalise vice.

A CORRECTION.

Mrs Neal, President of the Pahiutua Union, has written to me explaining that their collection for "Franchise Day" was sent to me for the Organising Fund, but should have gone to Mrs Bendely for their capitation fees. The mistake was not discovered until after the money had passed through my books and reported in November's list of donations. She wishes me to make this correction.

ALICE R. C. TAYLOR,
Treas. Organising Fund.

IMPORTANT.

CONVENTION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Sisters,—

The Annual Convention will open on Wednesday, March 17th, at Christchurch. District Presidents, Secretaries and Treasurers, New Zealand Superintendents of Departments, Organiser and Organising Treasurer, together with New Zealand officers, have, ex officio, a seat in Convention.

Each branch may send one delegate for every 100 or fraction of 100 members, but no delegate can represent more than one branch. All Unions unable to send a delegate may have a proxy appointed by sending me word and enclosing directions (sealed) as to voting for New Zealand officers, and also how to vote on the following motions, notice of which was given at the 1914 Convention:—

By Miss Dewar: "That I, or some one in my place, will move that in the absence of a District President from Convention, the District Treasurer or Secretary should have a seat on the N.Z. Executive."

By Mrs Scanlon: "That I, or some one in my place, will move at next Convention that the time has now arrived when the rule in the Constitution regarding proxies be amended to read thus: 'That any Union finding itself unable, for lack of funds or otherwise, to send a delegate to Convention, shall have the power to choose as their representative any member of the W.C.T.U.; that the word "proxy" be obliterated as altogether unnecessary.'"

By Miss Powell: "That I, or some one in my place, will move at next Convention that Organisers and Organising Treasurers have a seat in Convention."

By Miss Henderson: "That I, or some one in my place, will move to amend Article IV. of the Constitution by striking out the words after 'White Ribbon' and amending to read: 'All above members, who are members, shall act during the Convention, but in the interim between Conventions the Executive, for the conduct of business, shall consist of the President, Vice-President-at-Large, Corresponding and Recording Secretaries, Treasurer, and Editor of the official organ, except when any matter of grave financial importance is involved, when the District Presidents shall be consulted.'"

By Miss Henderson: "That I, or some one in my place, will move that Article VI. of the Constitution be amended by omitting all words after 'Special Committees' to the end of the paragraph."

All members of Convention must present their credentials either at the reception or at the first session of Convention.

As the roll has to be prepared before Convention begins, will all intending members please send me a letter or post-card with their official position clearly stated, such as District President, Secretary, or Treasurer, etc.

Wishing all the Unions a Very Happy and Prosperous New Year.—Yours in the work,

M. W. MITCHELL,

N.Z. Recording Sec.

Lyttelton, Jan. 13th, 1915.

CONVENTION.

FOR DELEGATES.

As Delegates may hesitate to go to Convention on account of expense, we have been asked to state that the steerage, both in s.s. "Wahine" and s.s. "Maori," is very comfortable, and the fare is only 21s, as against 37s 6d saloon. The cabins are large and airy, with ventilation shaft, and contain six berths. If parties of six so arranged, they could travel together.

There are stewards to carry luggage down, and a stewardess is also in attendance.

COD HEARETH THEE.

"God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus."—Phil. iv. 19.

What are thy wants to-day?

What e'er they be, lift up thy heart,

I pray:

God heareth thee.

Then trustfully rely that all thy need He surely will supply in very deed; But every prayer of thine, and every want

Of either thine or mine He may not grant.

Yet all our prayers God hears, and He will show

Some day, in coming years, He well did know.

—Charlotte Murray.