

nection with Convention was ably disposed of by Miss Powell, and meeting closed with afternoon tea.

MATAURA.

First meeting of the year held on February 12th, attendance good. The officers for the year were elected:—Pres., Mrs Bird; Vice-Pres., Mesdames Landels and Lowden; Rec. Sec., Mrs Brown; Cor. Sec., Miss Stenning; Treas., Mrs Abernethy (re-elected). The Union Organiser (Miss Powell) was present, and gave some useful hints re future work, also a patriotic recitation. We are very sorry to lose Mrs Landels as President, but as her home is in the country she found it very inconvenient to attend all the meetings. Our next meeting will be held the last Friday in Mar. L. The meeting closed with singing the National Anthem and prayer.

ASHBURTON.

We resumed our meetings in 1915 on February 9th. Mrs W. K. Watson presided. Attendance fair. Mrs Watson referred to the offer made by the A. and P. Association in connection with the Rest Tent on the Show Grounds on March 17th and 18th, and Mrs Lill reported that the Association had offered the sum of £2 10s towards the expenses of same, and permission to again erect our W.C.T.U. colours. Received with acclamation. Mrs Lill also reported that matters in connection with the rest room in the Borough had advanced a step further, and would soon be an accomplished fact. The election of delegate to Convention was held over till next meeting. Rev. W. C. Blair (Presbyterian) was present, and spoke on the necessity of Christians exercising a vital faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. From 2 Cor., 5-15, he gave a helpful and inspiring talk to those present. A hearty vote of thanks was accorded the speaker, and the meeting terminated.

NAPIER.

Feb. 3. Mrs Fossey (President) occupied the chair. Discussion was held re starting a sewing meeting in the evenings for making new clothing for the poor of Belgium. Decided to try and get an able worker to start the L.T.L., several being willing to help. Arrangements were made for a picnic for the children on the Cradle Roll and their parents on February 13.

Feb. 18. Mrs Fossey in chair. Report by the Superintendent of the Cradle Roll re Cradle Roll picnic. A very enjoyable outing was held in the Botanical Gardens, over 80 being present. Refreshments, lollies, etc., were provided, and games were enjoyed by the children. Mr W. S. Smith's book on "Women's Franchise Movement in New Zealand" was lent out for reading. One of the circulars sent out by the friends of Mr Elder Wilhide was read, and a letter was sent to Mrs Peryman saying we strongly object to the decision on the so-called indecent literature distributed by that gentleman, for which he

is now being imprisoned. Next meeting postponed, owing to the Agricultural Show, for which W.C.T.U. caters, falling on same day. A vote of thanks was passed to the Hastings Branch of the W.C.T.U. for offers of help on that day.

RIPOATA MAORI.

Ite 7th onga ra o Pepuere i huihui tahi matou kote Roopu o Otamatea. Kotahi te mema hou i whakauru un ngia e matou, ko Mereana Kerehoma. I kite iho matou i he te perehitanga otaku ripoata o tera marama. Na Otamatea te tea meeting i whiwhi kite £14, e hara ia Oruawharo. Ite 13th onga ra i haere atu maua ko M. Kerehoma kia kite ite Roopu o Aropaoa. Ita maua taenga atu ki Kawhi-tiroa, te kainga o Mei Wikiriwhi, e huihui ana nga mema. I muri ite kai ka hui matou. Nui atu te pai. I mihimihi matou ite tuatahi, kamutu, ka tahuri ahau kite whakamarama kia ratou monga mea kua whakatikaia i roto inga Turei onga Roopu. Whakaaengia e nga wahine tena take. Ka mihi hoki matou kite hekeretari tawhito, kia Kohi Hemana, kua wehe atu ia ratou kua haere ia kite wha-whai. Naku i whakapuare kite inoi, na Mei Wikiriwhi i whakamutu kite inoi, mete himene. Nui atu te pai o tenei Roopu, te maia kite whakahaere inga take, mete u onga mema 19. E tuhono ana ratou kote taunihera Maraie Mihi atu au kia ratou mote manaaki ia maua ko taku hoa. Ite 23 onga ra i haere atu au kite Roopu o Pouto. I huihui matou kite kainga o Kawhi Kena. Tino pai atu a matou take i whakahaeretea e matou. Kotahi te tamaiti tane i haina kite Baari kia kore ia e inu waipiro. Kei te tino pai nga mahi o tenei roopu meta ratou u kinga tikanga katoa. Kanui taku hari kite Roopu o Oruawharo, me te Roopu o Aratapu kua timata ano kite tuku ripoata kite White Ribbon. Ite tahi onga ra o Maehe itae mai au ki Paki Paki kite kainga ote Perehitini. Na kei nga ra o Aperira, kia mutu nga raru o tena takiwa kia ratou hui, ka haki ano au kia kite i ena roopu, kamutu ka ahau atu ki Nuhaka. Ko nga roopu e turei ti ana kite tuku inga kohi tau, kia horo ra. Me tuku kia Mrs Walker, Fox Street, Gisborne. Mate atua koutou e manaaki.

Maari Woodhead.

POUTO.

I tu te huihui a te Roopu wahine karaitiana o Pouto ia Pepuere 22 o nga ra o tenei marama. Na Masefield Kena i karakia hime 23 o nga himene Weteriana. Perehitini. Kia ora te Tumuaki me nga mema i hui mai ki tenei mitini. Nga kupu au mihi kite Tumuaki haere mai kia ki te i to Roopu maua nga tikanga hei maramatanga kite roopu i runga aso i tou mate kia ora te tuaki (Miss Woodhead). E mihi e te Perehitini e mihi e te roopu o Pouto tenei nga take kei au e aroha ana ano ahau kinga mea o koutou kua mate kua riro atu ratou kite matua nui tenei ano te take hei korero maku kia kouto ko te ture V. o nga Paero e ki ana te rima kapa kahaere hei awhina

i nga takutu i nga neehi i nga kura Maori mera atu katoa. E he ana e nga e penei ana ko taua 5d kapa kahaere hei awhina i te kai whaka haere i te taha Maori ara penei i au nei. Tetahi o aku take mo ta koutou kohi tau ara te 6d i te mema kotahi kahore ano i tae kite tumuaki. Torohia ate te Pukapuka kitea ana kua oti taua moni te wehe i te 11 o nga ra o Aperira, 1914. I te huihuinga o te Roopu i tu ki Pouto kua oti taua te hoatu kia Rev. Eru Te Tuhi from 1914 to 1915. Kate niate tumuaki tenei take. Erini kite tino tumuaki a kawha-katu mai kite Roopu Peheate tatutanga. Tenei te tahi kia mohio anau e hia mema o tenei roopu i tenei wahi i temea he nui nga mea kua puta kua haere. Ko nga mema tuturu inaianei 9 members nga mea kua haere 5 member gone. Hoi kia ora ano koutou katoa. Whiuwhiu—Kia onga nga kupu ate tumuka mote taha kite 5d kapa koia ano tena kote ahua onga take mote 5d kapa. Kati i tenei wahi kua pena te takatorango tino pai taua takatoranga kua riro ano te 5d. Hei awhina ia koe i to matou tumuaki kia ora. Tautokotia ana e nga ote roopu o Potua tenei take mote 5d. Tumuaki Kia Kaha te tono e te roopu kia homai he mana kia koutou kia ahei koutou te pooti. Hei turaki i te waipiro me tino tonu kite kawanatanga aha koe e kore e homai me tonu tonu kia ora me he patai ta koutou he maunga maku kite hui i te Waipennam romi e patai ana ahau kite timuaki e pehea ana te tou ate roopu e pai ana ranei e he aranei ka ki te Tumuaki kei te pai te toa ate roopu. Hei pai ano hoki moto koutou marae. Nga moni awhi Perehitini 6d, Tumuaki 2s, Whiuwhiu 6d, Pepehi 6d, Wata 6d, Rere 6d, Mari 6d, Ata, 6d, Romi 6d—6s 6d. Ka hiki te hui kia ora ano e nga tuahine aroha iroto i te roopu karaitiana kia maia kei whaka raru tatou e nga matauranga maha o te ao. He whaka wai nei i te tangata tenei te kupu o te karaiputere. Kia maata ara kia maata popore kei te haereere hoki te hoa riri meto raiona e rapu ana i te tangata, hei horomanga mana. Kati te okiokinga motatou kei to tatou kai whakaora kei ate Karaite kia ora.

Masefield Kena, Hon. Sec.

You Will Never be Sorry

For living a pure life.
For doing your level best.
For looking before leaping.
For hearing before judging.
For being kind to the poor.
For thinking before speaking.
For harbouring clean thoughts.
For standing by your principles.
For stopping your ears to gossip.
For being generous to an enemy.
For asking pardon when in error.
For being square in business dealings.
For giving an unfortunate person a lift.
For promptness in keeping your promises.