

peace on Christ's lines. Every branch—yes, every member, should begin to work in the churches and Sunday schools, the day schools, through the press, and by letters to every friend, to promote peace. God bless you all.

B. L. COWIE,
Dom. Supt. Peace and Arbitration.

UNFERMENTED WINE.

I am sorry more has not been done in my department. Many reasons have prevented me carrying out the work as I should like to have done. Have written several letters re procuring grape juice or unfermented wine for use in illness, cases of delicacy, and also for sacramental purposes. The Australian wines are highly recommended, and are said to have good tonic properties.

No new literature has been purchased. I still have some on hand, and shall be glad to distribute to Unions as required.

Had quite hoped to have had our own leaflets prepared and printed for distribution. This I hope may be done in the coming year.

I acknowledge, with thanks, clippings and papers from friends, which can be made use of in preparing.

We hope that our Anglican Church may soon take its stand on this question. It is pleasing to note that the deputation which waited on the Archbishop of York re the use of unfermented wine or pure grape juice being used at Holy Communion received a full hearing, and in the latter part of his reply His Grace said he thought that the time had come for some fuller consideration of the whole question, and he was willing to confer with the Archbishop of Canterbury on the matter.

Timaru reports that unfermented wine is used in all the churches, with the exception of two; they have been approached, but without effect.

Ngaere says most of the churches use unfermented wine.

Invercargill reports literature distributed on the subject.

Pahiatua has been unable to do any work.

New Plymouth.—Nothing fresh to report.

C. GASKIN,
Dom. Supt. Unfermented Wine.

REST AND REFRESHMENT BOOTHS.

Kaikoura.

At the local Show, held last month, this branch of our W.C.T.U. successfully worked a "Rest Tent." All conveniences for mothers were provided, such as baskets for babies to sleep in, milk and hot water, pins, needles, cotton, wash-hand stand and requisites. This was the first tent of its kind ever held in Kaikoura, and was

much appreciated by old and young. Many elderly people availed themselves of quiet rest.

Kaiapoi.

In April last the members ran the Refreshment Booth in connection with the Cycling Club's Sports. This meant hard work and good management, as it included knife and fork luncheon, afternoon tea, and soft drink stall. It was a big outlay, but the income more than repayed it. Members were again congratulated on the splendid catering. On Labour Day they were asked to give their services in the same way in connection with huge patriotic sports, all proceeds to be devoted to Patriotic Fund. This they did most gladly. In connection with the W.C.T.U. rooms, a large room is very constantly in demand for socials, meetings and wedding parties. In connection with the latter, the women members provide all the labour, such as decorating, arranging, waiting on tables, etc.

Palmerston North.

Conducted, as usual, their tea rooms at the Spring Show this year, and though not so successful as former years, made considerably more than paid expenses. The reason for receiving less patronage than before was that exclusive tea rooms were run for the benefit of the "Allies' Relief Fund," and these being very popular, the W.C.T.U. tent naturally suffered. With this unusual competition off the field, they hope to achieve in future efforts a larger degree of success. Voluntary help was given freely, and everything worked smoothly.

Rangiora.

The members of this Union approached the Borough Council. They, in connection with the A. and P. Association, have opened a Rest Room for women and children on market days, and one of the members is in attendance each week. A good work begun owing to their representations.

Stratford.

All honour is due to our sisters, who will endeavour to keep their flag flying under most adverse circumstances. As usual, the A. and P. Association gave them permission to have a Rest Tent on the Show grounds on December 2nd and 3rd. They are debarred from supplying refreshments, which is to be regretted, as the public have grave cause for complaint, especially mothers with children; also they are refused permission to distribute literature of any description. The Rest Tent is a doubtful privilege, entailing a good deal of work without apparent gain.

Timaru.

This spring, at the A. and P. Show, held in the last days of October, the Union again tendered for the privilege of a stand that had been obtained at the last two Shows, but a higher tender from another source was successful. As a financial loss followed last year's effort, owing to both days of

the Show being wet, the Union did not feel justified in offering a greater sum than in former years, but hope for more encouraging circumstances next year.

Napier.

For four years this Union has undertaken all the public catering at the Hawke's Bay Shows. The Show in the Spring is held for two days; in the Autumn for one day. From 100 to 150 go out from Napier by train, and have to be well organised and to be good workers to cope with the crowds who come for luncheon and tea on people's day. The Union undertook this work for five years. All the profits go to pay for the Willard Institute, which has cost over £1200, and has now only a mortgage on it of £300. When this is paid there will be sufficient land on which to build a Hostel, or Home. This scheme has cost the Committee much anxious thought and many hours of work, but now it is hoped the end is in sight, and all will feel repaid for their labours.

Invercargill.

This special work has been increasing year by year, and is very highly appreciated by the public. Several tents were arranged for refreshment rooms at the important A. and P. Summer Show in Invercargill, catering for Southland people generally. Very complete arrangements were made, too, for the comfort of mothers and children, also for the elderly folk, and we find this effort is received with great satisfaction, not only on the part of those who enjoy the comforts, but on the part of the Show Executive Committee.

Ashburton.

This year the A. and P. Association Committee granted them the use of a room at the grand-stand on Show day most willingly, but it was found not as convenient as the marquee had in former years, it being further away from the principal part of the Show, so it was decided to have the old arrangement next Show, to be held in March. Warm water to prepare milk for babies' bottles. The little ones are taken care of while the mothers see what they wish of the Show. A dressing apartment, with basin, towels, soap, mirror, brush and comb, is provided, and this Rest Tent is free to everyone who wish to make use of its conveniences for a rest.

Hawera.—At the annual Spring Show a Rest Tent was erected for mothers with children, and any ladies who wished to rest themselves. It was decided to donate the proceeds from the tent to the Belgian Relief Fund. Members of the Hawera Union were present at the Presbyterian Hall on election day to take charge of infants for women who were voting, refreshments being provided.

Oxford.—Rest and Refreshment Booths have again this year been a great success. For three years now we have had our refreshment booths on the local Sports Ground, and they