

WOMEN ELECTED TO SCHOOL COMMITTEES.

CHRISTCHURCH AND NORTH CANTERBURY.

Sydenham: Mrs Hunt (W.C.T.U.)
 Elmwood: Mrs Hindle
 Woolston: Mrs Newton (W.C.T.U.),
 Treasurer of Committee; Mrs Mc-
 Jarrow
 Somerfield: Mrs Clarke, Mrs Man-
 hire
 Addington: Mrs Merry, Mrs Pratt
 Waltham: Mrs Wilson, Mrs Besley
 Cashmere Hills: Mrs T. E. Taylor
 (W.C.T.U.), Mrs Lamb (W.C.T.U.)
 Shirley: Mrs McKay (Secretary).
 Bromley: Mrs Christian (Chair-
 woman)
 Aranui: Mrs Reeve (Chairwoman),
 Mrs Sprosen
 New Brighton: Mrs Beeby (W.C.
 T.U.), Mrs Clark (W.C.T.U.)
 Sumner: Mrs Fountain-Barber, Mrs
 W. G. Roberts
 West Lyttelton: Mrs Clarke (W.C.
 T.U.)

NORTH CANTERBURY.

Glentunnel: Mrs McLaughlin, Mrs
 Tranter
 Hurunui: Mrs Boucher
 Mackenzie: Mrs Thomas (Secretary),
 Mrs Saunders
 Spotswood: Mrs R. Wilkinson
 Domett: Mrs Hughes
 Eifelton: Mrs McQuilkin

SOUTH CANTERBURY.

Geraldine: Mrs W. H. T. Brown.

Mrs Nelson, Secretary of Hikurangi
 W.C.T.U., has been elected on the
 School Committee of that town. She
 is the first woman to have a seat on
 Hikurangi School Committee.

South Invercargill: Mrs Morrison,
 Mrs Parkin, and Mrs Garrett
 Wellington: Mrs Webb and Mrs
 Wright
 Hamilton West: Mrs Henderson
 (W.C.T.U.), (4th time)
 Hamilton East: Mrs Hercus and Mrs
 Jones (W.C.T.U.)
 College Street, Palmerston N.: Mrs
 Hodder (W.C.T.U.)
 Tiritea, Palmerston North: Mrs
 Young (W.C.T.U.)

The above list is not a complete
 one, but it is all who have been re-
 ported to us. Will Unions kindly
 send post-card to Editor giving names
 of women elected to any local bodies,
 so that we may have a complete list?

PATRIOTIC FUND.

Our energetic Organiser, Mrs Lee-
 Cowie, interviewed the Minister for
 Internal Affairs re permits for mem-
 bers collecting for Patriotic Fund.
 The Minister agreed that only Dis-
 trict, Presidents, Secretaries, and
 Treasurers need have permits signed
 by himself. So if any collector is
 asked for her permit for collecting,
 she can refer to her district officers,
 who hold permits for their districts.

After May 23rd all monies for this
 fund are to be sent to Mr McKinney,
 Secretary Y.M.C.A., Tay Street, In-
 vercargill.

Received for Patriotic Fund.

	£	s.	d.
On Account of Sale of			
House	100	0	0
Mrs Scott (Normanby) ...	2	2	0
Miss Powell	2	0	0
Miss Williams	5	0	0
Mrs Birdsall (Stratford) ...	15	10	0
Mr H. Warden (Wyndham) ...	0	10	0
Invercargill District ...	71	0	0
South Invercargill	2	7	6
Nelson	7	3	6
Wellington Central	5	10	0
Wanganui	10	0	0
Invercargill Central	70	0	0
	£291	3	0

The whole £10 from Wanganui was
 collected by one member (Mrs Hewett)
 from 10 people. She asked a pound
 from each, **and got it.** Now, sisters,
 there is an example for us to follow.—
 Yours in faith,

B. LEE-COWIE, Treasurer.

OF INTEREST TO TAXPAYERS.

Rockford, Ill., which has been with-
 out saloons for several years, has only
 one policeman to each 1,800 persons,
 while wet cities of the same size
 employ one policeman for every nine
 hundred or one thousand inhabitants.
 Kansas City, Kansas, employs only
 half as many policemen as before sa-
 loons were banished from the city.
 Newton, Kansas, employs only one
 policeman for its 10,000 inhabitants.

This is only one of the many ways
 in which a city's expenditures are
 reduced as the result of a No License
 policy.

GENERAL BIRDWOOD'S WARNING TO THE TROOPS.

General Birdwood, in a message
 dated Cairo, March 17, specially warns
 New Zealand and Australian soldiers
 against strong drink, and urges the
 men to determine not to give way to
 it, and to remember the honour of
 New Zealand and Australia is in
 their keeping.

"Alas, 'tis true, 'tis pity, and pity
 'tis, 'tis true." The Australian and
 New Zealand Governments license
 men to sell poison to our soldiers, and
 the General warns the men not to
 take the poison, lest they sully the
 honour of their native land.

Who sullies the honour of our
 land? The Ministers who license the
 sale of the poison, or the boy who
 drinks the licensed poison?

THE LORD'S PRAYER.

They were ordinary soldiers, just the
 common Jean and Hans,
 One from the valley of the Rhine, and
 one from fair Provence.
 They were simple-hearted fellows—
 every night each said his prayer,
 The one prayed "Vater Unser," and
 the other "Notre Père."

Then they met beyond the trenches,
 and they ran each other through.
 Just the ordinary kind of work the
 soldier has to do.
 As they lay there close together, on
 the still October air,
 Hans was gasping, "Vater Unser,"
 and Jean whispered, "Notre Père."

So they went to find the Father. He
 will understand, thought Hans—
 For He knows and loves the Rhine-
 land. But Jean thought of fair Pro-
 vence.

And St. Michael came to meet them,
 and he smiled to see them stare,
 When he told them Vater Unser was
 the same as Notre Père.

So these two went together, and they
 stood before the throne,
 And prayed to God to make good
 speed and send St. Michael down.
 "Mais oui," said Jean, "je crois
 qu'on n'aura plus de cette guerre,
 Quand on saura que Vater Unser est
 le même que Notre Père."

—C. A. Richmond.

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