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Delegates Attending the W.C.T.U. Convention, held at Napier, April, 1919.

ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The 34th Annual Convention met in "Sunny" Napier. The town proved true to its name, and sunshine flooded the streets and halls during the whole of our sessions. The Executive met on Wednesday, 23rd, at 10 a.m.

PUBLIC RECEPTION.

On Wednesday evening, April 23rd, the public reception took place, and proved a very successful and interest-

ing function. On the platform were Mrs Don, the Dominion President; Mrs Venables, the President of the local District Union; Mr Hill, Mayor of Napier; Rev. A. Hodge, President of the Ministers' Association; Mr Peters, President of the Napier No-License League; and Mr Harding, Secretary of the Order of Rechabites.

Mrs Venables, on behalf of the Hawke's Bay Unions, welcomed the members of the Convention to sunny, sleepy Napier. For many years Napier had been honoured as the home of the

"White Ribbon" Editor, and when the printing of the paper was transferred to Wellington some members of the Union were not even aware of the fact. But now they were all waking up, and the Convention that was just opening was going to be historic. They had hoped it was to be a record Convention, celebrating the return of peace and the overthrow of the Liquor Traffic; but instead, it was to inspire the enthusiasm and energy that would sweep away all obstacles and secure a great victory in the near future.