

MAORI PAGE.



MAORI REPORT.

(From Mrs Walker, Superintendent.)

There is not much to report for this department for this month, as Convention and preparations for it took up much time, and picking up the threads of the work afterwards, and now the Rules are being revised and drawn up afresh, which will also occasion some delay. Mrs Simons has been visiting and attending meetings since with Miss McLay in Auckland and Orakei, arousing interest in Union work. She has now started for Tuakau.

POUTO.

April 15. At the residence of Mrs Kena. President in the chair. A good attendance. The delegate who attended Convention reported the good work of Convention. A new President and Treasurer was voted. Miss Kapa was chairman. Officers were elected: Mrs Tautuhi, President; Mrs Kemp, Treasurer; Miss Kena, Secretary and "W.R." Reporter. Mrs Ariari had resigned her position as Treasurer. Meeting closed with a hearty prayer.

FRANKTON.

April 27. Home meeting was held at the residence of Mrs Kihī. Sister Nichols led the devotional exercise, and gave a very helpful address. There was an attendance of five members and five visitors, and several children.

Owing to Miss Foster having left the district, Sister Nichols was proposed Superintendent of the Cradle Roll. Other business was dealt with. Judging by the bright look in the eyes of the visiting sisters that they have grasped and understood the great work of the W.C.T.U. as explained by Sister Nichols and Mrs White (delegate to Convention), two new members were initiated.

REWETI.

An interesting and encouraging meeting was held in the "Meeting House" on April 30th. The meeting opened with prayer, followed by a hymn and reading of portion of St. John 13. It was unanimously decided that the honorary membership fee be 2/6 yearly, same as that for live members. We are very much in need of an organ for local church, so it was decided to start an Organ Fund. In connection with this a social evening, comprising games, competitions, music, songs, etc., is to be held on May 13th. Ladies bring a basket for supper, and a box for donations be placed inside the door. Also, in aid of this fund. It was decided to hold "Diminishing Teas" throughout the district, Mrs Bull to begin by asking four guests, who will each pay 1/-, to afternoon tea, money collected in this way to be paid into the fund. We decided that, weather etc., permitting,

our meetings be held on the last Thursday of each month.

OTUREI.

Note 27/4.27 11 a.m. Katu te mitingi ki roto i te whare ote. Pres., Mrs J. Walters o Oturi nei note pres. i whakatu whera kite inoi. Na Mrs Isaac i korero te 103 onga waiata. Imuri katu te Hekeretari ka panuitia te Paeroa mete reta mai ate Roopu o Timaru mete tuku ano i te moni awhina o te Y Nion o Timaru. Erua pauna a he nui atu etahi take imahia. Na Mrs Oti whakamutu kite inoi.

YOUR QUOTA.

(To be read at White Ribbon Day Meeting.)

White Ribbon Day falls in June. Of course, every Union will make it a very special day, and will arrange their plan of campaign carefully. We want 1,000 increase in our circulation, as the result of our June and July campaign. Pray for it! Work for it! Believe for it! This being win and hold Campaign, your quota will be one new subscriber for every seven members. Divide your members into groups of 7, with a captain for each group. You'll be a very fortunate Union if more than two out of the seven attend meetings regularly. But the two who do attend will go after the five who do not, and so create an interest among them and give them something to do. Every group of seven to win at least one new subscriber.

No collection is to be taken at the meeting. All efforts are to be made to increase our circulation. After our petition this follows naturally. When we get a Two-Issue Ballot Paper, we want our voters educated to vote "dry" straight-out. Is your Branch doing any educative work? What literature are you circulating? Why not circulate your own paper? It belongs to you. Who will be the first Union to attain their Quota and go on the Honours List? Which District will be the first to gain its Quota?

"On July 1st, 1921, there were in U.S.A. 1,141 breweries; on May 15th, 1924, there were 991. 150 have been dismantled or put to other uses; 130 have been seized."—Roy Haynes.