OUR DEPARTMENTS

Have you sent in your Departmental Reports yet? Please do so as soon as possible.

LITTLE WHITE RIBBON DEPARTMENT

Now that the annual meetings are all' over, will Cradle Roll Superintendents please send their reports to their District Superintendents at once?

Please give the following data:

1.—No. on Cradle Roll at beginning of the year.

No. of new members.
 Present Cradle Roll.

 Adult membership of Union. (This is necessary for count grading.)

 Activities—Literature distributed, parties, homes visited, etc.

Where there is no District Superintendent, please report direct to me not later than December 20th.

Dominion Supt. C.R. L. M. BREWER,

85 Todman Street, Brooklyn, Wellington.

MAORI DEPARTMENT

Will local Superintendents of Maori work, or Secretaries of Unions, please send me a report of all work done in this Department during the past year? I shall be glad to receive all such reports before December 31st. Thanking all workers and with greetings and good wishes.

CATHERINE McLAY.

79 Haupapa Street, Rotorua.

GOOD CITIZENSHIP, FLOWER AND PHILANTHROPIC DEPARTMENT

If your Union has done any work in the above department during the year, I shall be glad to receive a report before the end of December. Where there are no superintendents of departments, will Secretaries please send me a report?

EVANGELISTIC DEPARTMENT

Dear Friends,-

May I ask you to send me your report on the Evangelistic work done by your Branch? This is a department that all will be able to report on, because all our meetings are opened with Devotions.

Also—you may have had some special times of spiritual blessing, so do sit down and just drop a line to Miss E. M. Appleby, Maori Girls' Hostel, 60 Shelley Beach Road, Ponsonby, Auckland.

Do it now! Meetings are over for the year, and you will have a very happy feeling in your heart and mind in all reports aer away.

With all good wishes for Christmas,

Yours in W.R. Bonds,

E. M. APPLEBY, Dom. Supt., Evangelistic Dept. BACKBLOCKS, CAMPS AND INSTITUTIONS

Will all members of Unions who have received Questionnaires regarding the work of the above Department, please reply to me as early as possible, and not later than December 31st, so that reports may be included in my Dominion report?

Yours in "White Ribbon" Bonds, ALICE MOYES.

Dominion Supt.

8 Weka Street, Nelson.

SOCIAL AND MORAL HYGIENE AND HEALTH AND NUTRITION DEPARTMENT

Dear Friends,-

I hope you have all been working this department as it is so important, especially in these days. Now that the district conventions are over, will the District Superintendents please send their reports to me as soon as possible, so that we may have a good report of the year's work for Dominion Convention?

Thanking you, Yours sincerely,

RUBY M. MOUNTJOY, Dominion Superintendent.

71 Quadrant Road, Onehunga, S.E.3.

LOYAL TEMPERANCE LEGION DEPARTMENT

Dear Fellow-members,-

As there was no L.T.L Superintendent last year, I am sending out questionnaires to all Unions. I notice several L.T.L.'s reporting in the "Y.P." Supplement, which are not listed in last year's Handbook. So that we may keep the list up to date, will all Secretaries please return questionnaires promptly?

Thanking you, (Mrs.) W. MOORE. Warkworth.

ANTI-GAMBLING DEPARTMENT

Dear Sisters,-

The time has again arrived for reporting all work done in this Department. Will you please report every bit of work done, no matter how small? If you do not, I cannot make my report. My questionnaire has been sent to all Unions. Please say all you have done.

Yours in "W.R." Bonds, M. PIRRETT.

c/o Smalley and Pirrett, Box 1979, Auckland. (Please note change of address.)

HIGH LIGHTS AT HAWKE'S BAY DISTRICT CONVENTION WEAKNESS OF TRUST CONTROL (Mrs. H. E. Grainger)

"That it would be easier to obtain intoxicating liquor than a cup of tea

in a restaurant."

"That the system of allocating some

of the profits (called 'Social profits'), to sports bodies would be a wrongful education of youth."

"That there was no provision for any further voting on this matter."

ADDRESS BY MRS. H. PATERSON

At the afternoon session, Mrs. Paterson spoke ably and charmingly, opening her address by quoting from a speech delivered before a gathering of doctors in America by Sir William Ostler, a famous physician; wherein he spoke of the past as a good nurse, especially to the weanings of the flock, saying that man's worst deed is to allow what is past to run to waste in an unmeaning present. He went on to say that for us, as in Plato's day, there is a higher and a lower education, and that the education we must need is not that given in schools, but the great influence of character upon character.

Mrs. Paterson then went on to tell of the work of pioneer teachers of the value of total abstinence at a time when the excessive drinking of alcohol was so prevalent that there was a great deal of disease as a result. John Wesley, the great evangelist of England, Father Mathew of Ireland, strongly advocated total abstinence. Then seven business men of Preston. England, pledged themselves to total abstinence, and when they idd not die, as was expected of them, millions in the United Kingdom followed their example; and drunkenness and crime noticeably decreased. Bands of Hope were started for the young, and four and a half millions out of eight million schoolchildren were in these Bands. The speaker then went on to tell the story of the development of Temperance work in New Zealand, sponsored by fearless men and women, among whom were such well-known men as Sir Robert Stout, Mr. T. E. Taylor, and Sir Francis Dillon Bell.

TEMPERANCE FACTS

Given at Dargaville:

"The result of medical inspection in the schools of New York has revealed the fact that 53% of the children of alcoholic parents are dullards as compared with 10% of the children of abstainers."—Dr. Alexander Bryce ("Law of Life and Health.")

Given at Takapuna:

"Physicians and physiologists of repute almost without exception, advise that the taking of alcoholic drink before the day's work is over involves some loss of accuracy, of efficiency, and of speed in work."

Given at Oamaru:

"The chief ingredient of alcoholic liquor is alcohol, and alcohol is a potent poison to human tissues. It is not in itself a beverage, or drinkable substance at all. Undiluted, it is to the human tissues a poison and nothing but a poison. Diluted, it is still a poison, the toxicity of which is inversely proportionate to the degree of dilution." — Dr. John G. Richards, D.S.O., M.B.B.S. (London), M.R.C.S (England), L.R.C.P. (London).