W. C. T. U. Column.

The Fredericton Women's Christian Temperance Union held a very successful parlor meeting at the home of Mrs. S. B. Ebbett on Thursday, Feb. 18th.

The committee had a splendidly arranged programme consisting of music, both vocal and instrumental, addresses and readings. The meeting opened with scripture reading and prayer.

Rev. Mr. Newcomb was called upon, and in a few brief remarks spoke of the great object lesson the present war was teaching to the world about the uselessness of strong drink. It made men unfit for duty both in our army and navy. It was a true but sad thing that society alone recognized and gave a place to the man that sold the liquor and to the man that drank it. Russia had come to the front in the prohibiton movement, and by one mighty stroke has swept forever from its empire the sale and manufacture of liquor. Mr. Newcomb said he was present at the destroying of a quantity of liquor recently in Fredericton, and would take much pleasure in being present again on a similar occasion.

Mr. Marshall was then called upon. He said no doubt the ladies of the Women's Christian Temperance Union often thought work along temperance lines was not as rapidly carried out as they would like to see it; but he assured them that there was a great improvement in this respect. His memory went back to Fredericton when he first lived here. That was in the old days of license. There were soldiers here too in those days, but they did not conduct themselves in the sober, orderly manner which so characterized our brave boys who had just left our town for Halifax to embark for England. He quoted many instances to prove the great change that had been wrought in other places where license had been stamped out. There was much yet to be done before Fredericton was a clean city, and in this work not only the Women's Christian Temperance Union, but all Christian women should assist.

Mrs. Burtt, the oldest member of the Union, told of the work and progress of the Union, of the great leader, the late Frances Willard, of the emblem, "The White Ribbon" and its motto, "For God and Home and Native Land."

Several new members were added to the union. Cake and ice cream were served at the close. A vote of thanks was tendered to the hostess, also to those who so willingly took part in the programme.

Mrs. Wilcox, Press Supt. for W. C. T. U.

QUARTERLY MEETINGS.

The First District quarterly meeting will convene with the church at Fort Fairfield, Me., on Thursday, March 18th. H. S. Dow, Secretary.

The 16th session of quarterly meeting for District No. 4 will convene D. V. with the Church at Sandford, N. S., on March 18th to 21st. The different churches will please send written reports and delegates. Lalia Wetmore, Secretary.

The first Baptist church at Malden, Mass., was destroyed by fire on the 16th at a loss of two hundred thousand dollars.

Don't forget that Rev. J. H. Smith is coming to Beulah Camp Meeting, July 3 to 12, 1915. where they expect diffusion to Beulah Camp Meeting, July 3 to 12, 1915.

THE DOOM OF THE LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

DesMoines, the capital city of Iowa, wiped out all of its more than eighty liquor licenses on Monday last. The traffic marshalled its full strength in its own defence. But it failed. Public opinion declared that the saloon, the barroom, and the drinking club are all gone, gone past recall. This, of course, is only a straw. But it is a straw which shows which way the wind is blowing. The currents of life in all parts of the United States are running strongly, and presently will run irresistibly, against the liquor traffic and the social drinking customs. Newspaper men in all the States of the Republic declare that the trade is already ostracized in business circles, and that in ten years it will be outlawed. It is doomed.

In Europe the same movement has set in, expecially among the nations of the Allies in the war. The prohibition of the use of vodka already is making a new Russia. France, delivered from the curse of absinthe, will be a new France. If Britain really awakens to the peril of intemperance, as seen in the lurid war light, there will emerge a new Britain. The handwriting on the wall fortells the doom of the liquor traffic in all the progressive nations.

Is Canada to lag behind? Having started well, leading the way for the new nations a generation ago, is Canada to sink to the rear with the decadent peoples? Is Ontario to forfeit the front line place in social reform as well as in educational progress? The man who today boasts about Ontario's leadership only reveals his own ignorance of what is happening in the world of living civilization.

The legislature of Ontario now in session will be put to the proof in these searching weeks. For years the Provincial House has been marking time, if indeed it has not been retrogressing, in the march of modern ideas. By various expedients in legislation the organized liquor traffic has been hampered here and hedged in there, but now that the Government is brought face to face with the direct issue its mettle as well as its morals will be tested.

What will Premier Hearst do? He has his chance, a chance that comes to few men once, to no man twice. These stern war times are a rebuke to the piffle talked by the self-indulgent. The consumption of expensive wines and liquor at public dinners and banquets, even if it were a harmless luxury, is a social crime so long as thousands of our citizens, men, women and children, must shiver in the cast-off garments of charity and go supperless to bed. Public opinion is speaking sternly about the needless waste of grain in enervating beverages at a time when half the nations are facing a year of food famine. Everything is economics, everything is sociology, everything is morality, and everything in the logic of events combine to make it just and proper for Premier Hearst to do a great right and cruel and shameless for him to do a great wrong.

The liquor traffic is doomed. Will Premier Hearst, himself a temperance man, sell his birthright, as other Premiers have done, and share in the barroom's doom?—Toronto Globe.

I turn my back on death, and journey toward life from this time on, and away into the eternity beyond the grave I see life. — D. L. Moody.

Good soldiers trust to their leader as to where they shall go, when they shall go. They expect difficult situations, hard fighting and sometimes hard fare.

wisdom, and power, and faithfulness are engaged on thy side. In this, as in all other instances, "by grace we are saved through faith." Sanctification, too, is "not of works, lest any man should boast." It is the gift of God," and is to be received by plain, simple faith. Suppose you are now laboring to "abstain from all appearance of evil," zealous of good works," and walking diligently and carefully in all the ordinances of God; there is then only one point remaining; the voice of God to your soul is, "Believe and be saved." First, believe that God has promised to save you from all sin, and to fill you with all holiness; secondly, believe that He is able thus "to save to the uttermost all that come unto God through Him;" thirdly, believe that He is willing, as well as able, to save you to the uttermost, to purify you from all sin, and fill up all your heart with love. Believe, fourthly, that He is not only able, but willing, to do it now. Not when you come to die, not at any distant time, not tomorrow, but today. He will then enable you to believe it is done according to His word; and then "patience shall have its perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing."

14. Ye shall then be perfect. The apostle seems to mean by this expression, Ye shall be wholly delivered from every evil work, from every evil word, from every sinful thought; yea, from every evil desire, passion, temper, from all inbred corruption, from all remains of the carnal mind, from the body of sin; and ye shall be renewed in the spirit of your mind, in every right temper, after the image of Him that created you, in righteousness and true holiness. Ye shall be entire, "teleioi," seems to refer, not so much to the kind, as to the degree of holiness, as if he had said, "Ye shall enjoy as high a degree of holiness as is consistent with your present state of pilgrimage," and ye shall want nothing: the Lord being your shepherd, your Father, your Redeemer, your Sanctifier, your God, and your All, will feed you with the bread of heaven, and give you meat enough. He will lead you forth beside the waters of comfort, and keep you every moment so that, loving Him with all your heart (which is the sum of all perfection), you will "rejoice evermore, pray without ceasing, and in everything give thanks, till an abundant entrance is ministered unto you, into His everlasting kingdom!"

TWELVE YOUNG LADIES.

The Hotel Committee for Beulah Camp Meeting will require about twelve young ladies to wait on the tables. They cannot take all who will apply, for there will be too many; but they want to select them from all over our denominational field, so would like to receive applications early, so as to make selections, and the girls will know who are chosen and can plan on coming. There is no salary to be paid, only free board and lodging. The work is light and only for a few hours in the day.

Send your applications to any member of the committee.

Rev. H. S. Dow, Woodstock, N. B.

Rev. W. W. Howe, Marsh Bridge, St. John, N. B.

Rev. S. A. Baker, Fredericton, N. B.

If I had the greatest appointive powers in the country, no man would get even the smallest appointment from me unless he showed proof of being an absolute teetotaler.—General Frederick D. Grant.

Public fault-finding is neither preaching the gospel nor Christian testimony.