

**Woman's Christian Temperance Union.**

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- Our Motto—For God and home and native land.
- Time of Prayer—Noon.
- Our Badge—A knot of white ribbon.
- Our Aim—Home protection; prohibition of the liquor traffic; equal suffrage; one standard of morality; the bringing about of better public sentiment.
- Our Watchwords—Agriculture, Education, Organization.
- Pres. Forsyth W. C. T. U. Mrs. Etta Boswell.

I hereby promise, God helping me, to abstain from the use of all alcoholic drinks, including wine, beer and cider, and to employ all proper means to discourage the use of and traffic in the same.

The Union met with Mrs. Boswell on Wednesday, Nov. 5. On account of bad weather and election excitement not many were present, but quite an interesting meeting was held. After the usual opening exercises the members engaged in an open discussion of the national convention, just held in Portland, Maine, based on the graphic description given by Mrs. Emma H. Roberson, of Springfield.

Mrs. Roberson's report is in part as follows:

The national convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union recently held at Portland, Me., has been pronounced the most successful of all the twenty-nine "nationals."

It should be remembered that Portland is the home of Neal Dow, the father of the Maine temperance law; that it is the home of Mrs. Lillian M. N. Stevens, president of the National W. C. T. U., and a city where it is clearly demonstrated that prohibition does prohibit.

The large theatre where the convention was held was beautified with ropes of cedar and clusters of pine cones—silent reminders of the "Pine Tree State," while the many banners and flags, flowers and greenery in every available space lent a charm characteristic of the national.

Because of the presence of the distinguished English guests, the Lady Henry Somerset and party, the Union Jack was also conspicuous.

From Friday morning, October 17, when the gavel in the hand of President Stevens announced the convention opened, until Wednesday evening, October 22, when the convention was declared adjourned, was a continuous succession of good things.

A brief glimpse of each day's doings would make a too lengthy article, but I may mention the president's address, most masterly and comprehensive, and the noontide hour on the first day when Lady Henry Somerset was asked to offer prayer. It was sweet to see her advance to the front of the platform, kneel, and with clasped hands and uplifted face, voice her earnest petition.

Many tributes of respect and admiration were given Mrs. Stevens by speakers outside the W. C. T. U. ranks. Sheriff Dunn spoke of her as "the first woman of Maine." A minister of Portland called her "Queen Lillian." As Sheriff Dunn and his deputy were both ministers, Mrs. Stevens called attention to the pleasant mixture of "law and gospel" as they have it in Portland. Her remarks were always interesting.

The closing scene of the convention was "God be with you till we meet again," sung with hand clasped in hand all over the platform and floor.

In closing this meagre report I wish to give something hopeful and helpful. The representative judges, businessmen and ministers of Portland all agree that prohibition prohibits. Only the lowest and most depraved of Portland traffic in liquor. Mrs. Stevens aptly remarked that some laws were called failures; that sometimes the men elected to enforce the laws were failures, but since Sheriff Parsons' election two years ago neither the law nor the men have proven failures.

Sheriff Dunn estimated that less than one-hundredth part of liquor is sold in Portland that was sold two years ago. Beer has not been seen there for a

year. The deputy sheriff exhibited the various devices or "hides" used to conceal liquor. There were tin cans made crescent shape to fit the body in front and worn suspended from the neck. The wearer could button his coat over it and have a portly appearance. These were used by wholesalers. Copper boxes plastered into the wall, hollow tin cans, sprinkling cans and boxes of ashes with false bottoms, where jugs were found, the row of faucets used in the bar made famous by Mr. Sherwell's book. From one of these faucets two kinds of drinks were served by means of a wire under the counter—a soft drink to the temperance man or a hard drink to the drinking man. In speaking of his visit to the city hall, where confiscated liquor was seen, Rev. Sanders said he was glad to see liquor in its proper place—that is, poured into the gutter.

Mrs. Stevens is justly proud of Portland, her home city, and earnestly urged that women go home and work without ceasing until all other states have prohibitory laws.

Mrs. Stevens says that without the revenue derived from the sale of liquor Portland has fine improvements; that it has parks and public highways; that it has gas and electric lights and sidewalks, because we are told it is absolutely essential to have this revenue in Springfield to carry on the business of the city. Portland is a wholesome place to live, a safe place to raise children; there are no legalized dens of infamy to lure them with cut glass, mirrors, pictures and dazzling lights. The protection of the law is removed and the liquor-seller is a common outlaw, just where he belongs—in the criminal class.

Some of our popular politicians would be at a loss in making their campaigns if Portland practices obtained in Springfield. The liquor element does not hold the balance of power there, and those who expect to hold public offices of trust and honor must not consort with law-breakers.

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