

BEYOND A SACRED TRUST.

The Pennsylvania legislature met on the first day of the new year and, as had been claimed by the stalwart Republicans, was organized by electing two stalwart Republicans as presiding officers of the Senate and House, William P. Snyder and William T. Marshall, respectively. In this election, however, Forest county had no part, its member having acted with the Democrats and insurgents for the overthrow of the regular Republican organization, and had his course won the House of Representatives would have been practically in the hands of the Democrats.

When the question was raised in the recent campaign as to whether Mr. Douth would affiliate with the regular Republicans or with what is known as the "insurgents," who are bent on the defeat of the party by a fusion with the Democrats, his friends gave out the assurance, and honestly, too, that he would attend the Republican caucus for the organization of the House and the nomination of a U. S. Senator, and abide by the decisions of the caucus. Mr. Douth himself declared openly and aboveboard that he would do so, and voluntarily gave the strongest kind of a written pledge that he would not only not aid the insurgents, but would attend the Republican caucus and stand by the nominee for U. S. Senator. When he reached Harrisburg he called on the leaders of the regular organization, on Senator Quay personally, affiliated with the friends of the regular Republicans, and assured all that he would be present at the caucus and abide by the action thereof. Notwithstanding all these assurances Mr. Douth walked straight into the insurgent camp, failed to attend the caucus on Monday night for the nomination of a speaker of the House, voted at the organization of the House for the insurgent-Democratic candidate for speaker as against the regular Republican candidate, William T. Marshall, and absented himself from the Republican caucus held on Tuesday evening for the purpose of nominating a candidate for United States Senator.

What influences were brought to bear upon the member from this county to cause him to utterly disregard his signed pledge or his repeated pledges to the Republicans of this county, we leave him to explain, unless it be that it is the first time in the history of Forest county in which the Republican party has been betrayed into the enemy's camp by a Member of the Legislature.

THAT BROKEN PLEDGE.

Speaking of the attitude of the member of the legislature from Forest county, the Philadelphia Inquirer of Jan. 4th, contains the following:

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him the perfect type of the politician called for by our institutions. He is a party man, an associate of party organization, an exemplar of the only methods through which the popular will can be faithfully expressed. He is honest, he keeps faith with his constituents, his word is inviolable and he depends on no man for his courage. In the re-election of Mr. Quay we perceive a rebuke to the traitorous cabals in the western part of Pennsylvania and to the hypocritical and mean contrivances in the eastern. It will make for wholesomeness and political integrity. It will punish false witness and low deceit. May this consummation be achieved. And let no one permit himself to credit the ridiculous stories that Mr. Quay intends to resign immediately upon his election by the Pennsylvania Legislature. He is not pleading for vindication as against charges which have already been exposed as false and wicked. He makes no appeal to pity or compassion. If elected, he will serve his term, and he will bring to the service of his party and his State a stalwart loyalty and a commanding influence.

Report of W. C. T. U. State Convention.

The white ribbon ladies of the Keystone State held their 25th annual convention at Uniontown, beginning October 18th. This day marked a distinct epoch in the history of this town in that it is the first convention held within its borders, whose object is the promotion of temperance purity. The weather was beautiful and with the arrival of every train the delegates from the different districts kept coming, but it was not until the special arrived containing the eastern delegation in the evening, that their presence became realized. This train contained 128 members of the W. C. T. U. from the extreme eastern counties. They were at once taken in charge by the reception committee, and escorted to the homes in Uniontown where we were made most welcome during our stay.

On Friday morning before convention opened and while the state executive committee was in session, the delegates held a devotional service. Many prayers went out to God asking for His presence at this convention, that we might have faith, courage and strength, and that all might be done in His name, and surely these prayers were answered. The first regular session was called to order by the Pres. Mrs. Rebecca Chambers. The opera house was handsomely decorated with flags and bunting and the stage was tastefully arranged with palms and potted plants. The house was well filled with delegates and visitors all of whom joined heartily in singing "Lean-Ing on the everlasting arms of Jesus."

Most all the state officers and Supts. were present. There were only 194 delegates, and the convention was entitled to 275. Mrs. Henrietta Forest, Vice Pres. at Large, read the 13th chapter of first Cor., and Miss Frances Jones, State Cor. Sec., led in prayer at the close of which all joined in repeating the Lord's prayer, and the singing "Onward Christian Soldiers." Miss Sue Ellis of Uniontown then sang a beautiful solo, and Mr. Entwistle of Philadelphia was introduced as the musical director of the convention. He was given the Chautauqua salute, Mrs. Hawk, assistant editor of the W. C. T. U. Bulletin, then gave her report, showing that much work had been done during the year, 2565 subscribers, a gain of 449 over the previous year.

Madam Laylah Barrakat, whom most of you have heard, then read the 23rd Psalm in English and Arabic. She then dwelt at length on the beautiful shepherds psalm, which she explained in a very interesting manner; she also told of the customs of shepherds in the oriental countries, and compared them with this well known bible passage. She closed with prayers which was followed by sentence prayers by many of the delegates, concluding by singing a verse of "Nearer My God to Thee". The report of the Union Signal correspondent was read by Miss Frances Jones. Mrs. L. A. McBride read the report on social meetings, gave very interesting statistics of the last year. I was surprised when she said that \$1,053.00 was the amount of money secured at social meetings during the year. From the county Supts. who had no report to give, the cry came that it was the failure of locals to return the blank or to report in any way. The chief recommendations she made was, that local and county Supts. use the blanks in reporting. Here the convention adjourned and the delegates repaired to the First Presbyterian church, where the dinner was served. Dinner and supper was served here each day excepting Sabbath, during the convention.

As the afternoon session was opened a beautiful prayer was offered by Mrs. Dorblazer. The report of temperance Light Bearers for 1900 was read by Mrs. Hinton, State Supt. of their work. She said that "Infantry" had more than doubled; this is only its second birthday; this year 565 members were reported, this year there is 1284. This is practically a new department, its special work is to win and enroll the babies every where as new recruits. This is a very interesting and beautiful work. During the convention little Made Conkle Hazeldorf was taken in as a member. She was brought on the stage by Anna Gordon and the white ribbon was tied about her wrist by Mrs. Stevens. A very interesting report was then given by Miss Dorblazer on work done among foreigners and miners. This was followed by the President's address, wherein she referred to the part christian women had taken in securing the expulsion of Mormon Roberts from Congress, denounced the army canton system, outlined plans for expanding the membership and finances of the order, in which medal and other contests were urged, exhorted the members not to become discouraged for she said in the end the cause of temperance and sobriety must prevail. The address was accepted by giving the white wave and singing "Hail to the Tie that Binds". The Cor. Sec. then read a lengthy report which showed that \$6,013.37 had been paid into the treasury during the year; the report of dues contributed by 326 members was read showing over \$1,000 received, a balance of \$176.00 was found to be in the treasury.

The evening session opened by several selections of music in which all heartily joined. This was followed by sentence reading and prayer and then a marching song by the Loyal Temperance Legion of Uniontown, and then a beautiful piano duet by ladies of the town. We then had the pleasure of listening to the welcome address by Mrs. Retzlou; she gave us a most cordial welcome, said she had long had an earnest desire to have this company of women come to Uniontown; spoke of the earnest workers who were giving so much time to this cause; said it was not the desire for publicity that is bringing the women of today from their homes, but the encroachment of evil upon the homes, that moves the woman heart to protect it. After this Rev. S. R. Gordon D. D. welcomed us in behalf of the ministerial association; he spoke of the liquor curse as being a hindrance to the cause of missions more than anything else, he said we the ministers of town welcome you, we open our churches, our pulpits and our homes to you, and would like to give you a key to every wine cellar and wine closet in this city. Then came a welcome from the Fayette bar association by Mr. L. D. Herzog; he referred to his college days when the crusade was a new organization and created so much stir by their war against the saloon; he said that a certain temperance lecturer in addressing the girl students one evening, said "he hoped they would all read law as few if any men could be found at that time in the profession, who would take a case against the saloon." Mr. H. L. Robinson then welcomed us in behalf of the prohibition party; he said all strangers were welcome but you the ladies of the Women's Christian Temperance Union have more than the usual welcome given to visitors. To all these Mrs. Stevens of Dauphin county responded beautifully. The address of the evening was given by Mrs. Hunt, she spoke of the dangerous power of alcohol even when taken in small amounts, said it should not be made, that no man has the right to manufacture or sell a substance whose nature is to injure and destroy the body, except in the case of alcoholic drinks. Then referred to the latest testimony of science in regard to alcohol, said the century opened with everybody thinking alcohol a food, but alas, it closes thinking only that it is a food in that it feeds the bottomless pit with the noblest and bravest of our land.

On Saturday morning after the regular order of opening, reports were given by the different Supts., the first by Miss Heston on flower missions; the object of this department is to hold services in hospitals and prisons; much has been done in the past year, over 2,000 members have signed the total abstinence pledge, \$1,200 has been spent for medicine, tea, milk, food and clothing, good reading is taken to the sick and invalids are taken for drives, hundreds of sad hearts have been cheered and blessed by this bright beautiful work.

Mrs. E. L. Stevens' report of mothers' meetings showed that the interest in these meetings is rapidly increasing throughout the state. Warren Co. received the honor for having done the best work in this department during the year. The pages of the convention were young ladies of the Ys. They were brought forward and introduced and given the white wave. They deserved a great deal of credit for their very energetic efforts to accommodate everybody during the whole time. They were later tendered a vote of thanks. The morning session closed with a reading by Maum Barrakat, also a beautiful solo by Mrs. Griggs. In the afternoon the reports from Supts. continued. Mrs. Hubbard of Philadelphia reported on party work, she gave an excellent report, saying that plenty of literature on this work is distributed and said that a good way to raise money for this purpose was to give a flower social once a year. Miss Elizabeth Lomas gave a report of the Y Branch, she said the W. C. T. U. should help the Y more, that they were practically the same and that many would join them who would not join the W. C. T. U. She said to remember that in sending dues for the two societies together that the amount intended by each be given. Mrs. Olive Pond-Amies of Philadelphia, Supt. of schools of methods and parliamentary practice, reported that over 75 schools of methods had been organized since the last report, advised that all unions have a finance committee of which the treasurer should be a member, and to have the Treasurer report read often, perhaps each month, or less frequent if thought best, then the members will all know just where they are, if the treasury is low the matter can be discussed and ways devised to replenish it. One member suggested that we keep the treasury empty. She said the Lord will not fill a low vessel, so we must keep emptying out so he will have a chance to refill it. Before going farther she was favored by a beautiful voice solo by Miss Oms Durd, entitled "Peace, Troubled Heart." Then came a few remarks by Mrs. Mary Hunt the national and world's Supt. of scientific temperance instruction. She placed before the convention some resolutions approving the indorsement of certain text books on temperance physiology and the latest testimony of science against the policy that alcohol is a food and not a poison. Just here we stopped to welcome Mrs. L. M. N. Stevens Nat. Vice-Pres. and Miss Anna Gordon, Nat. Exec. Pres., as they entered everyone in the house rose to their feet and gave them the white wave at the same time singing, "Hail to the Tie that Binds." One would know at once to see Mrs. Stevens that she is a stern, strong-minded straight-forward woman; and Anna Gordon, one look into her sweet face tells you a story, we have all heard. True and conscientious, her whole life is given to the cause. Mrs. Holvy gave her report on press work. Then came the report of Mrs. Gornaley, who is Supt. of work in prisons and jails, police stations and almshouses. There are three counties in the state having no libraries in the jails. She said this was a great mistake. Every jail should be provided with a good library, which should contain the religious works, and might also contain some light reading. She also urged the earlier ordinance. Mrs. Elma Probst's report on L. T. L. work was very encouraging. There are now 280 L. T. L. societies in the state and the membership has increased 239 during the past year, making a total membership of 12,000. The exercises of the L. T. L. graduates was very interesting. They opened with songs of greeting, and some excellent papers were read by several of the members. The President, Mrs. Chambers, presented the diplomas, ser-

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Men's Black, Blue and Brown Overcoats, former price \$8, sale price \$5. Men's Fashionable Grey, Black or Brown Sueded Overcoats, former price \$10, sale price \$7.50.

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Fine grades of high grade overcoats reduced in proportion. A BOYS' SLEED with every cash sale of an Overcoat or Suit.

THE McQUEEN CO., OIL CITY, PA.

25 and 29 SENeca St.

Notice of Appeals.

Notice is hereby given that the commissioners of Forest county will be at the following places, at the time designated, for the purpose of holding appeals for the Trial Term of the Assessment of 1901:

Howe Twp. at Ficks, Tuesday, Jan. 15th, 1902. Jones Twp. at Marietta, Wednesday, Jan. 16th, 1902.

Barnett Twp. at Clarington, Thursday, Jan. 17th, 1902. Green Twp. at Nelrocks, Friday, Jan. 18th, 1902.

Harrison Twp. at West Hickory, Tuesday, Jan. 22d, 1902. Hickory Twp. at East Hickory, Wednesday, Jan. 23d, 1902.

Kingsley Twp. at Kellestville, Thursday, Jan. 24th, 1902. Tionesta Twp. at Tionesta, Monday, Jan. 28th, 1902.

Tionesta Boro. at Tionesta, Tuesday, Jan. 29th, 1902. R. M. HERMAN, J. T. CARSON, J. T. DALE, Commissioners.

Attest: M. T. HEDMAN, Clerk.

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