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The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Andover meets the first and third Thursday in each month.

The Woman of the Future. BY ELLEN HAYES.

(Given in response to a toast at the banquet in honor of Lady Henry Somerset in Boston, January 1)

Five minutes to speak about the "Woman of the Future," when that woman is going to have all the future in which to write us up and talk us over! For without doubt she will toast us at her banquets, and I believe she will say that we were a tolerably fair kind of woman, considering that we lived away back in that dark nineteenth century. I believe also that her highest praises will be given to those of us who were wise enough and far-sighted enough to follow such leaders as our distinguished guest and our great Chieftain, The woman of the future is not going to forget Lady Henry Somerset and Frances Willard.

May I, in these few minutes, call your attention to two or three things which the coming woman will in all probability know and do and be?

First, then, she will know that alcohol and happiness do not go together. Thanks to Dr. Justus Gaule and others, we are now beginning to understand that science declares that they do not, and in so declaring ranges itself on the side of woman. The woman of the future will know enough to range herself on the side of science, and she will teach the fact of this conflict between alcohol and happiness with something of the emphasis and positiveness that we today give only to mathematics and chemistry and matters of that sort. Thus the teacher of the future will belong ex officio to what will then be known as the very ancient and noble Order of the White Ribbon.

Lastly, besides the white ribbon the woman of the future will wear the yellow ribbon. Today a government presumes to contradict that law of thought known as the Law of Continuity, which declares that a thing cannot both be and not be at one and the same time. We are asked to believe that a government can be of and for and by the people, and not of and for and by the people. In Fanueil Halls of their own the women who are to come after us will ask how this may be, and their question will have to be answered.

It is not tomorrow or in the next century that our dearest, our most daring hopes will find fulfillment, yet even in these days, darkened by so many crudities and injustices and false reasonings, there are signs for him who can read of

One God, one law, one element, And one far off divine event, To which the whole creation moves.

If there be any goal in righteousness to which the whole creation moves through processes of evolution, it is that of a fair chance for every human being by virtue of being human. One of the divinest of events, and let us hope not one of the farthest off, will be the coming to woman of all the prerogatives that inhere in personality, love and loveliness, yes, and more than these, liberty and power, and knowledge which is liberty and power. The woman of the future will know the truth and the truth will make her free.

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NEAR-BY NEWS

A Few Outside Happenings in Which Our Readers Will Be Interested.

Alfred University recently received a bequest of \$150,000, by the will of Peter Woodin, of Plainfield, N. J.

The State Superintendent of Public Instruction has decided that trustees of common school districts shall act as truuant officers.

The dead body of an infant was found in a vault in Wellsville a few days ago. Coroner Barney of Belmont is investigating the case.

Samuel Brown, who lived near Belmont, died Friday from injuries received a few days before by being thrown from a cutter by a frightened horse.

The Erie tracks between Dunkirk and Dayton were almost impossible to trains Monday. Although traffic was not entirely stopped, it took four or five hours for trains with three engines to cover the distance.

The Monroe county Supervisors have just appropriated \$100 "to aid in the work of extermination of the English sparrow." Seeing there are 2,000,000 sparrows in Monroe county, it is to be hoped the fund will be entrusted to judicious hands.

The Friendship sash and blind company made an assignment Saturday and the shops were closed. It is understood that the works will start up again as soon as a receiver is appointed. The company has never been on a sound financial basis, it is said.

The Rev. F. W. Beecher of Sodus preached at St. Paul's Episcopal Church at Angelica on Sunday morning, and evening. Mr. Beecher is well known in this section. He was pastor of the Congregational Church at Wellsville for several years. Three years ago he became an Episcopalian.

An important move is on foot to establish a sugar refinery at some point that will be available for the counties of Tioga and Potter for the manufacture of beet sugar. It has been found by experiments extending over the last two years that Northern Pennsylvania is adapted to the culture of sugar beets.

Geo. F. Wilson, a young man employed on the W. L. Martin farm, three miles west of Dunkirk, met with a terrible death Monday morning. He was feeding a hay press, when his foot was drawn into the feeding cogs. Before the machinery could be stopped he was ground from the sole of his feet to the hip. He died before medical aid arrived.

The city of Hornellsville has, seemingly, no end of trouble. A short time ago J. W. Wood secured a verdict of \$4,000 against the city, and now a suit is about to be brought against the city by a man named Lunt, who was injured in a gas explosion, which was caused by workmen on the city sewers who interfered with the gas pipes. Mr. Lunt will ask for \$5,000.

Four Sunday school institutes will be held in Allegany county during the month of February. The first will probably be held in Wellsville the 18th and at Angelica the 19th, Cuba, 20th, and Fillmore the 21st. The institutes are under the auspices of the county Sunday school association. Aside from a regular program, Rev. E. P. St. John of Prattsburg, the field secretary of the state Sunday school association, will conduct the normal work.

On October 15, 1894, Conrad Wegman registered at a hotel in Belmont. The next day he committed suicide by jumping from a bridge into the Genesee river in that village. He carried \$5,000 life insurance, placed in the Buffalo Masonic Life. The company refuses to settle on the ground that Wegman committed suicide. His heirs will contest the case. Wayland Washburn, a fourteen-year-old boy, it is claimed, saw Wegman jump into the river. He has been subpoenaed by the insurance company as a witness.

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