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THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Co-Workers Across Canada: As we approach our National Convention and look back on the past two years, we give praise and thanks to God for His guidance.

The Convention is the time when we should consider our work to the life of Canada — the time to take stock of the past and plan for the years ahead.

Our theme for this Convention is "Opportunity." Opportunities doors are wide open, but how long will they remain so, if we shrink from our duty and wait for a more convenient season. Our work with its world-wide appeal can be made increasingly useful and educative. It is because Frances Willard headed the oft repeated advice of her mother to "Enter every open door" that our Organization is what it is today.

Christian women must give leadership. We believe that more of our Christian women, with their views on Child Welfare, Education, Health and Domestic Affairs, should enter political life. Their contribution would be invaluable and then we would see many of the reforms for which we have been praying and working.

May I close my message with these beautiful lines from the "Australian Christian World."

God of the years that lie ahead,
Lord of the years that stretch before,
Weaver of all the ties that bind us,
Keeper and King of the Open Door.

Grant us hope and a courage glowing,
White and pure as the stars above;
Grant us faith in a full stream flowing
Down from the heights of Thy
changeless love.

Out of the ruins of doubt and sorrow,
Out of the ashes of pain and tears,
Help us fashion a new tomorrow,
Free from the anguish of blighting fears.

Build with us, lest our great walls crumble,
Broken stones upon useless clay;
Walk with us lest our slow feet stumble,
Groping and falter and lose our way.

All through the seasons of sowing and reaping,
All through the harvest of song and tears,
Hold us close in Thy tender keeping—
O Maker of all new years.

—Eva Wikison.

NATIONAL CONVENTION

The official opening of the Thirty-third Biennial Convention of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, will be held in the Trinity United Church, Bloor St. West at Robert St., Toronto, Ont., Tuesday evening September 14th, at 7.45 o'clock.

MORE PLEBISCITES

(Maritime Baptist)
"It would appear that the opportunity for introducing wine and beer has made a tremendous appeal to those interested. Requests for plebiscites are coming in space. The Propaganda that greater outlets make for greater temperance is not borne out where it has had time for testing. In an address given by Dr. R. C. Chalmers before the United Church Conference in June, conditions in Ontario were described.

The new liquor licence Act gave permission to establish cocktail bars, dining lounges in the five largest cities. The new bars are open from 10 a. m. to 2 a. m. With 2,200 outlets for liquor, and in 1947, 8,000 special permits for clubs, what is the record.

"Between 1944 and 1946 the last year for which official gallons consumption figures are available, there was an increase of 53% in the gallons of beer consumed, 94% increase in spirits and 44% increase in wine. Between 1938 and 1947 the population of Ontario increased 14.2% while consumption of alcohol increased 228.6%. In 1947 Canada had 100 murders; 48 of these occurred in Ontario and in many of them drink was a contributing factor. Arrests for drunkenness in Ontario in 1947 were at an all-time high—29,008—an increase of 10,126 over 1946. Back in 1908, when Premier Howard Ferguson introduced Liquor Control, the people of Ontario were spending \$35,000,000 in drink. Twenty years later Ontario spent \$175,000,000 on drink and the estimates for this year are \$200,000,000."

Are we in this province to be led by the same liquor interests, or will Christian people rise in their might and oppose any further open facilities for debauching the citizenry?"

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BY
Elizabeth Corbett

It wasn't until she had reached the other boundary and routed out another man with a rifle that she suddenly realized there was no game preserved here. These men were not gamekeepers but guards. The great gates that led to the high-road were locked. The whole place was surrounded by a high brick wall.

She would have to assert herself against this extraordinary foolishness she thought as she went in to breakfast — a very ceremonious breakfast which she had at a table alone while the baron and the countess ate together a little farther down the dining room. But later that same day she saw that a new game of some kind was only just beginning.

quested to dress and receive visitors. At the end of a long drawing-room a huge carved armchair had been set on a little platform covered with rugs. Elsa managed to kick aside a rug enough to see that the platform was of new wood, and evidently just built. The baron hadn't wasted any time! Already he had provided her not only with a country house but with a very passable substitute for a throne.

All afternoon people came and went. Fritz, in his best uniform solemnly escorted the visitors up the length of the room. At the improvised throne they kissed Elsa's hand, and assured her of their devotion and of how happy they were to see her. As soon as they left they were succeeded by others.

The audiences went on until about five-thirty. Then Elsa swept up to her bedroom to get rid of the cumbersome gown she had been forced to wear all afternoon. She changed into the least fussy of her dinner dresses, and dined as she had breakfast and lunched, in solitary state.

This house in its present state does not offer," said the baron smoothly. "But that can be remedied. There is a large ballroom on the third floor. We can have a screen erected there, and a machine sent out from New York. If Your Highness will have a little patience—"

"That won't do me any good tonight," Elsa interrupted. "Oh, this evening! This evening I shall of course be delighted to devote to Your Highness's entertainment." The baron beckoned to a servant. "Have a table arranged in the small drawing-room I shall play dominoes this evening with Her Highness."

Dominoes, backgammon, chess! All too often her royal evenings had been devoted to those tame sports. But at worst she used to play only against the countess or an attache. Dominoes against the baron made Elsa quite satisfied to go to bed early.

him, and all of a sudden here he be planning to get my throne suspicious crystallized. "You mean back for me?"

The baron is intriguing—? Can (To Be Continued)

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