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PREFACE AND ENDORSEMENT OF SCIENTIFIC ACCURACY

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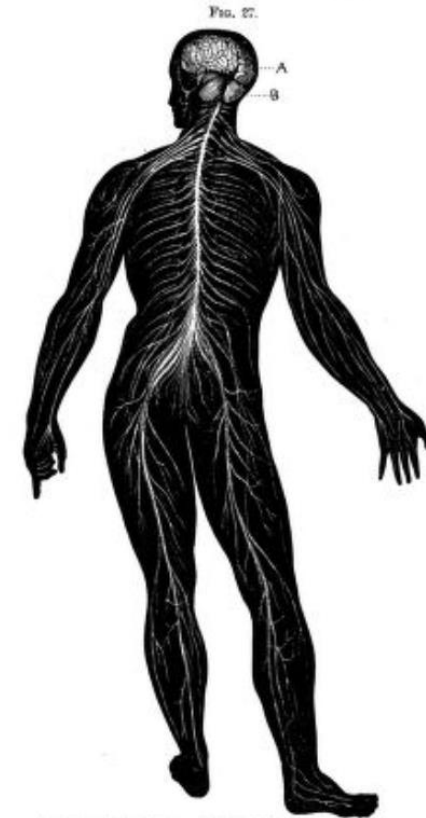
THE NERVOUS SYSTEM.

MAN AND OTHER ANIMALS.

MUSCULAR action, digestion, circulation, and all the work of the body, need to be directed and controlled. This wonderful task is given to the nervous system.

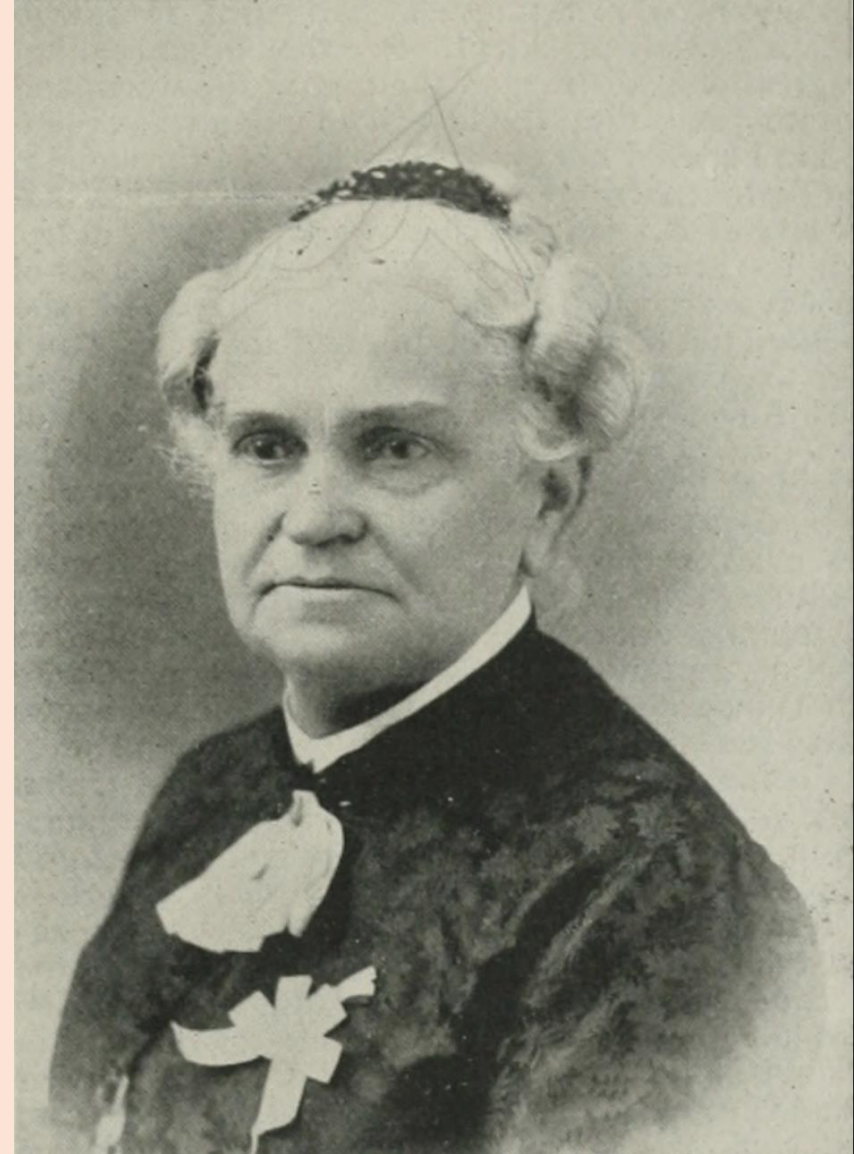
Plants have no power to think or feel: cut a tree, and the bark and wood have no sense of pain; the rose is neither glad nor sorry when you take it from the stem—it knows nothing of *what is being done*.

The simplest forms of animal life have very little of this nervous power; one of them, the hydra (*hydra*), may be cut into pieces, and each piece will form a new hydra. But animals which have the sense of feeling—those which can be taught by man—possess most of this power.

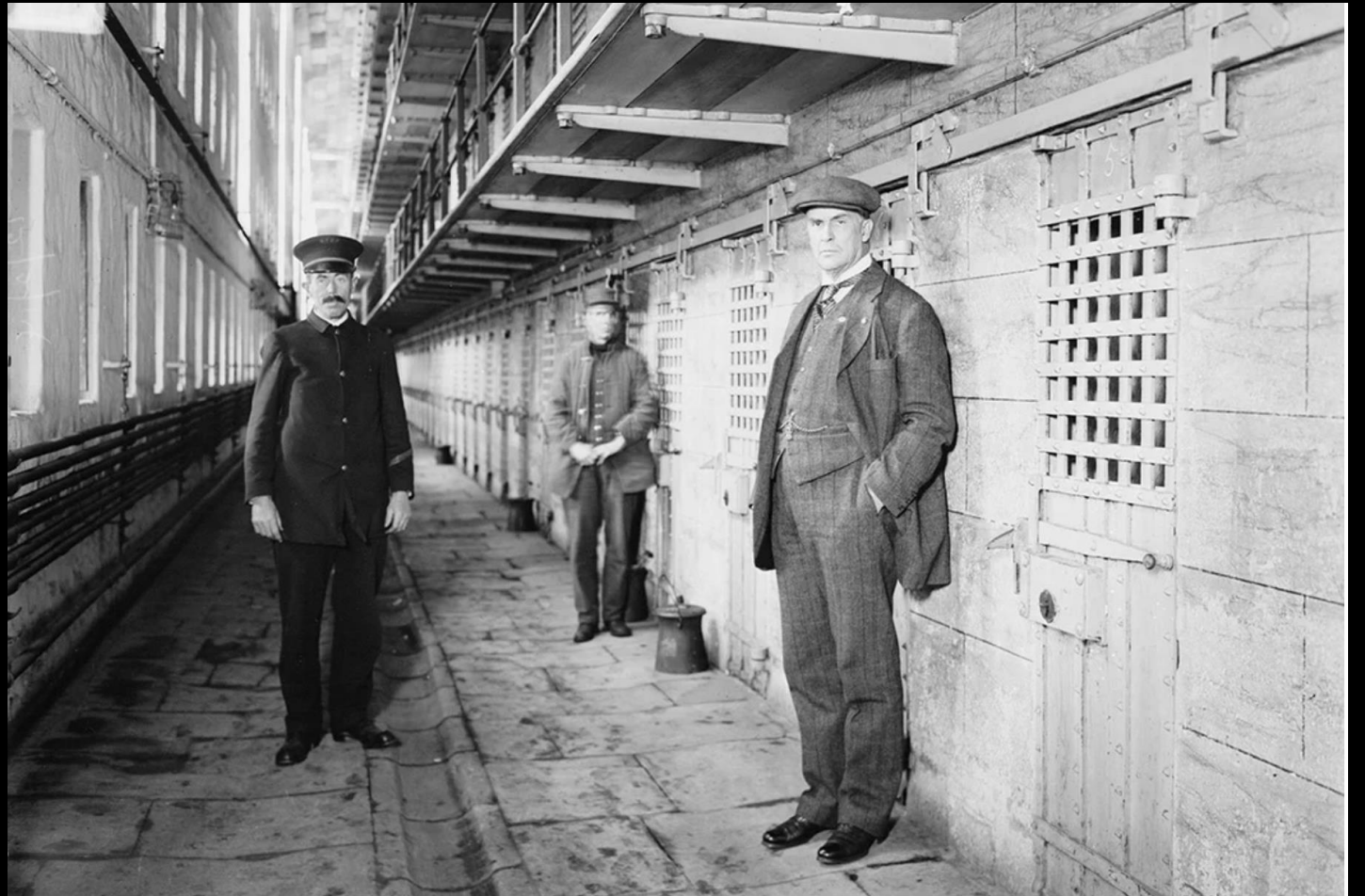


The nervous system. A, cerebrum; B, cerebellum.

Domestic Violence



Prisons and Reformatories



Sing Sing prison, with warden T. M. Osborne and two other men, c. 1915 via [Wikimedia Commons](#)

Rescue Work



Rescue Work



Although the WCTU directed its greatest efforts toward the prohibition of alcohol, the organization also addressed the problems of sexual misconduct. In 1897 the Asheville WCTU helped to establish in that city the Lindley Training School to shelter "fallen women" and prepare them for domestic service. By 1916 the facility was transformed from a rehabilitation center for prostitutes to a home for unwed mothers. Photograph of the school from the Pack Memorial Library, Asheville. Provided by the Western Office of the Division of Archives and History.

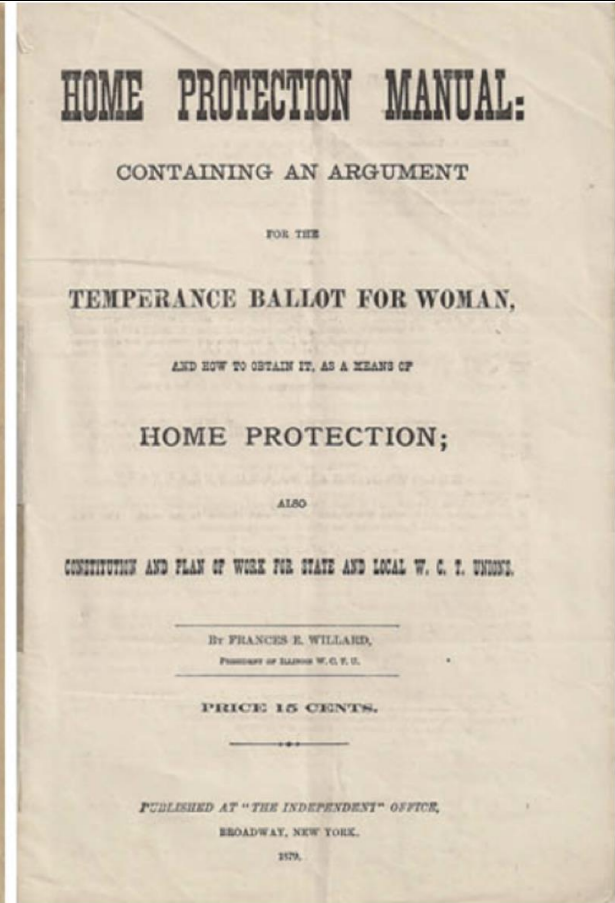
Peace and Arbitration



The Franchise



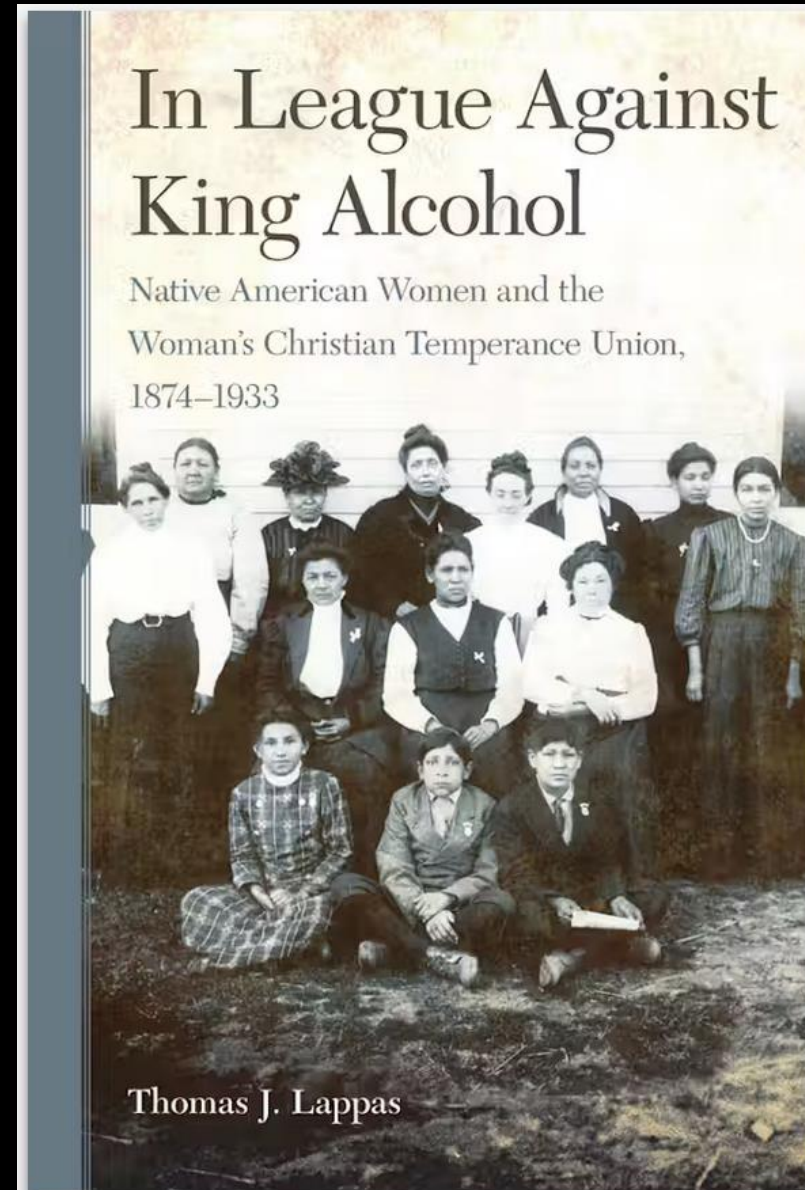
Frances E. Willard



Work Among
Colored
People:
Frances
Harper



Work Among Native Americans



Motto:
For God and Home and Native
Land

Motto:
For God and Home and ~~Native~~
Land

Motto:
For God and Home and Every
Land



Round the World Missionaries



Jessie Ackermann on the gospel trail, in outback Australia (Jessie Ackermann, *Australia: From a Woman's Point of View* [London: Cassell, 1913]).

Public Addresses

SOCIAL QUESTIONS IN THE ORIENT.



MRS. ANDREW.



DR. BUSHNELL.

GREAT * MASS * MEETING

(Under the auspices of the Anti-Opium Urgency Committee, the Christian Union for the Severance of the connection of the British Empire with the Opium Traffic, and the World's W. C. T. U.),

IN THE

CENTRAL HALL, NEWCASTLE-ON-TYNE,

ON

Friday Evening, November 23rd, 1894,

AT **EIGHT O'CLOCK** (doors open at 7.15).

TO BE ADDRESSED BY

MRS. ELIZABETH ANDREW

AND

DR. KATE C. BUSHNELL

(Round-the-World Missionaries of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union).

ALDERMAN W. D. STEPHENS, Esq., J.P.

IN THE CHAIR.

[A Collection towards Expenses.]

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TILL 7.45.

RESERVED SEAT.

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WCTU Tea Room at a fair in New Zealand



Canterbury Museum, Bishop Collection. *Weekly Press*, 16 November 1910.

The Women's Christian Temperance Union (WCTU) ran tearooms at A & P (agricultural and pastoral) shows – including these ones at the Christchurch show in 1910.

WCTU in India, a few months ago

