



The West Calder Public Band

which, under the conductorship of Mr. Herbert Bennett, were awarded first prize in the 3rd Section at the Scottish Championships held at Edinburgh in November.

The West Calder Band was formed in 1866, and with the exception of a break during the 1914-18 war, has continued its work of brightening the lives of the

people who, by their financial and moral support, are responsible for its existence. Most of its members are employed in the Shale oil industry. Since 1926, when the services of Mr. Herbert Bennett as conductor were secured, quite a number of prizes have been won, although the band will, perhaps, be better remembered by our readers through its broadcast programmes during the past seven or eight years which have been consistently good.