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TO PARISH AND MISSION SOCIETIES.

It is thought advisable that all the parishes connected with the Woman's Auxiliary should understand clearly that they must report all moneys, boxes and barrels, through their own Managers. It is absolutely impossible to prevent confusion unless this order be more carefully observed than it has hitherto been.

It is expected that in future the annual reports of the Managers will be sent in two weeks before the spring meeting, therefore it is earnestly requested that the parishes should aid and coöperate with their officers by sending prompt and early notices of cash, boxes and whatever else they wish reported, otherwise they will lie over until the next year. It will be easily seen and understood that it is impossible to expect the Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary to change their figures at the last moment, as they have been obliged to do.

In their turn the Managers of each Convocation will please be careful to send to the *Treasurer alone*, accounts of all *moneys* thus reported to them, and a *list and value* of all *boxes and barrels* to the *Corresponding Secretary*.

FANNY SEYMOUR PATTERSON,

Prs't Wom. Aux.

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Franklin county.

MINUTES.

The third annual meeting of the "Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions in the Diocese of Albany," was held in the city of Troy, on the seventh day of May, 1886. The delegates first assembled in St. Paul's Church, where the Holy Communion was celebrated at half-past ten o'clock by the Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by the Rev. H. Ashton Henry, priest in charge of the parish. The address of the Bishop upon the general subject of the work of women in the Christian Church, included an account of the origin of the Woman's Auxiliary.

After leaving the church, the non-resident delegates were entertained at a luncheon, provided by the ladies of St. Paul's Parish, in the adjoining Martha Memorial House.

At half-past two o'clock in the afternoon, the delegates assembled for the transaction of business in St. Paul's Chapel. The meeting was opened with prayers by the Bishop. Upon calling the roll, it was found that eighty-four delegates were present, representing twenty parishes. Bishop Doane then announced the resignation of Mrs. Frank L. Norton as President, consequent upon her removal from the Diocese, and stated that at his request Mrs. Hannibal Green of Troy, had temporarily assumed the duties of the President, and had been succeeded by Mrs. Charles E. Patterson, also of Troy, who had consented to accept the position, and he thereupon, in graceful terms, presented the new President to the meeting.

Mrs. Patterson then delivered the annual address. The minutes of the preceding annual meeting were read and approved. Reports of Managers for the different Convocations were presented as follows: By Miss Tweddle and Mrs. Paige, for the Convocation of Albany, and by Mrs. S. D. French, for the Convocation of Troy. The remaining reports from Mrs. McEwen, for the Convocation of Troy, Mrs. Keese and Miss Laura Gay, for the Convocation of the Susquehanna, and Mrs. Knapp and Mrs. Usher for the Convocation of Ogdensburg, were read by the Secretary.

Mrs. Whittemore, the Corresponding Secretary, then read her annual report, at the conclusion of which her resignation of the office was presented. Mrs. Robert C. Weir of Cohoes, on the motion of the retiring Corresponding Secretary, was elected to the office thus made vacant.

Mrs. Kip, the Treasurer, presented her annual report.

The President then introduced Miss Smiley, who addressed the ladies upon the general subject of organization in woman's work, and the added power which system produced. She dwelt upon a new woman's society, of whose existence she was informed during a recent residence in England, having for its object the study of Church History and the Holy Scriptures, and suggested the formation of a similar society by the members of the Woman's Auxiliary. The address was marked by her well-known earnestness and clearness of statement, and held the attention of her hearers throughout. Miss Emery, the General Secretary of the "Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions," was next introduced, and she delivered one of her characteristic addresses on the subject of contributions to missions and missionaries. She pointed out the hardships which ensued upon a delay in paying missionary stipends, and illustrated the importance of systematic giving, and the wonderful aggregate which could thus be devoted to the cause, but which, otherwise, would be entirely lost to it. Her listeners were impressed by her earnestness and unselfishness, which will doubtless bear fruit in many of our parishes.

On motion of Miss Tweedle, the Auxiliary pledged itself to contribute the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars for the support of a woman worker in Utah. Mrs. J. N. Mulford, on behalf of the ladies' society of Christ Church, Troy, pledged the further sum of twenty-five dollars to the same object. It was resolved that the sum of forty dollars be contributed by the Auxiliary for the Gardiner Scholarship in the girls' school, Tokio. The ladies of the Cathedral Branch renewed their pledge of last year of forty dollars for a scholarship at St. Mary's school, Shanghai, China. The ladies of St. George's Church, Schenectady, pledged their branch society to contribute twenty-five dollars for the enlargement of the Paddock Memorial hospital, Tacoma, Washington Territory.

An invitation was extended to the Auxiliary by the Rev. Archdeacon Carey, to hold a meeting at Saratoga in August. The invitation was, on motion, accepted for the 31st day of August, 1886. It was further resolved that a meeting of the Auxiliary be held at St. George's Church, in the city of Schenectady, in November, 1886. An invitation having been extended to the Auxiliary to hold its next

annual meeting at St. Peter's Church, Albany, it was, on motion, accepted.

Mrs. John Keyes Paige of Schenectady, moved that a vote of thanks be extended to the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Paul's Church, Troy, for the use of the Church and Chapel, and to the ladies of St. Paul's Parish for the luncheon furnished by them to the visiting delegates. This motion was unanimously adopted.

Bishop Doane in few words congratulated the representatives of the Woman's Auxiliary upon the results of their year's labor, and expressed gratification that during a year of financial depression there had been an increase in the offerings collected through its agency.

The meeting was closed with the benediction by the Bishop.

MERCY P. M. PECK,

Recording Secretary, pro tem.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Women of the Auxiliary:

The position of President of your organization in this Diocese, has been so efficiently filled in the past, that I have accepted it with much diffidence and some misgivings. Owing to her removal from this Diocese, Mrs. Norton resigned the Presidency of the Woman's Auxiliary early last autumn. From the first, Mrs. Norton took the greatest interest in this society, and it is largely due to her devotion and wise direction that the work is now so well organized.

Mrs. Hannibal Green of Troy, succeeded Mrs. Norton, but finding her time too much engaged by other charitable work, she was obliged to resign, and in March, I accepted the vacant office. I have so recently become associated with the work, that I must beg your kind indulgence to-day.

I welcome you all to this third anniversary of our organization in the Diocese of Albany. I am sure as the years pass by, that you must be more and more convinced of the good and noble character of the work in which you are engaged. A well-known priest of the Church, in addressing a body of Christian women, lately said, "I want you to grasp with all the power of your brain and of your heart, I want you to feel to the very marrow of your bones, that the only beginning, continuance and end of the Church of Christ is Missions."

The Woman's Auxiliary, is an organization, authorized by the Church to further its efforts in Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Missions. It is almost sixteen years since this society was established, it now has branches in forty-three Dioceses, there are three general officers and 285 Diocesan officers. It is a band of Christian women, extending throughout the length and breadth of this fair land of ours, from Maine to California, from Washington Territory to Florida, reaching out hands of love and mercy to those who have left all to follow Christ.

There are many ways in which women can render great assistance in this work. In the first place we can pray for God's blessing, without which all our labor will be in vain. Then we can prepare and

send off boxes of comfortable clothing, of books, or of various household articles, and thus gladden the hearts of some poor struggling Missionary and wife, who are living on a stipend sufficient to furnish them food and shelter, and but little else. The families of many of our Missionary clergy depend upon these boxes for their clothing for the year. Oh, what joy there is in a Missionary's household on receipt of a well-filled box from the Woman's Auxiliary. We can also give alms, and we can solicit subscriptions, and with the funds thus raised, churches and schools can be built, and hospitals and orphanages supported in their ministry of mercy. Then we can talk Missions. "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh," and if the cause of Missions is dear to us we *must* talk of them. A gentleman who is now a generous giver to Missions, once said, "I never took much interest in Missions until my wife talked them into me."

The reports for this year from the different Managers are satisfactory, and in some cases very gratifying. Eleven new branches have been formed, and the older branches strengthened by the additions of many new members, and the number and value of boxes has greatly increased.

I hope the work for the coming year will go on with increasing energy and interest. The tendency of our day is to multiply benevolent associations and objects of charitable beneficence, and while I rejoice in this evidence of Christian love and enterprise, I trust the new will cause no falling off in interest and income in the older societies. Being assured of the necessity for our work, let us go on without faltering.

I trust some new branches will be organized this year. There are some flourishing parishes where no branch has yet been started, and where, before another year rolls by, I hope to see one formed. In all branches, the weekly meetings for work, and the monthly meetings for business, ought to be held regularly. I would suggest that at the weekly meetings, some one read aloud to those at work, some leaflets, or extracts from the *Spirit of Missions*, or some letters from Missionaries, that their information on the subject of Missions may be more general, and the interest increased. I would also suggest that in the autumn, each Convocation call together its managers, officers and members of the Parish Branches, and hold a Missionary Meeting. I think great good would be accomplished, especially in those Convocations which are so remote that the delegates do not always attend the Annual Meeting.

In many Dioceses great assistance is rendered by the children. They are gathered together once a week, or sometimes once a month,

for an hour or too, to work for some Parish or Missionary object. Great good is thus done, not only to the object assisted, but thus a body of young people are prepared, familiar with Church-work, and ready to fill the vacant places that time will surely make in our ranks.

I want to urge upon the women of the Auxiliary the necessity of adhering to a few simple rules so as to avoid confusion. One is, that all moneys, boxes and barrels sent off, should be reported to the Manager in that Convocation. All moneys for whatever object should be sent to the Treasurer, Mrs. Kip, of Albany, and she sends it to its destination. Another rule is, that when a branch, or any one in this Diocese, wishes to prepare a box, or do any Missionary work, they should write to the Corresponding Secretary for the Diocese of Albany, for the name and address of a Missionary, or object to work for. All the appeals are sent to our General Secretary, Miss Emery, and she divides them among the different Diocesan Societies in the United States. Naturally, we are anxious to fill all the appeals sent us as our share, and all who apply to our Corresponding Secretary, help us to do so, and also render the keeping of our accounts a much easier matter.

In closing, I want to beg the women of the Diocese to give themselves to the Master's work. What can be more unsatisfying than a life spent in a constant round of social pleasures, or what life is more utterly wasted than one passed in a slavish devotion to fashion, and a constant study to please one's self! If Terence, a Pagan poet, could say, "*Homo sum ; nihil humani a me alienum puto*"—"I am a man, and therefore think I have an interest in everything that concerns humanity," how much more should it be the sentiment of every Christian heart, to whom has been revealed the divinity of humanity, and on whose ear has fallen the inspiring words, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto Me."

FANNY SEYMOUR PATTERSON,

President.

May 7th, 1886.

CONVOCATION OF ALBANY.

Reports of Manager for Albany, Montgomery, Fulton and Hamilton.

The past year has been marked by a very perceptible and increased interest in the work of the Woman's Auxiliary—to the hearty co-operation and zeal of the several Secretaries is largely due this measure of success. Miss Emery was asked to visit Albany the past winter, and address the women of the churches assembled in St. Peter's Parish House. Her cheering words of suggestive work gave inspiration to many. She afterwards visited Amsterdam, Johnstown and Little Falls, accompanied by the Manager, and the mutual interchange of thought on Missionary work, proved most helpful to all. As an out-growth of this visit a Parochial Branch was formed in Amsterdam, followed by most energetic work of all its members, and a good result of the winter's labor. Johnstown was alike inspired by Miss Emery's visit, and has done nobly the past six months, as the fruit of their work shows four boxes furnished and sent, added to this, money for the Woman Worker in Utah.

A very quiet work is being done in St. Mark's, Green Island. The members, all the year, working industriously for an Indian Mission in Wisconsin, under the charge of the Rev. Mr. Goodnough.

Trinity, West Troy, has not felt equal to the work of last year, but has rendered valuable assistance in helping to make up a box for Dakota, in which St. John's, Cohoes, and St. Ann's, Amsterdam, joined. The result, a most useful and valuable box to the Missionary, and which was acknowledged with a thankful heart.

Grace Church, Albany, formed a Branch after the last Annual Meeting, and has shown great energy in the prosecution of Missionary work, as the record further on will show.

Trinity Church, Rensselaerville, organized as an Auxiliary Branch in May, 1885, holding weekly meetings, each member giving five cents a week as a working fund. Under the direction of a most zealous and energetic secretary, it has prospered greatly.

The Secretary of All Saint's Cathedral Branch reports the following: Meetings have been held monthly, with occasional special

meetings for special business. A committee was appointed by the Vice-President, whose duty it should be to look up and write out facts of interest pertaining to Missionary work in the different fields. These reports have elicited much interest, and it is proposed to carry out the plan more fully another year, thus increasing individual information and interests in the Church's Missions. The women of this Board of W. A. feel that they have reason to be thankful, not that the boxes sent out by them have been more numerous or more valuable, but for the very marked increase of interest in Mission work, and attendance at the monthly meetings.

The Secretary for St. Peter's, Albany, reports that systematic work was commenced in November last, by initiating a method of raising money, regularly, monthly collections having been made, based on weekly pledges of five or ten up to twenty-five cents a week, and the result has been most satisfactory, three hundred and fifty dollars having been paid into the treasury in six months. Special efforts have been made to stir up interest, and at the regular monthly meetings letters have been read from various Missionary fields, and the needs of our Missionaries discussed. Domestic and Diocesan work have largely claimed attention, but Foreign as well. The valuation of boxes has been put at the lowest possible figures consistent with contents, in order that assistance given Missionaries should not be over-rated.

St. Paul's, Albany, reports the adoption of monthly meetings, and that much enthusiasm had pushed the work forward with flattering success. A systematic form of giving and collecting, had resulted in filling two valuable boxes, and a large sum in the treasury for future use.

Great praise is due Holy Innocents, Albany, for their efforts the past winter, having worked under adverse circumstances.

The Secretary of Trinity Church writes their inability to accomplish anything the past year in connection with the Woman's Auxiliary.

From all this work we have a most gratifying result as compared with the year previous—namely, thirty-one boxes forwarded, valued at \$2117.49, and in money amounting to \$305.89, an aggregate of \$2423.38, this amounts in excess of last year, \$1176.48.

Amounts distributed as follows :

St. Mark's Green Island, money,	\$ 4.10
One box to Rev. Mr. Goodnough, Indian Mission, Wisconsin, value,	155.62
Total,	\$159.72

ST. ANN'S, AMSTERDAM.

To Missionary in Arkansas,	\$ 10 00
One box, " " value,	62 00
Part of box to Rosebud Agency, Dakota, value,	55 00
Box to Cooperstown Orphanage, "	27 00
Total,	\$154 00

ST. JOHN'S, JOHNSTOWN.

To Woman Worker in Utah,	\$ 17 18
Box to St. Margaret's House, value,	25 00
" North Carolina, "	20 00
" Nashotah, "	25 00
" Cooperstown Orphanage, value,	85 00
Total,	\$172 18

ST. JOHN'S, COHOES.

To Missionary at Rosebud Agency, Dakota,	\$ 15 00
One Clerical suit to Missionary, "	23 00
Lenten work, one box, value,	60 00
Total,	\$ 98 00

TRINITY, RENSSELAERVILLE.

One box sent to daughter of Missionary in N. C., value,	\$ 6 75
" " " Missionary in N. C., value,	23 00
Work in the Parish,	6 50
Total,	\$ 36 25

TRINITY, WEST TROY.

Box to Kentucky for colored people,	\$ 15 00
Part of box to Rosebud Agency, Dakota,	35 00
Total,	\$ 50 00

CATHEDRAL, ALL SAINTS.

Foreign Missions,	\$ 50 00
For Bishop Dunlop,	16 66
One box to school for colored children, Virginia, value,	65 97
" " Diocesan Missionary, value,	177 74
" " Missionary in Kansas, "	189 26
Two barrels and one box for Basket Makers, value,	200 00
Express charges,	19 40
Total,	\$719 03

ST. PAUL'S, ALBANY.

One box to Indiana, containing set of altar linen, value,	\$125 00
One box to New Orleans, value,	110 00
Total,	\$235 00

ST. PETER'S, ALBANY.

Woman Worker in Utah,	\$ 25 00
Woman Worker in Utah,	50 00
Paid on box to Dakota (express)	7 95
To Missionary in Wisconsin,	5 00
Bishop Dunlop,	15 00
Colored school of Rev. Mr. Webb in Va.,	25 00
French Prayer Books for Bishop Holly of Hayti,	20 00
Distribution of Missionary papers and work,	20 00
One box to Colored school of Rev. Mr. Russell, value,	22 05
" " " " " Webb, "	150 00
One box to Missionary in Wisconsin,	100 00
Two boxes to two Diocesan Missionaries,	225 00
Total,	\$665 00

HOLY INNOCENTS, ALBANY.

For Woman Worker in Utah,	\$ 25 00
Outfit of student at St. Stephen's College, value,	11 44
One box to Miss Emery for distribution, value,	16 81
Total,	\$ 53 25

GRACE CHURCH, ALBANY.

One box to House of Good Shepherd, Rockland, value,	\$ 59 55
Christmas box to " " " " "	15 00
Christmas box to school for colored children in Va., for	
Mrs. Burgwin,	25 00
Box to Cooperstown Orphanage,	25 00
Total,	\$124 55

A. E. TWEDDLE.

 REPORT OF MANAGER OF GREENE, SCHENECTADY,
 HERKIMER AND COLUMBIA COUNTIES.

As Manager for the counties of Greene, Schenectady, Herkimer and Columbia, I beg leave to report an accession of three new branches of the Woman's Auxiliary, viz: One at St. Paul's Church,

Kinderhook ; one at Christ Church, Hudson, and one at the Mission Station of Frankfort.

From Columbia county a box has been sent from Christ Church, Hudson, valued at eighty-seven dollars. They have also made during the year one hundred garments for the Child's Hospital, Albany, and forty for the Hudson Orphan Asylum, in addition to the seventeen dollars pledged to Bishop Dunlop, which has been sent to the Treasurer.

From St. Paul's, Kinderhook, a box was sent during the Christmas season to the Cooperstown Orphanage, valued at fifty dollars, and since then articles have been made for the same destination, which have not yet been sent.

From Stockport and Lebanon Springs I have received letters from members of the respective parishes, expressing a great interest in the Woman's Auxiliary, and an earnest hope that they may soon be able to have branches of their own.

I have also written letters to Chatham, Philmont and Claverack, but for the present they find it impossible to do more than they are now engaged in.

From Greene county, I have to report from St. Luke's Church, Catskill, two boxes sent ; one to the Orphanage at Cooperstown, and one to Miss Emery at the Bible House, the latter containing garments suitable for different boxes. The two were valued at one hundred and twenty-seven dollars.

I trust by another year a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary may be formed at Trinity Church, Athens, as I have received great encouragement in that direction. I have written to Coxsackie, Windham and Cairo, but have heard nothing from them.

From Herkimer county, a new branch has been formed at Christ Church, Herkimer. They have not yet undertaken any work under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary, except a number of garments made by some of the little girls of the parish, under the supervision of the wife of the Rector, for St. Margaret's House, Albany.

At the Mission of Frankfort, a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was formed October 29th, 1885. They have sent twenty infants' dresses, valued at fifteen dollars, to St. Margaret's House, Albany. This means a great deal, when we consider that they are struggling with all their might to build a church for themselves, and it is seldom under these circumstances that a parish finds it possible to do much outside.

From Little Falls, I have received very hopeful letters, and I trust some day they may enroll themselves under the banner of the Woman's Auxiliary. From Ilion, too, I hope another year to have something to report, and also from Grace Church, Mohawk.

From Schenectady county, I have as usual to report a very flourishing state of affairs. At Christ Church, Duanesburgh, they have sent a box to the Orphanage, valued at fifteen dollars, and are busy at present preparing garments for St. Margaret's House.

St. George's, Schenectady, beg to report a box sent during October last to a clergyman in Virginia, valued at one hundred and fifty-six dollars, and a box sent to the Cooperstown Orphanage, which was prepared through Lent, valued at thirty-three dollars. They have also sent seventeen dollars to the Treasurer, the amount pledged to Bishop Dunlop at the last annual meeting. All of which is respectfully submitted.

JANET F. PAIGE.

Schenectady, May 3, 1886.

NOTE.—Emmanuel Church, Little Falls, reports through Miss Emery, one box sent to Mrs. Burgwin, value \$60.00; one box to Basket Makers, \$15.00; also one box of altar linen sent to Oregon, by Rev. Mr. Pendleton, St. George's Church, Schenectady.

CONVOCATION OF TROY.

Report of Managers of Rensselaer, Washington and Saratoga counties.

In making my report for this year, I am sorry I cannot say that there is greater interest in the three counties allotted to my care, than was felt in the preceding year. Some have done more than well, and if all the smaller Parishes would enter into the work and do what they could—let it be ever so little—I am sure the total, both in boxes and money, would be very satisfactory. In Troy I have the same societies working as last year.

CHRIST CHURCH.

In boxes—		
1st box to a Missionary in Arkansas,		\$119 00
2nd box, in this Diocese,		53 00
3d box, Fayetteville, Oregon,		21 00
		\$193 00

In money—

Mrs. Burr's salary,	\$ 25 00
Diocesan Missions,	50 00
St. Luke's, Troy,	100 00
Scholarship in Utah,	40 00
Missionary in Kansas, for books,	25 00
Raquette Lake Parsonage,	15 00
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Total in money,	\$255 00
Money for boxes,	193 00

The Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church, have paid the annual indebtedness, to the Church Home, \$170 71, but this does not come under the work of the Society.

FREE CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION.

Box to Richmond, Va.,	\$ 60 00
To Ascension School, Oregon,	50 00
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	\$110 00
St. Mary's Orphanage, Shanghai, China,	\$ 10 00
Gardiner Scholarship, Tokio, Japan,	5 00
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	\$ 15 00

CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS.

Mrs. Hannibal Green and Mrs. Charles Russell sent a box in this Diocese,	\$ 68 50
The Mary Warren Guild of the Church of the Holy Cross, have sent two boxes to the Child's Hospital, and St. Margaret's Home, one at Christmas, value,	25 00
And at Easter,	10 00
Mrs. Hannibal Green, for Mrs. Burr's salary,	5 00
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Total in boxes,	\$103 50
Money,	5 00

ST. JOHN'S, TROY.

Have sent eight boxes—

Winnesborough, S. C.,	\$ 30 71
Italian Mission, N. Y.,	21 20
In this Diocese,	106 93
Lawrenceville, Va.,	21 86
Albany, Ga.,	93 92
Bolton, N. Y.,	24 20

Darlington, Wis.,	112 16
Cooperstown Orphanage,	68 38
Thirty-seven garments given away—cost	14 55
Paid to the women of the Parish needing the work,	109 06

Three ladies of the Parish pay for the making of 76 garments.

St. John's, for Mrs. Burr's salary,	15 00
Mrs. W. O. Cunningham,	25 00
A friend at St. John's,	5 00
In money,	\$ 45 00
Value of boxes,	662 97

Miss Mary Spicer of St. John's, is still continuing her work—the sending of papers and magazines to those who could not afford to take them. Since May she has sent 948, postage, \$4.36. Eight families in the Church send Church paper, weekly, to ministers in the West.

CHURCH OF THE MESSIAH, GREENBUSH.

Box to Fayetteville, Oregon, value,	\$ 40 00
and have done a great deal of work necessary in their own Parish.	

ALL SAINTS', HOOSAC.

For Child's Hospital	\$ 8 00
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This branch only works through Lent, and this year on account of sickness and death in the family of Mrs. Griffith, who has charge of the work, it is only half that they would have done.

SARATOGA COUNTY :

GRACE CHURCH, WATERFORD.

Have this year, for the first time, sent a box in connection with this Society.

Child's Hospital, Albany, value,	\$ 18 00
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CALVARY CHURCH, BURNT HILLS.

Box to St. Margaret's House and Child's Hospital, value,	\$ 18 00
Also a box of clothing, slightly worn,	10 00
For Mrs. Burr's salary,	5 00

CHRIST CHURCH, BALLSTON.

Box to a Missionary in Neligh, Neb.,	\$100 00
And a check,	25 00

The title for this box was not obtained from the W. A. S.

WASHINGTON COUNTY :

ST. JAMES', FORT EDWARD.

In money,	\$ 3 00
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ST. PAUL'S, SALEM.

Box sent at Christmas, for St. Margaret's House, value,	\$ 12 15
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St. Paul's did not send in their report last year in time for publication.

The donations in money and dues from members,	\$ 44 34
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A large number of garments given away in their own Parish.	
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Also two boxes, one to Child's Hospital, value,	5 30
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Articles made by small children in the Industrial School,	
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for Cooperstown Orphanage, value	2 13
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Total, \$ 63 92	
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Mrs. C. E. Patterson,	10 00
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Total value of boxes,	\$1,304 95
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In money,	338 00
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S. D. FRENCH,

Manager Troy Convocation.

REPORT OF MANAGER OF WARREN, CLINTON AND
ESSEX COUNTIES.

I hoped at the last meeting, that by May, 1886, I should be able to give a much better report, as I then determined to make another effort to awaken a little interest throughout the counties allotted to my care, but I find upon inquiries that most of the Parishes are struggling, in fact some of them only Missionary Stations themselves, so I gave up the idea and concluded to do what I could with the two I have in hand.

Within the last two days, I have received a most kind and encouraging letter from the Rev. Mr. Cookson of Glen's Falls, in which he tells me he has just started the work, which would have been under way before, but for his own ill health.

Hoping for better things in the future, I submit the following report :

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, CHAMPLAIN.

Box to Cooperstown Orphanage, value,	\$. 30 00
Cash paid out,	4 00
Total,	\$. 34 00

BETHESDA CHURCH, SARATOGA SPRINGS.

Box to Clergyman, N. Y., value,	\$. 15 00
Three boxes to Basket Makers, Tompkins' Cove, value,	50 00
Box to Clergyman, Neb., value,	15 00
Money expended for boxes,	24 85
Cash to Basket Makers,	25 00
Diocesan Missions,	10 00
Foundling Hospital, Shanghai, China,	20 00
Total,	\$. 159 85
Now in Treasury,	9 92

MRS. McEWEN.

May, 1886.

CONVOCATION OF THE SUSQUEHANNA.

Report of Manager of Otsego and Schoharie Counties:

I send the following report of what little has been done in my division of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Number of boxes, 6. From Cherry Valley, 3, Richfield, 1, Cooperstown, 1, Maple Grove S. S. Workers, Zion Church, Morris, 1. Value of the whole, \$345.00.

I grieve sorely at the feeble results of my efforts, and am sorry to say that but three Parishes have connected with the W. A. Zion Church, Morris; St. Paul's, E. Springfield; and Grace Church, Cherry Valley.

I am sorry I shall be unable to attend the third annual meeting in Troy, on the 7th of May. I leave home before long, and shall be absent five months, as I spend my summers away from here, and travel about. I think it wise for me to resign my charge. I therefore send in my resignation as Manager of this district.

Respectfully yours,

CAROLINA A. KEESE.

REPORT OF THE MANAGER OF DELAWARE COUNTY.

I have written to all the Parishes in Delaware county, which were assigned to me, but beyond the fact that some have answered and expressed interest in the work, and a desire to do something in the future when they shall have bettered their own parochial condition, I have but little to report.

There are at present in our county six parishes, St. John's, Delhi, promised to do something and to report to me as soon as they are organized and ready for work. I wrote to them, but have had no answer.

From Christ Church, Deposit, Rev. Mr. Street, writes that the Ladies' Society, in his Parish find society-work new to them, and they are in need of all they can raise for church repairs at present, but will in time connect themselves with the W. A. In regard to boxes, he says the S. S. sent a box to the Child's Hospital last spring. Regretting that he can write nothing more satisfactory, but with the hope that their Parish may soon be enrolled amongst the working and useful ones of the Diocese in all branches of work, he closes.

From St. Paul's, Franklin, no reply. From St. Peter's, Hobert, no reply. From Bloomville, Stamford, no reply.

Christ Church, Walton. The Ladies' Society merged themselves into a branch of the W. A., on Whitsunday, 1885. During the summer and fall a package of sheets, pillow cases and large aprons, were made and sent to the Orphan House at Cooperstown, valued at \$6.45. Mrs. Frederick A. Brisock, a member, sent \$5.00 to Miss Emery for the Tokio Hospital in Japan, Dec. 22d.

A box of second-hand clothing, etc., was sent to the Rev. E. Gay, Jr., at Tompkins' Cove, New York, for the Basket Makers. Estimated value, \$30, Dec. 22, 1885.

On March 11, 1886, sent box second-hand garments, etc., to Rev. Ed Ramford, Hightfalls, Ulster Co., for his work among the poor of that section. Estimated value, not less than \$10.

Also on same date sent package to Cooperstown, value, \$8.50.

April 1, 1886, sent to the Treasurer, Mrs. Kip, \$9.00 towards removing the debt on the Orphanage at Cooperstown.

May 1st, sent package to Cooperstown, value, \$8.00.

This I think will end my report for the year ending May, 1886. Another year, if I am permitted to labor and to wait, I trust to have more and better things to report of our Convocation, County and Parish.

LAURA GAY,

Manager.

CONVOCATION OF OGDENSBURGH.

Report of Manager of St. Lawrence county.

Since the spring meeting in '85 of the Woman's Auxiliary, the Convocation of Ogdensburgh has met with a serious loss in the resignation of Mrs. Thomas Knap, Vice-President of the society, in the parish of St. John's, Ogdensburgh, and one of the Managers in the Convocation.

To her efforts the Ogdensburgh branch of Woman's Auxiliary owes its existence, and she has been unsparing in the use of time, money and influence in its behalf. Her long absence from the Diocese has been an affliction to the society, as is also her persistent refusal to resume the duties of the offices vacated by her resignation last September. At that time the writer of this report was elected to these offices, and was directed in accordance with the wishes of Mrs. Bloomfield Usher, the other Manager in the Convocation, to attend to the work of Woman's Auxiliary in all St. Lawrence county parishes, except that in Potsdam, the residence of Mrs. Usher, which she would oversee.

In conformity with instructions then received, the new Manager wrote to the several parishes, urging the formation of branch societies, but without any favorable results. Grace Church, Canton, and Trinity, Gouverneur, continuing to be the only parishes in connection with Woman's Auxiliary, though several are doing real missionary work at home, with wonderful courage, despite poverty and hardship, following the lead of the brave men who set them the example of hopeful effort and patient endurance for the Master's sake.

In February, at the meeting of Convocation in Ogdensburgh, it was our privilege to listen to an address by Miss Sybil Carter, in which she gave interesting and valuable information concerning mission work among the freedmen, Indians and Mormons, besides much that we ought to know of the work in other lands. The effect pro-

duced by her words upon the minds and hearts of her hearers will not soon pass away.

The report of our work since May, '85, is as follows: In response to a special appeal from Miss Emery in September, '85, for offerings to prevent the threatened reduction of already meagre appropriations for salaries of missionaries, the Woman's Auxiliary in Ogdensburgh sent to her twenty-five dollars (\$25.00).

In Advent, a box was sent to a missionary in the Diocese, and in Lent one was sent to a Church Home for orphans at Mobile, Ala., and a number of garments, etc., were made for the Orphanage at Cooperstown. These last were mostly the offering and work of the members of the St. Agnes society, who during Lent gave their regular fees and their handiwork in aid of Woman's Auxiliary.

The lenten work of Grace Church, Canton, was also the preparation of a box for the Orphanage at Cooperstown; and at the same time Trinity, Gouverneur, sent a box to a Church House for orphans, at Denver, Col. The aggregate value of these boxes was \$194.00. The sum total of money collected in St. John's, Ogdensburgh, during the past year, and reported by Grace and Trinity in Canton and Gouverneur, since the change of Managers, is \$230.00. Respectfully submitted.

ELLEN M. SPRAGUE,

Ogdensburgh, N. Y., 5th May, '86.

Manager.

REPORT OF MANAGER OF FRANKLIN COUNTY.

There are no parishes connected with the portion of field under my management, that have any *visible* interest in the Woman's Auxiliary. I have written to the Rector of each church and in only one case has there been even a hope held out that something might be done in the future. Our own Society (Trinity, Potsdam) has been very well attended, and a great deal of interest felt in the work, augmented very much by Miss Carter's visit to us in January. We have met to sew nearly every week since the beginning of Advent, and closing with Easter. As a result we have sent two boxes of clothing, together valued at two hundred and sixty dollars (\$260.00), one to a clergyman in Texas, the other to St. Mary's School, Rosebud, Dakota.

GRACE M. USHER,

Manager.

Potsdam, N. Y.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

As another working year of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of Albany draws to a close, it becomes again my pleasant duty, as Corresponding Secretary, to weave into one the threads held by the several Managers, and thus to present the synoptic report of the four Convocations; and also to speak of several matters which especially relate to the office I have held. First, I should like to thank Miss Emery for the patient attention she has paid to every letter I have sent her, and also to thank the Managers for their efficient and prompt management, which during the past year has lightened the task of correspondence not a little.

That the organization of our Diocesan Branch is good, each year's working demonstrates more plainly. The only appeal for amendment (not in the scheme, but in the manner of working), must this year be made not to the Managers, but to a few individual parishes, which, perhaps, through a misunderstanding, have applied for objects for work, and have reported work done directly to Miss Emery, and not to their respective Managers. This necessitates Miss Emery's sending report of such work done back to the Diocese, and renders a discrepancy between the Managers' reports and the general report, almost unavoidable. If the Rectors who have Parochial Branches under their supervision, will kindly see that the objects for work are obtained from and reported to the Manager, it will obviate this difficulty. In order that there be no misunderstanding about which counties belong to which Manager, in this year's printed report, the names of the counties will follow the Manager's names to whom they belong. It thought wise to touch upon the following fact,—a parish which reports its work through the channel of the Woman's Auxiliary, is considered as virtually having a Parochial Branch, and it is to be hoped that where work has been so nobly begun, definite Parochial organizations will follow another year.

It would do the hearts good of those to whom boxes are sent, especially the clergy in our own Diocese, could they realize the loving spirit, and the sincere pleasure with which the boxes are given. These boxes are simply supplementary to salaries, which are far too small; if viewed in this light, surely others of the clergy will allow church-women the privilege of rendering the loving service for which they stand ready.

Since May, '85, I have sent out 140 letters; 44 postals; 23 packages of letters, reports and leaflets; 65 printed reports to the meeting of the Convocations; and have written two articles for *Our Mission Work*.

In the Convocation of Albany the parishes in connection with the Woman's Auxiliary are :

All Saints, Albany.
 St. Peter's, Albany.
 Holy Innocents, Albany.
 St. Paul's, Albany.
 Grace Church, Albany.
 Trinity Church, West Troy.
 Emmanuel Church, Little Falls.
 St. John's, Cohoes.
 St. Luke's, Catskill.
 St. Mark's, Green Island.
 St. Ann's, Amsterdam.
 St. John's, Johnstown.
 Trinity, Rensselaerville.
 St. George's, Schenectady.
 Christ Church, Hudson.
 Christ Church, Duanesburgh.
 St. Paul's, Kinderhook.
 St. Luke's, Catskill.
 Christ Church, Herkimer.
 Mission, Frankfort.
 Twenty Parochial Branches, increase of four over last year.
 Four boxes sent were reported to Miss Emery and not to the Managers.

Number of boxes,	48
Reported money value,	\$ 543 00
	2,075 49
	\$2,618 49

In the Convocation of Troy the parishes in connection with Woman's Auxiliary are :

St. John's, Troy..
 Christ Church, Troy.
 Free Church of the Ascension, Troy.
 Church of the Messiah, Greenbush.
 Zion Church, Sandy Hill.
 Bethesda, Saratoga Springs.
 St. John's, Champlain.

Holy Cross, Troy.
 Trinity, Plattsburgh.
 St. Mark's, Hoosac Falls.
 All Saints', Hoosac.
 Grace Church, Waterford.
 Calvary Church, Burnt Hills.
 Christ Church, Ballston.
 St. James', Fort Edward.
 St. Paul's, Salem.
 Sixteen Parochial Branches, increase of one over last year.
 The Guild of Faith, St. John's Church, Troy, has sent through
 Miss Mary Spicer, 948 papers and magazines.

One box was sent from Plattsburgh to the Coral workers, and re-
 ported to Miss Emery, and not to the Manager, value, \$10.25; number
 of boxes, 25; money value reported, \$1,172.97. Reported later \$35.00,
 making total, \$1,207.97.

In the Convocation of Ogdensburg the parishes in connection with
 Woman's Auxiliary are :

St. John's, Ogdensburg.
 Trinity Church, Potsdam.
 Trinity Church, Gouverneur.
 Grace Church, Canton.
 Four Parochial Branches.
 Number of boxes, six.
 Reported money value, \$444.00.

In the Convocation of the Susquehanna the parishes in connection
 with Woman's Auxiliary are :

Christ Church, Cooperstown.
 Grace Church, Cherry Valley.
 St. John's, Richfield.
 Zion Church, Morris.
 Mission, East Springfield.
 Christ Church, Walton.
 St. John's, Delhi.

Seven Parochial Branches. Increase of three over last year.

Some work done in this Convocation was reported directly to Miss
 Emery.

Number of boxes, 14.
 Reported money value, \$555.54.

Total number of Parochial Branches,	47
Boxes sent,	93
Money value reported,	\$4,826 00

Showing an increase over last year :

Parochial Branches,	11
Boxes,	30
Money value,	\$1,426 02

ALICE G. L. WHITTEMORE,

Corresponding Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Mrs. Harriet V. R. Kip, Treasurer, in account with the Woman's Auxiliary Society of Diocese of Albany.

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May 7, To Balance at Last Report,	\$214 25
" 7, " Collection at All Saints' Chapel,	55 02
" 12, " Mrs. Jane K. Cunningham, for Woman Worker in Utah,	25 00
Sept. 14, " Miss A. E. Tweddle, for Woman Worker in Utah,	25 00
Nov. 6, " St. John's Parish, Johnstown, for Woman Worker in Utah,	3 60
" 10, " St. James' Church, Fort Edward, for Woman Worker in Utah,	3 00
" 17, " St. John's Church, Cohoes, for Rev. W. J. Cleveland, Rosebud Agency, Dakota,	15 00

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Jan. 30, " St. John's Church, Johnstown, for Woman Worker in Utah,	13 56
Feb. 11, " Bethesda Church, Saratoga, for Foundling Hospital, Shanghai,	10 00
March 2, " All Saints' Cathedral, Albany, for Gardiner Scholarship in Tokio,	10 00
" " St. Mary's Hall, Shanghai,	40 00
" 4, " St. Peter's Church, Albany, for Woman Worker in Utah,	50 00
" 16, " St. George's Church, Schenectady, for Bishop Dunlop's work in New Mexico,	18 37
" 29, " Church of the Ascension, Troy, for Foundling Hospital in Shanghai,	10 00
" 29, " Mrs. Patterson, Troy, for Woman Worker in Utah,	5 00

April	5,	To Christ Church, Troy, Woman Worker in Utah,	25 00
"	5,	" Delaware County Convocation, for Cooperstown Orphanage,	9 00
"	17,	" Bethesda Church, Saratoga, for Foundling Hospital at Shanghai,	10 00
May	3,	" Christ Church, Hudson, for Bishop Dunlop's work in New Mexico,	17 00
"	3,	" St. John's Church, Troy, for Woman Worker in Utah,	15 00
"	3,	" Calvary Church, Burnt Hills, for Woman Worker in Utah,	5 00
"	3,	" Church of the Ascension, Troy, for Gardiner Scholarship, St. Margaret's, Tokio,	5 00
"	5,	" Church of the Holy Innocents, Albany, for Woman Worker in Utah,	25 00
"	5,	" St. Peter's Church, Albany, for Bishop Dunlop's work in New Mexico,	15 00
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May	12,	By Printing, &c.,	\$ 4 06
"	12,	" paid Miss Julia C. Emery, Secretary, for Tokio Scholarship,	40 00
"	12,	" for Salary of Mrs. Janes, Hospital Matron in Washington Territory,	150 00
Aug.	7,	" Miss Tweddle,	3 00
Sept.	1,	" Printing Reports,	32 80
"	15,	" Mrs. Whitman, Troy, Postage, &c.,	2 00
Nov.	17,	" Rev. W. J. Cleveland, Rosebud Agency, Dakota,	15 00

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April	5,	" Susan F. Cooper, Cooperstown, for Cooperstown Orphanage,	9 00
May	1,	" Mrs. Charlotte W. Whitman, Printing, &c.	2 60
"	5,	" Bishop Dunlop, New Mexico, amount of Subscriptions,	50 37
By Balance,			<u>314 97</u>
			<u>\$623 80</u>

HARRIET V. R. KIP,

Treasurer.

