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of the Asheville Branch of
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REPORT OF DIOCESAN SECRETARY FOR YEAR 1897-'98.

MY DEAR FRIENDS :

It will give us pleasure to find that this our second annual report is a most encouraging one. I think I can truly say that there has been a conscientious effort, upon the part of most of us, to do our very best. Our disadvantages have been great but on every line there has been a steady advance.

The number of our branches has risen from 16 to 24 and in almost every one the financial report is larger than last year in spite of the fact that last report included 16 months while this is only 12. The grand total this year is \$1,702.84 as against \$1,039.47 for the sixteen months previous and \$507.49 in the year before that. But far better than this is the intelligent interest manifested on all sides and the spirit of cordial sympathy and co-operation among the branches making us feel that we are sisters indeed in the Father's family. In looking for the causes of our present satisfactory condition, I think it can be traced to the inspiration of our pleasant meeting in Hendersonville and to the faithful and efficient service of the Convocation Secretaries. Mrs. Boardman's bright suggestiveness was invaluable and during the short time she held her position before going to Europe she put her department into such good working order and gave it such an impulse that Miss Jenkins was able to carry it on to success. And to Miss Jenkins we owe thanks for her ready help. In the Morganton Convocation Miss Buxton has been able to do that which was beyond my power. Her knowledge of the people and the situations gave her an advantage which she readily used with great wisdom and earnestness. To these ladies I owe more than I can express. Their never-failing sympathy and help have made the work a delight to me and relieved me of the weight of responsibility.

I am convinced that we were wise in deciding upon the

united work. "The Chinese Bride," "The Seminole Indians" and "The Valle Crucis Organ" were each in turn a bond of common interest. In each case we went beyond our pledge as we only undertook to raise \$50.00 for each one. We sent \$78.49 to the Chinese Training School, \$66.60 to Bishop Gray and \$62.80 to Valle Crucis; \$207.89 as against \$45.00 last year. Our gifts to the United Offering have proportionately increased: \$240.71 in one year as against \$89 in the two years previous.

In accounting for the money passing through my hands I must not forget the collection taken at the joint meeting held in Trinity Church on the Feast of Annunciation which was given into my charge. By a gift from Trinity Branch this was made up to \$10 which was equally divided between the Mission Chapel at Bakersville and one near Lenoir. Finding that the organ for Valle Crucis would only cost \$45 and having \$62.80 on hand we devoted \$5 to the Chapel in Ashe County and sent \$12.80 to the Bishop to pay for some necessary work on the Valle Crucis school house. Afterwards I had \$2.34 returned to me from from the organ purchase which I put into the United Offering fund.

In asking for your gifts to the united work, if you remember, I begged that you would pay that for Domestic Missions during Advent, Foreign during Epiphany and Diocesan during Lent, getting all these out of the way before Easter, leaving us free for the United Offering during the summer. In most cases this request was cheerfully complied with and I am sure we have seen the advantage not only of doing the Church's work in the Church's way but of having a definite time for everything and doing it in that time. I must also commend many of the Branches for the promptness in sending in their reports and accuracy in making them out. It is difficult to realize how much trouble and annoyance is caused by tardiness and carelessness in this matter. I hope that those who are still derelict will be so no longer.

The report of the Junior Department does not give the increase we hoped for; the contributions for the year being scarcely more than half those of last year, only \$132.87, in all

of which more than three-fourths were given by one branch, that of the "Ministering Children's League," of Asheville. We have only five Branches reporting at this time although there are promises of others in the future.

Mrs. Lyman, notwithstanding her pathetic laments over the scarcity of babies, will go up to General Convention carrying her sheaves with her in the shape of twenty-nine bright gold dollars.

And now, dear friends, I must add one word of thanks, personally, for the cheerful and ready support you have given me in all my efforts. I pray that our zeal will grow warmer and stronger every year, and that our Master will accept our poor service with all its dross of selfishness and coldness and transmute it into pure gold in the furnace of His Love.

FANNIE L. PATTON,
District Secretary Woman's Auxiliary, Jurisdiction of Asheville.

RECEIPTS FOR CENTRAL FUND.

Balance on hand last year.....	\$14 95
From Branches during year.....	18 00
From Baby Branch.....	2 00
From Communion Alms at last annual meeting.....	8 81
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Expended of this fund for stationery, postage and freight on boxes.....	\$43 76
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Balance on hand.....	\$13 76
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	\$30 00

REPORT OF SECRETARY MORGANTON CONVOCATION.

As I have been able to conduct my work only by correspondence, I feel that I have not done all that could have been accomplished. In Morganton the Branch has gone steadily on in its good work, and is well organized. At Hickory a Branch has been revived and for the small number of members has done what it could. At Wilkesboro the ladies composing the Auxiliary have appeared deeply interested in what is their first year

of Auxiliary work. In Lincolnton two Branches now compose the Auxiliary. The older members doing what they could with time and material. Lucia has a small band of earnest women, who gladly join in united work. At Old Fort the Auxiliary is represented by two or three loyal members. At Marion I have tried to establish a Branch, but so far, have not succeeded. Boone and Rutherfordton I think could be reached by visiting. Lenoir and the Happy Valley Branches have responded to all appeals to the best of their ability.

In closing this meagre account I would like to say how much I thank the Secretary of the Jurisdiction, Miss Patton, for her helpful advice, the clergy for their courtesy and the several branches for their unfailing kindness and consideration.

Respectfully submitted,

FANNY E. BUXTON.

REPORT OF JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

Three new Branches have been organized during this summer. One at Lenoir pledges \$3.00 a year; Miss Buxton in charge. Wilkesboro is just beginning with seven members and the hope of three more, under the direction of Mrs. C. L. Morrison. And at Lincolnton Mrs. Wm. E. Shipp has organized a band of "Little Helpers," and has interesting weekly meetings for them. The Director of the Old Fort Branch has been absent for some months and the work has been discontinued during his absence but he will return soon and will resume it.

MRS. W. A. HOKE,
Directress of Junior Department.

BABIES' BRANCH.—SEPT. 1898.

In making my report I have no very great progress to tell you of. We have fifteen new members, four have dropped out, six I have had no response from, but I still keep them on my

list, leaving a membership of thirty-seven on the roll. Fourteen dollars and ten cents is the sum paid into my hands, added to which is the balance of fifteen dollars left from last year, making in all a total twenty-nine dollars and ten cents, which I shall devote to the United Offering. I shall place this sum on the plate when the offering is taken up at the meeting of the Auxiliary during the sitting of the General Convention in Washington next month. I have to report many unanswered letters. I have written to the rectors of every parish, and to the ministers in charge of all the stations in the Jurisdiction, in most cases I have received replies, strange to tell each and all have reported there were very few babies in their field of work. In Lenoir we have ten members, and a request for six more mite-chests. I am tempted to call this the banner branch. In Hickory we have two members. The Sunday school in that place sent us eighty-three cents, which was received gladly, as it showed an interest in the work. The Memorial circle appeals most tenderly to the hearts of the mothers whose precious little ones have gone before to the joys of Paradise. I have several names enrolled in that circle and I shall be very happy to have more. For the coming year we must work with a deeper love, and a more earnest zeal, and let it be our endeavor to lead the blessed babies in the right path of the true missionary spirit.

SUSAN ROBERTSON LYMAN,
Directress Babies' Branch Woman's Auxiliary.

**Minutes of the First Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in
the Jurisdiction of Asheville, Held in Hendersonville, Thurs-
day, October 21st, 1897.**

After Holy Communion administered by the Bishop in St. James Church the women adjourned to the Presbyterian Church which had been kindly loaned. While waiting for the Bishop to formally open the meeting the Diocesan Secretary took occasion to have the programs distributed and stated that the Aux-

iliary was indebted to the Rev. T. C. Wetmore, who had printed them at his own expense. A vote of thanks was passed and the Secretary directed to convey to Mr. Wetmore the feeling of appreciation on the part of the ladies. Mrs. Troy also took this occasion to extend an invitation to the ladies to join the gentlemen of the convention in a lunch at 1:30 o'clock and also to remain over as guests of the Hendersonville ladies until the convention should adjourn

The Bishop then made a short address of cheer and encouragement, which was followed by a talk from Mr. Silas McBee of unusual thoughtfulness and earnestness.

The Diocesan Secretary next read her report for the past year which showed a gratifying increase in both the number of Branches and in the amount of money contributed. In a few earnest words the Secretary begged the women to remember that intelligent interest and earnest prayer were the first objects of their duty. These being given the money would come of itself.

The roll call showed delegates present from :

Asheville, Trinity.....	7
Asheville, F. E. S., Trinity.....	1
Bowman's Bluff, Gethsemane.....	2
Brevard, St. Philip.....	4
Buncombe County, Grace.....	3
Buncombe County, Church of the Redeemer.....	0
Henderson County, Calvary.....	6
Franklin, St. Agnes.....	1
Gaston County, Lucia.....	0
Hendersonville, St. James.....	4
Hickory, Ascension.....	0
Lenoir, St. James.....	1
Lincolnton, St. Luke.....	1
Morganton, Grace.....	3
Nonah, St. John.....	0
Waynesville, Grace.....	0

Following the Secretary's report came a letter from Miss Emery written especially for the meeting.

Next was taken up the consideration of the Secretary's propositions presented previously by correspondence to the Branches with the following result :

Resolved, 1st. Each Branch, however small, shall be entitled to one vote in the annual meetings. In addition to this every ten members shall be entitled to a vote. When impossible for a Branch to send a delegate a vote can be sent in writing upon any proposition submitted before in writing.

2nd. Convocation secretaries shall be elected whose duties shall be to assist the Diocesan Secretary in her work.

3rd. All the Branches of the jurisdiction shall unite in special work for the three departments of missions and these objects shall be changed frequently.

4th. The Feast of the Annunciation shall be observed as a day of special prayer and meditation and every woman shall make an effort to have it so observed faithfully in her parish or mission.

5th. The Juniors shall be advanced into the Seniors at age of twenty.

6th. A text shall be chosen each year, which shall be suggested by the Branches in alphabetical rotation for the purpose of keeping in mind one central thought.

The meeting then went into the election of Convocation secretaries with following result: Miss Buxton of Lenoir for Morganton Convocation, and Mrs. Boardman of Brevard for Waynesville Convocation.

Bowman's Bluff being called on for a text Mrs. Wainwright gave "Go ye into the village over against you," and read some beautiful lines of the Bishop of Ripon upon it. This was accepted and a copy of the lines ordered sent to each Branch.

The hour of mid-day having arrived business was suspended while the usual prayers were read.

The selection of objects for united work gave occasion for much pleasant discussion and the reading of letters from Miss Emery and some of the foreign missionaries. At length it was decided to take up for this year the education of a Chinese girl in Miss Crummer's training school in Shanghai, China, in the foreign field. Bishop Gray's work among the Seminole Indians of Southern Florida for the Domestic, and the purchase of an organ for the Valle Crucis mission in Watauga County for diocesan. It was also decided that each Branch in the Jurisdiction

should write during the year, one cheering letter to a foreign missionary.

The Secretary of the Junior Department in giving her report found that only two out of her seven Branches were represented by delegates. Miss McBee had only recently taken charge of the Juniors and had been unable to do more than form acquaintance with the Branches already existing but since coming to the meeting had received promises of several new societies being formed. She hoped to do much work during the year.

Mrs. Lyman's report of the Babies' Branch was read, as she was not in attendance. It showed good work done. Mrs. Lyman's resignation was offered but it was decided to ask her to continue her work until more thorough organization had been accomplished.

After this Miss Laura Carter presented the work of St. Mary's School at Raleigh and it was agreed that the Jurisdiction unite in the education of a girl at that school—this girl to be selected each year by the Bishop.

A rising vote of thanks was offered the ladies of Hendersonville for their generous and charming hospitality and to the Presbyterians for the use of their building. After singing the Doxology the meeting adjourned.

REPORT OF BRANCHES, 1898.

ASHEVILLE—TRINITY.

President, Mrs. W. D. Houghteling ; Vice-President, Mrs. T. W. Patton ; Secretary, Mrs. Chas. L. Minor ; Treasurer, Miss A. H. Martin.

Jarvis Buxton Scholarship in China.....	\$ 40 00
Salary Diocesan Missionary.....	40 00
United Foreign work.....	10 00
United Domestic work.....	10 00
United Diocesan work.....	5 00
General Missions.....	12 52
Diocesan Mission.....	2 81
United Offering.....	75 20
Education Missionary's daughter.....	56 94
Central Fund.....	4 40
Relief of widow of Missionary in Minnesota.....	10 00

\$266 87

FAITHFUL ENDEAVOR SOCIETY.

President, Miss F. L. Patton ; Vice-President, Miss Grace McH. Jones ; Secretary, Mrs. Van Moore ; Treasurer, Mrs Arthur Rankin.

United Foreign work.....	\$ 5 00
United Domestic work.....	5 00
United Diocesan work.....	5 00
Zenana Mission in India.....	5 00
Mission at Gilreath's Cross Roads.....	5 00
Education Missionary's daughter.....	15 00
Diocesan Missions.....	17 00
Relief of widow of Missionary in Minnesota.....	3 00
Easter Offering for Diocesan work.....	30 00
Boxes Diocesan Mission.....	12 00

\$102 00

“Willing Workers” United Offering.....	4 00
Total Trinity Parish with Junior Department.....	\$466 07

BILTMORE—ALL SOULS'.

President, Mrs. C. W. Woolsey; Vice-President, Mrs. R. R. Swope; Secretary, Mrs. Charles McNamee; Treasurer, Mrs. Herbert Washington.

United Foreign work.....	\$ 10 00
United Domestic work.....	3 00
United Diocesan work.....	10 00
Missionary in Texas.....	30 00
Diocesan Mission.....	10 00
Education Missionary's daughter.....	42 13
United Offering.....	20 46
Central Fund.....	2 70
Boxes Diocesan Mission.....	12 00
Missionary in Iowa.....	332 00

	\$472 29

BOWMAN'S BLUFF—GETHSEMANE.

Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Richard Wainwright.

United Foreign work.....	\$ 5 00
United Domestic work.....	4 00
United Diocesan work.....	1 50
United Offering.....	13 25
Education daughter of Missionary.....	16 05
Boxes, Southern Florida.....	9 00
Diocesan work.....	5 00

	\$ 43 80

BREVARD—ST. PHILIPS'.

President, Mrs. C. D. Chapman; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. W. A. Gash.

United Foreign work.....	\$ 2 00
United Domestic work.....	5 00
United Diocesan work.....	1 00
Diocesan Missions.....	6 00
United Offering.....	20 65
Central Fund.....	90
Boxes, Southern Florida.....	20 00

	\$ 55

BUNCOMBE COUNTY—GRACE.

President, Mrs. W. F. Rice ; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. C. T. Chester.	
United Foreign work	\$ 8 55
United Domestic work	5 45
Thompson Orphanage	2 00
Education daughter of Missionary	15 00
United Offering	7 33
Central Fund	1 50
Boxes, Thompson Orphanage	20 80
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	\$ 60 63
Total Grace, with Junior Department	\$ 68 98

CHUNN'S COVE—ST. LUKE'S.

President, Mrs. Moody ; Secretary, Miss Flora Armstrong ; Treasurer, Miss Josephine Patton.	
United Foreign work	\$ 2 00
Thompson Orphanage	3 00
United Offering	6 48
Boxes, Diocesan Missions	11 00
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	\$ 22 48

FRANKLIN—ST. AGNES'.

President, Mrs. J. A. Deal ; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Ethel Deal.	
United Foreign work	\$ 2 00
United Domestic work	2 00
Education daughter of Missionary	10 00
United Offering	7 10
Central Fund	50
Diocesan Missions	95
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	\$ 22 55

CULLOWHEE—ST. DAVID'S.

United Offering	\$ 8 45
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GASTON COUNTY—LUCIA.

President, Mrs. L. E. Johnson.	
United Domestic work	\$ 1 00
United Diocesan work	1 00
Foreign Missions	3 50
United Offering	5 84
Central Fund	60
Boxes, Thompson Orphanage	5 00

	\$ 16 94

CASHIERS—GOOD SHEPHERD.

Secretary, Miss Kate Hampton.	
United Offering	\$ 2 00

HAPPY VALLEY—CHAPEL OF REST.

President, Mrs. Samuel Patterson.	
United Foreign work	\$ 3 00
United Domestic work	2 00
United Diocesan work	3 00

	\$ 8 00

HENDERSON COUNTY—CALVARY.

President, Mrs. Phelps; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss J. F. Westfeldt.	
United Foreign work	\$ 4 00
United Domestic work	4 00
United Diocesan work	3 00
Hospital expenses of Missionary's wife	12 70
United Offering	6 10
Diocesan Missions	3 00
Central Fund	1 60
Boxes, Diocesan work	20 00

	\$ 54 40
Total Calvary, with Junior Department	\$ 61 54

HENDERSONVILLE—ST. JAMES.

President, Mrs. W. B. Troy; Secretary, Miss Henrietta Walker; Treasurer, Miss Ellen Patton.

United Foreign work.....	\$ 5 00
United Domestic work.....	15 00
United Diocesan work.....	3 00
Mission Gilreath Cross Roads.....	17 50
United Offering.....	2 10
Diocesan work.....	45 00
Central Fund.....	1 00
Boxes Southern Florida.....	25 00

	\$ 113 60

HICKORY—ASCENSION.

Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. O. M. Royster.

United Foreign work.....	1 86
United Diocesan work.....	75
United Offering.....	4 90
Education daughter of Missionary.....	5 00
Boxes, Thompson Orphanage.....	8 00

	\$ 20 51

LENOIR—ST. JAMES.

Secretary and Treasurer, Miss F. E. Buxton.

United Foreign work.....	\$ 5 00
United Domestic work.....	3 50
United Diocesan work.....	5 00
Central Fund.....	1 00
C. P. C.....	1 00
United Offering.....	10 00
Boxes Thompson Orphanage.....	14 00
Diocesan Mission.....	2 00

	\$ 41 50

LINCOLNTON—ST. LUKE'S.

SENIOR BRANCH.

President, Mrs. Mary Curtis.

“Lankford Memorial”.....	\$ 6 25
United Offering.....	11 65
Boxes Valle Crucis.....	8 00

	\$ 25 90

JUNIOR BRANCH.

Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Hugh Jenkins.	
United Diocesan work.....	\$ 3 00
Diocesan Missions.....	13 00
United Offering.....	1 25

	\$ 17 25
Total St. Luke's.....	43 15

MORGANTON—GRACE.

President, Mrs. Cameron Pearson ; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Charles McKesson.	
United Foreign work.....	\$ 5 00
United Diocesan work.....	5 00
Education daughter of Missionary.....	24 00
United Offering.....	4 25
Central Fund.....	75
Boxes Southern Florida.....	32 00

	\$ 71 00

NONAH—ST. JOHN'S.

President, Mrs. Nettie C. Arthur.	
United Domestic work.....	\$ 25
United Diocesan work.....	60
Education daughter of Missionary.....	50
“Lankford Memorial”.....	1 06
Thompson Orphanage.....	1 00
United Offering.....	3 95

	\$ 7 36
Total St. John's with Junior Department.....	\$ 8 21

OLD FORT—ST. GABRIEL'S.

President, Mrs. Julia Salisbury.	
United Foreign work.....	\$ 1 00
United Domestic work.....	1 00
United Diocesan work.....	50
Education daughter of Missionary.....	50
Central Fund.....	30

	\$ 3 30

VALLE CRUCIS.

President, Mrs. O. T. Vaughn.	
United Foreign work.....	\$ 1 00
United Domestic work.....	1 00
Central Fund.....	1 00

	\$ 3 00

WAYNESVILLE—GRACE.

Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. F. A. Walter.

United Foreign work.....	\$ 3 00
United Domestic work.....	3 50
United Diocesan work.....	3 20
Diocesan Missions.....	70 00
United Offering.....	4 70
Central Fund.....	1 35

	\$ 85 75
Total Grace, with Junior Department.....	\$ 95 90

WILKESBORO.

Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Barber.

Union Foreign work.....	\$ 3 00
United Domestic work.....	2 00
United Diocesan work.....	3 00

	\$ 8 00

REPORT OF JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

ASHEVILLE—M. C. L.

President, Miss L. E. Hatch; Secretary, Miss Lucy Redwood; Treasurer, Miss Bessie Portner.

United Foreign work.....	\$ 1 00
United Domestic work	2 00
United Diocesan work	1 00
Thompson Orphanage.....	40 00
United Offering.....	3 00
Diocesan work.....	47 80
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	\$ 94 80

BUNCOMBE COUNTY—GRACE.

Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Nannie Rice.

Valle Crucis	\$ 6 25
Thompson Orphanage.....	1 60
Central Fund, J. D.....	50
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	\$ 8 35

HENDERSON COUNTY—CALVARY.

President, Mrs. Phelps.

Valle Crucis	\$ 6 61
Central Fund, J. D.....	50
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	\$ 7 11

NONAH—ST. JOHN'S.

President, Mrs. Nettie C. Arthur.

Thompson Orphanage	\$ 45
“Langford Memorial”.....	40
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	\$ 85

WAYNESVILLE—GRACE.

President, Mrs. R. N. Tate.	
Thompson Orphanage.....	\$ 6 00
United Offering.....	1 50
Diocesan Missions.....	1 50
Central Fund, J. D.....	15

	\$ 9 15

BABIES' BRANCH.

United Offering.....	\$ 19 10
Central Fund.....	2 00

Grand Total.....	\$1702 84

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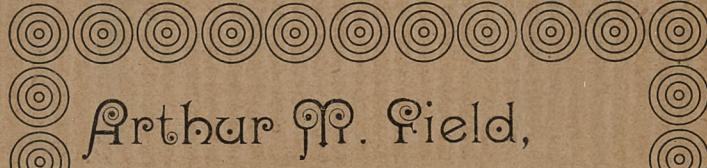


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