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Minutes of the Third Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the District of Asheville, Held in Morganton, Sept. 14, 1899.

The third Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the District of Asheville, was held in Morganton, Sept. 14th, 1899, in St. Stephen's chapel at 11 o'clock.

Before the opening service the Rev. Mr. Satterlee announced that all the delegates present, as well as any visiting members of the Auxiliary, were invited by the members of the Morganton branch to a tea to be given in the rooms of the hotel at 6 o'clock.

The openng service was held by Bishop Horner. Hymn 249 was sung, then followed the Bishop's address. In glowing words which seemed to have been kindled in the very depths of his heart by the needs of the field committed to his charge he forcibly urged upon his hearers the "blessedness of giving." Not giving for the purpose of selfishly gaining a reward, but in an unselfish spirit, giving of our money, time and prayers. His plea was for a broad and liberal giving, to sow beside all waters, remembering that the field is the world, and that the saving grace of the glorious gospel of the Son of God is to be made known to every heart. Passing on he then told of the needs of his own special field in which the building of chapels at important points, the establishing of schools, the strengthening of weak stations, and the opening of new work were all of equal importance. There was a solemn stillness as the Bishop closed his address, and left, to return to his duties in the convention, which bore witness that his words had found an echo in many a heart there present, and the feeling of a responsibility to a high calling had been roused and deepened. Miss Patton then introduced the Rev. Mr. Bryan, rector of St. Johns church, in

Hampton, Va. Mr. Bryan gave a most interesting account of the Indian work at Hampton, and the changed condition of their lives, brought about by civilization and Christian training. He was then on his way to visit the Cherokees in our own State.

The meeting was then brought to order by the District Secretary. The roll call was read by Miss Penniman, and showed delegates present as follows:

Asheville, Trinity.....	4
Biltmore, All Souls'.....	2
Bowman's Bluff, Gethsemane.....	0
Brevard, St. Philips.....	1
Buncombe Co., Grace.....	0
Chunn's Cove' St. Luke's.....	0
Franklin, St. Agnes.....	0
Cashier's, Good Shepherd.....	0
Gaston Co., Lucia.....	0
Fletcher, Calvary.....	1
Hendersonville, St. James.....	1
Lenoir, St. James.....	3
Lincolnton, St. Luke's.....	1
Morganton, Grace.....	2
Old Fort,.....	1
Waynesville, Grace.....	0
Wilkesboro, St. Paul.....	0
Happy Valley,.....	0

The report from the District Secretary was then read, in which it was shown that though the reports did not show a marked increase compared with the year before, still all the pledges had been met and that a fair sum for the United Offering for 1901 had been paid in, there being on hand \$110.62.

From the United Offering at the last General Convention, the Bishop of Asheville is now receiving from that fund, the salaries of four of his teachers.

As the offering in 1901 is to be divided between the Missionary Districts our share will be a great addition to the Bishop's resources. The secretary urged that this matter be made an object of special care among the branches.

Reports from the Convocation Secretaries followed next in order.

Mrs. Boardman, Secretary of the Waynesville Convocation, had sent no report.

Miss Buxton, Secretary of the Morganton Convocation, read her report. In this she counsels against discouragements, speaks of having lost nothing and some progress made. She recommended a more general purchase and use of missionary literature and urged renewed interest in the Junior Department and Baby Branch. Miss Buxton also reported branches to be established at Blowing Rock, Marion and Boone.

The report of the Junior Department in the absence of Miss Chapman, was read by Miss Penniman. In Miss Chapman's report she speaks of coming into the work late in the year which accounts for the small results. The two objects for united work among the juniors, in response to her inquiry, being the Thompson Orphanage and Indians, either Bishop Hare's or Bishop Gray's Indian Missions. She gives them for their watchwords "prayer," "study," "work."

The report of Mrs. Lyman, Directress of the Babies' Branch, was a gratifying one and was a proof of faithful work on the part of the Directress. This report shows on the roll 97 names and a contribution of \$35.05 with an increasing interest in the work. The object being to buy and furnish a child's cot in the Mission Hospital in Asheville. Sufficient funds had been collected for this purpose. The Directress feels greatly encouraged.

The text chosen by the Calvary Branch was St. John's gospel, 9th chapter and 4th verse: "I must work the works of Him that sent me while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work."

Following the order of the program the discussion and vote on the objects for united work came next.

The following resolution from Mrs. Wetmore was read:

Resolved, That excepting Central Fund and the United Offering, all money contributed by the Woman's Auxiliary in the Missionary District of Asheville shall be used for missionary work; \$60.00 to Domestic missions, \$60.00 to Foreign missions and balance to work within the district.

Resolved, further, That should any person or branch desire to contribute to any missionary work other than the pledge given, such contributions be designated as specials when sent to the District Secretary.

This motion was seconded by Mrs. Troy and was then opened for discussion.

The District Secretary requested Miss Buxton to preside, as she felt it to be her duty to take part in this discussion. After some discussion for and against the resolution, Mrs. Lyman moved that, in consideration of the very small representation from the branches, the previous motion be withdrawn. This was seconded by Mrs. Troy and was carried, and Mrs. Wetmore's resolution was withdrawn.

The morning session drawing to a close it was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned until 3 o'clock.

On reassembling at 3 o'clock, the selecting of the three objects for United work was first in order. In the Domestic field, at the suggestion of two of the Branches, Alaska was spoken of and the motion was made by Mrs. Chapman, seconded by Mrs. Wetmore that "Alaska be chosen as our united work in the Domestic field," it was carried and the Secretary was to apply to Miss Emery as to what special work in Alaska, we had better select.

The District Secretary then gave a most interesting talk on Cuba stating that Miss Emery said that at present Cuba could certainly be regarded as Foreign. She spoke of the many children left as orphans and in a destitute condition.

It was moved by Mrs. Wetmore, and seconded, by Miss Penniman, that our work in the Foreign field should be for the orphans in Cuba. The motion was carried

For the work in the District, Mrs. Royster, moved that the amount received be equally divided between Shelby and Gastonia; this was seconded by Mrs. Chapman, and carried. Just at this point Miss Buxton read a letter from a lady in Shelby which added to the interest in that place.

The time for the discussion of general business being reach-

ed Mrs. Lyman inquired most pathetically for assistance in making Branch meetings interesting. An informal talk followed, but as that seemed to be the general trouble very little satisfaction was gained. Miss Buxton brought up the discussion as to whether the Triennial United offering was apparently such a burden, and if there could be any way of remedying it; several delegates took part in the discussion, some suggested a systematic putting aside every month, if possible, of a certain sum either sending it monthly to the Secretary or holding it until the time appointed by Miss Emery for it to be sent to the Secretary.

Mrs. Wetmore put in a most earnest plea for more Missionary reading matter with a desire for better instruction in the work, missionary knowledge being the foundation for missionary interest and zeal; she spoke of the booklets sent out from the District of Duluth, which furnished very interesting information. Miss Patton spoke of the Lending Library at the Church Missions House.

Miss Buxton urged spending some of our money from the treasury in getting literature. The Secretary appointed as a Committee to look into this matter, Mrs. Wetmore, Mrs. McNamee and Miss Buxton, the meeting then adjourned.

REPORT OF DIOCESAN SECRETARY.

MY DEAR FRIENDS:

I will make my report as concise as possible, giving a glance backward only that we may gain zeal and inspiration for the year upon which we are now entering.

You will rejoice with me when you look over the reports of the several branches to find such a decided advance beyond what has been done in any single year before.

Four years ago when I suggested the present plan of united work I only received during the year \$45.00. This year \$340.11 has passed through my hands for that purpose. I feel particularly gratified at the generous response which met my appeal for the destitute Cuban orphans. Our contributions in

money amounting to \$176.86 and in value of box \$68.57, making a total of \$242.42; a decided advance over \$68.50 last year.

For the United Work in the District I have received \$93.55 as against \$66.75 last year. This was to be divided between the churches at Gastonia and Shelby, but the Bishop tells me he has obtained the consent of the people at Shelby to use the entire sum for Gastonia. For Alaska I received \$70.00. The United Offering fund has grown from \$110.62 to \$274.34; more than double, you see.

I found last winter that the preparation of a box for the Cuban orphans was an object of pleasant interest to many of our Branches and resulted in a collection of nearly three hundred new garments. It occurs to me that it might be well to select, each year at our annual meeting, an orphanage for which we may all work during Lent.

I am always pleased to find how faithful our women are to our own little ones at the Thompson Orphanage. We must never forget that these children have a special claim on us.

The grand total of our offering this year is \$2139.36, of which \$1176.07 was given for work within our own District. Our total gifts last year were \$1213.59.

This is not counting the Junior Department which brings me to the only page upon which the word "failure" may be written. Miss Chapman, after laborious efforts, has abandoned the field and we must see today if it is possible to find among us "A BRAVE LADY" who will lead this forlorn hope.

Last spring Mrs. Boardman resigned her position as assistant secretary, her health being very feeble. We must today select some one in her place.

I cannot close without expressing my deep appreciation of the hearty and affectionate co-operation I receive from so many of the Auxiliary women. The work of leader and guide in a field like ours must necessarily be very laborious and often discouraging, but it can never be anything but a pleasure when there are so many helpers who are ready to put aside their own

personal preferences and cheerfully join in what I, from my intimate knowledge of the field and acting under immediate directions from Miss Emery, believe to be the better plan.

I have found The Crusader a most valuable ally and I hope the Convention will arrange to keep that useful organ in circulation.

Praying that God will inspire us to greater devotion to his service in the future, and with humble gratitude for what He has allowed us the privilege of doing in the past, I am

Faithfully yours,

FANNY L. PATTON,

Diocesan Secretary of Woman's Auxiliary.

Asheville, Sept. 1, 1900.

REPORT OF CENTRAL FUND.

Balance from last year	\$ 27.69
Received from Branches	14.10
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	\$41.79

EXPENDED:

Chapel of Peace	\$ 5.00
Repairs chapel at Boone	2.00
“ “ “ Walkerville	2.00
Postage and freight	12.20
Leaflets	1.50
Stationery	2.00
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	\$24.70
Balance Sept. 1st, 1900	<hr/>
	\$16.09

MISS BUXTON'S REPORT.

When too late, we often feel more could have been accomplished, but this is not the time to dwell on discouragements. Much good work has been done by the Auxiliary during the past year. If only systematic giving was practiced by the different branches, they would effect even better work. It gives me pleasure to mention the little branch at Marion, which joined us last year. Under many difficulties, it has done a great deal

in helping the Rector, as well as joining in outside work. At Boone, too, we have a few faithful members who have done what they could

The Secretary of the Blowing Rock branch, now sojourning in the Happy Valley, contributed five dollars to the Indian famine fund, besides one dollar to general missions. From Rutherfordton come regular contributions from one faithful woman. Other branches, too, have made a good record. Intense interest centers now in church missions. Not only money, but personal sacrifice, prayer and intelligent interest should be offered. The work is one. "It is God which ruleth in Jacob," here in the church, at home, and unto the end of the earth.

Faithfully yours,
FANNY E. BUXTON.

REPORT OF BABIES' BRANCH.

It is with gratitude that I make my report. Our collections are a little larger this year than we have ever had. Last year we collected \$37.35. This year we have reached \$45.89. We have 108 names on our list, several of the dear babies, however, have not been heard from. I have to report the gift of 25 mite chests from Miss Angelica Church, who is now the head of the Juniors of New York. I think it would be best to spend the little fund in the following way:

Furnishing sewing room of the Wetmore Industrial school	\$25.00
Thompson Orphanage infirmary fund	10.00
50 mite chests	1.50
United offering	3.58
Central fund	1.00
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	\$41.08

Faithfully yours,
SUSAN ROBERTSON LYMAN,
Directress Babies' Branch.

REPORT OF BRANCHES, 1900.

ASHEVILLE—TRINITY.

President, Mrs. W. D. Houghteling; Vice-President, Mrs. T. W. Patton; Secretary, Miss S. E. Hatch; Treasurer, Miss A. H. Martin. No. of members 40.

United Domestic work	\$ 8 00
United Foreign work	39 04
United Diocesan work	20 00
Nantahala Mission	4 00
Jarvis Buxton Scholarship in China	40 00
Salary of District Missionary	40 00
Leicester church	22 50
Valle Crucis school	7 50
United Offering	40 25
General Missions	4 25
Central Fund	3 25
Education daughters of Missionaries	439 15
Boxes:	
Cuban Orphans	18 00
Hospital in Alaska	8 00
	\$693 94

ASHEVILLE—TRINITY FAITHFUL ENDEAVOR SOCIETY.

President, Miss F. L. Patton; Vice-President, Miss Grace Jones; Secretary, Miss Sadie Scott; Treasurer, Mrs. Arthur Rankin. No. of members 12.

United Domestic work	\$ 5 00
United Foreign work	10 00
United Diocesan work	10 00
Nantahala Mission	1 00
Valle Crucis School	7 00
Leicester Church	5 00
United Offering	10 00
Mission Work in District	89 05
Central Fund	1 20
	\$138 25
Total for Trinity	\$832 19

BILTMORE—ALL SOULS'.

President, Mrs. C. W. Woolsey; Vice-President, Mrs. R. R. Swope;
Secretary, Mrs. Chas. McNamee; Treasurer, Miss Weston.

United Domestic Work.....	\$10 00
United Foreign Work.....	66 00
United Diocesan Work.....	10 00
Diocesan Missions through Bishop Horner.....	20 00
Education of daughter of Missionary.....	10 00
United Offering.....	20 00
Church at Leicester	5 00
Central Fund.....	3 00
Boxes:	
Missionary in Nebraska.....	300 78
Missionary School in District.....	26 67
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	\$471 45

BLOWING ROCK.

President, Miss Maria Pinckney.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 50
United Foreign Work.....	1 00
United Diocesan Work.....	1 00
General Missions.....	1 00
Indian Famine Fund.....	5 00
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	\$ 8 50

BOONE.

President, Mrs. M. F. Boyden; Secretary, Mrs. W. B. Councel.
No. of members, 3.

United Foreign Work	\$ 1 00
United Diocesan Work.....	1 00
Nantahala Mission.....	2 00
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	\$ 4 00

BOWMAN'S BLUFF—GETHSEMANE.

President, Mrs. R. Wainwright.	No. of members, 4.
United Domestic Work.....	\$ 5 00
United Foreign Work.....	5 00
United Diocesan Work.....	5 00
Nantahala Mission.....	75
United Offering.....	7 35
Education daughter of Missionary.....	16 60
Central Fund.....	40
Boxes	
Cuban Orphanage.....	1 50
Good Samaritan Hospital.....	1 50
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	\$42 10

BREVARD—ST. PHILIPS.

President, Mrs F. E. Chapman; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. M. Gordon. No. of members, 7.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 3 00
United Foreign Work.....	5 00
United Diocesan Work.....	5 00
Nantahala Mission.....	1 00
United Offering.....	14 76
Box:	
Cuban Orphanage.....	6 87
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	\$35 63

BUNCOMBE COUNTY—GRACE.

President, Mrs. W. F. Rice; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. C. T. Chester. No. of members, 15.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 6 00
United Foreign Work.....	4 50
United Diocesan Work.....	5 00
United Offering.....	4 36
Central Fund.....	1 70
Boxes:	
Thompson Orphanage.....	40 00
Cuban Orphanage.....	10 00
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	\$71 56

CASHIERS—GOOD SHEPHERD.

President, Mrs. I. McGuire; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Susan Smith. No. of members, 4.

National Cathedral Fund.....	\$ 1 00
Boxes:	
Thompson Orphanage.....	6 00
Cuban Orphanage.....	2 00
District Mission School.....	11 40
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	\$20 40

CHUNN'S COVE—ST. LUKE.

President, Mrs. Moody; Treasurer, Mrs. Ethel Armstrong. No. of members, 6.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 2 00
United Foreign Work.....	4 00
United Diocesan Work.....	3 00
Nantahala	50
Thompson Orphanage.....	4 00
District Missions.....	1 00
United Offering.....	2 65
Central Fund.....	65
Box:	
Cuban Orphanage.....	1 50
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	\$19 25

FRANKLIN—ST. AGNES.

President, Mrs. J. A. Deal; Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Ethel Deal. No. of members, 5.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 2 00
United Foreign Work.....	2 00
United Diocesan Work.....	2 00
Nantahala Mission.....	1 00
United Offering.....	1 00
Boxes:	
Cuban Orphanage.....	70
District Mission School.....	18 00
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	\$26 70

FRANKLIN—ST. CYPRIANS.

President, Mrs. Kennedy; Secretary, Mrs. Stewart; Treasurer, Mrs. Obey.

Box:

Good Samaritan Hospital.....	\$ 5 00
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	\$ 5 00

FLETCHER—CALvary.

Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. T. C. Wetmore. No. of members, 18.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 4 00
United Foreign Work.....	4 00
United Diocesan Work.....	4 00
District Missions.....	82 00
United Offering.....	4 00
Central Fund.....	1 80
Boxes:	
Cuban Orphanage.....	10 00
District Missions.....	17 50
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	\$127 30

GASTON COUNTY—HIGHSHOALS.

President, Mrs. Maria Horis.

District Missions.....	\$ 5 50
Valle Crucis.....	1 50
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	\$ 7 00

GASTON COUNTY—LUCIA.

President, Mrs. L. E. Johnston. No. of members, 6.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 2 00
United Foreign Work.....	2 00
United Offering.....	7 30
Central Fund.....	6 00
Boxes:	
Thompson Orphanage.....	11 00
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	\$ 22 90

HICKORY-ASCENSION,

President, Mrs. O. M. Royster. No. of members, 5.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 2 00
United Foreign Work.....	2 00
United Diocesan Work.....	1 00
United Offering.....	3 25
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	\$ 8 25

LENOIR-ST. JAMES.

President, Mrs L. Caisson. No. of members, 10.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 5 00
United Foreign Work.....	5 00
United Diocesan Work.....	5 00
Thompson Orphanage.....	5 25
Chapel of Peace.....	23 50
Nantahala.....	50
United Offering.....	15 00
Central Fund	1 00
C. P. C.....	50
Box:	
Thompson Orphanage.....	7 00
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	\$67 75

LINCOLNTON-ST. LUKE.**Senior Branch.**

President, Mrs. Mary Curtis; Secretary, Mrs. Wm. Shipp. No. of members, 4.

United Foreign Work.....	\$ 1 00
United Offering.....	8 50
Mrs. Jeffroy's School.....	7 50
District Mission.....	5 00
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	\$22 00

Junior Branch.

President, Mrs. G. Bartlett.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 2 00
United Foreign Work.....	1 00
United Diocesan Work.....	5 00
Diocesan Missions.....	15 00
Central Fund	65
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Total for St. Luke's	\$45 65

LINCOLNTON-ST. CYPRIAN.

President, Mrs. V. Carder. No. of members, 8.

United Foreign Work.....	\$ 1 00
United Diocesan Work.....	1 00
Diocesan Mission.....	75
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	\$ 2 75

MARION.

President, Mrs. F. M. Thomas; Secretary, Miss Dora Wingate.

United Foreign Work.....	\$ 2 55
United Diocesan Work.....	5 75
United Offering.....	2 25
Diocesan Mission.....	28 50
Boxes:	
Thompson Orphanage.....	15 00
Diocesan Missions.....	16 50
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	\$70 55

MORGANTON—GRACE.

President, Mrs. Cameron Pearson; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs Charles McKesson. No. of members, 20.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 4 00
United Foreign Work.....	11 50
Danish Mission.....	3 25
United Offering.....	4 45
Nantahala	25
Education daughter of Missionary.....	10 00
Central Fund.....	1 00
Church at Leicester.....	2 50
School at Valle Crucis.....	2 50
Box:	
Valle Crucis School	41 00
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	\$80 45

RUTHERFORDTON.

President, M. M. Thurston; No. of members, 1.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 1 00
United Foreign Work.....	1 00
United Diocesan Work.....	1 00
United Offering.....	1 00
Diocesan Mission.....	1 00
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	\$ 5 00

WAYNESVILLE—GRACE.

President, Mrs. F. A. Walker. No. of members, 6.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 3 50
United Foreign Work.....	1 75
United Diocesan Work.....	1 80
Diocesan Mission.....	70 00
United Offering.....	2 50
Central Fund.....	60
Box:	
Cuban Orphanage.....	13 00
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	\$93 15

WILKESBORO—ST. PAUL.

President, Mrs. M. B. Mott. No. of members 5.

United Domestic Work.....	\$ 2 00
United Foreign Work.....	2 00
United Diocesan Work.....	2 00
United Offering.....	5 00
Central Fund.....	50
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	\$11 50

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Cuban Orphanage.....	\$ 1 0
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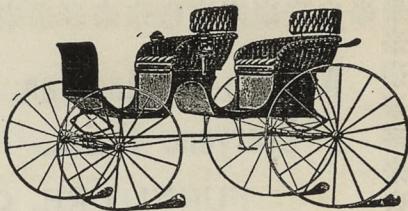
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