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MINUTES
OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING OF 1913

The thirty-first annual meeting of the Bethlehem Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held in the parish house of St. Luke's Church, Scranton, Pa., May

23rd, 1913. After the opening prayer by the Bishop, the president, Mrs. Coxe, took the chair. Roll call was made by the secretary, and responses were received as follows:

From Bethlehem, Trinity Church.....	2
" Carbondale, Trinity Church.....	1
" Drifton, St. James' Church.....	2
" Dorranceton, Grace Church.....	3
" Dunmore, St. Mark's Church.....	3
" East Mauch Chunk, St. John's Church.....	1
" Easton, Trinity Church.....	2
" Hyde Park, St. David's Church.....	4
" Jermyn, St. James' Church.....	3
" Mauch Chunk, St. Mark's Church.....	3
" Mertrose, St. Paul's Church.....	1
" Plymouth, St. Peter's Church.....	5
" Pittston, St. James' Church.....	7
" Reading, Christ Church.....	2
" Syre, Church of the Redeemer.....	2
" Scranton, Church of the Good Shepherd.....	10
" South Bethlehem, Church of the Nativity.....	3
" Stroudsburg, Christ Church.....	1
" White Haven, St. Paul's Church.....	1
" West Pittston, Trinity Church.....	2
" Wilkes-Barre, Calvary Church.....	2
" Wilkes-Barre, St. Clement's Church.....	6
" Wilkes-Barre, St. Stephen's Church.....	6
" Olyphant, St. George's Church.....	2

making a total of eighty delegates from twenty-four parishes, besides a large number from St. Luke's Church, Scranton.

The president read her address, after which Miss Troxell's motion that the first Sunday in November should be appointed for a corporate Communion of the Woman's Auxiliary in the diocese, and for prayers for Missions, was seconded and carried.

After the minutes of the last annual meeting had been approved, the secretary read her report, followed by that of the treasurer.

The resignation of the treasurer, Mrs. A. N. Cleaver, was read and accepted.

Mrs. Lathrop, of Wilkes-Barre, offered resolutions of appreciation of

Mrs. Cleaver's work during the past thirteen years, and of regret that she felt obliged to retire from office. Resolution accepted unanimously by a rising vote.

Miss Farrer spoke about the United Offering and reported a large increase in the number of boxes in use in the diocese.

The reports of the Archdeaconries of Reading and Scranton were read by the Organizing Secretaries.

Then followed the report of the committee on the revision of the Constitution, after which the proposed Constitution was read. Each section was discussed separately, and after making a few changes, it was adopted unanimously.

The nominating committee present:

ed the following names to be voted for at the afternoon session:

For President, Mrs. D. W. Coxe; for Vice President, Mrs. John Nelson and Mrs. Rodney Mercur; for Secretary, Miss Laura L. Ruddle; for Treasurer, Mrs. R. P. Linderman; for United Offering Treasurer, Miss Margaret Louise Farrer.

Adjournment was here made for luncheon.

The meeting was again called to order at 2.30, the Rev. R. P. Kreitler taking the chair until after the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President, Mrs. D. W. Coxe; Vice President, Mrs. John Nelson; Secretary, Miss L. L. Ruddle; Treasurer, Mrs. R. P. Linderman; United Offering Treasurer, Miss M. L. Farrer.

The Educational Secretary spoke about Mission Study and urged the attendance of the members of the Auxiliary at the Missionary Institute to be held in Pottsville in the autumn.

The chairman of the Babies' Branch then read her report, followed by that of the chairman of the Juniors.

The secretary read the names of the delegates to the triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to be held in New York in October, as follows: Mrs. D. W. Coxe, Miss Ruddle, Miss Farrer, Miss Donnelly and Miss Troxell. Alternates, Mrs. Nelson, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Linderman, Miss Dresee, Miss Ketchum.

Mrs. Cleaver's motion to send \$100 to the Rev. Mr. Snavely for his work in Cuba, and \$25.00 to Bishop Brent for work in the Philippines was seconded and carried; and the treasurer instructed to send the same.

A letter from Miss Emery was read, asking that the parish secretaries write to the Diocesan secretary for work, and urging that all private appeals for money or boxes be referred to the Church Missions House before they are answered.

A rising vote of thanks was given for the delightful hospitality of St. Luke's Church, and the meeting adjourned.

LAURA L. RUDDLE,
Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

At the opening of this our 31st Annual Meeting of the Bethlehem Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions we have cause for congratulation on account of the work which has been done during the year.

It will be seen from the reports which are to be read today, that our diocesan branch is doing aggressive work.

Back of the reports of your officers we see hard work and determined effort. Their work, which has been a labor of love, can never be adequately recompensed, nor do they look for recompense, but we want them to realize that we appreciate their faithful, untiring and efficient service. We are deeply indebted to them for all they have done and hope they will not grow weary in well doing.

Several changes are taking place in the officers of this Auxiliary. Mrs. Cleaver, who has been our loyal, devoted and competent Treasurer for many years, is obliged to give up the work, and we accept her resignation with sincere regret. Mrs. Ware, Organizing Secretary of the Reading Archdeaconry, who has led the women of the Archdeaconry to do better and nobler things under her faithful guidance, has also resigned. We shall miss her ready co-operation in our work.

Bishop Talbot has appointed Mrs. Guy Johnson, of South Bethlehem, as Mrs. Ware's successor.

For the first time in many years we have a report from the diocesan Secretary, which shows the important work she has done this year.

The report from the diocesan correspondent of the Church Periodical Club, which has lapsed for several years, shows renewed life, and many hearts have been cheered by the books and magazines sent out.

A diocesan secretary to the "Spirit of Missions" has been appointed at the request of the Board of Missions: and we hope the day is coming when every church family will subscribe to this missionary magazine.

For the first time we have a special officer doing United Offering work. This has meant a large increase in the amount of the United Offering for the year now closing.

In the few months left before our great Triennial Service let us endeavor to show our thankfulness for the many mercies vouchsafed us by increased and earnest prayer that God will put it into the hearts of many faithful women to give themselves to the work of the Master in the mission field and to give of their substance gladly, as the Lord hath prospered them. We have the joy of knowing that one young woman from our diocese has dedicated her life to work in the mission field. Thus we know that the missionary work has meant more than the mere giving of dollars and cents, the gift of self, which is infinitely greater and more precious.

The work done by the parish branches this year and the many inquiries received as to the best methods of doing their work show clearly that we are all striving to work more intelligently.

Great changes have taken place in the last two years as a result of the change in the apportionment system, both in regard to what the Board of Missions expects of us and the greater opportunity presented to us in our parish work. The Board expects the women of the Auxiliary to try and induce every woman, in their respective parishes, to become an intelligent contributor to missions; also that they will do all in their power to assist the Board in their work for the extension of Christ's Kingdom.

As correspondent of this diocese for the Central Committee of Women's Church Work, which has its headquarters in London, I shall be glad to commend to this committee any church worker intending to go abroad. One of the objects of this society is to provide means for conference between church workers at home and abroad. They are prepared to find accommodations in London for those who wish to attend meetings of

the committee, and to show them hospitality during the day.

A step forward has been taken by some of our parish branches in relieving the diocesan branch of several pledges which it has carried for many years and which we knew could not be dropped without causing serious inconvenience to the recipients. The parishes accepting these pledges are St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre; St. Luke's, Scranton; Nativity, South Bethlehem; Christ Church, Reading, and St. James', Drifton.

We believe missions to be the life of the church and that, as a missionary society, the Woman's Auxiliary is the most important organization in a parish; that its members should be promoters of public opinion for the extension of Christ's Kingdom; that

they also should be praying members, for it is only by constant, earnest prayer that we can have the Divine help which will enable us to accomplish the work set before us.

I would recommend for our diocese, that one day be set apart as a day of united prayer for missions, when intercessions for missions and missionaries shall be made in church and at home.

As we close this year and go forth to meet the new let us all pray for a larger vision of the privileges and opportunities of our work—such a vision as will make us leave self behind in the effort to make others see the vision of Christ for the world. Bishop Brent says "He who shares Christ's vision shares His work."

FLORENCE L. COXE.

READING ARCHDEACONY

As Organizing Secretary of the Reading Archdeaconry, I have the honor of submitting my final report.

After three years of pleasure and profit in Auxiliary work, the Bishop has accepted my resignation and my successor has joyously accepted the office.

The Auxiliary, like many another Parish organization, has a way of clutching a woman and keeping her on duty year after year, sometimes because she gives consent and sometimes because there *seems* to be a scarcity of other material, and things get in a rut; the same methods prevail for years, even though the officers may be interested and effective.

A woman interested in a *new way* is a great gain to the Auxiliary, hence this change is going to be a good one for this Auxiliary. The retiring Organizing Secretary will be just as devoted as before: the new one has friends who will learn something about this work, and she herself will have a deeper thought for it.

There are many more eligible women than is thought; frequent change, division of responsibility are essential to active, harmonious results in Auxiliary work, and I predict that the new Organizing Secretary will infuse, if not more vigor, at least a change of vigor and a stir of new life that will be felt by every Parish Branch.

It is seldom that we come to an Annual Meeting, without the necessity of recording some changes in the working force of the Parochial branches.

No one has been more thoroughly identified with the work of the Bethlehem Branch than Mrs. Sterling, first as Vice President, then as President and always at the front of her own Parish, that of the Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem. We all know her devotion to the work and regret that, owing to Dr. Sterling's death, she has taken up her residence in another Diocese. Her example is one that may well point for us the way to unmeasured service.

Another member is missing today, a quiet, gentle soul, who has been

with us all many years, who was very faithful to her own Parish in its work, Mrs. Wm. B. Fry, of Drifton, who fell asleep in January. We thank God for the memory of this gentle and generous soul, who, with other dear saints are as beacon lights to mark the road that leads to the larger opportunity.

It is a pleasure to report that encouraging advance has been maintained in this Archdeaconry, both in regard to the General Fund and in box work. As usual, recipients of boxes have been families of missionaries in our own Diocese, and in the West and South, Schools and missions among the Indians and Mountainers.

There were eleven family boxes sent, eleven boxes for Missions and seven for Schools, making a total of twenty-nine boxes, valued at \$2290.73, an increase in value of \$241.40 over those sent last year.

The General Fund amounts to \$475.30, an increase this year of \$16.21, while at the same time Diocesan pledges to the amount of \$125 have also been met.

The United Offering, presented last November, in Trinity Church, Bethlehem, amounted to \$789.76, **larger** by \$98.40 than any Offering yet presented; while to General Missions has been given \$205.22, which applies on parish apportionments.

There has been given to Specials \$210, a falling off of \$60 from that of last year, but I am sure that this amount has been used by Parishes in helping the Auxiliary with its pledges.

The Parish branches actively engaged in doing the work, of which I have spoken, number twenty-six in twenty-four Parishes.

No new Auxiliaries were gained this year, neither have any branches lapsed. Of the thirty-nine Parishes and Missions in this Archdeaconry the Auxiliary is at work in all but fifteen Mission Stations, where for most part every activity has to be put forth to keep things parochial going. The desire has been expressed by two of the Missions to have

an Auxiliary, and I hope that they will be so guided that they will make the venture during the coming year.

The encouraging sign of interest in the Study of Missions shows that women of the Archdeaconry are beginning to understand our Educational Department, and how to use our Educational Secretary.

The Fall meeting of this Archdeaconry was held in November, in Trinity Church, Bethlehem. The women came together at 10.30 for the service of Holy Communion, at which time the Rector of the Parish, the Rev. Mr. Johnston, was the celebrant assisted by the Rev. Mr. Steele, Archdeacon of Cuba.

The new President, Mrs. D. W. Coxe, was introduced and spoke to the Auxiliary women and gave them the key note of all missionary endeavor.

Notice was given of the Missionary Institute to be held in Wilkes-Barre, November 19th to 22nd, at St. Stephen's Church, and it was urged that each parish send delegates, who afterwards would form study classes in their respective parishes.

Miss Farrer, Vice President of the Auxiliary, and who has the United Offering work in charge, made an earnest plea, asking for it our prayers and our gifts.

After luncheon, Archdeacon Steele, of Havana, Cuba, told in a charming way many incidents happening in his daily life while working among the natives, and gave us the encouraging news that they have seventeen churches, besides schools, and a native offering of \$9,000. The offering at this service, amounting to \$27.50, was given Mr. Steele for his work.

The Organizing Secretary urged upon the delegates to see to it that their Auxiliary meetings were not merely social gatherings, but that they should be prayerful, purposeful and prepared, which would come very near being ideal.

On motion of Mrs. Barber, of Mauch Chunk, words of sympathy were sent to Mrs. Sterling, her husband being critically ill.

The meeting was closed with prayer and benediction by the Rev. Mr. Johnston.

The Mid-Winter meeting of the

Auxiliary was held in St. Michael's Church, Birdsboro, on January 29th. The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rector, the Rev. H. H. Bogert, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Walter. The business meeting, which immediately followed, was opened with prayer by the Rector; ninety-four delegates responded to the roll call, representing twelve Parishes.

It was urged upon all Parish branches to have a corporate communion upon the Feast of the Purification.

The announcement was made, much to the regret of every one present, that Mrs. Cleaver, on account of ill health, finds it necessary to resign the office of Treasurer of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese, which she has so ably filled.

All Parish branches were asked to keep themselves informed about the apportionments of their Parishes, so that if necessary they might be able to help their Rector.

At the afternoon session, Miss Farrar spoke of the United Offering, and as this is the triennial year, each Parish was urged to make a special effort in this direction.

Mrs. Mary Cooper was present and spoke very interestingly of the work among the Arapahoe Indians, on the Wind River Reservation. The offering at this service, amounting to \$20.61, was given to Mrs. Cooper for her work.

The Rev. Mr. Bogert told something of his personal work in Nebraska as a Missionary, and of a welcome missionary box, which he received from a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Suggestions were asked for, as to how the boys might be kept in touch with the work of the Juniors, special mention being made of the Boys' branch at Lehighton; the suggestion to be thought over, and to be considered at some future meeting.

The changing of officers, in Parish branches, as an educating agency was discussed, the sentiment being in favor of continuing the same ones, if the work was going on well.

It was urged that all officers discharge their duties in a business-like way, the presiding officers being promptly on time, the treasurer keeping careful accounts and the secre-

tary keeping the minutes exactly.
The meeting was closed with prayer by the Rector.

United Offering.....\$ 789.76
General Fund..... 475.30
Speaker's Fund..... 20.00
Specials 210.00
General Missions..... 205.22
Offerings at Meetings..... 66.31

General Fund Pledges.. 125.00
Value of Boxes..... 2,290.73

_____ \$4,182.32

Grateful for another year of added service.

Respectfully submitted,
HELEN E. WARE,
Organizing Secretary.

PARISH REPORTS.

Grace Church, Allentown.

United Offering	\$ 9.18
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	2.50
Special Contribution	1.00
Periodical Club	2.50
Express on literature.....	.75
Box to Dayton, Ohio.....	1.75

	\$ 18.63

Trinity Church, Bethlehem.

United Offering	\$ 22.45
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	50.00
Box to Allen, S. Dakota.....	83.32
Box to Valley City, N. Dakota.....	107.35

	\$264.12

St. Michael's, Birdsboro.

United Offering	\$ 27.87
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	17.45
Box to Jonestown.....	28.20
Box to Missionary in Kentucky.....	69.35

	\$143.87

St. Stephen's, Catasauqua.

United Offering	\$ 7.85
Speaker's Fund	1.00

	\$ 8.85

St. James' Church, Drifton.

Longmont, Colo.	\$ 1.00
United Offering	216.29
Special Contribution	5.00
Rev. Stuart Tyson, Sewanee, Tenn.....	10.00
Cashier Valley Mission.....	25.00
General Fund	139.50
Bishop Biller for a laundry.....	10.00
Rev. J. J. Bowker, Corbin, Ken.....	25.00
Value of box to diocesan clergyman.....	137.66

	\$569.45

Trinity Church, Easton.

United Offering	\$ 36.92
Apportionment	50.00
General Fund	18.25
Speaker's Fund	1.00
Box to Fairbanks, Alaska.....	20.00

\$126.17

St. Margaret's Mission, Emaus.

Speaker's Fund	\$ 1.00
Box to Jonestown.....	6.00
	\$ 7.00

St. John's Church, East Mauch Chunk.

United Offering	\$ 6.61
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	12.00
Box to Missionary in Dakota.....	87.22

\$106.83

St. Agnes' Guild.

General Fund	\$ 4.00
Box to Missionary in S. Dakota.....	8.59
	\$ 12.30

Christ Church, Frackville.

Speaker's Fund	\$ 1.00
General Fund	5.00
Special Contribution	3.50

\$ 9.50

St. Peter's Church, Hazleton.

United Offering	\$ 24.00
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	15.25
Special Contribution	5.09
Box to Jonestown Home.....	15.00
Box to Missionary in Tennessee.....	25.00

\$ 85.25

St. Luke's Church, Lebanon.

United Offering	\$ 19.35
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	10.25
Box to Battle Creek.....	113.95
Box to St. Andrew's, Sewanee.....	73.10

\$217.65

All Saints' Church, Lehighton.

United Offering	\$ 16.10
Box to Missionary in S. Dakota.....	14.55
Speaker's Fund	1.00

\$ 31.65

St. Mark's Church, Mauch Chunk.

United Offerings	\$ 39.69
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	25.00
Special Contribution	50.00

Box to Missionary in Minnesota.....	171.17
Box to Missionary in Savannah.....	71.96
Box to Missionary in Alaska.....	69.00
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	\$427.82

St. Thomas' Church, Morgantown.	
General Fund	\$ 6.10

St. John's Church, Palmerton.	
United Offering	\$ 6.00
Speaker's Fund	1.00
Special Contribution	1.00
General Fund	1.20
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	\$ 9.20

Trinity Church, Pottsville.	
United Offering	\$ 80.00
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	25.00
Special Contribution	6.50
Box to Missionary in Utah.....	750.00
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	\$862.50

St. Mary's Church, Reading.	
United Offering	\$ 22.25
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	2.00
Special Contribution	5.00
Box to Jonestown	10.00
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	\$ 40.25

Christ Church, Reading.	
United Offering	\$122.97
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	11.00
Mrs Gries, for Bishop Restarick.....	10.00
Mrs Gries, for Bishop Rowe.....	10.00
Mrs. Gries, for Bishop Aves.....	10.00
Mrs Gries, for Bishop Horner.....	10.00
Box to Diocesan Clergyman.....	100.00
Box to Alaska Hospital Fair.....	40.00
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	\$314.97

Young Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church, Reading.	
Speaker's Fund	\$ 1.00
Mrs. Mary Cooper's Work.....	52.00
Bishop Knight, Cuba.....	50.00
Box to Foster Falls, Tenn.....	38.20
Box to Jonestown.....	15.00
Box to Oneida Mission, Wis.....	20.00
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	\$176.20

St. Luke's Church, Reading.	
United Offering	\$ 3.00
Speaker's Fund	1.00
General Fund	5.00
Box to Jonestown.....	4.00
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	\$ 13.00

St. Barnabas' Church, Reading.

United Offering	\$ 11.12
Speaker's Fund	1.00
Rev C. Betticher, Alaska.....	50.00

	\$ 62.12

All Saints' Church, Shenandoah.

Hamlet, N. C.....	\$ 1.00
United Offering	3.50
Italian Missionary	5.00
Rev J. Watson, Moscow, Idaho.....	1.00
Rev. S. C. Hughson, Sewanee.....	5.00
Rev J. J. Bowker, Kentucky.....	1.00
Rev. Charles Crusoe.....	1.00
Mrs. Devoe, Brunswick, Ga.....	1.00
Special Contribution	1.00
General Fund	4.00

	\$ 23.50

Calvary Church, Tamaqua.

United Offering	\$ 5.00
Speaker's Fund	1.00

	\$ 6.00

Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem.

Special Contribution	\$ 5.00
Educational Secretary	5.00
St. Margaret's Guild, Ensley, Ala.....	2.00
United Offering.....	104.40
Speaker's Fund	1.00
St. Paul's, Lawrenceville, Va.....	50.00
General Missions	155.22
General Fund	117.00
Box to Missionary in Kentucky.....	86.85
Box to Diocesan Missionary.....	115.25

	\$641.72

St. Paul's Church, White Haven.

United Offering	\$ 5.19
Box to Missionary in S. Dakota.....	5.30
General Fund	4.80

	\$ 15.29

SCRANTON ARCHDEACONY

Under the supervision of your organizing Secretary, two general Auxiliary assemblies have been held during the past year. The Fall meeting was held in the Church of the Good Shepherd, Scranton, on October 23rd, 1912, with 131 delegates present, representing 16 parishes. Eight Diocesan officers were also in attendance. During the business session, which followed a morning celebration of the Holy Communion with presentation of the United Offering for the year 1911-1912, the Diocesan President, Mrs. D. W. Coxe, addressed the meeting, and other officers generously responded to important questions on Auxiliary methods. At the Missionary meeting, in the afternoon, the Rev. John C. Meem, of Brazil, gave an enlightening talk on the condition of the church in his adopted country.

The mid-winter session was opened at Towanda, on the evening of January 15th, 1913. Bishop Talbot was present with a message of encouragement, and the Missionary speaker of the evening, Mrs. B. S. Cooper, gave a graphic description of the life and work of the Arapahoe Indians in Wyoming. On the morning of the 16th there was a celebration of the Holy Communion at ten o'clock, the Bishop being celebrant, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Weir, in the absence of the Rector, unavoidably detained by illness. The regular business session followed, the roll-call showing 40 representatives from seven parishes. Current events were rehearsed, a report presented of the Missionary Institute held in Wilkes-Barre in October past, and a concise policy mapped out for work in the Parish branch; lastly there was an informal Conference, followed by open discussion, based on two previously selected subjects, as follows: first, "What amount of personal responsibility should every Auxiliary woman assume toward the success of the Parish branch?" Second, "The relations between the Woman's Auxiliary and other organizations within the

Church." Mrs. Califf of Towanda, Mrs. Lathrop of St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre; Miss Russell of St. Luke's, Scranton, and Mrs. Wilking, of Sayre, gave helpful and inspiring five-minute talks on these subjects.

It has been the privilege of your organizing Secretary to pay personal visits to twenty-six (26) Parish branches throughout the Scranton Archdeaconry during the past active year. The importance of personal contact in promoting a systematic Forward Movement in all Parish branches, and particularly in those of lesser membership, cannot be too strongly emphasized and recommended. With the outlying branches, which by reason of their location can not keep in regular touch with the latest Auxiliary activities, this evidence of personal interest in their well-being and doing, with the message of cheer and encouragement carried to them, results in arousing a new enthusiasm, and a more lively sympathy with the prescribed plans and methods. Therein also lies the best possible opportunity for removing a prejudice which may exist among the uninformed parochial workers against giving loyalty and service to other than the visible need. Furthermore, from a purely practical standpoint, it has been the privilege of your Organizing Secretary to so present the subject at hand, that a previously avowed repudiation of the Diocesan Auxiliary obligation, the General Fund assessment, was viewed from a different angle, and favorably reconsidered.

There has been a very general response on the part of the Parish members and Rectors, in meeting the Organizing Secretary half-way, the exception being the case in but two or three parishes. A brief summary of work accomplished stands as follows:

Total number of parishes and missions in the archdeaconry, (including those maintained during only the Summer season) 44

Number of parishes and missions visited..... 26
 Number of future visits arranged 9
 Number of Woman's Auxiliary branches, 1912-1913..... 30
 Number of new branches organized 7
 Number of branches lapsed, none
 Several branches have been regularly organized, which hitherto have been working in connection with parochial organizations. In some few instances, it has been deemed the wiser plan to leave undisturbed the existing relationship, but in every case a certain regular time has been set apart for strictly Auxiliary work, with approved methods.

The present outlook is very encouraging for a probable steady advance in Auxiliary accomplishments, especially if it be the policy of the Diocesan Auxiliary to advocate an uninterrupted continuance of personal connection with each Parish branch, in

the form of a fresh campaign of follow-up work, with systematic plans for Conferences with the Parish Auxiliary officers on "ways and means of promoting an increase of interest on the part of the individual member," that being the crying need of the present day.

I have to report as having passed through my hands the following moneys:

United Offering	\$ 700.89
General Fund.....	389.35
Designated Offerings.....	303.75
Specials	100.00
Archdeaconry Offerings.....	49.37

Total..... \$1,543.36
 Boxes to the number of twenty-four (24), valued at \$1,204.34, have gone forward from thirteen Parish branches in the Archdeaconry.

Respectfully submitted,

MINNA H. KETCHUM,
 Organizing Secretary.

PARISH REPORTS.

St. John's Church, Ashley.

United Offering	\$ 7.00
General Fund	5.00
	\$ 12.00

Trinity Church, Athens.

United Offering	\$ 15.00
General Fund	20.00
Box to Jonestown Home.....	30.00
Box to Saluda, N. C.....	25.00
	\$ 90.00

Trinity Church, Carbondale.

United Offering	\$ 9.25
General Fund, (1912).....	12.00
General Fund, (1913).....	15.00
St. Paul's N. & I. School, Lawrenceville, Va.....	5.00
	\$ 41.25

Grace Mission, Dorranceton.

United Offering	\$ 3.49
General Fund, (1912).....	5.00
	\$ 8.49

St. Mark's, Dunmore.

United Offering	\$ 13.50
General Fund	8.00
Special Subscription	5.00
	\$ 26.50

Grace Church, Honesdale.

United Offering	\$ 4.75
General Fund	15.00
Periodical Club	3.00
For Work in Eastern Oregon	20.00
Box to Saluda, N. C.	8.00
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	\$ 50.75

St. James', Jermyn.

United Offering	\$ 6.00
General Fund	5.00
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	\$ 11.00

Good Shepherd, Milford.

United Offering	\$ 47.40
General Fund	10.00
General Missions	13.00
Christ School, Arden, N. C.	10.00
Box to Christ School, Arden, N. C.	15.00
Box to Fairbanks, Alaska.	<hr/>
	\$ 95.40

St. Paul's, Montrose.

United Offering	\$ 16.00
General Fund	10.00
Special Subscription	5.00
George Gordon King	15.00
Diocesan Clergyman	1.00
Two Barrels, Jonestown Home.....	<hr/>
	\$ 184.00

St. George's, Olyphant.

United Offering	\$ 5.52
General Fund	5.00
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	\$ 10.52

St. James, Pittston.

United Offering	\$ 4.30
General Fund	5.00
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	\$ 9.30

St. Peter's, Plymouth.

General Fund	\$ 5.00
Special Subscription	1.00
Box to Jonestown Home	<hr/>
	\$ 27.05

Church of the Redeemer, Sayre.

United Offering	\$ 21.00
General Fund	20.00
Special Subscription	5.00
Rev. J. Senior, Lamar, Missouri.....	1.00
Box to Saluda, N. C.	45.00
Box to Missionary in Sewanee, Tenn.....	<hr/>
	\$ 139.93

St. David's, Scranton.	
United Offering	\$ 5.00
General Fund	5.00
Diocesan Missionary Work	10.00
	\$ 20.00

Good Shepherd, Scranton.	
United Offering	\$ 17.96
General Fund	15.00
Church Building, Hamlet, N. C.	1.00
Special Subscription	5.00
Scholarship in St. Mary's School, Rosebud, South Dakota....	60.00

St. Luke's, Scranton.	
United Offering	\$141.25
General Fund	40.00
Diocesan Pledge, for Bishop Knight's work (for women) in	
Cuba.....	50.00
Special Subscription	10.00
Box to Diocesan Clergyman	149.21
Box to Missionary at Pine Ridge, South Dakota.....	90.75
	\$481.21

Christ Church, Stroudsburg.	
General Fund	\$ 4.87
General Missions	8.75

Christ Church, Towanda.	
United Offering	\$ 20.00
General Fund	20.00
St. Paul's N. & I. School, Lawrenceville, Va.	30.00
Box to Diocesan Clergyman.....	22.66
Box to Jonestown Home.....	33.11

St. Paul's, Troy. \$125.11
General Fund \$ 5.00

Trinity Church, West Pittston.	
United Offering	\$ 46.50
General Fund	25.00
Box to Missionary in Tennessee.....	50.00

Calvary Church, Wilkes-Barre.		\$121.50
United Offering	\$ 4.00	
General Fund	10.00	
Box to Missionary in Savannah, Ga.	15.00	
		\$ 29.00

St. Clement's, Wilkes-Barre.	
United Offering	\$ 67.30
General Fund	8.00
Special Subscription	5.00
Box to Stanardsville, Va.	75.00
Box to Stanardsville, Va.	75.00
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	\$230.30

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.

United Offering	\$241.67
General Fund	116.50
Diocesan Pledge, for Bishop Nelson's work in Georgia.....	50.00
General Missions	100.00
Scholarship, in Beaufort, N. C.....	20.00
Pupil in Mrs. W. S. Banks' School, Corbin, Ky.....	25.00
Mrs. B. S. Cooper, (Arapahoe Indians).....	50.00
Special Subscription	115.87
Box to Diocesan Clergyman.....	118.74
Box to Missionary, Logan Utah.....	16.32
Box to Missionary, Nenana, Alaska.....	185.57
Box to Church in Miami, Florida.....	14.00
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	\$1053.85

JUNIOR AUXILIARY

GENERAL REPORT.

With this report the Junior Department of the Woman's Auxiliary brings to a close a most successful year.

We have gained six new branches: At St. Mary's, Reading; St. Luke's, Reading; St. James', Pittston; two branches at St. Mark's, Dunmore, and a Sub-Junior branch at Grace Church, Allentown. One branch not reporting last year has resumed work this year. Three of the old branches have been discontinued for the present, making the total number of branches now working 34.

The responses to a list of questions sent out show that in the 34 branches there are enrolled about 750 girls between the ages of 8 and 18.

Our boys' branch at Lehighton has been a great success, and we are happy to report the securing of a lay man as leader of this branch. Under his able and sympathetic leadership they are sure to do splendid work in the future.

Another experiment which we are watching with great interest, is being made at St. Mary's Church, Reading, where the new branch is composed of both girls and boys between the ages of 5 and 17. They meet every week and are busily engaged raising money for the United Offering.

Four Archdeaconry meetings have been held: at the Church of the Good Shepherd, Scranton, in October; Trinity Church, Bethlehem, in November, and at Christ Church, Towanda, and St. Michael's, Birdsboro, in January. While these Archdeaconry meetings have been very helpful, they have usually been held at such times and places that very few of the Juniors could attend and consequently they have developed into conferences for the Junior leaders of the Diocese. These conferences have been very necessary and have been a wonderful help—but as the Juniors themselves could not attend them, it was determined to try and find some plan whereby they could

have the benefit of meeting together. The first plan tried was a mass meeting held in the Parish House of St. Stephen's Church, Wilkes-Barre, last November, during the week of the Institute. The speakers at this meeting were Miss Lindley, chairman of the New York Juniors, and the Rev. H. L. Burleson, of the Church Missions House. It was very well attended and enjoyed by all.

The next plan tried was a neighborhood meeting—which was held in Trinity Church, West Pittston, on Saturday afternoon, March 8th, from half-past two till five o'clock. Ten branches were represented at this meeting by fifty delegates, which together with the leaders and members of the Young Woman's Guild, made the total attendance seventy-five. This meeting was entirely a Junior affair—it was conducted by one of the older Juniors, the president of the West Pittston Juniors welcomed the delegates, the reports were read by the Junior secretaries, and every thing was done by the Juniors themselves. The Junior Directress finally closed the business session with an explanation of the pledges, telling what they were, and why and how they were to be met. The business session was followed by a short service of intercession, praying especially for the people whom we were helping this year. Following the Service of Intercession, the Rector of Trinity Church, West Pittston, gave a short talk on the Mountaineers of the South, to whom part of our Xmas gifts are to be sent next Fall. After a closing hymn, there was a half hour devoted to "tea and sociability," giving the Juniors an opportunity of making each other's acquaintance, thus bringing to a close a most happy and profitable afternoon.

The success of this meeting has proved that the Juniors are anxious to attend meetings that are held in accessible places and at suitable hours; and it is hoped that ere long like meetings will be held all over

the Diocese, so that each branch will be able to attend at least one during the year.

There has been an increase in the number of branches devoting some time to Mission Study during the year. Of the twenty-three branches reporting, nineteen have studied either about Japan or Africa.

All of our pledges have been met. Heretofore the United Offering boxes have all been opened and their contents forwarded by the first of May; but as this is the last year before the Triennial, several of the branches decided to defer opening their boxes till September, which, while making the sum reported here somewhat smaller than last year, will, we hope, eventually result in a greatly increased offering.

Our Christmas box, which was sent last November to the Rev. Fred W.

Smith for the Indians at Redby, Minnesota, was up to its usual standard in every particular—twenty-seven branches contributing over seven hundred gifts and \$26.67 for the expenses and the purchase of candy; the total value of the box being \$401.22.

I have to report the following gifts in money and boxes from the Junior branches:

Summary.

Apportionment	\$ 126.50
Valle Crucis Scholarship	50.00
United Offerings	57.40
Current Expense Fund..	34.00
Specials.	22.00
Christmas Box.....	401.22
Other Boxes.....	340.74

Total.....\$1031.86
ELIZABETH DONNELLY,
Directress.

PARISH REPORTS.

Grace Church, Allentown.

Apportionment	\$ 1.50
United Offering	1.70
Current Expense Fund.....	.50
Box to Jonestown.....	20.00
Box to God's ProvidenceHome, New York.....	10.00
	\$ 33.70

St. Michael's, Birdsboro.

Christmas Box	\$ 50.00
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St. Stephen's, Catasauqua.

Apportionment	\$ 3.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	3.00
United Offering	3.00
Current Expense Fund	1.00
Christmas Box	7.75
	\$ 17.75

St. James', Drifton.

Apportionment	\$ 15.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	10.00
Current Expense Fund	10.00
St. Andrew's School, Sewanee, Tenn.....	2.00
Archdeacon Bowker, Corbin, Kentucky.....	10.00
Christmas Box.....	5.00
Box to Saluda, N. C.....	45.00
Box to Corbin, Kentucky.....	90.00
Box to Oneida, Wis.....	4.00
	\$191.00

St. John's, East Mauch Chunk.

Apportionment	\$ 25.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	5.00
United Offering	4.00
Current Expense Fund	3.50
Christmas Box	51.00
Box of Post Cards .....	.50

\$ 89.00**Christ Church, Frackville.**

Apportionment	\$ 1.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	1.00
Current Expense Fund50
Christmas Box	12.00

\$ 14.50**St. Peter's, Hazleton.**

Christmas Box	\$ 17.00
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St. Luke's, Lebanon.

Valle Crucis Scholarship	\$ 5.00
Christmas Box	21.00
Box to Jonestown	10.00

\$ 36.00**All Saints', Lehighton.**

Apportionment	\$ 3.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	2.00
Current Expense Fund .....	.75
Christmas Box	22.00

\$ 27.80**All Saints', Lehighton.****Brotherhood of St. Paul.**

Current Expense Fund	\$.75
Christmas Box	8.50

\$ 9.25**St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk.**

Apportionment	\$ 10.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	5.00
United Offering	2.50
Christmas Box	42.00

\$ 59.50**St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk.****Sub. Juniors.**

Apportionment	\$ 5.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	1.00
Current Expense Fund	1.00
Christmas Box	13.67
Box to Nenana, Alaska	3.00

\$ 23.67**St. Barnabas', Reading.**

Current Expenses Fund	\$.50
Christmas Box .....	.50

\$ 1.00

**St. Barnabas', Reading.
Second Branch.**

Apportionment	\$.. 5.00
Current Expense Fund50
Christmas Box	7.00
Box to St. John's Mission, Corbin, Kentucky	5.00
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	\$ 17.50

Christ Church, Reading.

Current Expense Fund	\$.50
Christmas Box	5.50
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	\$ 6.00

St. Luke's, Reading.

Apportionment	\$ 1.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship50
Current Expense Fund50
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	\$ 2.00

St. Mary's, Reading.

Current Expense Fund	\$.50
Christmas Box	4.00
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	\$ 4.50

Calvary, Tamaqua.

United Offering	\$ 1.00
Current Expense Fund50
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	\$ 1.50

Nativity, South Bethlehem.

Christmas Box	\$ 20.00
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Saint Paul's, White Haven.

Christmas Box	\$ 5.50
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St. John's, Ashley.

Current Expense Fund	\$.50
Christmas Box	\$ 15.75
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	\$ 16.25

St. Mark's, Dunmore.

Apportionment	\$ 10.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	1.00
United Offering	2.00
Current Expense Fund50
Christmas Box	1.25
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	\$ 14.75

St. Paul's, Montrose.

Christmas Box	\$ 16.50
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St. George's, Olyphant.

Apportionment	\$ 7.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	1.00
United Offering	1.00
Current Expense Fund50
Christmas Box	7.50
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	\$ 17.00

St. James', Pittston.

Box to Valle Crucis	\$ 3.70
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St. Luke's, Scranton.

Apportionment	\$ 10.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	7.50
United Offering	5.75
Current Expense Fund	2.50
Christmas Box	17.00
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	\$ 42.75

Christ Church, Towanda.

Current Expense Fund	\$ 1.00
Christmas Box	11.00
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	\$ 12.00

Trinity, West Pittston.

Apportionment	\$ 8.00
United Offering	1.10
Current Expense Fund	1.00
Christmas Box	8.50
Box to Fairbanks, Alaska.....	6.80
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	\$ 25.40

Calvary, Wilkes-Barre.

Christmas Box50
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St. Clement's, Wilkes-Barre.

United Offering	\$ 5.35
Christmas Box	6.00
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	\$ 11.35

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.

Apportionment	\$ 10.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	10.00
United Offering	20.00
Current Expense Fund	5.00
St. Paul's School, Beaufort, N. C.....	10.00
Christmas Box	20.25
Box to Stoneville, N. C.....	141.74
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	\$216.99

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.**St. Margaret's Guild.**

Apportionment	\$ 12.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	3.00
United Offering	5.00
Current Expense Fund	2.00
Christmas Box	3.10
Box to Florida	1.00
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	\$ 26.10

SUMMARY.

	Value of Boxes	Money	Total
Reading	\$480.67	\$147.20	\$627.87
Scranton	261.29	142.70	403.99
Total			\$1031.86

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Junior Department of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the Parish House of St. Luke's Church, Scranton, on Friday morning, May 23rd, at 12 o'clock. After the opening prayers, delegates from the following branches responded to the roll call:

Ashley—St. John's.....	2
Drifton—St. James'.....	1
East Mauch Chunk—St. John's	2
Olyphant—St. George's.....	1
Scranton—St. Luke's.....	6
West Pittston—Trinity.....	2
Wilkes-Barre—St. Clement's..	1
Wilkes-Barre—St. Stephen's..	4

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The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as read, followed by the report of the money received dur-

ing the year for the different pledges.

The reports of the delegates present, telling of the different methods used in raising their money, brought forth many interesting and helpful facts about the plays given during the year by some of the branches.

The Christmas Boxes of 1914 were then discussed and an appeal made for the usual contributions.

Miss Bresee made a plea for Junior interest in the Babies' Branch, explaining its relation to the Junior Department and, gave a list of practical suggestions of ways in which the Juniors could help.

The hour for luncheon having arrived, the meeting then adjourned.

ELIZABETH DONNELLY.

THE BABIES' BRANCH

Twenty-four parish branches report this year a membership of 657 Little Helpers, besides a number of memorial boxes, and a total offering of \$203.13. The offering from each branch, with the exception of one dollar from each, was sent to General Missions, the total amount being 179.13. The assessments of one dollar from each branch made possible a gift of \$12 to the United Offering, \$1 to the Babies' Branch Font Fund, and \$2.64 to the Little Helpers' Cot, Raleigh, N. C., besides paying postage and printing expenses.

Three branches, St. James', Drifton; St. Mark's, Dunmore, and St. George's, Olyphant, reported this year for the first time. Three branches failed to report, three have been newly organized, viz: Grace Church,

Great Bend; St. Mark's, New Milford, and St. James', Pittston. Three branches have been necessarily dropped, making a total of thirty branches in the entire Diocese.

Sixteen branches report having held a service or meeting at which time the offerings of the Little Helpers were presented. This is an increase over last year, and a very encouraging one.

Two Parish Secretaries were present at the Annual Meeting in Scranton. Two additional conferences were held in connection with Archdeaconry meetings, in Green Ridge, Scranton and Bethlehem, with a total attendance of four Secretaries.

HELEN BRESEE,
Chairman.

May 27, 1913.

FIFTEENTH REPORT OF THE BABIES' BRANCH OF THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY IN THE DIOCESE OF BETHLEHEM.

RECEIPTS.

PARISH.	N. Little Helpers.	Offering.
Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem.....	87	\$ 16.62
Trinity Church, Bethlehem	15	7.08
St. Michael's, Birdsboro	8	3.71
Trinity Church, Carbondale	100	31.41
St. James', Drifton	20	12.12
St. Mark's, Dunmore	30	3.50
St. John's, East Mauch Chunk.....	43	16.15
Trinity Church, Easton	25	9.00
St. Peter's, Hazleton	6	5.41
St. Luke's Lebanon	24	9.18
All Saints' Shapel, Lehighton.....	24	10.00
St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk.....	48	9.83
St. George's, Nanticoke	20	6.70
St. George's, Olyphant	12	4.31
St. John's, Palmerton	21	10.71
Trinity Church, Pottsville	36	3.10
St. Barnabas, Reading	23	6.50
St. Luke's, Reading	17	4.00
St. Mary's, Reading	16	5.35
Church of the Redeemer, Sayre.....	27	7.14
Trinity Church, West Pittston	20	8.25
Calvary Church, Wilkes-Barre	4	2.68

PARISH.	N. Little Helpers.	Offering.
St. Stephen's Church, Wilkes-Barre.....	15	8.38
Grace Church, Allentown	8	1.00
Gift from Primary Dept. of Christ Church, Towanda.....		1.00
Totals	657	\$203.13
Received Since Last Report		
Balance, May 7, 1912.....		.44
Trinity Church, Carbondale		1.00
Trinity Church, Pottsville		2.63
St. Luke's Chapel, Reading.....		.80
Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem.....	1.55	6.42
		\$209.55

DISBURSEMENTS.

Through Mrs. Elizabeth K. Cleaver, Treasurer :	
July 8, 1912, General Missions.....	\$ 4.98
July 8, 1912, Font Fund.....	1.00
April 29, 1913, General Missions.....	170.09
April 29, 1913, United Offering.....	11.00
April 29, 1913, Babies' Branch Font.....	1.00
May 8, 1913, General Missions.....	9.04
May 8, 1913, United Offering.....	1.00
May 8, 1913, Little Helpers' Cot.....	2.64
May 8, 1913, Printing and Postage, 1911 and 1912.....	8.80
	209.55

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN BRESEE,
Secretary Babies' Branch.

SUMMARY.

ARCHDEACONRIES	Value of Boxes	Money	Total
Reading, Senior	\$2290.73	\$1891.59	\$4182.32
Reading, Junior	480.67	147.20	627.87
Reading, Babies' Branch.....		134.74	134.74
Scranton, Senior	1204.34	1543.36	2747.70
Scranton, Junior	261.29	142.70	403.99
Scranton, Babies' Branch.....		74.37	74.37
Totals	\$4237.03	\$3933.96	\$8170.99

MISSION STUDY

The Educational Secretary of the Board of Missions has asked that certain points with regard to the work be brought to the attention of the Auxiliary:

1. The new text-book for next year, "The Emergency in China," written by Dr. Pott, President of St. John's University, Shanghai, will be ready in June.

2. The Educational page of the Spirit of Missions will, in future, be incorporated in the body of the magazine and used as a means of communication between the secretary and those interested in the educational work. Read it.

3. Books ordered from the Educational Department cannot be sent "by return mail." Please allow plenty of time for your order to be filled, and please pay promptly for what you order.

4. At the General Convention in New York next October twenty normal classes for the training of leaders in the Bible, China, and methods of Auxiliary work, will be held. Application for membership in any of these classes, three of which will be for Junior leaders, should be made as soon as possible to Miss Grace Lindley, 281 Fourth Ave., New York.

6. In every parish let special efforts be made next year to reach those who are **not** interested in Missions. Too many study classes are made up of the faithful few who already care.

The report for the past year in the Diocese of Bethlehem is as follows:

A Missionary Institute for the Diocese was held in St. Stephen's Church, Wilkes-Barre, November 19th to 22nd, 1912. Twenty study and lecture classes for the Woman's Auxiliary with approximately 230 members, and 19 Junior classes, with 265 members were held during the year.

This is an advance upon the work done last year, but we cannot help feeling that the number is still far from adequate. What are the reasons?

Judging from reports received the parishes in this diocese may be classified in four groups, thus:

1. The parish actively hostile to Mission Study in any form.
2. The indifferent parish.
3. The parish that has no Mission Study because it has no leaders.
4. The parish satisfied with having had one class of six or eight members.

Let us take them in order and discuss the situation.

1. The actively hostile parish. I quote from one of the reports—"When you mention a study-class in our Auxiliary the ladies all rise up in arms and say 'no mission-study here'."

I wonder whether this is not actually the result of an entire misconception of what Mission Study is? Reduced to its last analysis, isn't Mission Study just a means of getting at the **facts** about the cause we are working for? The ladies who "rose up in arms" were probably sewing for a missionary box and didn't wish to be interrupted. Yet these same people would go to a meeting of the Civic Club and listen patiently to long reports of committees and plans for work to be undertaken, because they want to know what is being done by the organization and how they can work most intelligently for it. But is it not true that countless women are satisfied to be members of the Woman's Auxiliary without giving more than a passing thought to the **work** it actually stands for?

I am trying to face the situation just as it is—and to me, the most curious thing about the whole Woman's Auxiliary is that so many women are willing to give their money and hours of their time, but not one atom of their brains. Ask some woman in almost any sewing meeting of almost any Auxiliary branch, "where is this box to go?" and you will get some such answer as "I haven't the least idea," or "To some school somewhere," "No, I don't know whether they are white or colored children," "Well," you may be thinking, "what of it, so long as the box is filled and sent, isn't that the main thing?"

But is it the main thing? Does

the Woman's Auxiliary exist primarily for the purpose of sending boxes somewhere? Aren't we putting the cart before the horse? And isn't that perhaps the reason why the vehicle does not get on faster?

What do you suppose would happen if the Auxiliary in this diocese next year should not send one single box anywhere—**provided** the amount of time that is usually spent in preparing boxes should be entirely devoted to **learning** about our Father's business, and **how** He wants us to go about it? Suppose we should resolve to spend the entire year in finding out what is in the Bible about Missions, do you think the cause of Missions would be helped or hindered? Please think this out.

If I were the rector of a parish in which the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions said "No Mission Study here; we do not wish to know anything about the cause we represent," I believe I should refuse to let them send another box anywhere until they had had a course in Bible Study.

2. If the hostile parish needs to be converted, the indifferent parish needs to be aroused—and here again I do not know of any plan comparable to a study of the Bible. If people are indifferent to Missions it is because they do not see that Missions are the working out of the divine plan for the world, and that unless personally we are taking some active part in helping forward the Church's Mission we are actually hindering the carrying out of that divine plan.

And it may be quoted just here, that if the Bible is taught as it should be, China and Japan and Africa need not be taught at all, which simply means that the Bible includes them all. In its pages Sini and the Isles of the sea are waiting for His law. Ethiopia is stretching out her hands unto God.

On the other hand, Church history is but the continuation of "all that Jesus began both to do and teach," and Church history is being made today with great rapidity. But you cannot read the history of the Church in any land today, if you read it

aright, without having your thoughts turn again and again to the Bible. For today things are being fulfilled that were spoken by the prophets. Whole pages of the book of Isaiah might have been written about Japan. In "The Conquest of the Continent" as in the story of the Exodus, we see the hand of God directing the destiny of a nation; and can apply the words of Moses in the book of Deuteronomy almost literally to ourselves. So, if your parish is indifferent, search the Scriptures.

3. What can be done for the parish that wants to learn but has no leaders?

Here two suggestions may be made. First, try to find in the parish those who can be trained for leadership, second, to ask for leaders from some other parish.

Plans are being made to hold an Institute in Pottsville in November. The date will not be fixed until we know when the Bishop of Hankow can come to us. There will be daily instruction in the Bible as the Missionary Book, and there will be classes for training leaders in the study of China. Every parish ought to be represented at this Diocesan Institute. Send the very best qualified people you can find, but don't be afraid because you may think them poorly qualified. You and I would probably not have discovered St. Peter and St. Andrew among the fishermen of Galilee, but Jesus said unto them "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Perhaps we have too little faith in our neighbor as well as in ourselves.

If you cannot send some one to the Institute in Pottsville, ask for a leader from some parish near your own. A great deal might be done in the way of borrowing or exchanging leaders, I believe, with good results.

4. Finally we come to the parish that has had a Study Class! A Study Class of eight or ten. Shall we be satisfied with that in a parish of 50 or 100 or 200 women? If, however, those 8 or 10, through the medium of that study class, have caught the vision of the Kingdom of God they may become in their turn leaders of other groups, and centers of light and in-

fluence. That would be, perhaps, an adequate result to follow a study class in any parish.

Last summer the Empire of Japan mourned the death of Mutsuhito, the great ruler of the Era of Enlightened Peace. On the accession of his son began the Era of Great Righteousness, Tei Sei, which means "a union of ruler and ruled." Those of us who have been studying the fascinating history of that remarkable nation must count our time ill-spent unless that study has sent us to our knees in prayer that the Lord our Righteousness shall be enthroned in the hearts of His Japanese people, and that the Sunrise Kingdom may shortly come into union with the Kingdom of our Lord and His Christ.

And China! Wonderful things are happening in China today. Think of a Republic set up on the ruins of that ancient Empire and sending out its

call to us—Christians in America, for prayers to the God and Father of us all that the new government may be established on the best and surest foundations!

What are we going to do about China?

Is there a woman here who is going back to her parish feeling that it is not worth while to find out what is going on in China? Or are you going to send for the new text-book, "The Emergency in China," and read it and help some one else to read it, and talk about it and think about it?

Do we want to help China find her way into the Kingdom of God, or are we satisfied not to care or know whether she does or not?

Mission Study is just something to help us to know, and, go, about our Father's business. Will you not try to make it that this year?

ANNUAL MESSAGE AND REPORT OF THE UNITED OFFERING WORK

The following report is based on 34 parish reports which were sent to me in reply to 74 blank forms sent out to be filled in by the parishes and missions in the diocese, and is as complete as I can make it:

Number of parish United Offering treasurers	32
Number of blue boxes out last year in Archdeaconry of Reading	69
Number of blue boxes out last year in Archdeaconry of Scranton	271
Number of blue boxes out this year in Archdeaconry of Reading	299
Number of blue boxes out this year in Archdeaconry of Scranton	643
Gain in the Archdeaconry of Reading	230
Gain in the Archdeaconry of Scranton	372
Diocesan gain	602
Received for travelling expenses from the Archdeaconry of Reading.....	\$11.20
Received for travelling expenses, gift from Easton..	\$ 5.20
Total,	\$16.40

This year I have attended the Annual Meeting, three Archdeaconry meetings, and it has been my privilege to visit in person 25 parishes, and in many cases I have been able to present to Juniors the claim the United Offering has on them. I consider the way our Juniors are showing their understanding of the spirit and privilege of giving to missions in this way the most encouraging sign for future growth in United Offering work in the Diocese of Bethlehem.

1. What is the Blue box? It is a reminder, one of the reminders which the Board of Missions supplies to the Woman's Auxiliary for work among the women and girls of the Church.

2. What is the blue box to remind us of? Why am I given a blue box? Because I forgot. I know perfectly well that Christ's Kingdom was meant to grow until it should fill the

earth. I know that when I was baptized I was made a living part of that Kingdom, with the duty and privilege of helping it to grow. If I always remembered this, if we all did, there would be no need for reminders—no need for the Woman's Auxiliary. We would all be His faithful soldiers and servants unto our life's end.

3. Since we do forget, and since the blue box is an authorized reminder, what is the best way to get it into the hearts and homes of the women of the diocese? The most experienced and successful United Offering officers tell us that there must be in every parish one woman explaining and pushing forward United Offering work. What is every one's work is no one's work.

4. Our Aim. In United Offering work, as in every kind of work, there must be a definite aim, and the aim must be clearly understood by all and ever kept in sight. Our aim is to have every woman and girl in the diocese given a blue box and told how to use it.

5. The report shows that we have parish United Offering treasurers—32 of them. The report also shows that only 34 out of 74 parishes and missions in this diocese reported to me on United Offering work this year. With six exceptions the only parishes that reported were those in which there is a parish United Offering treasurer. We have 32 of these parish treasurers—we should have twice that number. Will you help? Will you, upon your return from this meeting, ask your Rector to appoint a United Offering treasurer if there is not one already in your parish? If you are not overburdened with office why not look out for the work yourself?

The Triennial.

On October 9th next, members of the Woman's Auxiliary are coming from all over the world to meet in the Cathedral of St. John the Divine in New York City. They come to

gether for worship, to plan for better service, and to offer a gift—a gift which has been gathering since the meeting in Cincinnati three years ago—a gift which represents the united thought, love and money of the women and girls of the Church.

"If only we could look out of the Cathedral and see what these gifts are to do! In the West and the South, in all parts of this land there will be women who are ministering to the sick, teaching the children, speaking hope and comfort to those who never knew or have forgotten that the King came long ago and is living and loving them now. To Alaska and the Islands of the sea other women will go on the same errands; to Japan, Africa and China they will take the message which will bring light into dark places. And all this can be done because of the united effort in the hearts of the women and girls of the Church."

The United Offering in This Diocese.

Our minds are already full of plans to make our diocesan part of the great United Offering a worthy part. As a diocese, three years ago, we gave the splendid sum of \$4307.39. What will it be this year? What the women and girls of the diocese make it. I would be a poor United Offering officer if I did not speak of

the possibility and privilege of making it larger, of the increased power of our gift with every added dollar, but there is no record to beat. Let us make the United Offering more clearly and more widely understood. We are thankful that this year there are 602 more blue boxes out than ever before; many of the holders of these boxes will know for the first time the joy and blessing of sharing in this gift. Let us work and pray for a larger "Gift" from this diocese in that it represents more givers and more devoted giving!

MARGARET LOUISE FARRAR.

Report of Church Periodical Club in the Diocese of Bethlehem.

Literature and last year's report of the Church Periodical Club have been sent to every Woman's Auxiliary branch in the Diocese, with the following result:

Number of Librarians.....	13
Current Periodicals sent.....	311
One year's St. Nicholas.	
Contributors	74
Boxes and Barrels, contents	
not noted	7
Old magazines and papers...345	
Christmas and Easter cards.. 55	
MRS. S. U. MITMAN,	
Diocesan Correspondent.	

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, PA., MAY 17th. 1913

ELIZABETH K. CLEAVER, Treasurer.

in Account With the

“Bethlehem” Branch of the Woman’s Auxiliary

For the period of May 17, 1912—May 17, 1913

DR.

	General Fund	Special Offerings	United Offering	Total
1912				
May 17, To Balance.	\$1038 50		\$ 1432 21	\$ 2470 71
" Collection at Annual Meeting held at Mauch Chunk.	30 23			30 23
Oct. 1, " Interest on Special Deposit of United			20 45	20 45
1913 Offering			35 98	35 98
April 1, "				
1912				
May 22, " Income Bishop Rulison Mem. Fund.		81 40		
1913				
Feb. 11, " " " " "		62 50		
May 17, " " " " "		81 40		225 30
Feb. 13, " Contributions by Juniors of Bethlehem				
Diocese.				
" " " " "	s -116 50			
to " " " " "	c3- 42 50			
" " " " "	i3- 10 00			
" " " " "	eS- 50 00			
" " " " "	g8- 52 00			
" " " " "	h8- 10 00			
May 12, " " " " "		281 00	55 00	336 00
NOTE—Specials received from the Juniors [except \$42.50 for Valle Crucis Scholar- ship] also listed under the several par- ishes.				
July 10, " Contributions by Babies' Branch.		ys- 2 00		
1912 to " " " " "		k3- 2 64		
May 10, " " " " "		s -184 11	188 75	12 00
1913				200 75
NOTE—Amounts received from the Babies' Branch also listed under the several parishes.				
SCRANTON ARCHEACONRY				
1912				
Oct. 26, To Collection at Archdeaconry meeting.			3 74	3 74
" Ashley, St. John's Church	5 00		7 00	12 00
" Athens, Trinity Church.	20 00		15 00	35 00
" Carbondale, Trinity Church.	27 00	LL 5 00	9 25	41 25
" " Babies' Branch.	s	31 41		31 41
" Dorrancetown, Grace Mission.	5 00		3 49	8 49
" Dunmore, St. Mark's Church.	8 00		13 50	21 50
" " Babies' Branch.	s	2 50		2 50
" " Juniors.	s	10 00		10 00
" Honesdale, Grace Church.	15 00	x 3 00	4 75	22 75
" Jermyn, St. James' "	5 00	y3 0 25	6 00	11 25
" Millford, Good Shepherd Church.	10 00	s 13 00	47 46	70 46
" Montrose, St. Paul's "	10 00		16 00	26 00
" Nanticoke, St. George's Babies' Branch	s	5 70		5 70
" Olyphant, " Church.	5 00		5 52	10 52
" " Babies' Branch.	s	3 31		3 31
" " Juniors.	s	7 00		7 00
" Pittston, St. James' Church.	5 00		4 30	9 30
" Plymouth, St. Peter's "	5 00			5 00
" Sayre, Redeemer "	20 00	y7 1 00	21 00	42 00
" " Babies' Branch.	s	6 14		6 14
" Scranton, Good Shepherd Church.	15 00	is- 1 00		93 96
" " " " "	is- 60 00	61 00		5 00
" " St. David's "	40 00	e8- 50 00	141 25	231 25
" " St. Luke's "	7 35	s 8 75	2 50	18 60
" Stroudsburg, Christ "	20 00	LL 30 00	20 00	70 00
" Towanda, " " Babies' Branch.	s	1 00		1 00

	General Fund	Special Offerings	United Offering	Total
To Troy, St. Paul's Church.....	\$ 10 00			10 00
" West Pittston, Trinity Church.....	25 00		\$ 46 50	71 50
" " " Juniors	s 8 00			8 00
" " " Babies' Branch	s 7 25			7 25
" Wilkes-Barre, Calvary Church	10 00		4 00	14 00
" " " Babies' Branch	s 1 68			1 68
" St. Clement's Church	8 00		\$ 67 30	75 30
" St. Stephen's	13 - 20 00			
" " "	k8 - 25 00			
" " "	yy - 50 00			
" " "	g8 - 50 00			
" " "	116 5	s - 100 00 245 00	241 87	603 37
" " " Babies' Branch	s 7 38			7 38
" " " Juniors	13 - 10 00			
" " "	s 32 00			32 00

READING ARCHDEACONY

1912				
Nov. 8, To Collection at Archdeaconry Meeting..	L8	22 51		22 51
1913				
Jan. 31, " " "	g8	20 61		20 61
" Allentown, Grace Church	2 50		9 18	11 68
" " " Juniors	s 1 50			1 50
" Bethlehem, Trinity Church	50 00		22 45	72 45
" " " Babies' Branch	s 6 08			6 08
" Birdsboro, St. Michael's Church	17 45		27 87	45 32
" " " Babies' Branch	s 2 71			2 71
" Catasauqua St. Stephen's Church			7 85	7 85
" " " Juniors	s 3 00			3 00
" Dritton, St. James' Church	m8- 1 00			
" " "	ns- 5 00			
" " "	os- 10 00			
" " "	ps- 10 00			
" " "	qs- 25 00			
" " "	139 50	rs- 25 00 76 00	216 29	431 79
" " " Juniors	hs- 10 00			
" " "	s 25 00			25 00
" " "	s 11 12			11 12
" Easton, Trinity Church	18 25	s 50 00	36 92	105 17
" " " Babies' Branch	s 8 00			8 00
" East Mauch Chunk, St. John's Church	12 00		6 61	18 61
" " " Juniors	s 25 00			25 00
" " " St. Agnes' Guild	4 00			4 00
" " " " Babies' Br.	s 15 15			15 15
" Frackville, Christ Church	8 55			8 55
" " " Juniors	s 1 00			1 00
" Hazleton, S. Peter's Church	15 25	ns 5 00	24 00	44 25
" " " Babies' Branch	s 4 41			4 41
" Lebanon, St. Luke's Church	10 25		19 35	29 60
" " " Babies' Branch	s 8 18			8 18
" Lehighton, All Saints' Church			16 10	16 10
" " " Juniors	s 3 00			3 00
" " " Babies' Branch	s 9 00			9 00
" " " Boys' Club	s 3 00			3 00
" Manc Chunk, St. Mark's Church	36 98		39 69	76 67
" " " Juniors	s 15 00			15 00
" " " Babies' Branch	s 8 83			8 83
" Morgantown, St. Thomas' Church	6 10			6 10
" Palmerton, St. John's Church	n8 1 00		6 00	7 00
" " " Babies' Branch	s 9 71			9 71
" Pottsville, Trinity Church	25 00		80 00	105 00
" " " Babies' Branch	s 3 73			3 73
" Reading, Christ Church	21 50		122 97	144 47
" " " Young Women's	es- 50 00			
" " "	gs- 52 00	102 00		102 00
" " " C. C. G.	cc- 10 00			
" " "	ff- 10 00			
" " "	qs- 10 00			
" " "	cs- 10 00	40 00		40 00
" " " St. Barnabas' Church	ts 50 00		11 12	61 12
" " " Juniors	s 5 0			5 00
" " " Babies' Branch	s 5 50			5 50
" " " St. Luke's Chapel	5 00		3 00	8 00
" " " Juniors	s 1 00			1 00
" " " Babies' Branch	s 3 80			3 80
" " " St. Mary's Chapel	2 00		22 15	24 25

	General Fund	Special Offerings	United Offering	Total
To Reading, St. Mary's Chapel, Babies' Br.	\$	s 4 35	\$	\$
" Shenandoah, All Saints' Church.....		is- 1 00		
" " " " "		ws- 1 00		
" " " " "		xs- 1 00		
" " " " "		ns- 1 00		
" " " " "		ss- 1 00		
" " " " "		hs- 1 00		
" " " " "		vs- 5 00		
" " " " "	4 00	nt- 5 00 16 00	3 50	23 50
" South Bethlehem, Nativity "		u7- 2 00		
" " " " "		ns- 5 00		
" " " " "		x7- 5 00		
" " " " "		LL- 50 00		
" " " " "		s -155 22		
" " " " "	117 00	217 22	104 40	438 62
" " " " Babies' Branch	s	17 17		17 17
" Tamaqua, Calvary Church.....			5 00	5 00
" White Haven, St. Paul's Church.....	4 80		5 19	9 99
	\$1965 71	\$1613 39	\$ 3048 77	\$ 6627 87

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	General Fund	Special Offerings	United Offering	Total
By payment as follows :				
GENERAL FUND .				
Annual Pledges				
Alaska—Bishop Rulison Memorial Fund.....	\$ 100 00	\$	\$	100 00
Arizona—Miss Thackara's Hospital.....	25 00			25 00
China—For Support of Mission Women.....	50 00			50 00
Cuba—For Bishop Knight	50 00			50 00
Georgia—For Bishop Nelson.....	50 00			50 00
Life Insurance Fund for Foreign Missionary	75 00			75 00
Pennsylvania—Jonestown Home	100 00			100 00
South Virginia—St. Paul's Industrial School, Lawrenceville	50 00			50 00
Appropriation				
General Missions	50 00			50 00
Expenses				
Helen Ely Troxell, trav'l expenses annual meeting	2 48			2 48
Elizabeth VonR. Sterling, " " "	1 70			1 70
Florence L. Coxe, " " "	11 00			11 00
Elizabeth Donnelly, " " " &c.....	22 00			22 00
Laura L. Ruddle, postage, stationery &c.....	6 49			6 49
The Bell Telephone Co. of Pa., acct. Mrs. Sterling	2 55			2 55
L. L. Rauch, printing annual report and envelopes	85 00			85 00
" " " circulars	1 75			1 75
Helen Ely Troxell, for expenses of Institute.....	25 00			25 00
Special Offerings				
Designated Offerings				
Cnba—Bishop Knight's Work		100 00		100 00
Georgia—Bishop Nelson's Work.....		50 00		50 00
South Dakota—Scholarship for Indian Girl, Rosebud, St. Mary's School.....		60 00		60 00
Southern Virginia—St. Paul's Industrial School, Lawrenceville.....		85 00		85 00
Alabama, Ensley—For Mrs. John Morrison		2 00		2 00
Alaska—For Bishop Rowe.....		10 00		10 00
Alaska, Fairbanks—Rev. Charles E. Betticher		50 00		50 00
Babies' Branch Font.....		2 00		2 00
Colorado, Longmont—Mrs. A. L. Gibson		1 00		1 00
Church Periodical Club		3 00		3 00
Cuba—For Rev. Dr. Steel's Work.....		22 51		22 51

	General Fund	Speciai Offerings	United Offering	Total
Georgia, Brunswick—For Mrs. W. H. Devoe		\$ 1 00	\$ 1 00	
Hawaiian Islands—For Bishop Restarick		10 00		10 00
Idaho, Moscow—For Rev. J. Watson		1 00		1 00
Julia C. Emery Fund		17 00		17 00
Kentucky, Corbin—For St. John's Mission		11 00		11 00
—For Scholarship for Rev. J. J. Bowker		25 00		25 00
—For Child deserted by relatives, now at St. John's Indus. Inst.		25 00		25 00
Kentucky, Louisa,—For Rev. Charles E. Crusoe		1 00		1 00
Mexico—For Bishop Aves		10 00		10 00
Missouri, Lamar—For Rev. James Senior		1 00		1 00
No. Carolina, Beaufort—For St. Paul's School		30 00		30 00
“ “ Hamlet—For New Church, Mrs. C. B. Lewis		2 00		2 00
“ “ —For Cashiers Valley Mission		25 00		25 00
“ “ Valle Crucis—For Valle Crucis Scholarship		52 50		52 50
“ “ Raleigh—For Little Helper's Cot		2 64		2 64
Pennsylvania—For Bishop Rulison Mem'l Fund		225 30		225 30
“ —For Educational Secretary's Work		5 00		5 00
“ Easton—Rev. Mr. Rocca, Italian Mission'y		5 00		5 00
“ Jonestown—For Church Home		0 25		0 25
So. Dakota, Sioux Falls—Bish. Biller's new laundry		10 00		10 00
Tennessee, Sewanee—For Rev. S. C. Hughson		5 00		5 00
“ “ —For Rev. Stewart Tyson		10 00		10 00
Wyoming—For buildings for Arapahoe Indians, Wind River Reservation		122 61		122 61
General Missions		630 58		630 58
	\$ 707 97	\$1613 39	\$ 2321 36	

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

s—General Missions.
 cc—For Bishop Restarick.
 LL—St. Paul's Industrial School, Lawrenceville.
 13—St. Paul's School, Beaufort, North Carolina.
 k3—Little Helper's Cot, Raleigh, North Carolina.
 n7—Rev. S. C. Hughson, Sewanee, Tennessee
 v7—Rev. James Senior, Lamar, Mo.
 e8—Bishop Knight's Work in Cuba.
 h8—St. John Mission, Corbin, Ky.
 i8—New Church at Hamlet, N. C., Mrs. C. B. Lewis
 k8—Child Desereted by Relatives, now at St. John's Industrial Institute, Corbin, Ky.
 o8—Rev. Stewart Tyson, Sewanee, Tenn.
 q8—Cashier Valley Mission.
 e8—Mrs. W. H. Devoe, Brunswick, Ga.
 l8—Rev. Chas. Betticher, Fairbanks, Alaska,
 w8—Rev. J. Watson, Moscow, Idaho.
 8—Babies' Branch Font.
 x8—Church Perforical Club.
 ff—For Bishop Rowe.
 yy—For Bishop Nelson's work, Atlanta, Ga.
 c3—For Valle Crucis Scholarship.
 q3—For Bishop Aves.
 y3—Church Home, Jonestown, Pa.
 u7—Fo. Mrs. John Morrison, Ensley, Ala.
 x7—For Educational Secretary's Work.
 g8—For Buildings for Arapahoe Indians, Wind River Reservation.
 j8—For Scholarship for Indian Girl, St. Mary's School, Rosebud, So. Dakota.
 ls—For Rev. Dr. Steel's Work in Cuba.
 m8—For Mrs. A. L. Gibson, Longmont, Colorado.
 n8—For Julia C. Emery Fund.
 p8—For Bishop Biller's New Laundry, Sioux Falls, South Dakota.
 r8—For Scholarship for Rev. J. J. Bowker, Corbin, Ky.
 v5—For Rev. Mr. Rocca, Easton, Pa.
 x8—For Rev. Chas. E. Crusoe, Louisa, Ky.

Treasurer's Statement
For Period May 17, 1912, to May 17, 1913.

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To Balance, General Fund	\$1,038 50	
“ “ United Offering	1,432 21	\$2,470 71
“ Collection at Annual Meeting in Mauch Chunk	30 23	
“ Interest on Special Deposit of United Offering	.....	56 43	
“ Income, Bishop Rulison Memorial Fund	.....	225 30	
“ Contributions by Juniors of Bethlehem Diocese	.....	97 50	
“ Contributions by Babies' Branch	.....	16 64	\$2,896 81

Scranton Archdeaconry

To General Fund	.....	396 85	
“ Special Offerings	.....	540 37	
“ United Offering	.....	703 39	\$1,640 61

Reading Archdeaconry

To General Fund	500 13	
“ Special Offerings	800 58	
“ United Offering	789 74	\$2,090 45
			\$6,627 87

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By Payments as Follows:

General Fund:			
Annual Pledges	\$ 500 00	
Appropriation	50 00	
Expenses	.....	157 97	\$ 707 97
Special Offerings	.....		1,613 89
			\$ 2,321 36
May 17, 1913, Bank Balance	.....	4,306 51	\$6,627 87

General Fund

Balance, May 17, 1912	.....	\$1,038 50	
Receipts, May 17, 1912, to May 17, 1913	.....	927 21	\$1,965 71
Payments, May 17, 1912, to May 17, 1913	.....	707 97	
Balance in General Fund, May 17, 1913	.....		\$1,257 74

Special Offerings

Receipts, May 17, 1912, to May 17, 1913	.....	\$1,613 89	
Payments, May 17, 1912, to May 17, 1913	.....		1,613 39

United Offering

Balance, May 17, 1912	.....	\$1,432 21	
Receipts, May 17, 1912, to May 17, 1913	.....	1,616 66	
Payments, May 17, 1912, to May 17, 1913	.....		\$3,048 77
Balance in United Offering, May 17, 1913	.....		\$4,306 51
May 17, 1913, Bank Balance	.....	

PARISHES ENTERTAINING AUXILIARY

The following is a list of those parishes that have entertained the Woman's Auxiliary since the year 1905, and of those that may find it possible to entertain it for the ensuing seven years, according to the schedule prepared by the committee.

- 1905—South Bethlehem.
- 1906—Pottsville.
- 1907—Reading.
- 1908—Wilkes-Barre.
- 1909—Carbondale.
- 1910—South Bethlehem.
- 1911—Lebanon.
- 1912—Mauch Chunk.
- 1913—Scranton.
- 1914—Reading.
- 1915—Easton.
- 1916—Pottsville.
- 1917—Wilkes-Barre.
- 1918—West Pittston.
- 1919—Towanda.
- 1920—Carbondale.

NAMES OF PARISH SECRETARIES OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

Archdeaconry of Reading.

Allentown—Mrs. Peter Leisenring, 1516 Turner St.
 Bethlehem—Mrs. Charles E. Sayre, Eagle Hotel.
 Birdsboro—Mrs. G. Walter Focht.
 Catasauqua—Mrs. James B. May.
 Drifton—Mrs. R. J. Wyatt.
 Easton—Mrs. J. K. Smith, 134 Parker Avenue.
 Emmaus—Mrs. George Castor.
 East Mauch Chunk—Miss C. A. Blakslee.
 Frackville—Mrs. C. S. Sanner.
 Hazleton—Mrs. John Sharpless, 26 W. Spring St.
 Lebanon—Mrs. John Walters, 8th and Church Sts.
 Lehighton—Mrs. A. A. Bressee.
 Mauch Chunk—Mrs. Asa P. Blakslee.
 Morgantown—Mrs. J. E. Plank.
 Palmerton—Mrs. P. C. Bittner.
 Pottsville—Mrs. Laurine Shoener, 603 W. Market St.
 Reading (St. Mary's)—Mrs. John Painter, 114 W. Windsor St.
 Reading (Christ Church)—Mrs. S. T. Addison, 25 S. Fifth St.
 Reading (St. Luke's)—Mrs. J. S. Newman, 826 North 12th St.
 Reading (St. Barnabas')—Mrs. W. Bertolot, 137 Windsor St.
 Shenandoah—Mrs. J. Reeves, 413 W. Coal St.
 Tamaqua—Miss Agnes Stidfole.
 South Bethlehem—Mrs. Guy Johnson, 510 Delaware Avenue.
 White Haven—Mrs. D. H. Krumanocker.

Archdeaconry of Scranton.

Ashley—Mrs. J. M. Rudrauff.
 Athens—Mrs. J. K. Park, 707 South Main St.

Carbondale—Mrs. R. H. Reynolds, 45 Wyoming St.
 Dorranceton—Mrs. E. W. Apenshaw, 441 North Maple Ave., Kingston.
 Dunmore—Mrs. Fred Hartley, 127 Brook St.
 Forest City—Mrs. Murray, care Mrs. Emma Jones.
 Honesdale—Mrs. H. L. Menner.
 Indian Orchard—Miss Cora Wicks.
 Jermyn—Mrs. L. A. Green.
 Milford—Miss Louie Palmer.
 Montrose—Miss M. C. Miller, 16 Drinker St.
 Olyphant—Miss Jennie Voyle.
 Plymouth—Mrs. J. H. Griffith, 22 Academy St.
 Pittston—Miss Mary Sweeney, 53 Nafus St.
 Scranton (St. Luke's)—Mrs. H. W. Kingsbury 541 Monroe Avenue.
 Scranton (Church of the Good Shepherd)—Mrs. R. A. Spalding, 2230 Capousse Avenue.
 Scranton (St. David's)—Mrs. J. J. Renshaw, 722 South Main St.
 Scranton (St. Margaret's)—Miss Francis, 1710 South Webster Ave.
 Sayre—Mrs. H. L. Belich, 414 So. Elmer Ave.
 Stroudsburg—Mrs. A. Englehart, 211 S. Crystal St., E. Stroudsburg.
 Susquehanna—Mrs. J. E. Hough, 407 Pleasant Ave.
 Towanda—Mrs. F. H. Hagerman.
 Troy—Mrs. Emma Backer.
 West Pittston—Mrs. E. R. Troxell, 232 Wyoming Ave.
 Wilkes-Barre (St. Stephen's)—Mrs. F. Douglass, 79 W. Northampton St.
 Wilkes-Barre (St. Clement's)—Mrs. D. L. Landmesser, 116 S. Clement St.
 Wilkes-Barre (Calvary Church)—Mrs. L. C. Jones, 70 Wyoming St.
 Alden—Mrs. William Warne.
 White Mills—Mrs. Gutheil.

CONSTITUTION

of the Bethlehem Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions

ARTICLE I.

The name of this Society is the Bethlehem Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Society is to diffuse knowledge of the Missionary work of the whole Church among all people in the Diocese; to increase their interest and activity in that work; to encourage the formation of branches of this Society in every Parish and Mission of the Diocese; and, by means of united and systematic effort, to promote the work of Church extension.

ARTICLE III.

The Church is the Missionary Society. Every Baptized person is a member of this Society; therefore all baptized women who aid the Missionary work of the Church by their prayers, work or offerings are recognized as actual members of the Woman's Auxiliary.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a treasurer, a United Offering Treasurer, an Organizing Secretary for each Archdeaconry of the Diocese, and an Educational Secretary. Other officers may be chosen at the discretion of the Society.

1. These officers (except the Organizing Secretaries and the Educational Secretary who shall be appointed by the Bishop) shall be elected by ballot at the Annual Meeting of this Society.

2. A Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President two months previous to the Annual Meeting whose duty it shall be to prepare a ticket containing, if possible, the names of two candidates for each office.

3. A Treasurer of the United Offering shall be elected once every three years, at the May Meeting in the same year as the Triennial Meeting

of the Woman's Auxiliary. Her election shall take effect November 1st of that year, and she shall hold office until her successor is elected.

4. The Chairman of the Junior Auxiliary and the Chairman of the Babies' Branch shall be appointed by the President and approved by the Bishop.

5. The above officers shall constitute a Board of Managers to which the affairs of the Bethlehem Branch shall be entrusted.

ARTICLE V.

The duties of the President are to call all meetings, to preside at them, and to have the general oversight and direction of the work of this Society.

ARTICLE VI.

The duties of the Vice-President are to assist the President, and in her absence, to preside at all meetings of the Society.

ARTICLE VII.

The duties of the Secretary are to prepare a report of the work of the Society for its Annual Meeting; to keep the minutes of all its meetings; to have charge of the printing of its reports and other documents, and to conduct such correspondence with the parent Society and other branches as the President may direct and approve.

ARTICLE VIII.

The duties of the Treasurer are to receive all monies of the Society, to keep a full and accurate record of all receipts and disbursements, and to present to the Society at the Annual Meeting a full report of the same. She shall pay out money only by the direction of this Society, or its Board of Managers, except such sums as may be received for definite purposes. All money received for purposes outside the Diocese shall be forwarded to the Treasurer of the General Board of Missions.

1. The duties of the United Offer-

ing Treasurer are to increase and deepen interest in the United Offering, to receive all money for this offering through the Organizing Secretaries and the Junior Board and with the advice of the Board of Managers to place this money at interest until it is presented at the next Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary.

ARTICLE IX.

The duties of the Organizing Secretaries are to form new parish branches in their Archdeaconries, to stimulate the Missionary spirit and to increase intelligent interest in the Missionary work of the Church. They are authorized to hold meetings within their Archdeaconries and are free to conduct their work under the general approval of the President of the Society and the Bishop of the Diocese.

1. They shall receive from the parish branches reports of all work done by them and all monies contributed by them or thru them and give a receipt for the same.

2. Each Organizing Secretary shall send to the Treasurer of the Society all monies, except the United Offering, received from its branches immediately on receipt of the same, together with a detailed account designating the source from which, and the object for which they were received.

3. The Organizing Secretaries shall

make an annual report to the Secretary of the Auxiliary of the work done in their Archdeaconries, the same to be printed in the Annual Report of the Diocesan Branch.

ARTICLE X.

At each Annual Meeting the President shall appoint a committee of two persons whose duty it shall be to audit the accounts of the Treasurer, and the United Offering Treasurer.

ARTICLE XI.

Before May 1st of each year each Parish Branch shall send to the Organizing Secretary of its Archdeaconry all monies contributed for the Society, and also reports of all work done, including the furnishing of boxes for Missionaries.

ARTICLE XII.

There shall be one general meeting of the Society in May of each year at such time as may be designated by the Bishop.

ARTICLE XIII.

Special meetings of this Society may be called by the President at the request of the Board of Managers or of four parish branches.

ARTICLE XIV.

This Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the members of the Society present at any Annual Meeting.

