

Thirty-second Annual Report
OF THE
Bethlehem Branch
OF THE
Woman's Auxiliary
TO THE
Board of Missions

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**PRAYER FOR THE AUXILIARY
BRANCHES.**

O Lord, our Heavenly Father, by Whose Spirit we are taught knowledge, and Who givest wisdom to all that ask Thee, grant Thy blessing, we beseech Thee, to this branch of the Woman's Auxilliary, serving Thee in this Parish (or Diocese). Mercifully assist us in the work which Thou hast given us to do. Enable us to labor diligently and faithfully, not with eyeservice, but in singleness of heart, remembering that without Thee we can do nothing, but that trusting in Thy strength we shall prevail. May we set Thy Holy Will ever before us, and do that which is well pleasing in Thy sight. Of Thy great goodness unite us in unity of spirit and the bond of peace. Pour into our hearts Thy most excellent gift of charity, and we pray Thee to hasten the coming of Thy Kingdom that all the earth may be full of the knowledge of the Lord as the waters cover the sea. Hear us, O gracious Father, in these our humble supplications, for the sake of Thy Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

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MINUTES

OF THE

ANNUAL MEETING OF 1914

The thirty-second annual meeting of the Bethlehem Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held in the parish house of Christ Church, Reading, Pa., May 29, 1914. After the opening prayer and

remarks by the Bishop, the president, Mrs. Cox, took the chair and read her address.

Roll call was made by the Secretary, and responses were received as follows:

Allentown, Grace Church.....	3
Bethlehem, Trinity Church.....	1
Birdsboro, St. Michael's.....	6
Drifton, St. James'.....	6
East Mauch Chunk, St. John's.....	6
Lansford, Trinity Church.....	1
Pottsville, Trinity Church.....	11
Reading, Christ Church.....	26
Reading, St. Barnabas'.....	2
Reading, St. Mary's.....	12
Sayre, Church of the Redeemer.....	2
Scranton, Church of the Good Shepherd.....	2
Scranton, St. Luke's.....	3
South Bethlehem, Church of the Nativity.....	2
Stroudsburg, Christ Church.....	1
West Pittston, Trinity Church.....	2
Wilkes-Barre, St. Clement's.....	1
Wilkes-Barre, St. Stephen's.....	5

making a total of ninety-two delegates from eighteen parishes.

The minutes of the last meeting were dispensed with, as they are printed in the annual report.

The reports of the Secretary and Treasurer were followed by those of the Organizing Secretaries and the Vice President.

The resignation of the Vice President was read by the Secretary and accepted with regret.

The U. O. Treasurer, before making her report, urged more intercourse between the Wo. Aux. and the G. F. S.

These two societies need each others' help, and there should be more intimate relations between them.

The Educational Secretary presented her report, and urged the parish branches of the Auxiliary to send delegates to the Missionary Institutes held at Silver Bay, and at various places in our own diocese.

The Nominating Committee made their report, and presented the names of the candidates to be voted for at the afternoon session.

A letter was read from Miss Emery about the Provincial System, and the By-Laws suggested by Bishop Lloyd for such an organization followed.

Adjournment was here made for luncheon; and the meeting was called to order again at 2.30, the Rev. H. P. Walter taking the chair until after the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

For President, Mrs. D. W. Cox; for Vice President, Mrs. Harvey P. Walter; for Treasurer, Mrs. R. P. Linderman; for Secretary, Miss L. L. Ruddle.

The President announced the death of Mrs. Rowe, Wife of Bishop Rowe, of Alaska, and appointed Mrs. Jones and Mrs. Lathrop a committee to send messages of sympathy to Bishop Rowe.

Mrs. Hildebrand spoke of the Church League of the Baptized. Mrs. B. B. Koons, 124 Varney St., Wilkes-Barre, is in charge of this work in the diocese, and invites correspondence.

The reports of the Junior Chairman and of the Chairman of the Little Helpers followed.

Discussion of the Provincial System was resumed, and it was finally decided to join in the organization.

A suggestion was made to introduce the use of the Duplex Envelopes in the place of the General Fund Envelopes; the offerings on one side for Current Expenses of the Diocesan Branch of the Auxiliary, and the other for General Missions.

After discussion the motion was carried.

Mrs. Jones, of Wilkes-Barre, moved that \$400.00 be sent to General Missions, to help complete the Diocesan Apportionment. Motion carried unanimously.

Miss Farrer presented the following

"It is proposed to use the sum of \$100.00, which has been given annually to the Bishop Rulison Scholarship in Alaska, to establish an emergency fund to further the educational work of the Auxiliary in the Diocese of Bethlehem; inasmuch as there is now no such scholarship in Alaska."

After discussion the proposition was accepted.

Miss M. C. Hill, of Pottsville, who is the editor of the Woman's Auxiliary page in the "Bethlehem Churchman," requested that one person in each parish branch be appointed to report news to her.

Mrs. Fields, of St. Peter's Church St. Louis, Mo., was introduced to the meeting, and brought greetings from her diocese.

A rising vote of thanks was given to the rector and ladies of Christ Church for their delightful hospitality, and the meeting adjourned.

LAURA L. RUDDLE,
Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

The knowledge and inspiration gained in the Study Classes, Conferences and Missionary Meetings, held during the Triennial in New York last October, has had its effect upon our year's work. Many Auxiliary women from this Diocese attended these meetings and returned bringing renewed enthusiasm for their work, and the reconsecration of their lives to the Master's service.

The Mission Study Classes which a number of our women attended during the Triennial and the third Mission Study Institute of our own Diocese, which was held in Pottsville last November, have resulted in the work of Missions being more thoroughly taught throughout the diocese than ever before. This Institute was attended by a number of young women from other Christian bodies.

Several changes have taken place among our staff of officers. The resignation of our Educational Secretary, Miss Helen E. Troxell, who served our diocese with great devotion and faithfulness for many years, first as directress of the Little Helpers and then as Educational Secretary, was regretfully accepted. We hope that Miss Troxell's present work in Philadelphia, as well as the change of climate, may enable her some day to return to the Diocese of Bethlehem with renewed health and enlarged experience. We consider the diocese very fortunate in the appointment of Miss Laura Boyer, of Pottsville, as our present Educational Secretary. She has been for some time a very enthusiastic leader in the Sunday School missionary work of this diocese and comes to the Auxiliary work thoroughly prepared and ready to lead us to greater and better things. I bespeak for her your hearty co-operation in all her efforts for the advancement of missionary study.

We regret exceedingly the resignation of our vice president, Mrs. John Nelson, who took up, with so much enthusiasm, the work among the young women of the diocese, over whom she had a wonderful influence.

Mrs. S. U. Mitman, who for two

years has been the correspondent of the Church Periodical Club, has also resigned. She has endeavored faithfully to increase the interest of the Auxiliary branches in this important work and we regret that she feels compelled to give it up.

For several years we have been trying to secure Auxiliary women who would be willing to visit other parishes, giving talks on special missionary topics. This winter the experiment was tried in the Scranton Archdeaconry and has proved a great success, not only as an inspiration to the parish branches, but also to the women who have given their services so willingly. Many of the clergy of this Archdeaconry have allowed the Organizing Secretary to speak at one of their services during Lent, using the address time for a general talk on "Mission Work in the Church." The result of all this has been that the membership of the Auxiliary has nearly doubled.

The report of the Diocesan Secretary to the "Spirit of Missions" shows aggressive work done during the past year. She is trying to have a secretary for this splendid magazine, appointed in every Auxiliary branch, and I hope you will co-operate with her, for the more copies there are of the "Spirit of Missions" in a parish the stronger your Auxiliary branch will be.

During those wonderful conferences held last fall in St. Michael's Parish House, N. Y., much was said about the Auxiliary having a special day for intercession and corporate communion. The first Sunday in November was selected by the Bethlehem Branch last year for this purpose, and I hope will be observed by every parish branch.

The Junior work is being conducted along the lines adopted at the Triennial. Sec. 1. The Little Helpers is steadily growing under the enthusiastic management of Miss Bresee and we hope there will soon be a branch in every parish and mission in the Diocese.

The work in Section 2 has been

rather crippled this year on account of the illness of the chairman and our not being able to find a young woman in the Scranton Archdeaconry willing and able to give herself to this work.

Section 3, or the work among the young women, has been well started and we hope another year will find many more branches formed and looking forward to entering Section B of the Woman's Auxiliary in 1916.

Our Junior Auxiliary should be fully organized with Chairman, two Vice Chairmen, Secretary and Treasurer, but as yet we have not been able to find young women willing to fill these positions.

Every year makes us realize more and more the need of consecrated women for our diocesan work. There is a crying need for young women willing to give time and self to the spread of the Kingdom. Our diocesan work cannot become the power for good that it ought until we can have a strong force of young women at work—working with heart and soul to obey the Master's command. If only every parish could and would influence one young woman to go to Silver Bay this summer, just think what a power she would be in our work next winter.

We have seen what a wonderful influence these conferences have on the lives of those who attend them, and what an inspiration is brought back by them to the work in our diocese. So I plead with you not to give this just a passing thought, but that every delegate here will bring this matter before her parish branch that they may all work to influence one or more young women to attend these conferences at Silver Bay.

At our request Bishop Talbot has given us a fixed date for our annual meeting—the first Tuesday and Wednesday in May. The Bishop has also put forth a prayer for the use of all

our Auxiliary branches. This prayer will be published in the Annual Report for regular use at all parish meetings.

As we bring to a close another year's work we wish to thank the officers of the Bethlehem Branch for their hearty co-operation. Their reports show only in part how much time, thought and labor they have put into the missionary work of the Church. The Woman's Auxiliary was organized by the Board of General Missions to be their assistant or helper in carrying on the missionary work of the church at home and abroad; in other words, the missionary field is the world. Therefore the motive underlying the work of the Woman's Auxiliary must be the same as that back of the Board of Missions—namely, to obey the King's command: "Go ye and make disciples of all nations." You see we have no choice; it is a command, but like all of God's commands it is also a privilege and an honor. We are a part of the Board of Missions and the word missions in the Church and in the Auxiliary means sharing with others the privilege of our Christian faith. Thus the motive of our Auxiliary work is based on our baptismal vow, which, when renewed in confirmation, adds prayer for the gift of the Holy Spirit, and it is the sense and power of the Holy Spirit in our lives and hearts which make us realize our duty to God and our duty to our fellowman.

If we realize our Christian calling we must of necessity do missionary work.

Let us as Auxiliary women of the Bethlehem Diocese pray for greater spiritual life and strength in our parish branches, that we may be ready in body and spirit for His further service.

FLORENCE L. COXE.

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with many regrets that I give up my work among the younger women. I feel sorry that more has not been accomplished this past year, and sorry that I shall not be the one privileged to work with the splendid young women of the diocese this coming winter.

Two Younger Women's branches of the Woman's Auxiliary have been organized since I have been Vice President, one at St. Mark's Church, Mauch Chunk, a fine set of young women who will be a great help to the Woman's Auxiliary in the future, and the other branch at St. Stephen's Church, Wilkes-Barre, which has been organized from the St. Elizabeth's Guild of that parish—both splendid missionary bodies.

At the Autumn meeting of the Reading Archdeaconry, held in South Bethlehem, I told of this work, of interesting our younger women in Missions, and also at the Winter meeting of the Reading Archdeaconry at East Mauch Chunk. In January, at the Winter meeting of the Scranton Archdeaconry at Wilkes-Barre, I again told of Miss Emery's plan for forming branches No. 2 of the Woman's Auxiliary, and preparing the older girls to become members of the Woman's Auxiliary when they become old enough, so I trust there will be many girls anxious to be organized into No. 2 branches by my successor in this joyful work.

Respectfully,
ELLEN M'ILVAINE NELSON.

READING ARCHDEACONRY

As Organizing Secretary of the Reading Archdeaconry, I submit my report for the year's work.

During the first year, while gathering the reins in my hands and gaining some knowledge of the different parishes, it has been a great assistance to have the books of the former Secretary to refer to, and to follow her methods of keeping the records. I want to express to all the Parish Auxiliary leaders, my gratitude for their support and their efforts to respond to the calls and notices sent out during the year.

The response to the request for donations to meet pledges made by the Auxiliary has been most generous.

Each year brings a gratifying advance in the work of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese, and this year has been no exception to the rule.

There have been fifteen boxes sent to clergymen and twenty-two to missions and schools. Thirty-seven boxes in all, valued at \$2,480.61, an advance of eight boxes over those sent last year, and of about \$190.00 in value over last year's report.

The United Offering of the Reading Archdeaconry, presented in New York last October, amounted to \$1,164.54, an advance of \$374.78.

The General Fund amounts to \$426.05, a falling off of less than \$50.00, notwithstanding the fact that several of the parishes now using duplex envelopes are sending in smaller donations to this diocesan fund owing to the widespread giving to General Missions.

Five new Auxiliaries have been formed during the year, two of these being at Eckley and at Lansford. The other three are new branches formed in the parishes of the Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem; Grace Church, Allentown, and Trinity Church, Bethlehem.

The Fall meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the Pro-Cathedral, South Bethlehem, on October 28th, 1913. Holy Communion was celebrated by the Dean, the Rev. F. W. Beekman. At the business meeting

immediately following this service, one hundred and two delegates were present, sixteen parishes being represented.

Reports were read by Miss Farrar concerning the United Offering. By Mrs. Nelson, the Vice President, who offered her services to any parish interested in forming new branches of the Auxiliary of the younger women.

Miss Ruddie, on behalf of Mrs. Coxe, reported that appeals for financial assistance had been received from St. Mary's School, Shanghai, and from St. Luke's Hospital, Japan.

Mrs. Coxe asked the help of the parishes in raising \$175.00 for each object, to meet the pledge made by the diocese.

After reports by Miss Donnelly of the Junior Auxiliary work and by Miss Bresee, of the Little Helpers, Mrs. Ware, of Drifton, gave a most interesting account of the Triennial Convention in New York, dwelling particularly on the part taken by the Women's Auxiliary. Bishop Talbot then took the chair and introduced the speakers of the afternoon, Bishop Tucker, of Japan, and Bishop Spaulding, of Utah.

The Winter meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Reading Archdeaconry was held in St. John's Church, East Mauch Chunk, on January 21st, 1914.

Holy Communion was celebrated at 10.30, Bishop Talbot being assisted by the rector of the parish and by Archdeacon Bresee. The business meeting began at 12.15, with prayers by the Rev. Mr. Durell, after which the meeting was called to order, the Organizing Secretary in the chair.

The President of the Auxiliary, Mrs. Coxe, gave an interesting address. She urged the further study of Missions and of the year's subject, China.

The Organizing Secretary, in her address, asked for invitations from parishes who would welcome the Auxiliary. With only two meetings a year this should not be a difficult problem. The suggestion was met

by cordial invitations from the parishes of St. James, Drifton, and Grace Church, Allentown.

After a delightful luncheon the business meeting was resumed at 2.15. Mrs. Ware led a discussion on the different methods of collecting money or articles for missionary boxes. Reports were made by Mrs. Nelson and by Miss Bresee for the Junior branches and the Little Helpers.

The rector introduced the speaker of the afternoon, Archdeacon Russell, of St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville, Va.

The year's report follows:

United Offering.....\$1,164.54

Speaker's Fund.....	15.00
General Fund.....	426.05
General Missions.....	90.00
Offerings at Archdeaconry Meetings.....	45.40
General Fund Pledges.....	125.00
Diocesan Missions.....	53.68
Specials	256.85
Value of Boxes.....	2,565.87
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	\$4,742.39
Periodicals	13.35

\$4,729.04

Respectfully submitted,
EDITH W. JOHNSON,
Organizing Secretary.

PARISH REPORTS.

Trinity Church, Bethlehem.

Apportionment	\$ 30.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai.....	15.00
General Fund	20.00
Box to Diocesan Clergyman.....	300.00
Box to St. Augustine's School, Raleigh, N. C.....	45.00
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	\$410.00

St. Michael's, Birdsboro.

General Fund	\$ 16.21
Jonestown Home	111.25
Box to Ivy Depot, Ia.....	13.30
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	\$140.75

St. Stephen's, Catasauqua.

United Offering	\$ 2.50
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St. James', Drifton.

Cashier Valley Mission.....	\$ 25.00
St. Andrew's School, Sewanee.....	2.00
Rev. S. Tyson, Sewanee.....	15.00
Speakers' Fund.....	1.00
St. Clement's Guild, California.....	1.00
Mission in Lexington, Ky.....	2.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai.....	5.00
St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo.....	25.00
United Offering	225.00
General Fund	125.00
Box to St. Augustine's School, Raleigh, N. C.....	98.59
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	\$623.18

St. John's, East Mauch Chunk.

United Offering	\$ 20.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai.....	5.00
St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo.....	5.00
General Fund	12.40
Speakers' Fund	1.00
Box to Indian Catechist.....	104.13
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	\$147.53

**St. John's, East Mauch Chunk.
St. Agnes' Guild.**

Box to Indian Catechist.....\$ 25.00

Trinity Church, Easton.

St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo.....\$ 10.00
 United Offering 40.04
 Apportionment 60.00
 General Fund 13.25
 Box to Diocesan Missionary..... 55.00
 Box to Diocesan Clergyman..... 10.52
 Box to Fairbanks, Alaska, for Hospital Sale..... 40.00
 Box to Jonestown Home..... 13.70

\$242.51

Christ Church, Frackville.

St. Mary's School, Shanghai.....\$ 1.00
 Envelope Fund 5.50
 United Offering 8.06
 Speakers' Fund 1.00

\$ 15.56

St. Peter's Church, Hazleton.

United Offering\$ 27.00
 General Fund 25.00
 Jonestown Home 15.00
 St. Augustine's School, Raleigh, N. C..... 40.00

\$107.00

Trinity Church, Lansford.

Box to Alaska.....\$ 18.00

St. Luke's, Lebanon.

St. Mary's School, Shanghai.....\$ 3.00
 United Offering 165.11
 General Fund 14.50
 Speakers' Fund 1.00
 Box to Sewanee, Tennessee..... 118.00

301.61

All Saints', Lehighton.

Box to Indian Catechist.....\$ 48.51

St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk.

St. Andrew's School, Sewanee.....\$ 1.00
 St. Mary's School, Shanghai..... 10.00
 St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo..... 10.00
 United Offering 200.00
 General Fund 19.80
 Box to Chena, Alaska..... 510.00

\$749.80

**St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk.
Young Woman's Auxiliary.**

General Fund\$ 10.00
 Box to Sherwood, Tennessee..... 50.00

\$60.00

Trinity Church, Pottsville.

United Offering	\$ 100.00
General Fund	25.00
Speakers' Fund	1.00
Italian Missionary	7.50
Bishop Aves, Mexico.....	7.50
Box to Missionary in South Carolina.....	352.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai.....	10.00
St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo.....	10.00
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	\$885.00

St. Mary's, Reading.

United Offering	\$ 26.25
Box to Jonestown	50.00
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	\$ 76.25

Christ Church, Reading.

Mission in Lydia, Va.....	\$ 54.00
Box to Diocesan Clergyman.....	86.82
Box to Fairbanks, Alaska, for Hospital Fair.....	41.85
Christmas box—North Carolina.....	3.50
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	\$186.17

Christ Church, Reading.**Young Woman's Auxiliary.**

Domestic Missions	\$ 48.68
Bishop Knight's work in Cuba.....	50.00
Box to Wisconsin.....	50.00
Box to Sherwood, Tennessee.....	33.00
Box to Indian Catechist.....	60.00
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	\$221.68

Nativity, South Bethlehem.

St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville, Va.....	\$ 50.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai.....	25.00
United Offering.....	111.13
General Fund	102.15
Box to Diocesan Missionary.....	130.00
Box to Sherwood, Tennessee.....	67.00
Box to Hospital, Morgantown.....	25.00
Box to Rutherfordton, North Carolina.....	20.00
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	\$530.28

Calvary, Tamaqua.

St. Mary's School, Shanghai.....	\$ 1.00
St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo.....	1.00
General Fund	11.50
Speakers' Fund	1.00
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	\$ 14.50

St. Paul's, White Haven.

General Fund	\$ 5.60
United Offering	7.20
Speakers' Fund	1.00
Box to St. Augustine's School, Raleigh, N. C.....	15.00
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	\$ 28.80

SCRANTON ARCHDEACONRY

At the close of this Auxiliary Year, your Organizing Secretary begs to chronicle the following activities within the Scranton Archdeaconry:

The Fall Meeting, conducted as a supplementary conference following the Tri-ennial Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary, in New York City, was held in the Church of the Redeemer, Sayre, on November 7th, 1913.

On the previous evening the Parish entertained the delegates, and a large gathering of friends, at a Missionary Rally held in the Church, the speakers being the Bishop of the Diocese, the Rev. P. C. Daito, of St. John's Church, Tokyo, Japan, and the Rev. John C. Dean, of St. Mark's Church, Dunmore.

Proceedings of the Assembly Day began with Celebration of the Holy Communion at 8:00 A. M., the executive session following with a register of fifty-six delegates. Reports of the Tri-ennial were presented, and specific plans for the year's work were constructed.

On November 12th, it was the pleasure of your Organizing Secretary to be in attendance for the Day of Conferences at the Missionary Institute held in Trinity Parish, Pottsville. The resulting benefits from suggestions received at this conference have been marked.

The Mid-year Assembly was held in St. Clement's Parish, Wilkes-Barre, and was prefaced by a Missionary Meeting held in the Church, on the evening of January 28th, at which time the Bishop of Bethlehem addressed the delegates, and Dr. Mary V. Gleuton, of Hankow, China, gave a graphic description of the work of "Medical Missionaries in the Foreign Field."

The Holy Communion was celebrated at 8:00 A. M. the following day, and about one hundred and fifty (150) delegates went into executive session at ten o'clock.

At this time encouraging conditions throughout the Archdeaconry parish branches were reported, and spirited informal debate was the order of the day, which terminated with an Open Conference on the subject "Is mis-

sionary education necessary in the Parish Branch?", the discussion being led by the Diocesan Vice President, Mrs. John M. Nelson, Jr.

In a brief synopsis of definite accomplishment your Organizing Secretary begs leave to again emphasize the decided benefit to be obtained from close, personal contact between Diocesan and Parish Branch workers.

Last year it was her privilege to "blaze the trail" anew, to systematically inform herself of conditions, and to devise ways of bettering those conditions.

The resulting visible achievement may be voiced as an establishment of confidence, and a gratifying enlistment of willing adherents to the Cause. During the year just ended it has been her still greater privilege to encompass by personal visits to parish branches, practically the entire territory of this Archdeaconry, and upon invitation of the various Rectors, speak at open meetings of the parish women, or give brief addresses at church services on the subject of "The Missionary Work in the Church."

A tribute should be paid to the Rectors who have so loyally supported the Diocesan workers in their efforts. It is no longer necessary to plead for the establishing of an Auxiliary Branch. It is now a recognized fact that parish missionary activity means "the Church in action."

The text of this year's follow-up work has been "that we may learn the grace of serving—that finally we may know the joy of serving."

These vital questions have been considered: "How may we grow to want to do God's business?" "How may we best interest the women and girls in the Church's Mission?" "Of what value to the Parish is an organized branch of the Woman's Auxiliary?" and finally, "Of what benefit is this work of service to the woman at home?"

We trust it is a safe venture to assume that the issue of this recent "inspiration circuit" has been a greater diffusion of knowledge, and infusion of spirit.

As one means of furthering a steady upbuilding in the effort being made to have the knowledge of the Church's work sought, and welcomed in every branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, the venture of the Parish Branch Visitors Committee was undertaken during the past Lenten season. It has proved to be a decidedly successful factor in promoting systematic means of gaining information. The calls upon this committee have been many, and the appreciation of its work most gratifying.

Many are the ways of extending a willing hand, and we may glory in the thought that as a return for service one grows humbler, stronger, braver.

It is an inspiring thought that the next generation will be richer in permanent knowledge.

Setting our faces now toward the new year, let us concentrate our efforts—determined and consecrated—let us adopt those methods which have proved advantageous, and make ourselves definitely responsible for a stronger personal acceptance of our privilege to "venture for God." Let our slogan be

"Every step nearer God."

A condensed statement of conditions is as follows:

Total number of parishes and missions in the Archdeaconry where the services of the Church are dispensed	44
Number of Woman's Auxiliary Parish Branches.....	30
Number of new branches.....	3
Number of branches temporarily disorganized	1
Number of branches lapsed.....	1
Number of visits made by Organizing Secretary.....	24
Number of visits scheduled.....	3
Number of visits by Parish Branch Committee	13

The financial report is herewith presented:

United Offering.....	\$975.10
General Fund.....	335.25
General Missions.....	235.00
Designated Offerings.....	133.21
Specials	82.00
Authorized Specials.....	418.00
Archdeaconry Offerings.....	57.94
Twenty-two (22) boxes, valued at.....	1466.07
have gone forward from fourteen (14) parishes in this Archdeaconry.	

Respectfully submitted,

MINNA H. KETCHUM,

Organizing Secretary.

PARISH REPORTS.

St. John's Ashley.

United Offering	\$ 6.00
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Trinity Church, Athens.

United Offering	\$ 15.82
Box to Jonestown Home.....	55.00

\$70.82

Trinity Church, Carbondale.

United Offering	\$ 9.73
General Fund	15.00
St. Andrew's School, Sewanee, Tenn.....	9.00
Box to St. Andrew's School, Sewanee, Tenn.....	17.35
Missionary in Colorado.....	1.00

\$52.08

St. Mark's, Dunmore.

United Offering	\$ 20.15
General Fund	5.00

\$25.15

Grace Church, Dorranceton.	
United Offering	\$ 15.63
General Fund	5.00
General Missions	30.00
Box to St. Mary's on Mountain.....	6.00
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	\$56.63
Grace Church, Great Bend.	
United Offering	\$ 1.00
Grace Church, Honesdale.	
United Offering	\$ 9.14
General Fund	15.00
Periodical Club	3.00
Box to Saluda, N. C.....	5.00
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	\$32.14
St. James', Jermyn.	
United Offering	\$ 6.25
General Fund	3.00
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	\$ 9.25
Christ Church, Indian Orchard.	
United Offering	\$ 3.00
Good Shepherd, Milford.	
United Offering	\$ 7.00
General Fund	2.00
General Missions	5.00
Christ School, Arden, N. C.....	10.00
Two (2) boxes to Fairbanks, Alaska.....	33.00
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	\$57.00
St. Paul's, Montrose.	
United Offering	\$ 36.63
General Fund	6.00
General Missions	20.00
Designated Offering for Work in China.....	4.00
St. Mary's Building Fund, Shanghai, China.....	2.00
"The Churchman" for Diocesan Clergyman.....	3.00
"The Alaskan Churchman" for Diocesan Clergyman.....	1.00
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	\$72.63
St. Mark's, New Milford.	
United Offering	\$ 5.00
St. George's, Olyphant.	
United Offering	\$ 8.00
General Fund	5.00
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	\$13.00
St. James', Pittston.	
United Offering	\$ 21.17
General Fund	3.00
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	\$24.17
St. Peter's, Plymouth.	
General Fund	\$ 4.00
St. Mary's Building Fund, Shanghai, China.....	2.00
Box to Jonestown Home.....	39.30
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	\$45.30

St. Luke's, Scranton.

United Offering	\$ 201.83
General Fund	25.00
Support of Bible Woman in China.....	50.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai, China.....	25.00
Box to Diocesan Clergyman.....	271.87
Box to Jonestown Orphanage (from Woman's Friendly).....	6.00
Box to Epiphany Mission, Sherwood, Tenn.....	71.16
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	\$650.86

Good Shepherd, Scranton.

United Offering	\$ 45.00
General Fund	15.00
For Mountain People in District of Asheville, N. C.....	12.00
St. Mary's Building Fund, Shanghai, China.....	10.00
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	\$82.00

St. David's, Scranton.

United Offering	\$ 3.50
General Fund	4.00
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	\$ 7.50

Church of the Redeemer, Sayre.

United Offering	\$ 18.12
General Fund	20.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai, China.....	5.00
Box to Epiphany Mission, Sherwood, Tenn.....	100.00
Two (2) boxes to Miss Barbour, Saluda, N. C.....	203.11
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	\$346.23

Christ Church, Stroudsburg.

United Offering	\$ 46.25
General Fund	4.05
General Missions	10.00
St. Mary's Building Fund, Shanghai, China.....	5.00
Box to Fairbanks, Alaska.....	25.00
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	\$90.30

Christ Church, Susquehanna.

United Offering	\$ 8.26
St. Mary's Building Fund, Shanghai, China.....	1.00
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	\$ 9.26

Christ Church, Towanda.

United Offering	\$ 34.55
General Fund	20.00
Designated Offering for work in China.....	17.21
St. Mary's Building Fund, Shanghai, China.....	10.00
Box to Jonestown Home.....	25.70
Box to Missionary in Alaska.....	77.73
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	\$185.19

St. Paul's, Troy.

United Offering	\$ 10.00
General Fund	3.00
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	\$13.00

Trinity Church, West Pittston.

United Offering	\$ 86.16
General Fund	13.55
Indian Catechist in Nebraska.....	25.00

\$124.71

Calvary Church, Wilkes-Barre.

United Offering	\$ 14.02
General Fund	5.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai, China.....	3.00
Box to Valle Crucis Industrial School.....	20.00

\$42.02

St. Clement's, Wilkes-Barre.

United Offering	\$ 85.00
General Fund	10.40
St. Mary's Building Fund, Shanghai, China.....	5.00
Box to Epiphany Mission, Sherwood, Tenn.....	75.00
Box to St. Augustine's School, Raleigh, N. C.....	75.00

\$250.40

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.

United Offering	\$ 260.00
General Fund	132.25
General Missions	150.00
Bishop Nelson's Work in Georgia.....	50.00
St. Mary's Building Fund, Shanghai, China.....	100.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai, China.....	100.00
St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo, Japan.....	150.00
Christmas Box to Diocesan Clergyman.....	173.46
Missionary Box to Diocesan Clergyman.....	161.39

\$1277.10St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.
Section B. (St. Elizabeth's Guild.)

General Fund	\$ 20.00
General Missions	50.00
Wind River Indian Reservation.....	50.00

\$120.00

Mission, White Mills.

United Offering	\$ 1.15
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St. Peter's, Tunkhannock.

United Offering	\$ 6.35
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JUNIOR AUXILIARY

GENERAL REPORT.

With this report the Junior Department brings to a close another successful year. While we have made much progress and have much to be thankful for, we have not progressed as rapidly nor done as great a work as we could have done had we not been laboring under the disadvantage of lack of helpers, both Diocesan and parochial.

For some time, it has been realized that the old organization was insufficient to properly carry on the work and a year ago it was decided to reorganize the Junior Department, following the lines of the Woman's Auxiliary organization. Knowing the difficulty of procuring officers, it was realized that the reorganization could not all be effected at once. So the plan was to start first with a President or Chairman and two Vice Chairmen or Organizing Secretaries, one for each Archdeaconry. Then as the need arose and the officers could be found to complete the list by the addition of Secretary, Treasurer, etc., Miss Schmehl, of Reading was appointed as, and accepted, the office of Vice Chairman and Organizing Secretary of the Reading Archdeaconry and has been working faithfully and well during the last winter. Under her guidance we are looking forward to still greater things from the Juniors of the Archdeaconry.

We regret to say that we have not been so fortunate in the other Archdeaconry and no one has been found to fill the office of Vice Chairman and Organizing Secretary there. The work has been done by the Chairman with the valuable assistance of the Organizing Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary. It is hoped that all the delegates present from the Scranton Archdeaconry will recognize the immediate and pressing need of an officer to fill this position and will aid Mrs. Coxé in her search for one.

The lack of leaders in the parishes was the cause of more than the usual changes during the year. On this account 5 of the branches could not re-

organize in the fall, and 3 branches lapsed during the year when their leaders moved away and failed to secure any one to fill their places before going. Three branches graduated into the Woman's Auxiliary. There were 11 new branches organized during the year—at Trinity, Bethlehem; All Saints' Lehigh, (Sub. Jrs.); Christ Church, Susquehanna; Good Shepherd, Milford; St. Luke's, Scranton; St. Paul's, Troy; Christ Church, Stroudsburg; St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre; Sub. Juniors at Grace Church, Allentown, and two branches at Trinity, Lansford; making the total number of branches in the Diocese 34.

There were two Archdeaconry meetings held during the year, in October, Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem, and in St. John's, East Mauch Chunk, in January. For reasons it was found necessary to omit the meetings in the Scranton Archdeaconry.

There were two Neighborhood meetings held during the year: In Trinity Church, Bethlehem, during Lent, when there were 40 boys and girls present, and at All Saints' Church, Lehigh, on April 25th, with 60 Juniors and Little Helpers in attendance. Both meetings followed the general plan of the very satisfactory program of the meeting held in West Pittston a year ago. The first part was devoted to reports and business, followed by lantern slides and lectures, with closing hymns and prayers, after which we had a half hour devoted to "tea and sociability." The whole making a very pleasant and profitable afternoon. These meetings have deepened our conviction that the Juniors are anxious to attend meetings when they are held in near-by towns and at suitable hours, and we hope to make them a regular part of the year's work.

All of our pledges have been met. This is worthy of special note this year when several of our largest contributors have ceased to be Juniors and to contribute to the Junior pledges.

Our Christmas Boxes, which were sent on Nov. 1st to St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville, Va.; Columbia, Tenn., and Alliance, Nebraska, were up to the usual standard and the Juniors are now busily preparing their gifts for the boxes to be sent next October to the Indians at Pine Ridge Agency, S. D., and the Mountain Missions at Rorwicks Cove and Jump Off belonging to the Sewanee group of missions.

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

To apply on their parish apportionments	\$118.80
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	53.00
Current Expense Fund.....	21.40
United Offering, (included in the Triennial).....	53.42
United Offering, (received since October, 1913).....	39.67
Specials	46.00
Christmas Boxes	220.61
Other Boxes	205.60
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	\$758.50

ELIZABETH DONNELLY,
Chairman.

MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Junior Department of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Bethlehem was held in the guild room of Christ Church, Reading, on Friday morning, May 29, 1914, at 11.45.

After opening prayers, delegates from the following branches responded to the roll call :

Allentown, Grace Church.....	2
Allentown, Grace Church, Sub.	
Juniors.....	1
Bethlehem, Trinity.....	5
Lansford, Trinity.....	1
Reading, Christ Church.....	1
Leaders	2
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After the minutes of the last meeting had been read and accepted, re-

ports were made by the different branches represented, followed by Miss Schmehl's report of the work done in the Reading Archdeaconry during the year and also of the Christmas boxes sent out last fall.

A letter of greeting and good wishes from Miss Lindley was then read, after which the report of the annual pledges was read, showing that all pledges had been met.

The Christmas boxes to be sent out next fall were then discussed and an appeal made for the usual pledges.

After fifteen minutes given to a discussion of pledges for next year and ways and means, the meeting adjourned.

ELIZABETH DONNELLY,
Chairman

PARISH REPORTS.

Grace Church, Allentown.	
Christmas Box	\$ 10.00
Trinity, Bethlehem.	
Apportionment	\$ 1.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	2.00
Current Expense Fund.....	1.00
United Offering	1.00
Christmas Box	1.50
Box to Missionary.....	20.00
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	\$26.50
St. Stephen's, Catasauqua.	
Christmas Box	\$ 7.75

St. James', Drifton.

Apportionment	\$ 10.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	10.00
Current Expense Fund.....	2.00
United Offering, (included in Triennial).....	30.00
St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo.....	10.00
Christmas Box	20.65
Christmas Cards to Porto Rico.....	1.12
Box to Aurora, N. C.....	15.00
Box to St. Elizabeth's School, Wapakala, S. D.....	45.44
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	\$144.21

St. John's, East Mauph Chunk.

Apportionment	\$ 25.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	5.00
Current Expense Fund.....	.75
United Offering, (included in Triennial).....	5.27
Christmas Box	17.00
Box to Savannah, Ga.....	18.00
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	\$71.02

Christ Church, Frackville.

Apportionment	\$.50
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	1.00
Current Expense Fund.....	.50
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	\$ 2.00

All Saints', Lehighton.

Apportionment	\$ 3.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	2.00
Current Expense Fund.....	.75
United Offering, (included in Triennial).....	5.00
Christmas Box	30.75
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	\$41.50

St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk.

Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	\$ 1.00
Current Expense Fund.....	1.00
Christmas Box	6.48
Box to Alaska.....	36.00
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	\$44.48

Christ Church, Reading.

Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	\$ 3.00
Current Expense Fund.....	2.00
Scholarship, Corbin, Ky.....	25.00
Christmas Box	1.50
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	\$31.50

St. Barnabas', Reading.

Christmas Box	\$ 5.00
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St. Mary's, Reading.

Box to Jonestown Home.....	\$ 5.40
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St. Luke's, Reading.

Christmas Box	\$.25
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Calvary, Tamaqua.

Current Expense Fund.....	\$.75
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St. Paul's, White Haven.	
Christmas Box	\$ 4.50
St. John's, Ashley.	
Christmas Box	\$ 5.75
St. Mark's, Dunmore.	
Apportionment	\$ 10.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	.50
Current Expenses Fund.....	.50
Christmas Box	5.00
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Good Shepherd, Milford.	
Apportionment	\$ 1.80
St. Paul's, Montrose.	
Apportionment	\$ 15.00
Current Expense Fund.....	1.00
United Offering, (included in Triennial).....	10.00
United Offering.....	5.00
Christmas Box	18.50
Box to Sherwood, Tenn.....	30.00
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St. George's, Olyphant.	
Apportionment	\$ 5.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	1.00
Current Expenses Fund.....	.50
United Offering	1.00
St. Andrew's School, Sewanee, Tenn.....	1.00
Christmas Box	5.85
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St. James, Pittston.	
Christmas Box	\$ 5.00
St. Luke's, Scranton.	
Apportionment	\$ 7.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	10.00
Current Expense Fund.....	.50
United Offering	1.00
Christmas Box	16.70
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Christ Church, Susquehanna	
Apportionment	\$.50
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	.50
Current Expense Fund.....	.15
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Christ Church, Towanda.	
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	\$ 1.00
Current Expense Fund.....	1.00
United Offering, (included in Triennial).....	1.20
Christmas Box	10.88
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\$14.08	

Trinity, West Pittston.

Apportionment	\$ 8.00
Current Expense Fund.....	1.00
United Offering, (included in Triennial).....	.45
United Offering50
Christmas Box	8.25
Box to Fairbanks, Alaska.....	4.50

\$22.70

Calvary, Wilkes-Barre.

Apportionment	\$ 1.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	1.00
Current Expense Fund.....	.50
United Offering, (in Triennial).....	1.50
Christmas Box	3.50

\$ 7.50

St. Clement's, Wilkes-Barre.

Apportionment	\$ 8.00
Current Expense Fund.....	.50
United Offering	5.17
Christmas Box	5.45

\$19.12

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.

Apportionment	\$ 10.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	10.00
Current Expense Fund.....	5.00
United Offering	20.00
St. Paul's School, Beaufort, N. C.....	10.00
Christmas Box	13.70
Box to Stoneville, N. C.....	30.14

\$98.84

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.

St. Agnes' Guild.

Apportionment	\$ 2.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	2.00
Current Expense Fund.....	1.00
United Offering	1.00
Christmas Box	1.70

\$ 7.70

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.

St. Margaret's Guild.

Apportionment	\$ 11.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	3.00
Current Expense Fund.....	1.00
United Offering	5.00
Christmas Box	4.95

\$24.95

SUMMARY.

Reading Archdeaconry	\$246.34	\$148.52	\$394.86
Scranton Archdeaconry	179.87	183.77	363.64
Total.....			\$758.50

SECTION I

REPORT OF THE LITTLE HELPERS

The sixteenth annual report of the Little Helpers, now also known as Section 1 of the Junior Department, is, on the whole, an encouraging one. Two of the older Branches, Christ Church, Reading, and St. Luke's, Scranton, have, during the Winter, been put in charge of new leaders who are doing their best to reorganize them after a period of dormancy. Three brand new Branches have been organized, viz: Trinity Church, Lansford; Christ Church, Stroudsburg, and Christ Church, Susquehanna, so that the total list of Branches in the Diocese now numbers thirty-one, with an approximate membership of 681 Little Helpers and 13 Memorial boxes.

Offerings have been received since Easter from twenty-five Branches, amounting to \$228.86, a gain of \$25.73 over those of last year. In fifteen parishes the Little Helpers brought their offerings to be presented at a special service held for that purpose and two Branches united with the children of the Sunday School in their Easter services. The reports of these beautiful little services make interesting reading and prove that they form an important and helpful part of the work. It is the aim of this Section to make the Annual Service a part of the yearly program of every parish Branch.

Each Branch was asked to contribute the sum of fifty cents to provide for necessary postage and printing expenses, and in order that the Diocesan Branch as a whole should make some needed gifts to the Little Helper specials. The latter gifts were made as follows: One dollar to the Little

Helpers Font Fund, one dollar to the Little Helpers Cot in Raleigh, N. C., and two dollars and sixty-eight cents to the Special Alteration Fund of the Akita Kindergarten in Japan. Deaconess Carlson appealed for the latter at the General Convention last fall, and we are glad to add our mite. Two hundred and sixteen dollars and thirty-six cents was given to General Missions.

Four Branches made, this year, their first offering, viz: Trinity Church, Lansford; Christ Church, Stroudsburg; St. Mark's, New Milford, and Christ Church, Susquehanna. Trinity Church, Carbondale, deserves special mention, with an enrollment of 126 Little Helpers and an offering of \$45.75.

Six Branches have sent no reports this year, two having been too recently organized to make a report or offering before next year.

The parish leaders were requested to report how many Little Helpers had been promoted into the Junior Auxiliary during the past year and only two leaders were able to report promotion, the total being thirteen Little Helpers. This fact discloses a leakage which we must work hard to prevent in future years.

Four parish leaders were present at a conference held in connection with an Archdeaconry meeting in East Mauch Chunk, and four were present at the annual meeting.

HELEN BRUSEE,
Chairman.

May 30, 1914.

**SIXTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE LITTLE HELPERS, OR
SECTION I OF THE JUNIOR DEPARTMENT OF THE WOM-
AN'S AUXILIARY IN THE DIOCESE OF BETHLEHEM.**

RECEIPTS.

PARISH.	No. of Lit- tle Helpers.	No. of Mem- orial Boxes.	Offerings.
Alden—St. Andrews	10		\$ 2.86
Allentown—Grace Church	12		1.00
Bethlehem—Trinity Church.....	15		5.50
Birdsboro—St. Michael's.....	8		2.76
Carbondale—Trinity Church.....	126	9	45.75
Drifton—St. James'.....	29	2	15.85
Dunmore—St. Mark's.....	18		2.10
East Mauch Chunk—St. John's.....	44	1	17.72
Hazleton—St. Peter's	11		5.54
Lansford—Trinity Church.....	19		3.18
Lebanon—St. Luke's.....	21		9.00
Lehigh—All Saints'.....	30	1	13.52
Mauch Chunk—St. Mark's.....	31		11.44
Nanticoke—St. George's.....	12		5.45
New Milford—St. Mark's.....	5		1.15
Olyphant—St. George's.....	18		5.50
Palmerton—St. John's.....	27		10.71
Pottsville—Trinity Church.....	35		3.50
Reading—St. Barnabas'.....	25		7.50
Reading—St. Mary's.....	26		6.50
Sayre—Church of the Redeemer.....	19		5.00
So. Bethlehem—Church of the Nativity.....	103		31.69
Stroudsburg—Christ Church.....			3.86
Susquehanna—Christ Church.....	12		3.05
Wilkes-Barre—St. Stephen's.....	25		7.73
Gift from Primary Class, Christ Church, Towanda.....			1.00
Totals	681	13	\$228.86

DISBURSEMENTS.

May 22, 1914—Printing and postage.....	\$ 7.82
Through Mrs. R. P. Linderman, Treasurer.....	
May 7, 1914—General Missions.....	31.19
May 22, 1914—General Missions.....	185.17
May 22, 1914—Little Helpers' Font Fund.....	1.00
May 22, 1914—Little Helpers' Cot, Raleigh, N. C.....	1.00
May 22, 1914—Special Alteration Fund, Akita Kindergarten ..	2.68
Total	\$228.86

HELEN BRESLEE,
Chairman Little Helpers.

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY

The report of the Educational Secretary must necessarily be short, because not very much has been accomplished during the two months in which the present officer has held the position. Blank cards were sent out to each parish branch of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese, fifty-one in number, with a request that they should be filled in with a general outline of the educational work that had been done, and returned. Twenty-eight branches responded to this request, and through their records, six study classes, six regular programs arranged a year ahead for monthly meetings, and eleven missionary reading circles were reported. Five parishes reported no educational work at all, but of these, one parish has already promised to take it up, and has laid definite plans for it. Several parishes reported also general educational methods such as missionary addresses, stereopticon lectures and missionary plays.

The Educational Secretary visited personally six parishes, and found, in some, very well organized courses of mission study, and in all great earnestness about planning and carrying on educational work.

In the Fall, probably October, a Missionary Institute will be held, and it is to be hoped that each parish branch will respond to the formal announcement of it by sending at least one delegate, so that there may be

unity in the Educational Work throughout the Diocese.

During January and February next year, the Educational Secretary is planning to come into touch with as many parishes as possible, in an effort to form Lenten mission study classes. There is no reason why there should not be at least one such class in each parish. Because the class cannot be ideal for any reason, is no excuse for its non-existence. If nothing better can be done, there is surely some one in each parish, who can gather a group of women together and read the mission study book for the year.

If the various parish branches will help, we can have some form of mission study in each parish in the Diocese. In some it may be very simple; and in some it will undoubtedly be ideal, but because it cannot be ideal in every case is no reason for not having it at all. Without the help of the parish branches, the Educational Secretary by herself can of course do nothing. She asks for your help in this, the most important department of the work of the Woman's Auxiliary. There can be no intelligent prayer, no intelligent work without knowledge. In the words of Bishop Doane, "Know and you will feel; know and you will pray; know and you will help."

LAURA F. BOYER,
Educational Secretary.

ANNUAL MESSAGE AND REPORT OF UNITED OFFERING WORK

The following report is based upon 32 reports which were sent to me in reply to 70 blank forms which I sent out with the request that they be filled in to represent the development of United Offering work in the parishes and missions of the Diocese. With two exceptions the reports were received from Parish United Offering Treasurers. I regret that this report, splendid as it is, does not represent what has been accomplished in the past year. I know of excellent work going on of which no report has come.

	1913	1914
No. of Parish U. O. Treasurers	32	52
No. U. O. boxes out in Reading Archdeaconry.....	299	512
No. U. O. boxes out in Scranton Archdeaconry..	643	843
Gains in Reading Archdeaconry.....	230	213
Gains in Scranton Archdeaconry.....	373	200
Gains in Diocese.....	603	413
Total reported U. O. boxes out in Diocese.....	1282	1695

During the past year I have supplied to Parish United Offering Treasurers 640 boxes, to Rectors and Woman's Auxiliary Secretaries 140, in all 780 boxes, together with an immense amount of literature. I have attended three Archdeaconry meetings, the Annual Meeting and "The Triennial," to which it was my privilege and joy to take our Diocesan gift of \$5324.00 to unite with the gifts of the women and girls of the Church in the "United Offering of 1913." This offering has been given, offered, banked and is being spent as the opportunity offers or is created. Let us not forget this great sum—which means so much to The Kingdom, in the enthusiasm of gathering together—"the United Offering of 1916." Let us ask God to give wisdom to those who spend it, that many of the millions who sit in darkness may be told that Christ the Light of the World loves

them—that He gave His life for them.

The parish gifts will be sent in this year, as usual, through the Organizing Secretaries to me. This year they are not due until some time in October; will be sent out in September, however. United Offering money may be sent to me at any time, through the Organizing Secretaries, by parishes or as individuals. It will be banked and credited to the parish from which it comes. Since October I have received:

*From Calvary, Wilkes-Barre...\$.25
*From Trinity, Carbondale.....	1.88
*From Trinity, West Pittston..	1.65
*Received too late for U. O. of 1913.	
From Trinity, Bethlehem.....	30.17
From Juniors, (Diocesan).....	39.67

\$73.62

Banked at 3 per cent., First National Bank, Pittston, Pa.

Expense Account :

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By Traveling Expenses.....	\$24.05
By Printing	5.90
By Stamps	7.10
By Post Cards.....	2.70
	\$39.75

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To Traveling Expenses, Towanda	1.80
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Balance due\$37.95

The report shows that I expended less money for car fare and more money in postage than last year. This is due partly to the fact that I am able to accomplish much through correspondence with our Parish United Offering Treasurers that required a personal visit when I took up this work,—and partly because five parish meetings which were arranged for this month were postponed and will have to be reported next May.

Of our staff of Parish United Offering Treasurers, one has passed on to the Other Life, Mrs. O. A. Lines, of

Montrose. "Grant her, O Lord, eternal rest, and let light perpetual shine upon her."

Our "Aim" is ever the same: to offer the privilege of giving to Missions through the United Offering to the women and girls of our Diocese who have not yet been reached, and to complete, as soon as possible our

staff of Parish United Offering Treasurers.

Let us ask God to continue to bless the United Offering work so lovingly undertaken by the women and girls of the Church for the women and girls of the world!

MARGARET LOUISE FARRER,
United Offering Secretary.

UNITED OFFERING REPORT, 1912-13

Diocese of Bethlehem

The United Offering of the Woman's Auxiliary is \$307,500.00. This is an increase of \$50,000.00 over the amount reported at the last triennial.

Our Diocesan part of the United Offering is \$5280.00, an increase of \$972.62 over the amount reported at the last triennial.

Athens—Trinity	\$ 15.82
Ashley—St. John's	6.00
Bethlehem—Trinity	41.58
Birdsboro—St. Michael's	31.24
Carbondale—Trinity	7.85
Catasauqua—St. Stephen's	2.50
Dorrancton—Grace	15.63
Dunmore—St. Mark's	20.15
Drifton—St. James'	225.00
Easton—Trinity	38.04
East Mauch Chunk—St. John's	20.00
Frackville—Christ Church	8.06
Great Bend—Grace	1.00
Hazleton—St. Peter's	27.00
Honesdale—Grace	9.14
Indian Orchard—Christ Church	3.00
Jonestown—St. Mark's	2.75
Jermyn—St. James'	6.25
Lebanon—St. Luke's	165.11
Lehighon—All Saints'	10.00
Mauch Chunk—St. Mark's	200.00
Milford—Good Shepherd	7.00
Montrose—St. Paul's	36.63
New Milford—St. Mark's	5.00
Olyphant—St. George's	8.00
Pittston—St. James'	21.17
Pottsville—Trinity	100.00
Reading—St. Barnabas'	7.25

Reading—Christ Church	125.00
Reading—St. Luke's	12.43
Reading—St. Mary's	26.25
Sayre—The Redeemer	18.12
Scranton—St. David's	3.50
Scranton—Good Shepherd	45.00
Scranton—St. Luke's	201.83
Shenandoah—All Saints'	4.00
South Bethlehem—Nativity	111.13
Stroudsburg—Christ Church	46.25
Susquehanna—Christ Church	8.26
Towanda—Christ Church	34.55
Troy—St. Paul's	10.00
Tunkhannock—St. Peter's	6.35
West Pittston—Trinity	84.51
White Haven—St. Paul's	7.20
White Mills—(Mission)	1.15
Wilkes-Barre—Calvary	13.27
Wilkes-Barre—St. Clement's	85.00
Wilkes-Barre—St. Stephen's	260.00

48 parishes represented.....\$2144.97

Report of Year Ending Oct. 1, 1913.

From Woman's Auxiliary	\$2188.97
From Junior Auxiliary	127.06
From Little Helpers	10.00

\$2326.03

Report of three years, ending Oct. 1st, 1913:

Woman's Auxiliary	\$4985.79
Junior Auxiliary	261.21
Little Helpers' Auxiliary	33.00

\$5280.00

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, PA., MAY 26th, 1914

RUTH H. LINDERMAN, Treasurer.

in Account With the

"Bethlehem" Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary

For the period May 20, 1913—May 26, 1914

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	General Fund	Special Offerings	United Offering	Total
1913				
May 20, To Balance.	\$1257 74		\$ 3048 77	\$ 4306 51
23. " Collection at Annual Meeting held at Scranton	34 31			34 31
Oct. 1, " Interest on Special Deposit of United Offering			45 20	45 20
1914				
May 25, " Income Bishop Rulison Mem. Fund....		144 84		144 84
1913				
July 23, " Juniors of Bethlehem Diocese.....	c3- 7 50			
" " " " " "	s - 10 00			
Dec. 20, " " " " " "	s - 10 00			
1914				
May 25, " " " " " "	c3- 53 00			
" " " " " "	n7- 1 00			
" " " " " "	i3- 10 00			
" " " " " "	z8- 10 00			
" " " " " "	s -100 80 202 30		70 80	273 10
1914				
May 25, " Babies' Branches of Bethlehem Diocese	k3- 1 00			
" " " " " "	y8- 1 00			
" " " " " "	a9- 2 68			
" " " " " "	s -216 36			
		221 04		221 04
NOTE—Amounts received from the Juniors [except \$50.80 for United Offering] and from Babies' Branches also listed under the several parishes				
SCRANTON ARCHDEACONRY				
1913				
Nov. 17, To Collection at Archdeaconry meeting..	r9-	10 00		10 00
1914				
Feb. 3, " Collection at Archdeaconry meeting..	b9-	10 00		10 00
" Alden, St. Andrew's Babies' Branch ..	s -	2 36		2 36
" Ashley, St. John's			5 00	5 00
" Athens, Trinity			15 82	15 82
" Carbondale, Trinity, Babies' Branch ..	s -	45 25		45 25
" " Trinity	15 00 n7-	9 00	7 85	31 85
" Dorrancetown, Grace Mission.....	5 00		15 63	20 63
" Dunmore, St. Mark's	5 00		20 15	25 15
" " " Babies' Branch ..	s	1 60		1 60
" " " Juniors	s	10 00		10 00
" Great Bend, Grace.....			1 00	1 00
" Honesdale, Grace.....	15 00 x	3 00	9 14	27 14
" Indian Orchard, Christ			3 00	3 00
" Jermyn, St. James'	3 00		6 25	9 25
" Millford, Good Shepherd	2 00 s	5 10	7 00	14 00
" " " Juniors	s	1 80		1 80
" Montrose, St. Paul's.....	c9- 4 00			
" " "	s - 20 00			
" " "	d9- 2 00			
" " " Juniors.....	6 00	26 00	36 63	68 63
" " "	s - 5 00			
" " "	s9- 10 00	15 00		15 00
" Nanticoke, St. George's Babies' Branch	s	4 95		4 95
" New Millford, St. Mark's			5 00	5 00
" " " " " "	s	65		65

	General Fund	Special Offerings	United Offering	Total
To Jonestown, St. Mark's.....			\$ 2 75	\$ 2 75
" Lebanon, St. Luke's.....	4 50 d9	3 00	165 11	172 61
" " " St. Katherine's Gld	10 00			10 00
" " " Babies' Branch.....	s	8 50		8 50
" Lansford, Trinity, " ".....	s	2 65		2 65
" Lehighton, All Saints' " ".....	s	3 00	10 00	10 00
" " " Babies' Branch	s	13 02		3 00
" Mauch Chunk, St. Mark's.....	z8- 10 00			13 02
" " " " " ".....	d9- 10 00			
" " " " " ".....	19 80	20 00	200 00	239 80
" " " " " " Daughters of the	10 00			10 00
" " " " " " Church				10 00
" " " " " " Babies' Branch	s	10 94		10 94
" Morgantown, St. Thomas'.....	11 07			11 07
" Palmerton, St. John's.....	1 20			1 20
" " " " " " Babies' Branch	3	10 21		10 21
" Pottsville, Trinity.....	z8- 10 00			
" " " " " " " ".....	d9- 10 00			
" " " " " " " ".....	q3- 7 50			
" " " " " " " ".....	v8- 7 50			
" " " " " " " ".....	25 00	35 00	100 00	160 00
" " " " " " " " Babies' Branch.....	s	3 00		3 00
" Reading, Christ.....	cc- 10 00			
" " " " " " " ".....	ff- 10 00			
" " " " " " " ".....	q3- 10 00			
" " " " " " " ".....	m9- 10 00			
" " " " " " " ".....		40 00	125 00	165 00
" " " " " " " " Young Women's Aux.	e8- 50 00			
" " " " " " " " " ".....	s9- 48 68			
" " " " " " " " " ".....		98 68		98 68
" " " " " " " " St. Barnabas'.....	s9- 5 00		7 25	12 25
" " " " " " " " Babies' Branch	s	7 00		7 00
" " " " " " " " St. Mary's Chapel.....	2 00		26 25	28 25
" " " " " " " " " " Babies Br.....	s -	6 00		6 00
" " " " " " " " St. Luke's Chapel.....			12 43	12 43
" Shenandoah, All Saints'.....	z8- 1 00			
" " " " " " " " " ".....	d9- 1 00			
" " " " " " " " " ".....	4 00	2 00	4 00	10 00
" " " " " " " " St. Elizabeth's Gld.	n9- 1 00			
" " " " " " " " " ".....	t9- 1 00			
" " " " " " " " " ".....	p9- 1 00			
" " " " " " " " " ".....	q9- 1 00	4 00		4 00
" South Bethlehem, Nativity.....	d9- 25 00			
" " " " " " " " " ".....	LL-50 00			
" " " " " " " " " " Babies' Branch	102 15	75 00	111 13	288 28
" " " " " " " " " ".....	s -	31 19		31 19
" Tamaqua, Calvary.....	z8- 1 00			
" " " " " " " " " ".....	d9- 1 00			
" " " " " " " " " ".....	11 50	2 00		13 50
" White Haven, St. Paul's.....	5 60		7 20	12 80
	\$2054 55	\$1947 57	\$ 5299 43	\$ 9301 55

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	General Fund	Special Offerings	United Offering	Total
By payment as follows:				
GENERAL FUND.				
Annual Pledges				
Alaska—Bishop Rulison Memorial Scholarship	\$ 100 00		\$	100 00
Arizona—Miss Thackara's Hospital	25 00			25 00
China—Support of Mission Women	50 00			50 00
Life Insurance Fund for Foreign Missionary	75 00			75 00
Pennsylvania—Jonestown Home	100 00			100 00
Appropriation				
Cuba—Rev. C. E. Snavely	100 00			100 00
Philippine Islands—Bishop Brent.....	25 00			25 00
Helen E. Troxell, for expenses of Institute	50 00			50 00

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- x—Church Periodical Club.
- f—Bishop Rowe, Alaska.
- LL—St. Paul's Industrial School, Lawrenceville, Va.
- KL—Little Helper's Cot, Raleigh, North Carolina.
- n7—St. Andrew's School, Sewanee, Tennessee
- z8—St. Luke's International Hospital, Dr. Gensler,
Tokio, Ja. an.
- a9—Special Alteration Fund, Akita Kindergarten,
Japan.
- c9—For work in China.
- e9—For support of work among mountain people
in District of Asheville, N. C.
- h9—Wind River Indian Reservation, Wyoming.
- i9—Rev. Stewart Tyson, Sewanee, Tenn.
- c9—Rev. H. C. Salmond, Lexington, Ky.
- L9—Cashier Valley Mission, N. C.
- n9—Archdeacon Windicate, Nashville, Tenn.
- p9—Mrs. Rufus King, High Point, N. C.
- s9—St. John's, Tokio, Rev. P. C. Daito, Rector.
- r9—Diocesan Missions.

Treasurer's Statement

For Period—May 20, 1913, to May 26, 1914

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To Balance, General Fund	\$1,257 74	
" United Offering	3,048 77	\$4,306 51
" Collection at Annual Meeting in Scranton		34 31
" Interest on Special Deposit of United Offering		45 20
" Income, Bishop Rulison Memorial Fund		144 34
" Contributions by Juniors		273 10
" Contributions by Babies' Branch		221 04
		\$5,025 00

Scranton Archdeaconry

To General Fund		\$ 335 25
" Special Offerings		868 21
" United Offering		970 12
		\$2,173 58

Reading Archdeaconry

To General Fund		427 25
" Special Offerings		511 18
" United Offering		1,164 54
		\$2,102 97
		<u>\$9,301 55</u>

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By Payments as Follows:

General Fund:

Annual Pledges	\$ 350 00	
Appropriation	175 00	
Expenses	188 85	\$ 713 85

Special Offerings

United Offering		1,947 57
		5,299 43

\$ 7,960 85

May 26, 1914, Bank Balance	1,340 70	\$9,361 55
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General Fund

Balance, May 20, 1913	\$1,257 74	
Receipts, May 20, 1913, to May 26, 1914	796 81	\$2,054 55
Payments, May 20, 1913, to May 26, 1914		713 85
Balance in General Fund, May 26, 1914		\$1,340 70

Special Offerings

Receipts, May 20, 1913, to May 26, 1914	\$1,947 57
Payments, May 20, 1913, to May 26, 1914	1,947 57

United Offering

Balance, May 20, 1913	\$3,048 77	
Receipts, May 20, 1913, to May 26, 1914	2,250 66	\$5,299 43
Payments, May 20, 1913, to May 26, 1914		5,299 43
May 26, 1914, Bank Balance		\$1,340 70

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 six 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.

REQUESTS TO PARISH SECRETARIES OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

1. Please write to the Diocesan Secretary for letters from Missionaries. Return the same within a week unless accepted. If a letter is accepted inform the Secretary at once.

2. As soon as a letter is accepted write at once to the Missionary, stating when he may expect the box, and from whom. As soon as the box is sent, notify the Missionary, stating date of shipment and enclosing the receipted bill of lading. Put a list of articles, and the name of the parish

sending the box, inside the box. Also notify the Secretary that the box has been sent, and give the estimated value.

3. Send names and addresses of all parish officers of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Diocesan Secretary, and notify her of any change of officers.

4. Please see that all notices of meetings sent out by the Secretary are read by your Rector at the Church services.

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

Seven parishes in the Diocese have reported as follows:

Allentown, Grace Church:

Magazines sent regularly..... 4
Contributors 4
Old magazines and papers..... 4

Lebanon, St. Luke's Church:

Contributors of periodicals..... 5
Churchman, cards and calendars.. 101
Magazines 47
Money used by Librarian.....\$2.58

Pottsville, Trinity Church:

Periodicals sent regularly..... 20
Contributors 14
Magazines and papers..... 28
Cards and calendars.....4 packages
Books3 boxes

1 year of St. Nicholas;

1½ years Youth's Companion

Money used by Librarian.....\$10.00

Scranton, St. Luke's Church:

Current periodicals..... 16
Contributors 12

Wilkes-Barre, St. Clement's Church:

Current periodicals..... 13
Contributors 9

Money sent to Central Office...\$2.00

Wilkes-Barre, St. Stephen's Church:

Magazines 4
Papers 4
Boxes 2

Money sent to Central Office...\$5.00

South Bethlehem, Church of the

Nativity:

Current periodicals..... 16
Contributors 16

MRS. S. U. MITMAN,

Diocesan Correspondent.

LIST OF SECRETARIES

Archdeaconry of Reading.

Allentown—Mrs. R. H. Kiine, 122 N. 5th St.
 Bethlehem—Mrs. G. E. Barber, 28 N. Center St.
 Birdsboro—Mrs. G. W. Focht.
 Catasauqua—Mrs. James E. May.
 Drifton—Mrs. Wm. Anderson.
 Easton—Mrs. J. K. Smith, 134 Park-
 er Avenue.
 East Mauch Chunk—Miss C. A. Blakslee.
 Emaus—Mrs. George Castor.
 Eckley—Miss Edith Wyatt.
 Frackville—Mrs. C. S. Sanner.
 Hazleton—Mrs. J. R. Sharpless, 26 W. Spring St.
 Lebanon—Mrs. John Walters, 8th and Church Sts.
 Lansford—Mrs. R. J. Wyatt.
 Lehighton—Mrs. A. A. Bresee.
 Mauch Chunk—Mrs. Asa P. Blakslee.
 Morgantown—Mrs. J. E. Plank.
 Palmerton—Mrs. P. C. Bittner.
 Pottsville—Miss Caroline Glugh, 1331 W. Market St.
 Reading, St. Mary's—Mrs. J. S. Wagstaff, 414 Robeson St.
 Reading, Christ Church—Miss Lilly Milholland, 441 Oley St.
 Reading, St. Luke's—Mrs. J. S. Newman, 826 N. 12th St.
 Reading, St. Barnabas'—Mrs. W. Bertolot, 137 Windsor St.
 Shenandoah—Mrs. J. Reeves, 413 W. Coal St.
 South Bethlehem—Mrs. P. A. Lambert, 215 S. Center St., Bethlehem.
 Tamaqua—Miss A. M. Stidfole, 230 W. Broad St.
 White Haven—Mrs. D. Krumanocker.

Scranton Archdeaconry.

Alden—Mrs. Wm. Warne.
 Ashley—Mrs. J. M. Rudrauff.
 Athens—Mrs. G. K. Park.

Carbondale—Miss Margaret Lewis, 131 Washington St.
 Dorranceton—Mrs. Keibler, 74 Walnut St.
 Dunmore—Mrs. F. Hartley, 127 Brook St.
 Forest City—Mrs. Murray, care of Mrs. Emma Jones.
 Honesdale—Mrs. H. L. Menner, 910 Church St.
 Indian Orchard—Miss Cora Wicks, Honesdale, Pa., R. D.
 Jermyon—Mrs. L. A. Green.
 Milford—Mrs. L. M. Darbie.
 Montrose—Miss M. C. Miller, 16 Drinker St.
 Olyphant—Mrs. Geo. Hall, Dickson City.
 Plymouth—Mrs. J. H. Griffith, 22 Academy St.
 Pittston—Mrs. Geo. Robinson, 32 Nafus St.
 Scranton (St. Luke's)—Mrs. H. W. Kingsbury 541 Monroe Ave.
 Scranton (Church of the Good Shepherd)—Mrs. R. A. Spalding, 2230 Capousse Ave.
 Scranton (St. David's)—Mrs. Geo. Dorsey, 1025 Jackson St.
 Scranton (St. Margaret's)—Miss Elsie Francis, 1710 So. Webster Ave.
 Sayre—Mrs. J. H. Price, 218 South Elmer Ave.
 Stroudsburg—Mrs. A. V. Englehart, East Stroudsburg.
 Susquehanna—Mrs. J. E. Hough, 407 Pleasant Ave.
 Towanda—Mrs. F. H. Hagerman.
 Troy—Miss M. L. Saltmarsh.
 West Pittston—Mrs. E. R. Troxell, 232 Wyoming Ave.
 Wilkes-Barre (Calvary)—Mrs. L. C. Jones, 70 Wyoming St.
 Wilkes-Barre (St. Clement's)—Mrs. Wm. Landmesser, 116 S. Clement St.
 Wilkes-Barre (St. Stephen's)—Mrs. J. M. Humphrey, 458 S. Franklin St.
 White Mills—Mrs. John Gutheil.

BY-LAWS

of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Third Province, Adopted by the Bethlehem Branch

I. This organization shall be known as the Third Provincial Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

II. Its purpose shall be to help and further in every way the work of the Board of Missions.

III. Its membership shall be composed of the Diocesan Branches of the Woman's Auxiliary within the Province.

IV. There shall be a President, Vice-president, Secretary and Treasurer.

The President shall call meetings and shall preside over them.

The Vice-president shall serve in the absence of the President.

The Secretary shall give notice of meetings and keep records of them, and make an annual report to the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary.

The Treasurer shall receive and disburse funds for the expenses incurred by such meetings, notices and reports.

V. These officers shall be President, Vice-president, Secretary and

Treasurer of the Diocesan Branch in which the next succeeding Provincial meeting shall be held, and shall serve until the time and place of the meeting following that shall be decided upon, when the same officers in that Diocesan Branch shall succeed them.

VI. There shall be yearly meetings at the time and place of the Synod, or at such other time and place as may be approved by the ecclesiastical authorities of the Province and the officers of the Provincial Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

VII. Representation at these meetings shall consist of ten elected members from each Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary within the Province, two of whom shall be members of the Junior Department.

VIII. At any meeting special committees may be appointed to act in consultation with the general officers of the Woman's Auxiliary in the furtherance of any particular part of the Auxiliary work, as Grading, Mission Study, or the United Offering.

