

Thirty-third Annual Report

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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 the branch of the 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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OFFICERS

Honorary President

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President

Mrs. D. Webster CoxéStroudsburg, Pa.

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Vice Chairman

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Mrs. W. L. TaylorSayre, Pa.

Diocesan Secretary of the Church Periodical Club

Miss Elizabeth E. Crellin.....Scranton, Pa.

MINUTES

OF THE

ANNUAL MEETING OF 1915

The thirty-second annual meeting of the Bethlehem Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held in Trinity Church, Easton, Pa., May 5th, 1915.

The meeting was opened with pray-

ers by the Bishop, after which the President, Mrs. Coxé, took the chair.

Roll was called by the secretary and responses made by seventy-nine delegates, representing nineteen parishes, as follows :

Trinity Church, Athens.....	2
Trinity Church, Bethlehem.....	9
St. John's, East Mauch Chunk.....	2
Trinity Church, Easton.....	8
St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk.....	2
Trinity Church, Pottsville.....	1
Christ Church, Reading.....	7
St. Barnabas', Reading.....	5
St. Mary's, Reading.....	3
Church of the Redeemer, Sayre.....	2
Church of the Good Shepherd, Scranton.....	3
St. Luke's, Scranton.....	2
Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem.....	11
Christ Church, Stroudsburg.....	4
Trinity Church, West Pittston.....	1
St. Paul's, White Haven.....	5
St. Clement's, Wilkes-Barre.....	2
St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.....	8

The President then read her address. The reports of the Secretary, Treasurer, and Organizing Secretaries were read, followed by those of the United Offering Treasurer, Educational Secretary and the Vice President.

The Nominating Committee made their report, as follows : For President, Mrs. Coxé and Mrs. Parker; Secretary, Miss Ruddle and Miss Butler; Treasurer, Mrs. Linderman and Mrs. Robinson. The selection of candidates for the office of Vice President was submitted to the Bishop of the diocese and the President of the Auxiliary.

Adjournment was here made for luncheon, and the meeting was again called to order at 2.15.

The Bishop announced that the Emergency Fund has reached the amount of \$100,000.00; urged all to contribute, and to ask God's blessing on this work in our own diocese. He spoke of the Church Extension Fund; and also suggested that the Auxiliary

give an offering to the Church Home at Jonestown.

The chairman of the Juniors then gave her report, and that of the Church Periodical Club was read by the Secretary.

Under the head of miscellaneous business, Mrs. Coxé announced that, through some misunderstanding, the sum of one hundred dollars, which for many years has been sent annually to the Rev. J. W. Chapman, of Anvik, Alaska, was withheld last year. This pledge will be resumed.

In response to Miss Farrer's question if any provision was to be made for the one hundred dollars not sent last year, the motion was made and carried that parishes and individuals make pledges for this object, and the following sums were pledged:

Trinity Church, Easton.....	\$ 5.00
Church of the Nativity, South Bethlehem	5.00
Trinity Church, Bethlehem....	5.00
Miss Farrer.....	1.00

St. Mark's Church, Mauch Chunk	5.00
St. Barnabas' Church, Reading	5.00
Church of the Redeemer, Sayre	5.00
St. Stephen's Church, Wilkes-Barre	20.00
Christ Church, Reading.....	10.00
Trinity Church, Pottsville.....	5.00
St. Mary's Church, Reading....	5.00
St. Luke's Church, Scranton...	15.00
Christ Church, Stroudsburg....	5.00
St. Clement's Church, Wilkes-Barre	5.00
Trinity Church, Athens.....	5.00
Election of officers followed—the Bishop in the chair.	

During the counting of the votes by the tellers, the sending of missionary boxes in the diocese was discussed.

Mrs. Linderman moved that a rising vote of thanks be extended to the ladies of Trinity Church for their delightful hospitality.

Mrs. Coxé, speaking of the duplex envelopes in use during the past year, said they had not given general satisfaction, and it was possible that the old way of collecting current expenses would be resumed.

Mrs. Coxé read a letter from a member of the California branch of the Auxiliary, inviting the members of the Bethlehem branch to communicate with her, and to attend the meetings of the Auxiliary in San Francisco, if they should visit the Panama Exposition

In reply to the question about the sum of money to be given for the Educational work in the diocese, the president announced that \$50.00 is given the Educational Secretary for her work.

The tellers reported the result of the election, as follows: President, Mrs. D. W. Coxé; Secretary, Miss L. L. Ruddle; Treasurer, Mrs. R. P. Linderman.

The President read a communication from the "Spirit of Missions," which offers twenty-five cents on each new subscription, for the United Offering—if it is sent through the diocesan secretary of the "Spirit of Missions."

The "Bethlehem Churchman" offers ten cents on each new subscription sent through the parish secretary.

The Bishop announced that he and the president of the Auxiliary had appointed Miss Katharine Boese, of Easton, vice president, and she had accepted the position.

Mrs. Kessler moved that a vote of thanks be extended to Mrs. Walter, the retiring vice president, for the work she had done, and that her resignation be accepted with regret.

The minutes of the meeting were read and approved, and the meeting adjourned.

LAURA L. RUDDLE,
Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

Another mile stone is passed and we have reached the thirty-third annual meeting of the Bethlehem Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

During the past year our sympathies have gone out in many directions. As women, our hearts have been touched by the sorrows of women and children in other lands and we have done what we could to alleviate their sufferings.

The financial depression in this country and the insistent call for help in Europe has made this winter a hard one for all religious organizations.

At the present time our Board of General Missions pleads with the Church to make up a \$400,000 deficit that the work of extending Christ's Kingdom may go on. The time has come when we must think of our own and the duty we owe to those whom we have sent into the missionary field. The church is facing a critical situation. This appeal is a call for help to which we, as an Auxiliary to the Board of Missions should feel bound to respond, not only by giving "One Day's Income," but also by special intercessions in our private prayers and in our personal devotions in the Church, asking God's blessing on the plans and efforts made by the Board.

The very desire of our parishes to meet their apportionments has caused a decrease in specials. Never have we received so many urgent appeals for special missionary work in our own country. Appeals that we know would not be sent unless vitally necessary.

At the request of your Board of Managers your president went as a delegate to the Primary Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Provincial Synod in Pittsburgh last November. Reports of the meeting have been given in both Archdeaconries. The proposed constitution for the Woman's Auxiliary of the Washington Province has been sent to every parish branch in the Diocese, also a leaflet telling of the resolutions, adopted

by this Synod, that the Province of Washington should raise \$1,000,000 for missions before Nov. 1st, 1915, and that the Woman's Auxiliary of the Province resolved to use their utmost endeavor to help carry it out. This \$1,000,000 includes all money given for missionary purposes, and the value of missionary boxes, but does not include the United Offering which you know is a Thank offering above and beyond all others. Dr. Bratenahl says, "It is hoped that the money will be received in two ways, 1st by genuine self-denial in thanks giving to God for the blessings of peace, and 2nd, by doubling the number of those who are now giving to missions. In the Woman's Auxiliary this can be accomplished by securing, in addition to the acting membership, honorary members who will make a regular weekly or monthly contribution.

The work in our Junior Department is still crippled for lack of officers and leaders. There surely must be young women in this diocese, who would give up some of the civic or club work they are now doing, to help in the greater work of extending the Master's Kingdom. I wish I could make the members of the Woman's Auxiliary feel their responsibility for the growth of the Junior work, and also have you realize that, if you shirk that responsibility, you weaken the whole missionary work of the Diocese.

We are now planning a Junior campaign for this coming Fall, with Miss Grace Lindley to help us. When these plans are formulated we bespeak your hearty co-operation. May the coming year find our Junior Department fully organized with their own officers!

Miss Helen Bresee, chairman of the Little Helpers, has tendered her resignation on account of removal from this Diocese. She has been a faithful, conscientious leader, loving the work, and it is with genuine sorrow we relinquish her. I ask for her successor, Miss Mitman, every encouragement in her new work among the little ones.

We are much pleased with the

progress the educational work is making in the diocese. This is manifested by the increased number of Study Classes, program meetings and missionary plays. The latter we believe to be a sure way of arousing interest in missions.

The work of the Church Periodical Club needs strengthening. Every one may share in this good work, as the opportunities range from a Christmas card to a traveling library. Bibles, books, magazines, newspapers, postal cards, all are acceptable and each brings cheer and happiness to some one.

At our last officers' conference a committee was appointed to compile a set of twenty questions and answers which all our Auxiliary branches should know. These questions will be printed and copies sent to every branch. I advise you to have these questions pasted in your Auxiliary books for ready reference.

Now that the work of the year is over let us not drop our missionary zeal during the summer months, but let us arrange garden parties and other social out-door pleasures, with missionary speakers. In this way we may awaken enthusiasm in per-

sons never before interested in missions.

Last ~~Summer~~ one of our Bethlehem officers gave a successful garden party at her home on Fisher's Island, when several missionaries told of their work and needs.

The opportunities for spreading Christ's religion are so great, so many, so pressing that it seems beyond our power to meet them, and yet we can do so in God's strength if we only try to realize what the Master has done for us.

Sometimes we find women who have grown discouraged and feel like giving up; some do give up; others grow equally discouraged but work on. The apostle says, "Be not weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap if we faint not."

"Go break to the needy sweet charity's bread,

For giving is living,' the angel said.
'And must I be giving again and again'

My peevish and pitiless answer ran.
'Oh no!' said the Angel, piercing me through,

'Just give till the Master stops giving to you.'

FLORENCE L. COXE.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Last autumn Miss Emery sent me appeals from the Colored Missions in Southern Virginia and from the Oneida Mission in Wisconsin, with the requests that this diocese should send several boxes to each of these places. She also sent the names of six Indian children in St. Elizabeth's School, Wakpala, South Dakota, hoping that we would send them what they needed; and a request for a box from Chena, Alaska.

All of these special requests from Miss Emery were accepted, and boxes were sent, outside the diocese, to five missionaries and to various mission stations and schools.

A total of 28 boxes valued at \$1602.-

88. Boxes sent to diocesan missionaries and institutions numbered 23, valued at \$1377.09.

It was rather difficult this year to place all of the requests for boxes from our own missionaries, but they were all finally accepted, and the last box was sent about Easter time.

During the past year your Secretary has had 275 copies of the Annual Report of the Auxilliary, 3500 letter heads and envelopes, and 1500 duplex envelopes printed and distributed; has sent out 471 notices and leaflets, and has written 120 letters and post cards.

LAURA L. RUDDLE,
Secretary.

REPORT OF VICE PRESIDENT

FOR THE YEAR 1914-1915

The work assigned to the vice-president for the past year was to organize the younger women, from sixteen years up into Section 3, which in 1916 they propose, if such an organization shall be successful, to form into Section B of the Woman's Auxilliary.

Soon after my election, I took the Convention Journal and ascertained where there were no Section Threes, and wrote to the officers of the local Auxilliary whether or no, it would be

possible to organize the young women.

I got very few replies, and only one call, to St. Luke's Church, Scranton, to which I responded. I met the young women of St. Luke's, some in the afternoon, and some in the evening, and urged them to organize and give the matter a thorough trial. And I know that they have done some work.

Respectfully,
KATHARINE B. WALTER,
Vice-President.

READING ARCHDEACONRY

During the season of 1914-1915, from the publishing of the last Annual Report until May 1st, the following report has been made, of work done by the Woman's Auxiliary in the Archdeaconry of Reading.

Thirty branches have been formed, representing twenty-seven parishes. Five branches have been unable to complete their reports, owing to the fact that their work for the year has not been finished.

Many branches still make the mistake of sending money raised for missions directly to the object for which it is meant. The money is, of course, put directly to the use for which it was intended, but the Auxiliary is never credited with the gift and no mention can be made of it in the yearly report published in our Diocese.

All money raised by the Woman's Auxiliary in the Reading Archdeaconry for missionary purposes, specials, pledges, United Offering, Current Expense Fund, General Missions should be sent to the Organizing Secretary, and at the close of the year a report made of missionary boxes sent out by the Auxiliary Societies and their value given. Only by complying with this request can a full report be obtained of the work accomplished by the Woman's Auxiliary in our Diocese.

Last year it was my privilege to report the largest year's work by the Woman's Auxiliary in the Reading Archdeaconry recorded in the Secretary's books. A banner year is a splendid and inspiring thing to accomplish, but it is some times very hard to live up to. Much earnest work has been done during the present year, with equal effort and with greater sacrifice. The record of last year has not been reached, but new enthusiasm has awakened in several parishes and the work done everywhere has been very creditable.

Twenty-eight missionary boxes have been sent out—at a total valuation of \$1,902.48. The response to the call for the United Offering has been generously made. Several parishes

have made special gifts to General Missions to aid the Missions House in raising an Emergency Fund.

The Mid-Winter Meeting of the Reading Archdeaconry was held in St. Mary's Church, Reading, on Jan. 14th, 1915.

Holy Communion was celebrated at 10 A. M., Bishop Talbot being assisted by the rector, the Rev. Harvey P. Walter.

At the business session which followed this service the meeting was addressed by the president, Mrs. Cox, and reports were made by Mrs. Walter for Section B of the Woman's Auxiliary, by Miss Farrer for the United Offering, and Miss Bresee for the Little Helpers.

At this meeting a motion was made and carried that the delegates to the Archdeaconry meetings should each pay twenty-five cents for lunch, this money to be used at the discretion of the parish Auxiliary for the cost of providing the luncheon or for missionary purposes.

At the afternoon session Miss Boyer led an interesting discussion on "Lenten Plans for Auxiliary Work," at the close of which Bishop Talbot introduced Rt. Rev. Lemuel H. Welles, Bishop of Spokane.

The next Archdeaconry meeting will be held at Frackville during the last week of October, 1915.

The Mid-Winter Meeting will be at Grace Church, Allentown, the latter part of January, 1916, a central location, which should draw a large attendance. It is proposed to make this meeting one of educational value, Miss Boyer joining with us in securing able leaders. Such a meeting should prove helpful and inspiring to a parish and there are several of our branches that need just such an awakening.

We are told that success in Auxiliary work can only be reached by prayer, by study and by giving. The first and last we are within the reach of each member. We need to emphasize the importance of Mission Study.

The year's report follows:

United Offering	\$ 857.02
Current Expense Fund.....	291.65

General Missions	241.05	Value of Boxes.....	1,902.48
Offering at Archdeaconry meeting	36.18	Total	\$3,628.88
Auxiliary Pledges.....	160.00	Respectfully submitted,	
Diocesan Missions	50.00	EDITH W. JOHNSON,	
Specials	90.50	Organizing Secretary.	

PARISH REPORTS.

Allentown—Grace Church.

United Offering	\$ 13.86
Current Expense Fund	3.00
	<hr/> \$16.86

Allentown—Church of the Mediator.

United Offering	\$ 6.78
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Trinity Church, Bethlehem.

United Offering	\$ 54.57
St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo.....	15.00
Current Expense Fund	25.00
General Missions	35.00
Box to Missionary.....	275.00
	<hr/> \$407.57

St. Michael's, Birdsboro.

United Offering	\$ 25.25
Box to Missionary.....	20.90
Box to Church Home, Jonestown.....	93.75
Current Expense Fund.....	9.80
General Missions	6.05
	<hr/> \$155.75

St. James, Drifton.

United Offering	\$213.00
St. Andrew's School, Sewanee.....	5.00
Cashier Valley Mission.....	25.00
Mrs. Wetmore, Arden, N. C.....	5.00
St. Paul's, Lawrenceville, Va.....	10.00
General Missions	120.00
Current Expense Fund.....	75.00
Rev. George Burgess, Frackville.....	25.00
Box to Monterey, Tenn.....	47.00
Box to St. Andrew's Tenn.....	90.00
	<hr/> \$615.00

Trinity Church, Easton.

United Offering	\$ 21.12
Speaker's Fund	1.00
Box to Fairbanks, Alaska.....	47.25
Box to Jonestown Home.....	11.77
	<hr/> \$ 81.14

St. Margaret's, Emaus.

United Offering	\$ 2.45
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St. James, Eckley.

Too late for report.

St. John's, East Mauch Chunk.

United Offering	\$ 27.00
Box to Missionary.....	40.60
Current Expense Fund	10.40
	<hr/> \$ 78.00

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

Box to Missionary	\$ 35.00
Box to St. Elizabeth's School, South Dakota.....	40.00
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	\$ 75.00

Christ Church, Frackville.

United Offering	\$ 5.00
Current Expense Fund.....	5.00
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	\$ 10.00

St. Peter's, Hazleton.

United Offering	\$ 32.00
Current Expense Fund	20.00
Emergency Fund, General Missions	5.00
Box to Jonestown	25.00
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	\$ 82.00

St. Luke's, Lebanon.

United Offering	\$ 7.50
Box to Valle Crucis	51.91
Box to Jonestown	49.50
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	\$108.91

All Saints', Lehighton.

United Offering	\$ 14.66
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Trinity Church, Lansford.

United Offering	\$ 3.28
Speaker's Fund	1.00
Emergency Fund, (General Missions).....	5.00
Box to Missionary	75.00
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	\$ 84.28

St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk.

United Offering	\$ 40.20
Elizabeth House, Pine Bluffs, Tenn.50
Box to Jonestown	48.00
Box to Missionary	175.00
Current Expense Fund.....	20.00
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	\$283.95

St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk.**Daughters of the Church**

Box to St. Elizabeth's School, South Dakota	\$ 75.00
Current Expense Fund	25.00
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	\$100.00

St. Thomas', Morgantown.

(Too late for report.)

St. John's, Palmerton.

United Offering.....	\$ 5.41
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Trinity, Pottsville.

United Offering	\$100.00
Current Expense Fund	25.00
Box to Missionary	225.00
Box to Jonestown.....	85.00
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	\$435.00

St. Mary's, Reading.

United Offering	\$ 31.06
Current Expense Fund	2.00
Box to Missionary	75.00
Diocesan Box	11.00

\$119.06**Christ Church, Reading.
Young Women's Auxiliary.**

United Offering	\$128.00
Jonestown Home	25.00
Deaconess Grider, Alaska	10.00
Box to Jonestown Home	25.00
Box, care of Miss Rowe	25.00
Box to Oneida Mission	15.00
Bishop Wells, Spokane	5.00
Rev. W. B. Thorn, Wisconsin	5.00
Diocesan Missions	50.00
Bishop Hulse, Cuba	50.00
Current Expense Fund	5.00
General Missions	6.00

\$349.00**St. Barnabas', Reading.**

United Offering	\$ 8.15
Current Expense Fund	5.00
Emergency Fund (General Missions)	5.00
Box to Missionary	30.00

\$ 48.15**All Saints', Shenandoah.**

United Offering	\$ 4.00
Archdeacon Windiate, Nashville	1.00
Rev. Charles Crusoe, Hague, Va.	1.00
Rev. David Weidner, Bayonne, N. J.	2.00
Bishop Horner, Asheville, N. C.	1.00
Rev. George Burgess, Frackville, Pa.	1.00
Mrs. Randolph, Asheville, N. C.	1.00
Miss Hallie Long, Crewe, Va.	1.00

\$ 12.00**Pro-Cathedral, South Bethlehem.**

United Offering	\$ 90.03
St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville, Va.	50.00
General Missions	55.00
Box to Missionary	112.55
Box to St. Paul's, Lawrenceville	87.00
Current Expense Fund	56.60
Rev. George Burgess, Frackville	10.00

\$461.18**Calvary Church, Tamaqua.**

United Offering	\$ 12.00
Current Expense Fund	4.60
General Missions	4.00

\$ 20.60**St. Paul's, White Haven.**

United Offering	\$ 8.70
Box to Oneida Mission	11.25

\$ 19.95

SCRANTON ARCHDEACONRY

From the records of the Woman's Auxiliary for the year ending May 1st, 1915, I have to report two General Assemblies within the Scranton Archdeaconry.

The first was held in St. James' Church, Pittston, on November 3rd and 4th.

The Rev. S. B. Booth, of Idaho, was the speaker of the evening, at the Missionary Mass Meeting in the church on the 3rd, and the following morning at nine o'clock a short service of meditation, conducted by Rev. F. W. Sterett, of St. Stephen's Church, Wilkes-Barre, preceded a Celebration of the Holy Communion, at which service the United Offering of the past year was presented.

At the business meeting following, ninety-eight (98) delegates reported, from fourteen (14) parishes.

An open discussion on "The Auxiliary Meeting, its Scope and Power," led by Miss Laura F. Boyer, Diocesan Educational Secretary, was one of the principal features of this session.

The Mid-year Archdeaconry Assembly and Educational Meeting was held in St. Stephen's Church, Wilkes-Barre, on February 11th and 12th.

The executive session, on the afternoon of the 11th was first on the program, at which time sixty-five (65) delegates from thirteen (13) parishes responded to the roll. Following routine business, the meeting was addressed by Miss Emily Tillotson, Educational Secretary of The Woman's Auxiliary, at Church Missions House, New York.

The Missionary Mass Meeting, with address by Rev. Jno. W. Chapman, of Anvik, Alaska, was held in the evening.

At 9.00 A. M. on the 12th, Holy Communion was celebrated, by Bishop Talbot, assisted by the Rev. Mr. Sterrett, Rector of St. Stephen's, and by the Rev. Mr. Chapman. Following this service, a series of Model Study Classes for leaders in the various branches of the Woman's Auxiliary work, was held in the Parish House. These classes were directed by Miss Tillotson, outlining the study work of the Senior branch, Miss Laura F. Boyer that of the young

women, while Mrs. Chas. R. Wood and Miss Bresee gave instruction in behalf of the Junior work and that of the Little Helpers.

The trial project of conducting a session for educational instruction and training, in connection with the regular Archdeaconry Assembly, met with gratifying results, the delegates very generally responding by their presence.

A conference and open discussion, relative to "Lenten Plans for Mission Study," led by Miss Tillotson, closed the program of the day, and it was widely conceded that the adoption of educational features might hereafter be specifically included as a part of the regular program of the Archdeaconry Assemblies, which hitherto have embraced more particularly, reports, methods, ways and means.

Briefly reviewing personal communication between your Organizing Secretary and the parish branches, we can confidently conclude that the most pronounced forward step this year has been in the direction of the division of the Auxiliary Aim designated as "Knowledge." The advisability of definitely considering the educational side of the work is being very generally recognized, and wherever possible, methodically developed. As a consequence, many branches have acquired a broader vision, and individual members are becoming more attuned to 'the Mission of the Church,' and if missionary knowledge is the key to larger vision and more pronounced interest, this year's accomplishment must lead on to greater work and gifts.

A noticeable improvement is seen in the adoption of systematic conduct of meetings, which always stands for stability and progress.

Earnest members everywhere appear eager to declare that 'the Mission of the Church' is worthy of our whole-hearted devotion, and to proclaim more and more fervently that "Service" must be the watch-word of Auxiliary endeavor.

We have to report an increase of three (3) newly organized senior branches within the Scranton Archdeaconry, besides which there has

been added to our roll two divisions of a Section B in one parish.

We find a gain in membership in several branches, and on the whole a gratifying, earnest attempt to systematically and consistently carry out the three-fold Aim of the Auxiliary.

The Financial Report of the year is herewith presented:

United Offering	\$ 814.52
Current Expenses (1914-15) of the Bethlehem Branch....	226.31
General Missions	382.85

Designated Offerings	100.00
Specials	373.00
Archdeaconry Offerings	45.09
Twenty-three (23) boxes have gone forward from fifteen (15) parishes in this Archdeaconry, valued at.....	1,077.49

Total\$3,019.26

Respectfully submitted,
MINNA H. KETCHUM,
Organizing Secretary.

PARISH REPORTS.

Trinity Church, Athens.

United Offering	\$ 39.52
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	2.50
General Missions	8.30
Box to the Church Home, Jonestown.....	63.00
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	\$113.32

Trinity Church, Carbondale.

United Offering	\$ 7.95
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	8.50
General Missions	8.50
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	\$ 24.95

Grace Church, Dorranceton.

United Offering	\$ 11.25
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	5.00
General Missions	11.00
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	\$ 27.25

St. Mark's, Dunmore.

United Offering	\$ 19.10
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	5.00
The Church Home, Jonestown.....	5.00
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	\$ 29.10

Grace Church, Great Bend.

United Offering	\$ 1.00
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Grace Church Honesdale.

United Offering	\$ 12.04
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	10.00
General Missions, (Emergency Fund).....	5.00
Periodical Club	3.00
Box, to Charlestown, Mass.....	12.00
Express on boxes to Saluda, N. C.....	2.04
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	\$ 44.08

Christ Church, Indian Orchard.

General Missions (Emergency Fund).....	\$ 1.00
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St. James', Jermyn.

United Offering	\$ 10.00
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	5.00
General Missions, (Emergency Fund).....	2.00
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	\$ 17.00

Good Shepherd, Milford.

United Offering	\$ 10.50
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St. Paul's, Montrose.

United Offering	\$ 26.25
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	6.00
General Missions	15.00
Box, to Diocesan Clergyman.....	35.35
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	\$ 82.60

St. Mark's, New Milford.

United Offering	\$ 2.50
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St. George's, Olyphant.

United Offering	\$ 5.90
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	5.00
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	\$ 10.90

St. James', Pittston.

United Offering	\$ 12.80
General Missions	2.25
Diocesan Missionary Work.....	1.00
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	\$ 16.05

St. Peter's, Plymouth.

United Offering	\$ 6.79
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	5.00
Box, to The Church Home, Jonestown.....	21.50
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	\$ 33.29

Church of the Redeemer, Sayre.

United Offering	\$ 30.39
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	8.05
General Missions	11.95
Two (2) Boxes to Saluda, N. C.....	102.10
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	\$152.49

St. David's, Scranton.

United Offering	\$ 8.30
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	1.66
General Missions	5.00
Box to St. Elizabeth's School Wakpala, S. D.....	30.00
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	\$ 44.96

Good Shepherd, Scranton.

United Offering	\$ 35.50
Current Expenses	15.00
General Missions	50.00
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	\$100.50

St. Luke's, Scranton.

United Offering	\$137.82
Current Expense, Bethlehem Branch.....	50.00
Support of Bible Woman in China.....	50.00
St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo, Japan.....	30.00
Box, to Diocesan Clergyman.....	166.09
Box, to Chena, Alaska.....	80.17
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	\$514.08

**St. Luke's, Scranton.
(Section B.)**

Box, to St. Elizabeth's School, Wapakala, S. D.....	\$ 15.00
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St. Andrew's, Springville.

United Offering	\$ 1.00
Box, to The Church Home, Jonestown.....	15.00
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	\$ 16.00

Christ Church, Stroudsburg.

United Offering	\$ 15.12
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	6.00
General Missions, (Emergency Fund).....	6.70
Box to Fairbanks, Alaska.....	21.70
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	\$ 49.52

Christ Church, Susquehanna.

United Offering	\$ 3.00
Box, to The Church Home, Jonestown.....	8.50
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	\$ 11.50

Christ Church, Towanda.

United Offering	\$ 25.50
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	10.00
Two (2) Boxes, to The Church Home, Jonestown.....	37.05
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	\$ 72.55

St. Paul's, Troy.

United Offering	\$ 12.89
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	5.00
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	\$ 17.89

St. Peter's, Tunkhannock.

United Offering	\$ 2.00
General Missions	2.05
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	\$ 4.05

Trinity Church, West Pittston.

United Offering	\$ 49.55
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	4.90
General Missions	4.10
Box to St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville, Va.....	30.00
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	\$ 88.55

Mission, White Mills.

United Offering	\$ 3.22
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Calvary Church, Wilkes-Barre.

United Offering	\$ 6.78
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	1.00
Box, to Industrial School, Valle Crucis, N. C.....	1.05
Box, to St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville, Va.....	5.00
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	\$ 13.83

St. Clement's, Wilkes-Barre.

United Offering	\$ 85.10
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	10.00
St. Luke's Hospital, Tokyo, Japan.....	10.00
Box, to St. Elizabeth's School, Wakpala, S. D.....	110.00
Box, to St. Augustine's School, Raleigh, N. C.....	75.00
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	\$290.10

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.

United Offering	\$139.05
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	37.70
General Missions	200.00
For Work in Diocese of Georgia.....	50.00
Scholarship in St. Paul's School, Beaufort, N. C.....	10.00
Rt. Rev. Paul Jones, Salt Lake City, Utah.....	200.00
Rev. C. E. Betticher, Jr., Alaska.....	10.00
Rev. John W. Chapman, Anvik, Alaska.....	25.00
Diocesan Christmas Box.....	203.39
Box, to Diocesan Missionary.....	50.00
Box, to Point Pleasant, Va.....	55.55
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	\$980.69

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.**(Section B.)**

United Offering	\$ 93.70
Current Expenses, Bethlehem Branch.....	25.00
General Missions	50.00
Rt. Rev. Paul Jones, Salt Lake City, Utah.....	50.00
Rev. John W. Chapman, Anvik, Alaska.....	10.00
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	\$228.70

JUNIOR AUXILIARY

SECTION 2.

As Chairman of Section 2 of the Junior Department of the Woman's Auxiliary, I submit my report of the year's work.

The year has flown silently and quickly by and, in reviewing our work we have great cause for encouragement for, in spite of the continued lack of sufficient officers to carry on an aggressive campaign, with the necessary number of meetings and personal visits, there has been no falling off of interest and enthusiasm and we can report progress all along the line.

The total value of the work as expressed in figures, is a little less than last year. However, when we remember that during the last year all of the branches of older girls, who naturally were able to contribute the larger sums to the pledges, graduated into Section 3 of the Junior Department and that this is the first report of the branches composed entirely of what are now termed *real Juniors*, there is every reason for congratulation in the fact that the work they were able to accomplish so nearly equalled in value the work done in former years, when the two Departments worked together as one.

Of the 34 branches reporting last year, 32 have reported again this year. Two branches have lapsed—one in each Archdeaconry. Four new branches have been formed: At St. Luke's, Reading; Nativity, South Bethlehem, and Sub-Juniors at Trinity, West Pittston, and Christ Church, Towanda, making the total number of branches now on the list 36.

The responses to a list of questions sent out show that the enrollment of members in the different branches ranges from 3 to 50, with an average attendance of from 3 to 48. One branch of 15 members reporting every member present at every meeting. All of the branches report gains

of from 1 to 11 members. One leader reported their work as **booming** and the membership **doubled**.

Our first work for the year was the collecting and forwarding of the gifts for the Christmas Boxes, which were sent in November to the Indians in South Dakota and the mountaineers near Sewanee, Tenn. Twenty-seven branches contributed over 1,000 gifts valued at \$290.05. The repacking and forwarding was done by the Juniors of St. Mary's Church, Reading, and Mrs. Walter reported the collection of gifts "as fine as she had ever seen." As Mrs. Walter is a competent judge, having had experience with Junior Christmas Boxes at the receiving end, we feel satisfied that the work is being well done. However, our Juniors are not resting with satisfied ease on what has been done in the past for their boxes, but are rather stimulated by their success into greater energy and determination to make the boxes, in the future, still better and better. They are now, and have been since January, working on their gifts to be sent next fall. We have a few samples of their work here today so that the Senior Department can gather some idea of just what kind of work is being done.

There have been two Archdeaconry meetings held during the year, at St. James' Church, Pittston, in November, and at St. Mary's Church, Reading, in January.

One Neighborhood meeting was held in St. Mark's Church, Mauch Chunk, on March 6th, at which time the Rev. C. E. Betticher, of Alaska, gave a very interesting and instructive talk about the work of the Indian Juniors in Alaska.

Fourteen branches report regular Mission Study during the year, the list of Text Books used being long and varied.

Our pledges have been met and I have to report the total gifts of money and boxes from the 36 branches:

To apply on their Parish Apportionments	\$ 85.17
Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	50.00
Current Expense Fund.....	14.50
United Offering	43.97
Specials	27.00

Christmas Boxes	290.05
Other Boxes	71.43

\$582.12

ELIZABETH DONNELLY,
Chairman.

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of Section 2 of the Junior Department in the Diocese of Bethlehem was held in the Parish House of Trinity Church, Easton, on Wednesday morning, May 5th, 1915, directly after morning prayer. After the opening prayers, the following delegates answered to the roll call: Trinity, Bethlehem... 7
St. John's, East Mauch Chunk..... 4
Trinity, Easton 1
Christ Church, Reading..... 1
Nativity, South Bethlehem..... 3

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The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as read, followed by the reports of the two Archdeacons. The Vice Chairman, Miss

Schmehl, reporting for the Reading Archdeaconry and Miss Donnelly for the Scranton Archdeaconry, after which the Diocesan Report was read.

Miss Farrer then spoke to the delegates about the United Offering, making many suggestions of ways and means to increase their offerings next year.

Fifteen minutes was devoted to a general discussion of our work and ways and means for improving it next year, after which Mrs. B. S. Cooper gave a very interesting talk about the work among the Indians in Wyoming.

The time for luncheon having arrived, the meeting adjourned.

ELIZABETH DONNELLY.

PARISH REPORTS

Grace Church, Allentown.

Valle Crucis Scholarship	\$ 1.00
Current Expense Fund.....	.50
United Offering	1.50
Christmas Box	7.50
	<u>\$ 10.50</u>

Trinity, Bethlehem.

Parish Apportionment	\$ 1.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	2.00
Current Expense Fund.....	1.00
United Offering	1.00
Christmas Box	20.00
	<u>\$25.00</u>

St. Stephen's, Catasauqua.

Christmas Box	\$ 6.50
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St. James', Drifton.

Parish Apportionment	\$ 10.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	10.00
Current Expense Fund.....	2.00
United Offering	20.00
St. Andrew's School, Sewanee, Tenn.....	1.00
Christ School, Arden, N. C.....	1.00

Christmas Box	57.88
Box to Warrenton, N. C.....	15.08
Box to St. Elizabeth's School, S. D.....	5.32
Box to Arden, N. C.....	27.48

\$149.76

St. John's, East Mauch Chunk.

Parish Apportionment	\$ 25.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	7.75
Current Expenses Fund.....	.75
United Offering	4.10
Christmas Box	19.00

\$ 56.60

Christ Church, Fraickville.

Parish Apportionment50
Valle Crucis Scholarship	1.00
Current Expense Fund50
United Offering	1.50
Christmas Box	10.00

\$13.50

Trinity Church, Lansford.

Parish Apportionment	\$ 2.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	5.00
Current Expense Fund50
United Offering	1.00
Jonestown Home	25.00
Christmas Box	16.00
Box to Jonestown	5.00

\$ 54.50

All Saints', Lehighton.

Valle Crucis Scholarship.....	\$ 2.00
Christmas Box	28.57

\$ 30.57

St. Mark's, Mauch Chunk.

Parish Apportionment	\$ 3.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	1.00
Current Expense Fund	1.00
Christmas Boxes	7.50
Box to Chena, Alaska.....	8.70

\$21.20

Christ Church, Reading.

Current Expense Fund.....	\$ 1.00
Christmas Box	10.00

\$11.00

Nativity, South Bethlehem.

Valle Crucis Scholarship	\$ 3.25
Current Expense Fund75

\$ 4.00

Calvary, Tamaqua.

Christmas Box	\$ 6.75
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St. Paul's, White Haven.	
Current Expense Fund	\$.50
Christmas Box	3.50
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	\$ 4.00
St. Mark's, Dunmore.	
Christmas Box	\$ 5.00
Good Shepherd, Milford.	
Parish Apportionment	\$ 9.17
Christmas Box25
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	\$ 9.42
St. Paul's, Montrose.	
Parish Apportionment	\$ 5.00
Current Expense Fund	1.00
Christmas Box	12.00
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	\$ 18.00
St. George's, Olyphant.	
Parish Apportionment	\$ 3.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	2.00
Current Expense Fund50
United Offering	1.00
Christmas Box	4.10
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	\$ 10.60
.... St. James', Pittston.	
United Offering	\$ 1.50
Christmas Box	15.50
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	\$ 17.00
St. David's, Scranton.	
Christmas Box	\$ 2.20
St. Luke's, Scranton.	
Parish Apportionment	\$ 5.50
Valle Crucis Scholarship	10.00
Current Expense Fund	1.00
United Offering	1.00
Christmas Box	17.00
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	\$ 34.50
Christ Church, Stroudsburg.	
Current Expense Fund	\$.50
Christmas Box	2.00
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	\$ 2.50
Christ Church, Towanda.	
Christmas Box	\$ 7.15
Christ Church, Towanda.	
St. Margaret's Guild.	
Box to Jonestown Home	\$ 5.00
Trinity, West Pittston.	
Parish Apportionment	\$ 8.00
Current Expense Fund	1.00
United Offering25
Christmas Box	6.15
Box to Fairbanks, Alaska	4.85
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	\$ 20.25

Calvary, Wilkes-Barre.	
United Offering	\$ 1.00
Christmas Box	4.50

\$ 5.50

St. Clement's, Wilkes-Barre.	
United Offering	\$ 4.12
Christmas Box	4.50

\$ 8.62

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre.	
Christmas Box	\$ 10.00

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre. St. Agnes' Guild.	
Parish Apportionment	\$ 2.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	2.00
Current Expense Fund	1.00
United Offering	1.00
Christmas Box	3.00

\$ 9.00

St. Stephen's, Wilkes-Barre. St. Margaret's Guild.	
Parish Apportionment	\$ 11.00
Valle Crucis Scholarship	3.00
Current Expense Fund	1.00
United Offering	5.00
Christmas Box	3.50

\$ 23.50

SUMMARY.

	Boxes.	Money.	
Reading Archdeaconry	\$254.78	\$139.10	\$393.88
Scranton Archdeaconry	106.70	81.54	188.24
Total			\$582.12

SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
of the
LITTLE HELPERS (SECTION I)
in the
Diocese of Bethlehem

Twenty-four parish branches have sent reports and offerings since Easter, in sixteen of the parishes, the offerings having been gathered by means of the annual Service, or in connection with the children's Easter Festival service. Five of the old branches made no report or offering, due in some cases to lack of leadership. Four new branches were started since last report, viz: Christ Church, Frackville; St. James', Jermy; St. Stephen's, Catasauqua, and St. Paul's, Montrose. Calvary Church, Wilkes-Barre, has revived with a new leader. None of these last mentioned report this year, but we may hope for results from them next spring.

During the year I have attended three meetings of the Auxiliary, helping at one, to conduct a conference on "Lenten Plans," and at another lead-

ing a class for leaders of the Little Helpers in Study-methods, the latter being attended by four leaders.

I have to submit the following itemized report, showing enrollment, promotions into Section 2, attendance at the Little Helper Services, besides the offerings from each parish; also how the money has been used.

As this is my last report as chairman of the Little Helpers, I would like to add a word of thanks and appreciation to all those members of the Auxiliary, leaders or otherwise, who have in any way helped and encouraged me, and to bespeak for my successor, Miss Mitman, the same loyalty and co-operation which has been extended to me for the past five years.

HELEN BRESEE,
Chairman.

PARISH.	No. in Enroll- ed	No. M-mor- tuary Circle	No. Pro- moted into Sec- tion 9	No. At- tending Annual Service	Am't of Offer- ing
Allentown, Grace Church.....	12				1.00
Bethlehem, Trinity Church.....	20				12.10
Birdsboro, St. Michael's.....	6			3	3.16
Carbondale, Trinity Church.....	112	6	15	30	43.47
Drifton, St. James'.....	30	2	7	15	13.00
Dunmore, St. Mark's.....	18				1.50
Easton, Trinity Church.....	40	1		14	8.20
East Mauch Chunk, St. John's.....	53	1		24	17.35
Lansford, Trinity Church.....	21			3	8.43
Lebanon, St. Luke's.....	19		6		5.91
Lehighton, All Saints'.....	38	1	2	17	14.60
Mauch Chunk, St. Mark's.....	42			12	11.05
Nanticoke, St. George's.....	12				4.65
New Milford, St. Mark's.....	4				1.16
Olyphant, St. George's.....	32			8	8.00
Palmerton, St. John's.....	31			18	7.50
Pottsville, Trinity Church.....	34				3.67
Reading, St. Barnabas'.....	32			20	8.00
Reading, St. Mary's.....	30			6	7.75
Sayre, Church of the Redeemer.....	21			30	5.00
Scranton, St. Luke's.....					3.00
So. Bethlehem, Church of the Nativity.....	100			65	20.00
Susquehanna, Christ Church.....	10			3	3.76
West Pittston, Trinity Church.....	20	2	8	16	7.00
Totals.....	749	13	38	284	\$219.26

RECEIVED SINCE LAST REPORT.

Date.	Parish.	Amount.
May 25, 1914—Hazleton, St. Peter's.....		\$.78
May 25, 1914—I Little Helper, Calvary Church, Wilkes-Barre.....		1.07
May 26, 1914—Trinity Church, Carbon dale.....		1.52
Dec. 17, 1914—Primary Department, Christ Church, Towanda.....		1.00
Dec. 23, 1914—Trinity Church, Easton.....		10.00
Feb. 2, 1915—Grace Church, Allentown.....		.45
Total.....		\$ 14.82
Offerings since Easter, 1915.....		219.26
Grand total.....		\$234.08

DISBURSEMENTS.

Through Mrs. R. P. Linderman, Treas.

General Missions.....	\$199.58
Akita Kindergarten Alteration Fund.....	22.50
Font Fund.....	1.00
L. H. Cot, Raleigh, N. C.....	1.75
Printing and Postage.....	9.25
Total.....	\$234.08

SUMMARY.

Archdeaconries.	Value Boxes.	Money	Total.
Reading, Senior.....	\$1,902.48	\$1,726.40	\$3,628.88
Reading, Junior.....	254.78	139.10	393.88
Reading, Little Helpers.....		152.95	152.95
Scranton, Senior.....	1,077.49	1,941.77	3,019.26
Scranton, Junior.....	106.70	81.54	188.24
Scranton, Little Helpers.....		81.13	81.13
Totals.....	\$3,341.45	\$4,122.89	\$7,464.34

REPORT OF THE EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY

As there were only 19 responses from the 51 record blanks sent out, the report of the Educational Secretary does not begin to represent the real status of mission study in the Diocese of Bethlehem. From the nineteen reports returned there are recorded the following:

SECTION A, WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Mission Study Classes.—Lansford, Mauch Chunk, Montrose, Pottsville, Scranton (Good Shepherd), Stroudsburg and Wilkes-Barre (St. Stephen's), Reading (Christ Church); total reported..... 8
Not Reported: Reading (St. Barnabas), Sayre, Wilkes-Barre (St. Clement's) 3

Mission Study Classes, total.....11

Mission Study Meetings.—Allentown (Grace), Jermy, West Pittston, Pottsville, Plymouth, Reading (St. Mary's), Scranton (St. David's), Stroudsburg, Wilkes-Barre (St. Stephen's), Reading (Christ Church). Total reported.....10

Not Reported: Scranton (St. Luke's) and Sayre..... 2
Parishes holding Mission Study

Meetings12

Reading Missionary Literature at Meetings.—Allentown (Grace), Easton, South Bethlehem, Honesdale, Montrose and Plymouth. Total 6

SECTION B, WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Mission Study Classes.—Mauch Chunk, Stroudsburg, Wilkes-Barre (St. Stephen's). Total reported... 3
Not Reported: Scranton (St. Luke's) 1

Mission Study Classes, total..... 4

Mission Study Meetings.—Allentown (Grace), Wilkes-Barre (St. Stephen's). Total 2

Reading Missionary Literature.—South Bethlehem..... 1

JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

Lenten Mission Study.—Allentown, South Bethlehem, Lansford, East Mauch Chunk, Reading (Christ Church) 5

Mission Study Classes, total.....15

Mission Study Meetings, total number of parishes.....14

Reading Missionary Literature, total 7

Even this scant report is encouraging, for last year the report showed but 6 study classes and 6 parishes holding mission study meeting.

A mission study report is a hard thing to make expressive, because the interest in mission study is not always a definite thing which can be represented in numbers. It seems to me that the sale of mission study books during the past year in this Diocese is rather significant of our real interest in mission study. Of course I have no means of knowing the number of books, and I am sure there were a large number, ordered directly from the Church Mission House, but I personally filled orders for 224 volumes on mission study representing a total in money of about \$60. The desire to procure mission study books to this extent certainly shows a real interest in mission study.

I have also sent out from the Lending Library of the Woman's Auxiliary, 22 volumes on mission study. We are very anxious to make this Lending Library of practical value throughout the Diocese, and hope that it will become more and more generally known and used.

The Educational Work in the Diocese has progressed this year rather in spite of your Educational Secretary than because of her. Many of the plans which I outlined to you last year were not carried out on account of my own illness. I was able to visit only three parishes during the winter, although I was able to attend the Archdeaconry meetings in both Arch-

deaconries. In the Archdeaconry of Scranton, an Educational Day was held in connection with the Mid-Winter Archdeaconry Meeting. More than 100 delegates, representing 15 parishes, were present. Similar meetings will be held next Winter in both Archdeaconries, with the object of helping parishes with their Lenten Mission Study.

Ten delegates from this Diocese attended the conference at Silver Bay in July, 1914. It is to be hoped that the mission study work of the Diocese will be further strengthened by the attendance of at least as many more at Summer conferences this year.

It is encouraging to see that many parishes are feeling the importance of mission study in Auxiliary work. It is most important. Only when you learn for what you are praying, working and giving, can your interest in your prayers, work and gifts become real. Only when we know of the needs, the opportunities, and the results in the mission fields can we begin to see our share, as members of the Woman's Auxiliory, to the Board of Missions in hastening the coming of the Kingdom on earth.

LAURA F. BOYER,
Educational Secretary.

UNITED OFFERING

ANNUAL MESSAGE AND REPORT OF WORK IN PROGRESS IN THE DIOCESE.

Unlike the rest of the reports read at this meeting, the customary words "Another year of work has been brought to a close" cannot be used. The "United Offering year" is not at its close, we are mid-way in our year of work, for, unlike the "Auxiliary Year," from May to May, our year is from October to October. Though it would be easier to have the years coincide, the plan as it stands has this value: In May we come together to ask God's blessing on our work; we hear stories of conquest for Christ from the lips of Missionaries, we learn from department reports what has been accomplished and what should be undertaken, and realize how great is the activity of the women and girls of the Diocese. Can we return to our parish from such a meeting without greater love and the desire to help as never before? Shall not what we hear and feel today influence us throughout the year? So, when our hearts are thrilled with the desire to serve more faithfully, let us remember that there are still six months left to work in, six months in which we daily receive blessings at God's hands, which should make us thoughtful, loving, generous women.

Early in November the contents of

our "blue boxes" will be offered to the Master for His work among us. Shall we have more or less to give them than last year? Our hearts tell us it must be more, but there is this fact to face: the unusual demands of the past months, abroad and at home, which the war has brought,—perhaps never before has there been such a drain upon our sympathy, time and income. It may be that some of us have forgotten to put into our "blue boxes" what it has been our custom to give in previous years; it may be we have not as much to give. Many of us can earn money and we can all practice self-denial. This work which the women and girls of the Church have undertaken for Christ for the women and children of the world who are to be brought to Him **must** go on, and it cannot be carried on by us without united prayer and gifts. Our offering last year was splendid. What is it going to be this year?—what our united efforts make it.

The following report is based upon 27 parish reports which came to me in reply to 70 blank forms sent out by me in April. Because so many parishes failed to report to me, my report cannot truly represent the com-

plete United Offering work of the Diocese. The reports received show a general gain. Parishes which failed to report number of "blue boxes" out this year are credited with number reported last year:

	1914	1915
No. of Parish United Offering		
Treasurers	52	53
Reading Archdeaconry:—		
No. boxes out.....	377	
No. of contributors.....	135	512 657
Scranton Archdeaconry:—		
No. boxes out.....	755	
No. of contributors.....	88 843	1051
	1355	1708
Gains in Reading Archdeaconry...	145	
Gains in Scranton Archdeaconry...	208	
Gains in Diocese.....	353	
Total number of reported boxes		
out in the Diocese.....	1708	

During the year I have supplied 427 boxes and much literature to the parishes and missions of the Diocese, attended three Archdeaconry meetings and the Annual Meeting, and have accepted all invitations to visit parishes, except those just received with the reports. These will be arranged for this Autumn or sooner, if desired. I have written 321 letters, 190 post-cards and sent over 20 packages.

To traveling expenses.....	\$12.00
To stamps	8.52
To post cards.....	1.90
To printing	4.25
To stationery30
To telegrams, telephone, type-writing	1.70
	<u>\$28.67</u>

COMPLETE REPORT OF UNITED OFFERING, 1913-1914.

Reading Archdeaconry.

	Senior.	Junior.
Allentown, Grace.....	\$ 9.73	\$ 1.50
Allentown, Grace, Sec. B.	4.13	
Allentown, Church of the Mediator.....	6.78	
Bethlehem, Trinity	57.57	1.00
Birdsboro, St. Michael's	25.25	
Drifton, St. James'.....	213.00	20.00
Easton, Trinity	21.12	
Emaus, St. Margaret's..	2.45	
East Mauch Chunk, St. John's	27.00	4.10
Frackville, St. Peter's..	5.00	1.50
Hazleton, St. Peter's....	32.00	
Lansford, Trinity.....	3.28	
Lebanon, St. Luke's....	7.50	
Leighton, All Saints'..	14.66	
Mauch Chunk, St. Mark's	40.20	
Pottsville, Trinity	100.00	
Palmerton, St. John's...	5.41	
Reading, Christ Church.	128.00	
Reading, St. Mary's....	31.06	
Reading, St. Barnabas'..	8.15	
South Bethlehem, Nativity	90.03	
Tamaqua, Calvary	12.00	
White Haven, St. Paul's	8.70	
Shenandoah, All Saints'.	4.00	
Contributed:		
By 23 parishes.....	\$857.02	
By 5 parishes.....		\$28.10

Archdeaconry of Scranton.

	Senior.	Junior.
Athens, Trinity	\$ 39.52	
Carbondale, Trinity.....	9.83	
Dorrancton, Grace.....	11.25	
Dunmore, St. Mark's....	19.10	
Great Bend, Grace.....	1.00	
Honesdale, Grace	12.04	
Jermyn, St. James'.....	10.00	
Milford, Good Shepherd	10.50	
Montrose, St. Paul's....	26.50	5.00
New Milford, Grace....	2.50	
Olyphant, St. George's..	5.90	1.00
Pittston, St. James'....	12.30	1.50
Plymouth, St. Peter's....	6.79	
Scranton, St. David's...	8.30	
Scranton, St. Luke's....	137.82	1.00
Scranton, Good Shepherd	35.50	
Stroudsburg, Christ....	15.12	
Susquehanna, Christ....	3.00	
Sayre, The Redeemer...	30.39	
Springville, St. Andrew's	1.00	
Towanda, Christ	25.50	
Troy, St. Paul's	12.89	
Tunkhannock, St. Peter's	2.00	
West Pittston, Trinity..	51.20	.50
Wilkes-Barre, St. Clement's	85.10	5.17
Wilkes-Barre, St. Stephen's, \$139.05, Sec. B		
\$93.70	232.75	20.00
St. Agnes'		1.00

St. Margaret	5.00
Wilkes-Barre, Calvary... 7.03	1.00
White Mills	3.22
Contributed:	
By 28 parishes.....\$18.05	
By 8 parishes.....	\$41.17
Senior Auxillary	\$1,675.07
Junior Auxillary	69.27
	\$1,744.34
July interest29
January interest	5.53
United Offering, 1913-1914..	\$1,750.16

Received to date on United Offering, 1914-1915:

Trinity, Bethlehem	\$30.73
Junior (Diocesan)	10.25
	\$40.98

\$1,789.14 in First National Bank, Pittston, Pa., at 3 per cent.

Respectfully submitted,

MARGARET LOUISE FARRER,
United Offering Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB FOR THE YEAR 1914-15.

105 Magazines have been forwarded regularly.

100 odd Magazines sent to reading rooms.

4 packages of Postcards to missions. \$11.00 handed to treasurer.

One new branch has been formed in the Diocese of Bethlehem, and several revived.

I find in looking over last year's report that there is an encouraging increase in the number of periodicals regularly forwarded, but the contri-

bution in money is somewhat less.

The expense of maintaining the Central Office, with the necessary paid helpers, and of the postage and stationary and in the correspondence is very large, so it is to be hoped that all branches will be able to send some money. The General Secretary asks for an average of two dollars from each Parish.

ELIZABETH E. CRELLIN,
Correspondent Diocese of Bethlehem.

MONEY NEEDED FOR STATED FUNDS THIS YEAR—1915-1916.

Life Insurance of Foreign Missionary	\$ 75.00	Alaska	100.00
Miss Thackara's Hospital, Arizona	25.00	Auxiliary Current Expenses...	400.00
Jonestown Home	100.00	Educational Work in the Diocese	50.00
Bishop Rulison Scholarship,			\$750.00

SOUTH BETHLEHEM, PA., MAY 4, 1915.

RUTH H. LINDERMAN, Treasurer,

In Account With the

"Bethlehem" Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary

For the period May 27, 1914 to May 4, 1915.

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		Current Expense Fund	Special Offerings	Total
1914				
May 27,	To Balance.....	\$1340 70		\$ 1340 70
June 3,	" Collection at annual meeting, Reading	33 09		33 09
17,	" Contributions by Babies' Branch.....		s - \$ 3 37	
1915				
Jan. 16,	" " " " " "		s - 10 60	
April 29,	" " " " " "		s - 133 49	
			a9 - 16 50 163 86	163 86
				143 90 143 90
May 2	" Income Bishop Ralison Memorial Fund			
	NOTE—Amounts received from the Babies' Branches also listed under the several parishes except item of \$16.50 for Akita Kindergarten Alteration Fund.			
SCRANTON ARCHDEACONRY				
1914				
Dec. 11,	To Collection at Archdeaconry meeting...		v9 - 10 00	
1915				
April 6,	" " " " " "		w9 - 10 00 20 00	20 00
	" Athens, Trinity.....	2 50	s 8 30	10 60
	" Carbondale, Trinity.....	8 50	s 8 50	17 00
	" " Babies' Branch.....		s 43 99	43 99
	" Dorrencetown, Grace.....	5 00	s 11 00	16 00
	" Dunmore, St. Mark's.....	5 00	y3 5 00	10 00
	" " Babies' Branch.....		s 1 00	1 00
	" Honesdale, Grace.....		x - 3 00	
	" " " " " "	10 00	sef - 5 00 8 00	18 00
	" Indian Orchard, Christ.....		sef 1 00	1 00
	" Jermyn, St. James'.....	5 00	sef 2 00	7 00
	" Montrose, St. Paul's.....	6 00	s 15 00	21 00
	" New Milford, St. Mark's Babies' Branch		s 66	66
	" Olyphant, St. George's.....	5 00		5 00
	" Plymouth, St. Peter's.....	5 00		5 00
	" Pittston, St. James'.....		s 2 25	2 25
	" Sayre, Redeemer.....	8 95	s 11 95	20 00
	" Scranton, Good Shepherd.....	15 00	sef 50 00	65 00
	" " St. David's.....	1 66	s 5 00	6 66
	" " St. Luke's.....		zS - 30 00	
	" " " " " "	50 00	19 - 50 00 80 00	130 00
	" Stroudsburg, Christ.....	6 00	sef 6 70	12 70
	" Susquehanna, Christ, Babies' Branch		s 2 26	2 26
	" Towamla, Christ.....	10 00		10 00
	" " Babies' Branch.....		s 1 00	1 00
	" Troy, St. Paul's.....	5 00		5 00
	" Tunkhannock, St. Peter's.....		s 2 05	2 05
	" West Pittston, Trinity.....	4 90	s 4 10	9 00
	" Wilkes-Barre, Calvary.....	1 00		1 00
	" " Babies' Branch.....		s 1 07	1 07
	" " " St. Clement's.....	10 00	zS 10 00	20 00
	" " " St. Stephen's.....		s - 200 00	
	" " " " " "		yy - 50 00	
	" " " " " "		13 - 10 00	
	" " " " " "		c9 - 10 00	
	" " " " " "		w9 - 25 00	
	" " " " " "		x9 - 200 00	
		37 70		495 00
			w9 - 10 00	
			x9 - 50 00	
			s - 50 00	
		25 00		110 00
				135 00

	Current Expense Fund	Special Offerings	Total
Sundries			
Florence L. Cox, traveling, &c.....	\$ 51 84		\$ 51 84
M. L. Farrar, ".....	37 95		37 95
Minna H. Ketchum, ".....	34 05		34 05
Helen Bresee, ".....	10 52		0 52
Laura L. Ruddle, ".....	12 42		12 42
Edith W. Johnson, ".....	10 54		10 54
Elizabeth Donnelly, ".....	2 70		2 70
Rev. J. A. Glasier.....	5 64		5 64
L. L. Rauch, printing annual reports.....	82 00		82 00
Robert E. Prendergast, printing.....	19 00		19 00
McCalla & Co., Inc.....	3 99		3 99
SPECIAL OFFERING:			
Designated Offerings			
China—For work in China.....		\$ 10 00	10 00
China—For Support of Bible Woman.....		50 00	50 00
Cuba—For Bishop Hulse's work.....		50 00	50 00
Georgia—Bishop Nelson's work.....		50 00	50 00
Southern Virginia—Lawrenceville, St. Paul's Industrial School.....		50 00	50 00
North Carolina—For Cashier Valley Mission.....		25 00	25 00
Alaska, Anvik—For Rev. J. W. Chapman.....		45 00	45 00
"—Deaconess Grider for her work.....		10 00	10 00
Church Periodical Club.....		3 00	3 00
[SPECIAL OFFERINGS, but not classed as Designated Offerings.]			
Japan—Akita Kindergarten Alteration Fund.....		16 50	16 50
"Tokio—St. Luke's International Hospital.....		55 00	55 00
General Missions.....		692 16	692 16
"Emergency Fund.....		79 70	79 70
Idaho—Rev. L. B. Booth for Bishop Funsten's work.....		10 00	10 00
Minnesota, Cornning—For Church Building, St. Matthew's Parish.....		2 00	2 00
North Carolina—Arden, Mrs. Wetmore.....		5 00	5 00
Asheville, St. Mary's Parish, for Mrs. Randolph.....		1 00	1 00
Asheville, Bishop Horner.....		1 00	1 00
Beaufort, Scholarship St. Paul's School.....		10 00	10 00
Pennsylvania—Jonestown Church Home.....		30 00	30 00
Frackville, Rev. Geo. Burgess.....		36 00	36 00
Bishop Kulison Memorial Fund.....		143 90	143 90
Tennessee—Nashville, Archdeacon Windicate.....		1 00	1 00
Sewanee, St. Andrew's School, Rev. McVeigh Harrison.....		5 00	5 00
Utah—Salt Lake City, Bishop Paul Jones.....		250 00	250 00
Washington—Spokane, Bishop Wells.....		5 00	5 00
Wisconsin—Oneida, Rev. W. B. Thorn.....		5 00	5 00
Virginia—Crewe, Miss Hallie Long.....		1 00	1 00
Hague, Rev. Chas. E. Crusoe.....		1 00	1 00
Lawrenceville, St. Paul's School.....		10 00	10 00
New Jersey—Bayonne, Rev. D. F. Weidner.....		2 99	2 00
	\$1035 65	\$1655 26	\$ 2690 91

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

s—General Missions.
x—Church Periodical Club.
yy—Bishop Nelson's work in Georgia
zs—St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokio, Japan.
y9—Archdeacon Windicate, Nashville, Tenn.
a9—Akita Kindergarten Alteration Fund.
v9—Rev. L. B. Booth for Bishop Funsten's work in Idaho.
x9—Bishop Paul Jones, Salt Lake City, Utah.
z9—Rev. George Burgess, Frackville, Pa.
aaa—Mrs. Wetmore, Arden, N. C.
ccc—Rev. W. B. Thorn, Oneida, Wis.
eee—Deaconess Grider for work in Alaska.
ggg—Rev. D. F. Weidner, Bayonne, N. J.
sef—General Missions Emergency Fund.

LL—St. Paul's Industrial School, Lawrenceville, Virginia.
y3—Church Home, Jonestown, Pa.
f9—Support of Bible Woman in China.
L9—Cashier Valley Mission.
m9—Bishop Horner, Asheville, N. C.
n9—Church Building, St. Matthew's Parish, St. Paul, Minn.
w9—Rev. J. W. Chapman, Anvik, Alaska.
y9—Rev. McVeigh Harrison, St. Andrew's School, Sewanee, Tenn.
bbb—Bishop Wells, Spokane, Wash.
ddd—Bishop Hulse, Cuba.
fff—Rev. Chas. E. Crusoe, Hague, Va.
hhh—Miss Hallie Long, Crewe, Va.
iii—St. Mary's Parish, Asheville, N. C., Mrs. Randolph.

Treasurer's Statement

For Period May 27, 1914 to May 4, 1915.

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To Balance, General Fund	\$1,340 70	
" Collection at Annual Meeting	33 09	
" Income Bishop Rulison Memorial Fund	143 90	
" Contribution by Babies' Branch	163 86	\$1,681 55

Scranton Archdeaconry

To Current Expense Fund	\$ 226 31	
" Special Offerings	855 85	1,082 16

Reading Archdeaconry

To Current Expense Fund	\$ 293 05	
" Special Offerings	491 65	784 70

\$3,548 41

By payments as follows:

Current Expense Fund:

Annual Pledges	\$ 250 00	
Appropriations	515 00	
Sundries	270 65	\$1,035 65

Special Offerings 1,655 26

\$2,690 91

May 4, 1915, Bank Balance 857 50 \$3,548 41

General Fund

Balance May 27, 1914	\$1,340 70	
Receipts, " " " to May 4, 1915	552 45	\$1,893 15

Payments, " " " " " " 1,035 65

Balance in General Fund, " " " \$ 557 50

Special Offerings

Receipts, May 27, 1914, to May 4, 1915	\$1,655 26	
Payments, " " " " " "	1,655 26	

May 4, 1915, Bank Balance \$ 557 50

LIST OF SECRETARIES

Reading Archdeaconry.

Allentown—Mrs. H. S. MacLaine,
1227 Hamilton St.
Bethlehem—Mrs. G. E. Barber, 28
North Centre St.
Birdsboro—Mrs. G. W. Focht,
Birdsboro.
Drifton—Mrs. Wm. Anderson, Drif-
ton.
Eckley—Mrs. E. John Ellic, Eckley.
Easton—Mrs. J. R. Smith, 134 Park-
er Avenue.
East Mauch Chunk—Miss C. A.
Blakslee, East Mauch Chunk.
East Mauch Chunk—(St. Agnes'
Guild) Miss Hattie Fernekees, East
Mauch Chunk.
Emaus—Mrs. George Castor, Emaus.
Hazleton—Mrs. John R. Sharpless,
Hazleton.
Lebanon—Mrs. J. Walter, 359 North
8th Street.
Lansford—Mrs. R. J. Wyatt, Lans-
ford.
Leighton—Mrs. M. O. Bryan, Le-
ighton.
Mauch Chunk—Mrs. Asa P. Blakslee
Mauch Chunk.
Mauch Chunk—(Daughters of the
Church) Miss Matilda Thompson,
Mauch Chunk.
Morgantown—Mrs. J. E. Plank.
Palmerton—Mrs. K. Barnard, Palm-
erton.
Pottsville—Miss Caroline Pugh, 1331
W. Market St.
Reading, St. Mary's—Mrs. G. Wag-
staff, 414 Robeson St.
Reading, Christ Church—Miss E. S.
Millholland, 441 Oley St.
Reading, St. Barnabas'—Mrs. F.
Bertolet, 137 Windsor St.
Shenandoah—Mrs. John Reeves, 413
West Coal St.
South Bethlehem—Mrs. P. A. Lam-
bert, 215 So. Centre St.
South Bethlehem, (Nelson Chapter)
—Miss Martha Stroman, 210 Wood St.
Tamaqua—Miss A. M. Stidfole, Ta-
maqua.
White Haven—Mrs. D. Krumanock-
er, White Haven.

Scranton Archdeaconry.

Athens—Mrs. Irving K. Park, So.
Main St., Athens.
Carbondale—Miss Margaret Lewis,
131 Washington St., Carbondale.
Dorrancton—Mrs. G. Keibler, 74

Walnut St., Dorrancton.
Dunmore—Mrs. F. W. Hartley, 137
Brook St., Dunmore.
Jermyn—Mrs. L. A. Green.
Honesdale—Mrs. H. T. Menner, 910
Church St., Honesdale.
Montrose—Miss M. C. Miller, 16
Drinker St., Montrose.
Olyphant—Mrs. Geo. Hall, Dickson
City, Pa.
Pittston—Mrs. Geo. Robinson, 32
Nafus St., Pittston.
Plymouth—Mrs. John H. Griffith, 22
Academy St., Plymouth.
Sayre—Mrs. J. B. Knapp, Riverside
Drive, Sayre.
Scranton, St. David's—Mrs. George
Dorsey, 1025 Jackson St., Scranton.
Scranton, St. John's—Mrs. Mary A.
Coleman, 2034 Wayne Ave., Scranton.
Scranton, Good Shepherd—Mrs. R.
A. Spalding, 2230 Caponse Ave., Scranton.
Scranton, St. Luke's—Mrs. H. W.
Kingsbury, 541 Monroe Ave., Scranton.
Scranton, St. Luke's, Sec. B, Div. 1
—Mrs. F. A. Fletcher, 719 Quincy
Ave., Scranton.
Scranton, St. Luke's, Sec. B, Div. 2
Miss Margaret Fraser, 705 Prescott
Ave., Scranton.
Stroudsburg—Mrs. A. V. Englehart,
East Stroudsburg, Pa.
Towanda—Mrs. F. H. Hagerman,
Towanda.
Troy—Miss Mary L. Saltmarch.
West Pittston—Mrs. F. H. Eshelman,
Susquehanna Ave., West Pittston.
Wilkes-Barre, Calvary—Mrs. L. C.
Jones, 70 Wyoming St., Wilkes-Barre.
Wilkes-Barre, St. Clement's—Mrs.
W. N. Landmesser, 116 St. Clement
St., Wilkes-Barre.
Wilkes-Barre, St. Stehen's—Mrs.
John M. Humphrey, 458 S. Franklin
St., Wilkes-Barre.
Wilkes-Barre, St. Stephen's, Sec. B
—Mrs. J. P. Howell, 84 No. Main St.,
Wilkes-Barre.
Susquehanna—Mrs. J. E. Hough,
415 Laurel St., Susquehanna.
White Mills—Mrs. John Guthell.
Alden—Mrs. Wm. Warne.
Great Bend—Mrs. E. J. Churchill.
Tunkhannock—Mrs. A. D. Walter,
7 E. Harrison St.
Springville—Miss Lena H. Lyman.

May I ask you to please write answers in space below questions and send to me by return mail, if possible, and not later than April 28th?

My Dear Friend:

1. You are on record as United Offering Treasurer of your parish. If there comes a time when you must give up this work will you at once notify your Rector and ask him to send me, as soon as possible, the name and address of the one whom he appoints in your place?

2. United Offering boxes reported out in your parish last year?

3. How many have you out now?

4. Do you feel there is a gain in interest?

5. What plan are you following to bring this about, which I can pass on to other United Offering Treasurers?

6. May I suggest that you ask your Rector to give you the name and address of women who come into your parish?

Also, will you look on the list of each class which is confirmed to see if there are any women or older girls whom you can interest in the United Offering, to whom you can give a box?

7. Early in November the contents of our "blue boxes" will be offered to the Master for His work among us. Shall we have more or less to give Him? Our hearts tell us it must be more, but there is this fact to face: the unusual demands of the past months, at home and abroad, which the great war has brought. Perhaps never before has there been such a drain upon our sympathy, time and income. It may be that some of us have not put into our "blue boxes" what it has been our custom to do. If so, let us remember that we have the summer months to catch up in. Let us pray daily—pray for the United Offering work in our diocese. We may not have as much as usual to give, but some of us can earn money and we can all practice self-denial. This work which the women and girls of the Church have undertaken for Christ and for the women and children of the world who are to be brought to Him, cannot go on without united prayer and united giving.

Our offering last year was splendid, let us each give what we did last year and a few coins more, for the work is ever growing and we must try to come up to it with prayer and sacrifice.

This is my message to the women of your parish.

Yours sincerely,

MARGARET LOUISE FARRER,
United Offering Treas.,
Diocese of Bethlehem

237 Wyoming Ave.,
West Pittston, Pa.

REQUESTS OF PARISH SECRETARIES OF THE WOMEN'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 par-

ish 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.

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 five 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.

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 Women'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 Little Helpers 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 Offering 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 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.

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