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Fifth Annual Report of the Secretary.

Right Reverend Father in God and Ladies of the Woman's Auxiliary:

Our Fifth Annual Report shows a falling off in the receipts of this year of \$17.19 as compared with the preceding one, and is \$512 less than that of 1887.

The receipts of 1887 amounted to \$1909.32; 1888, \$1414.24; 1889, \$1397.05.

These figures are given that those members who are with us to-day may take them to their parish societies with an urgent appeal that in this matter of consecrated gifts, we rouse ourselves to greater effort than we have put forth in the past. We feel, that at the risk of wearying you, we must emphasize the plea of our efficient and honored Secretary, Miss Emery, for regular and systematic giving. Out of her ripe experience, she urges upon our branches the use of mite chests, envelopes, stated offerings, *any* way which will ensure a *steady* income to our Treasury. Will not our parish officers strive to make the practice general, and second the efforts which our President is constantly making in this line?

Our year opened with a promise of greater things through the enthusiasm caused by having in our midst our new Diocesan, Rt. Rev. Leighton Coleman. By a happy arrangement of the New Castle Branch, the Bishop of Delaware and Mrs. Coleman gave an opportunity to our missionary workers to greet them at the time of our last October meeting, and many, present to-day, remember the occasion with happiness. Surely under the inspiration of that day, we should have worked with freshened zeal and larger results.

The Executive Committee has met ten times this year, and has attended the three public meetings. The January meeting was addressed by Bishop Garrett, of Texas. The faithful labor of his best years is at last crowned with success, and his beautiful school building at Dallas is finished, though not yet out of debt. At the May meeting in Milford, a new branch was formed. Mrs. Rumney, of Germantown, kindly made the address.

At both of these meetings, the Bishop gave the support of his presence and encouraging words. We were represented at the Auxiliary meeting in connection with the Missionary Council at Washington, in November, by our President; and at the Triennial meeting, at the time of General Convention in New York, Oct.

2nd, 1889, by the President, Foreign Directress, Secretary, and five other Delaware ladies. The privilege of attending this noble meeting will not soon be forgotten. This gathering of a thousand Christian women seemed capable, under God's blessing, of doing a great work for His Church.

The Quiet Day for women in Delaware, held during last Lent, was a comfort and refreshment to many souls. We hope it will be given us every Lent.

Mrs. S. M. Curtis, our Foreign Directress, has been appointed, by the Presiding Bishop, Associate Secretary for Mexico, and will be ready to confer with any one who desires information about this department of the Church's work.

The Smyrna Branch has done especially good work this year and has a gratifying increase of membership. We are hoping for the formation of a new Branch at Stanton and Newport, and at Seaford, at an early date.

A place among us is vacant to-day. Mrs. Edward Owen, President of the Claymont Branch, was suddenly called from earth in January last. We were indebted to her for more than one interesting paper read at our meetings. They showed how thoroughly she was endued with the missionary spirit. By her pure and consecrated life, she was "a living epistle of God, known and read of all men."

Our year's work to the value of \$246 has remained in the Diocese, showing that though we are a part of the Board of Missions, and must have an interest in all departments of our Church's work, the missions of our own Diocese have not been forgotten.

Our largest gifts have been—To St. Philip's, Laurel, \$86.99; Diocesan Missions, \$40; Widow of Rev. Mr. Johnson, \$20; Box to a clergyman's daughter, \$25. Extra Diocesan—To Bishop Garrett's school, \$65; Foreign Insurance, \$20; The Alfred Lee Scholarship, \$29.

We regret that the \$50 which Miss Emery asked for last year to insure the life of a Foreign Missionary has so far reached only \$20.

We would call attention to the fact that the last year's reports are valuable, and should be preserved, because the Constitution is printed in them.

If, during the next twelve months, each of our Churchwomen strives, prayerfully, conscientiously, with real self-denial (it may be) to do her share of missionary work, and to influence and educate those around her to their duty, what a good showing there would be for our Delaware Branch in 1890!

Respectfully submitted,

C. L. McILVAINE, *Secretary.*

List of Boxes and Money Contributions, 1888 to 1889.

REPORTS OF PARISHES.

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION, CLAYMONT:

Domestic Missions	\$ 4 50
Foreign Missions	4 50
Proceeds of sale for Church at Darlington, Indian Territory	20 00
For St. Philip's, Laurel	5 00
Bishop Garrett's school	1 00
Annual dues	1 00
	—
	\$ 36 00

CHRIST CHURCH, DELAWARE CITY:

Package to sufferers by flood	\$ 3 00
Annual dues	1 00
	—
	\$ 4 00

CHRIST CHURCH, DOVER:

1 barrel to school at Salt Lake City	\$ 66 62
Annual dues	1 00
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	\$ 67 62

ST. PETER'S, LEWES:

Box to Grace Hospital, Seattle	\$ 9 45
Cash to clergyman, Griffin, Ga.	5 00
Unspecified	1 26
Annual dues	1 00
	—
	\$ 16 71

ST. ANNE'S, MIDDLETOWN:

St. Mary's Institute	\$ 15 00
Bishop Lee Scholarship	5 00
Foreign Insurance	5 00
Annual dues	1 00
	—
	\$ 26 00

CHRIST CHURCH, MILFORD:

(No Report.)

ST. THOMAS', NEWARK:

For St. Philip's, Laurel	\$ 5 00
Foreign Insurance	5 00
Bishop Lee Scholarship	2 00
Assistance to a clergyman's son	20 00
Mrs. S. M. Curtis for Mexican Mission	25 00
Annual dues	1 00
	—
	\$ 58 00

IMMANUEL CHURCH, NEW CASTLE:

1 box to St. Mary's Indian School, Rosebud, Dakota	\$ 75 00
St. Mary's Institute, Dallas, Texas	6 00
Bishop Lee Scholarship	7 00
St. Philip's, Laurel	10 62
Annual dues	1 00

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ST. PETER'S, SMYRNA:

Foreign Insurance	\$ 5 00
1 box to clergyman on Wadmalaw Island	110 00
Cash to same	20 00
Mexican Church Work	10 50
St. Philip's, Laurel	5 00
Annual dues	1 00

	\$ 151 50

CALVARY CHURCH, WILMINGTON:

St. Philip's, Laurel	\$ 5 00
For Treasury of Woman's Auxiliary	4 50
Annual dues	1 00

	\$ 10 50

ST. ANDREW'S, WILMINGTON:

For Church work in Mexico	\$ 66 00
1 box to clergyman in Maryland	164 00
Clothing to a clergyman's family	21 25
Donation to a Dakota Missionary, from one member	25 00
St. Mary's Institute	5 00
St. Mary's Institute	7 00
St. Philip's, Laurel	10 00
From Missionary envelopes	1 15
1 box to sufferers by flood at Lock Haven—from one member	50 00
Annual dues	1 00

	\$ 350 40

ST. JOHN'S, WILMINGTON:

1 box to Missionary	\$ 87 50
Bishop Lee Scholarship	5 00
St. Mary's Institute	5 00
St. Philip's, Laurel	10 00
Ministering Children's League	28 00
Spirit of Missions	7 00
Annual dues	1 00

	\$ 143 50

TRINITY CHURCH, WILMINGTON:

To clergyman in North Carolina, 2 packages	\$ 157 10
St. Philip's, Laurel	10 00

Bishop Lee Scholarship	7 00
Foreign Insurance	5 00
Annual dues	1 00
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	\$ 180 10

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY, OLD SWEDES.

Bishop Lee Scholarship	\$ 2 00
For Missions, envelope system	3 05
Annual dues	1 00
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	\$ 6 05

From a member of Immanuel Church, Highlands, for Bishop Lee Scholarship	\$ 1 00
St. Mary's Institute	1 00
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	\$ 2 00
Total from Parish Lists	

Box of clothing clergyman's daughter	25 00
Cash as per Treasurer's report, not included in the above lists	135 05
Bishop Coleman for Church Mission News	5 00
Mexican Division, exclusive of all sums credited on parish lists	80 00
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Total \$ 1397 05

NOTE 1. The full amount of contributions to *Church Work in Mexico* have been from the Mexican Division, \$210.50. The Mexican Band has on hand, \$116.50, which would raise the total for Mexico for the year to \$327.

NOTE 2. Since closing our accounts for the year, we have received information that a box has been sent by the Girls Friendly Society, of Old Swedes, to a Missionary in Illinois, valued at \$52.40. This raises the total of contributions for 1889 to \$1449.45.

*E. A. Lodge, Treasurer, in account with the Delaware Branch of
the Woman's Auxiliary.*

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1888.			
Oct 19,	Amt. carried forward	\$ 2 63	
" " " To cash, morning collection October meeting, for Laurel,	16 37		
" " " Trinity, Wilmington, for Laurel	10 00		
" " " Bishop Coleman, for Laurel	10 00		
" " " Ascension, Claymont, for Laurel	5 00		
" " " St. Andrew's, Wilmington, for Laurel	10 00		
" " " Calvary, Wilmington, for Laurel	5 00		
" " " St. Peter's, Smyrna, for Laurel	5 00		
" " " St. Thomas', Newark, for Laurel	5 00		
" " " Immanuel, New Castle, for Laurel	10 00		
" " " St. John's, Wilmington, for Laurel	10 00		
" " " Miss E. Rodney, for Laurel	62		
" " " Refunded by librarian	1 00		
" " " Annual dues from 12 parishes	12 00		
" " " Mrs. Littell, for Bishop Garrett's school	5 00		
" " " Immanuel Ch., New Castle, Bishop Garrett's school	6 00		
" " " Mrs. Coleman, for Bishop Garrett's school	5 00		
" " " Members of St. Andrew's, for Bishop Garrett's school	7 00		
" " " St. Andrew's, for Bishop Garrett's school	5 00		
" " " Mrs. Lodge, for Bishop Garrett's school	1 00		
" " " St. Anne's, Middletown, for Bishop Garrett's school	15 00		
" " " Afternoon collection, annual meeting	8 25		
" " " Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mrs. Littell	5 00		
" " " " " Old Swedes	2 00		
" " " " " Immanuel, New Castle	7 00		
" " " " " Trinity, Wilmington	7 00		
" " " " " St. Thomas', Newark,	2 00		
" " " " " St. Anne's, Middletown	5 00		
" " " Insurance, foreign missionary, St. Anne's, Middletown	5 00		
1889.			
Jan'y, " " Insurance, foreign missionary, St. Peter's, Smyrna	5 00		
" 17, " " Collection at January meeting for Bishop Garrett	20 00		
Feb. 4, " " Immanuel Ch., Highlands, " " "	1 00		
" " " " Lee Scholarship	1 00		
" " " " Trinity, Wilmington, insurance For. Missionary	5 00		
April 1, " " For Mexico, Mrs. S. M. Curtis	5 00		
" " " " Insurance, " " "	5 00		
" 4, " " Collection on Quiet Day	69 03		
" " " April meeting, Milford	5 40		
May 5, " " Contents of envelopes, St. Andrew's Branch	1 15		
June 1, " " " " G. F. S., of Old Swedes	3 05		
October, " " Annual dues, Trinity Branch	1 00		
" " " Calvary Church, Wilmington, for missions	4 25		
		\$ 313 75	

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1888.

Nov. 4.	By Cash paid	Secretary for postage	\$ 2 00
" 5.	" " "	Librarian for book	50
"	" " "	Miss Emery, traveling expenses . . .	5 00
"	" " "	Mrs. Littell, for Bishop Lee Scholarship	15 00
"	" " "	W. H. Kramer, printing reports . . .	11 00

1889.

Feb. 4.	" " "	Christmas present, clergyman's daughter	5 00
"	" " "	Bishop Lee Scholarship, through Mrs. Murray	14 00
" 5.	" " "	Bishop Garrett for St. Mary's school .	65 00
"	" " "	" traveling expenses .	1 50
April 1.	" " "	Church work in Mexico	5 00
May 5.	" " "	Sub. to Spirit of Missions	1 00
"	" " "	for postage, to President	75
"	" " "	Mrs. G. W. Johnson, Laurel	20 00
"	" " "	Dr. C. E. Buck, Treas. Dioc. Missions,	40 00
Oct'b'r.	To Balance on hand, as follows:		
	For Laurel	\$ 86 99	
	For foreign insurance	20 00	
	For orphan of clergyman	12 00	
	For general expenses	9 01	
		—————	\$ 128 00
			\$ 313 75

*Report of Treasurer of the Mexican Division for the year ending
October 1, 1889.*

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1888.	To Cash received from Woman's Auxiliary	\$ 29 00
"	" " " from St. Andrew's S. S., for scholarship .	50 00
"	" " " from special contributions for the traveling expenses of Rev. W. B. Gordon, .	25 00
"	Mrs. Minot Curtis	10 00
"	Mrs. Fordyce Barker	10 00
"	Mrs. Clewell	10 00
"	Dues from members of St. Andrew's	41 00
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		\$ 175 00

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Dec. 5.	To Wm. G. Boulton, Treasurer for Bishop Lee Scholarship	\$ 60 00
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1889.

April 24.	From St. Andrew's S. S. for Bishop Lee Scholarship .	50 00
" 13.	To Mr. Boulton for the work of Rev. W. B. Gordon .	40 00
July 2.	To Mrs. Barker for traveling expenses of Rev. W. B. Gordon	25 00
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		\$ 175 00

R. B. LEWIS, *Treasurer.*

President's Address.

DEAR FRIENDS OF THE AUXILIARY:—It is very cheering to greet such an assemblage of women gathered here to-day to celebrate the Fifth Anniversary of the Auxiliary in our Diocese.

Would that all of you could have been present, and taken part in our triennial meeting held in New York, on the 3d of October! The day dawned beautifully clear, and large numbers went up early to the temple of God to give thanks, and to receive with grateful hearts, the Heavenly Feast, spread for them. Very helpful were the kind words of the Bishop of New York and they struck the key-note for all the day's proceedings.

No one could help feeling inspired, and having her enthusiasm aroused, when she looked upon the hundreds of upturned, earnest faces, so eager to hear; and the contact of warm, Christian hearts with so many of the Church's devoted women missionaries, who had traveled thousands of miles to meet, face to face, their friends of the Auxiliary, and to tell their own story of self-denial and success, made a day long to be remembered and spoken of by those who were debarred from the great privilege of witnessing such a meeting.

In the conference with the Diocesan Officers, on Oct. 2nd, Miss Emery had suggested that we raise one thousand dollars as a thank offering to Almighty God for His many blessings vouchsafed to the women of the Auxiliary, and for the success that had attended their efforts for the extension of Christ's cause, and the salvation of their fellow-men; one thousand dollars for a chapel at Anvik, Alaska, where our faithful missionary, Mr. Chapman, is laboring alone, fifteen hundred miles from the nearest mission station, and who receives tidings from the outer world but once a year; and one thousand for the outfit, salary and traveling expenses of a teacher for Japan. Upon re-assembling in the Hall, after a bountiful luncheon, provided by the New York Committee, a note was handed to Miss Emery which contained the following: "I will give the thousand dollars for the chapel at Anvik. Do not thank me; I am more blessed in giving than you in receiving. The only thing I ask, is that my name shall not be mentioned." The second thousand was also given during the day in small sums.

What is the aim of the Auxiliary? To state briefly: The aim of the Auxiliary is—"year by year to increase, in its members, the true missionary spirit—the controlling belief, which in-

spires action—that no one parish, no one mission, no one individual stands alone, that their interests are world-wide, that their prayers and gifts reach as far as the Church has reached in missionary effort. They strive, year by year, to win a consecrated service of persons and means, and for this work, each in her own Parish has to learn what the meaning of 'true giving' is."

Will not every officer of the Auxiliary, will not every member, assume her personal responsibility, and become a willing, consecrated, efficient worker, praying faithfully for missions, and giving according as God has blessed her?

What a power in the land shall we be, if we all resolve conscientiously and perseveringly to do our duty!

May the love of God work wonderfully in the hearts of the women of our Diocese, during this new year, enabling them both to do and suffer, if need be, in the service of their Blessed Lord!

HELEN A. LITTELL,
President, W. A.

REPORT OF THE MEXICAN DIVISION.

Seven meetings of the Mexican Aid Association have been held since our last Report—two of them addressed by Mrs. Barker, Chairman of the Ladies' Central Committee for Mexico. The full amount of the Alfred Lee Scholarship for one year, has been made up, \$50 of the \$110 having been given by St. Andrew's S. School. We earnestly hope that the good work thus begun, will be continued by the Diocese until the education of Jose Lopez shall be completed, and he be admitted to Holy Orders. Mr. Gordon gives a most encouraging account of this youth, as to his scholarly attainments (which are exceptionally great), character and piety.

Mr. Gordon has been very active in the establishment of day schools, which are attended by the children of both Romanists and Protestants. In these schools, the New Testament is read, forming one of their text-books. The chapel in Nopala, in memory of the Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, is now probably under way. The chapel will be erected by the Ladies of St. Thomas' Church, New York, but they have kindly allowed the Mexican Band to take part in it. The Band is now raising funds to furnish the chancel. The amount now on hand for that purpose is \$116.50. Additional contributions will still be in time and will be most welcome.

In March, 1889, Bishop Williams nominated a committee of ladies, to aid in securing funds for Church Work in Mexico. This

is called the "Central Committee," and consists of five members, all in New York City. Associate Secretaries have also been appointed in each Diocese. Mrs. S. Minot Curtis is Secretary for Delaware; her influence has already been a valuable assistance.

Respectfully submitted,

M. T. CANBY,

Cor. Sec. Mexican Aid Assoc.

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH ANNUAL MEETING.

The Fifth Annual Meeting of the Delaware Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in Trinity Church, Wilmington, Oct. 31, 1889. The Holy Communion was administered at 10 a. m., by the Bishop of the Diocese, assisted by Bishop Morris, of Oregon. Bishops Leonard and Talbot were also present, and of the Delaware clergy, the Rev. Messrs. Murray, Littell, Henry, Howard, Dunlap, Hammond, Lightner, Coleman and Eckel. Addresses were made by the three missionary Bishops.

After a recess at one o'clock, for luncheon at the Rectory, prepared by the Trinity Parish Branch for members and guests of the Auxiliary, the afternoon session began at 2.30 p. m. An address by Rev. W. B. Gordon, Missionary in charge of our Church's work in Mexico, was listened to with great attention. The President then introduced Mrs. Whitaker, wife of the Bishop of Pennsylvania, who read an original paper on "Christian work, and the training of Christian workers;" "Church work, and the training of Church workers;" "Missionary work, and the training of Missionary workers."

The roll-call showed 112 members present from 14 different parishes. The reading of Minutes, the Annual Report, the Mexican Division report, Treasurer's reports, and the President's address followed.

An election of officers for the ensuing year resulted in the re-election of the same ones. A Vice President for Kent, and one for Sussex Co., were added to the list of officers, and Article II. of the Constitution, was amended to read, "Its Officers shall consist of a President, three Vice Presidents, Directress for Domestic Missions, Directress for Foreign Missions, Secretary, Treasurer, and Librarian. These Officers shall form an Executive Committee." Mrs. G. W. Dame was elected Vice President for Kent Co., and Miss Margaret Orr, for Sussex Co. The Secretary tendered her resignation on account of want of time, to properly fulfil the duties of her office. On being requested, by the meeting, to re-

tain her position until the January meeting, she consented to do so. The Girls' Friendly Society, of St. Andrew's Church, begun in October, 1889, presented a request to be admitted as a Branch, and was so received. The G. F. S., of Old Swedes, read a report. Mrs. Lightner read a paper written by Miss Mumford, advocating the establishment of a Junior Branch to include all children's societies already formed, and to interest all children in the Diocese, in missionary work. Mrs. Lightner was at once made President of this prospective Branch, to be assisted by Miss Sophie B. Rodney, of New Castle. Miss Jacobs presented the claims of the church in Bridgeville, and received promises of aid.

Pledges were asked and received as follows: for Bridgeville, Del., \$44; for the Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$64; for Foreign Insurance, \$5; for Bishop Leonard, \$5; for Church work in Mexico, \$10; for the Bishop Elliott Scholarship, \$25. Annual dues were now paid.

The offertory at Holy Communion amounted to \$26.65, and in the afternoon to \$19.21. Among other letters read was one from the Connecticut Branch thanking us for our aid to the Bishop Elliott Fund. A resolution of thanks to the Rector and congregation of Trinity Church was adopted by a rising vote. An invitation to hold the next annual meeting in Smyrna was accepted. Mrs. Morris, wife of the Bishop of Oregon, was introduced by the President. After the Benediction by the Bishop, the meeting adjourned until the first Thursday in January.

C. L. McILVAINE,
Secretary.

