

Woman's Auxiliary
Delaware
Twelfth Annual Report

1896

Annual Meeting
St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington
October 8th

Collects

*FOR THE DAILY USE OF THE MEMBERS OF THE
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.*

COLLECTS.

O God, Who hast prepared for those who love Thee such good things as pass man's understanding ; pour into our hearts such love towards Thee, that we, loving Thee above all things, may obtain Thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Almighty and Merciful God, of Whose only gift it cometh that Thy faithful people do unto Thee true and laudable service ; grant, we beseech Thee, that we may so faithfully serve Thee in this life, that we fail not finally to attain Thy heavenly promises ; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

O Lord, Who didst come to seek and to save the lost, and to Whom all power is given in Heaven and in earth, hear, we beseech Thee, the prayers of Thy Church for those who, at Thy command, go forth to preach the Gospel to every creature. Preserve them from all dangers to which they may be exposed ; from perils by land and perils by water ; from the deadly pestilence ; from the violence of the persecutor ; from doubt and impatience ; from discouragement and discord ; and from all the devices of the powers of darkness. And while they plant and water, send Thou, O Lord, the increase ; gather in the multitude of the heathen, convert in Christian lands such as neglect so great salvation ; so that Thy Name may be glorified and Thy Kingdom come, O Gracious Saviour of the World ; to Whom, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR MORE MINISTERS.

Almighty God, Lord of the Harvest, we humbly beseech Thee to send forth more Laborers into Thy Harvest ; that so Thy Church may rejoice in a due supply of true and faithful Pastors, and the bounds of Thy blessed kingdom may be enlarged ; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Twelfth Annual Report
OF THE
DELAWARE BRANCH
OF THE
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY,
TO THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS.

OCTOBER 8TH, 1896.

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PLEDGES FOR 1896-97.

1. St. Matthew's Mission Building Fund.
 2. Alfred Lee Memorial Scholarship, Mexico.
 3. Foreign Insurance Fund, \$50, (made up.)
 4. Systematic Offering for Diocesan Missions.
 5. Dr. Driggs, Alaska.
 6. Japan

St. Paul's College, Tokyo.
Hospital, Tokyo.
(St. Agnes's School, Kyoto.)
 7. Brazil (made up.)
 8. St. Michael's Day Nursery and Hospital for Babies.
 9. Wuchang, China.

SPECIAL OFFERING

The United Offering, due in 1898, for the training, sending out and supporting women as missionaries.

Missionary Meeting.

A public missionary meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, on Wednesday evening, October 7th, under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary. There was a large attendance. The following clergymen were present: Bishop Coleman, the Revs. Charles E. Murray, D. D., F. M. Munson, LL. D., Martin B. Dunlap, Geo. S. Gassner, K. J. Hammond, H. Ashton Henry, George W. Dame, W. J. Wilkie, R. A. Sawyer, Archdeacon Hall, Archdeacon Brady of Pennsylvania, and L. L. Kinsolving of Brazil.

After a short service, said by the Rev. Mr. Wilkie and Dr. Munson, the bishop made a brief address.

The Rev. George S. Gassner spoke on Diocesan Missions. The two motives for such work are obedience to the commands of Christ, and self-interest, in that the cities are draining the country of its young men.

Archdeacon Brady of Pennsylvania spoke for Domestic missions. Many years of his life were spent on the Western prairies and the greater part of his address was a recital of his experiences there and the poverty of the people though, they were the peers of any in the East in culture or otherwise, giving largely to the church.

The Rev. L. L. Kinsolving, for seven years a missionary in Brazil, spoke of the work in the Foreign field. He plead most eloquently for help in sending the truth into those foreign lands whose doors are now so widely open. The offering at this service was \$17 80.

The church was decorated with flowers and palms, the offering of one of St. Andrew's daughters, to beautify the place of His sanctuary. The anthem sung by St. Andrew's choir, "Send out Thy light, send out Thy Truth," joined with the clarion tones of God's ministers as they exhorted us to "come up to the help of the Lord against the mighty."

Minutes of the Twelfth Annual Meeting

OF THE DELAWARE BRANCH, HELD IN ST. ANDREW'S
CHURCH, WILMINGTON, OCTOBER 8TH, 1896.

MORNING SERVICE.

At the hour of ten the procession of clergy with their bishop were greeted by the strains of the hymn, "My God, and is Thy table spread?" The service of Holy Communion was proceeded with, the bishop being the celebrant, assisted in the distribution of the elements by Dr. Murray, Archdeacon Hall and the Rev. H. A. Henry. Fully three hundred women partook of this corporate communion. In the procession were, beside those mentioned, Revs. Messrs. Wilkie, Gassner, Walker, Munson, Dunlap, E. K. Miller, and Skagen of the diocese. As a recessional hymn "Fling out the banner" was sung. A full choir made all the singing hearty and spirited. The offertory at this service was \$22.84.

It was our privilege to listen to three speakers, the first of whom was the Rev. Dr. Taylor of Homestead, Baltimore. The speaker when a student at St. Augustine's, England, had a narrow escape from being a missionary. He described the experience of Bishop Mackenzie of South Africa, and said: "Sisters of the Auxiliary strengthen the hands of those who go—strive to convert the heathen abroad and at home. Everyone laboring in the good cause will assuredly have her reward."

Rev. Mr. Kinsolving of the Brazilian Mission, spoke of the church as a great workshop, "first comes worship, then work." He said Brazil has six presbyters, working without a bishop. Two years ago the Bishop of West Virginia visited them. There is great encouragement in this field, and a larger number of converts than in any mission of our church. Churches, schools and theological seminaries are needed to give the work permanence. Mr. Kinsolving needs \$5,000 to build a church in Rio Grande do Sul, the banner mission in Brazil.

Miss Emery, General Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, was introduced by the bishop. She took as the theme of her talk, "We are too poor to give." She laid before us as only Miss Emery can, the

opportunities which can be seized by the humblest and the poorest. She spoke of a woman in Delaware, too poor to come to the meeting, an invalid, in a lonely farm house. She never forgets her baptism, her confirmation, her communions. She reads of all the missionaries' work and gives her prayers. God gives a special answer to those who have only prayers to give.

Another Delaware woman gathers her children about her and tells them about the missionaries. They learn from their mother's lips to love and honor missionary work. One of those children may go after awhile far away from the home and the mother, but she does not spare the teaching. A girl in Delaware wants to help, she has no money. But she remembers the poor Baptist cobbler, Carey, whose cobbler's bench was his college. He went to India and bishops were glad of his assistance.

“Are there none among us dear sisters, who, though not poor or sick—can pray—or teach the children—or go ourselves?”

AFTERNOON MEETING.

The social side of this Auxiliary Meeting was given due prominence. At the conclusion of the addresses, the congregation repaired to the Sunday school room, where tables adorned with flowers were found laden with a tempting and bountiful luncheon.

The large number of guests were quickly waited upon, and the rapid and noiseless way in which the same room was made ready for the business meeting showed skillful management on the part of the Executive Committee of St. Andrew's Branch.

At 2 o'clock the Annual Meeting was opened by singing, “From Greenland's icy mountains,” and the reading of the Auxiliary prayers by the bishop. The president called the meeting to order, and in her address of welcome gave a special greeting from St. Andrew's Church. She mentioned those who have gone from our own State as missionaries—Dr. Driggs to Alaska, his sister to Mexico, and Mr. and Mrs. Bartlett to the missionary field of Spokane, and bespoke an especial interest in them. She urged the supporting of the Delaware Churchman, and begged them not to forget the Church Periodical Club, and the envelope system for Diocesan Missions.

Fully 275 members responded to the roll call. There were no representatives from Sussex County. The annual election resulted in all the old officers being retained, with the exception of Miss Sophie

Rodney, who sent in her resignation. Mrs. H. L. Curtis of Newark, was elected Foreign Directress in her place. The offering at the afternoon meeting was \$30.

The annual report of the secretary showed five executive meetings in the past year, and one new branch formed in Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, Mrs. D. B. Curlett, president. Twenty-eight boxes have been made up for diocesan and domestic missionaries. The Domestic Directress is ready to supply branches with letters of instructions as to boxes for 1896.

The Treasurer of the United Offering, reported most favorable encouragement as will be seen by the report.

The secretary of the Junior Auxiliary read an encouraging report.

The report of the Mexican Division was omitted at the request of its writer, on account of want of time.

The pledges taken for the present year are as follows: St. Matthew's Mission Building Fund given \$35; Alfred Lee Memorial Scholarship, \$67; Dr. Drigg's work, Alaska, \$35; Foreign Insurance pledge, made up, \$50; for Diocesan Missions, \$32; work in Japan, pledged \$50, given \$25; Brazilian Mission, pledged \$50, given \$60; St. Michael's Day Nursery, \$16; Wuchang, China, to rebuild church destroyed by hurricane, \$5.

From the offerings of the day were voted \$25.00 for Diocesan Missions.

By a majority vote, the annual dues were raised to \$2, with the exception of Girls' Friendly Societies.

The Auxiliary was invited to hold the January meeting in Trinity Church, Wilmington; the May meeting in Christ Church, Christiana hundred. The next annual meeting is undecided.

The Mexican treasurer reported \$286.41 raised during the year.

Mrs. C. M. Curtis moved a vote of thanks to the St. Andrew's Branch for the kind hospitality and bountiful luncheon tendered so gracefully to us to-day. Mrs. Geo. C. Hall moved a vote of thanks to the Rev. Mr. Gassner, Archdeacon Brady, Rev. L. L. Kinsolving, Rev. Dr. Taylor, Miss Emery and Bishop Coleman for the addresses with which they favored us.

Miss R. J. Warner, in a few congratulatory words with regard to the attendance at our meeting, said: "Carlyle says that meditative Germans consider their word for swarming *schwarmerie*, to be synonymous with the word enthusiasm. Therefore, where there is no swarm-

ing, no congregating, there is no enthusiasm. Shall we not construe the gathering we have had to-day as an evidence of enthusiasm in our work, and so thank God and take courage for the future?"

At this meeting Miss Emery made a short address urging upon all parish branches, the use of prayer and the reading of the work in the missionary field.

This interesting meeting was concluded by singing "Blest be the tie that binds," and the benediction by the bishop.

C. L. McILVAINE, Pres.

FRANCES B. HURD, Sec'y.

Twelfth Annual Report of the Secretary.

Right Reverend Father in God and Women of the Auxiliary:

In presenting this report only an approximate value of the work accomplished, by the Auxiliary is given, there being a number of contributions not as yet reported to the secretary. The Executive Committee has held five meetings, with an average attendance of six members, representing the Woman's and the Junior Auxiliary. The January and May meetings were largely attended, and much interest and enthusiasm were manifested in the work being done. During the past year, our annual report has been distributed as usual, copies being sent to the parish branches, the clergy of the diocese and the General Secretary, Miss Emery, and in exchange with secretaries of other dioceses. Many letters have been received and written to the parish branches.

The pledges made at the last annual meeting have been met, the Executive Committee making up deficiencies between the amount received and the amount pledged, from the funds in hand.

One new branch of the Auxiliary has been organized during the past year, that of Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, Mrs. Bartlett being its first president.

Twenty-eight boxes have been made up and sent to both diocesan

and domestic missionaries at an approximate valuation of seven hundred dollars.

As far as it is possible to state, the value of our year's work including all departments of the Auxiliary will greatly exceed that of any other year in our history.

A Quiet Day for Women was held in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, on March 19th, 1896, conducted by Rev. T. M. Riley, D. D., of the General Theological Seminary of New York. The subjects being The Prayerful Life, The Self-denying Life, The Almsgiving Life, The Thanksgiving Life.

The offertory at the Quiet Day services was given to Diocesan Missions.

The work of the various departments of the Executive Committee has been faithfully accomplished as will be seen by their reports.

Respectfully submitted,

FRANCES B. HURD,
Secretary.

Woman's Auxiliary Treasurer's Report.

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

1895 and 1896.	DR.
Nov. 7, Cash balance,	\$ 46 15
Nov. 7, Collections at annual meeting,	87 34
Jan. 9, Collections at quarterly meeting,	6 27
March 20, Collections at Quiet Day,	42 01
May 1, Collections at quarterly meeting,	15 93
Annual dues from 17 parishes,	17 00
To Bishop Lee Scholarship in Mexico—St. John's, \$5.00; special from St. John's, 10.00; Girls' Friendly Society, St. Andrew's, 2 50; St. Andrew's, 15.00; Trinity, 5.00; Bishop Coleman, 5.00; Immanuel New Castle, 10.00; Mrs. S. M. Curtis, 5.00; Christ Church Dover, 5.00; Junior Auxiliary, 7.50; Old Swedes', 5.00; Ascension, Claymont, 5.00; Newport, Stanton and Marshallton, 2.00; St. Anne's, Middletown, 5.00,	87 00
To Diocesan Missions, Church of Good Shepherd—\$5.21;	

G. F. S. of St. Andrew's, 2.00; a Churchman, 25.00; Immanuel, New Castle, 10.00; St. John's, 5.00; Junior Auxiliary, 5.00; Trinity, 12.80; Christ Church, Delaware City, 5.00; Systematic Offerings from Mrs. Gallo-way, 1.14; Mrs. J. M. Harvey, 2.60; Mrs. Van Kleck, 1.00; Christ Church, Delaware City, 2.50; sale of two photographs of clock, 50 cents,	77 75
Insurance on life of Foreign Missionary—St. Anne's, Middletown, \$5.00; Trinity, 5.00; St. Andrew's, 5.00; Bishop Coleman, 5.00; St. Peter's, Smyrna, 5.00; Mrs. H. L. Curtis, 5.00; Calvary, 5.00; St. John's, 3.00; Junior Auxiliary, 2.50; Immanuel, New Castle, 5.00,	45 50
To St. Paul's School, Tokyo, Japan—Trinity, 5.00; St. Andrew's, 5.00; Bishop Coleman, 5.00; St. Peter's, Smyrna, 5.00; Immanuel, New Castle, 5.00; St. Thomas, Newark, 5.00; Calvary, 5.00; Junior Auxiliary, 5.00,	40 00
To Dr. Driggs' House, Alaska—Trinity, \$15.00; St. Andrew's, 5.00; G. F. S. of St. Andrew's, 2.50; Middletown, St. Anne's, 10.00; Calvary, 5.00; Junior Auxiliary, 5.00; St. John's, 5.00; Immanuel, New Castle, 5.00,	52 50
To School at Cape Palmas, Africa—Trinity, \$5.00; St. Andrew's, 5.00; Immanuel, New Castle, 5.00; St. John's, 5.00; St. Anne's, Middletown, 5.00,	25 00
To Clergy House at Rehoboth—St. John's, \$5.00; Ascension, Claymont, 5.00,	10 00
To Bishop Wells—Mrs. Littell, \$2.00; Christ Church, Dover, 10.00,	12 00
To Bishop Garrett—Mrs. Littell,	2 00
To Bishop Talbot—Trinity Church, Wilmington,	25 00
To Bishop Lee Memorial Pulpit in Hayti—Immanuel, New Castle,	5 00
To Valle Crucis, North Carolina—Junior Auxiliary,	10 00
To General Missions, Junior Auxiliary,	2 50
To St. Barnabas Mission, Marshallton—Trinity,	5 00
To American Church Missionary Society—St. Thomas, Newark,	10 00
To Rev. Mr. Forrester's salary—Calvary,	5 00
To Rev. Mr. Morris, Brazil—Calvary,	5 00
To Bishop Gray—three ladies,	5 00
To repairing Church at Wu Chang, China—Calvary,	5 00
Total,	\$643 95

1895 and 1896.	CR.
By traveling expenses of speakers,	\$ 18 95
Postage, express and stationery to Miss Hurd, Sec., 4.50;	
Mrs. Lodge, Treas., 50 cts.; Mrs. McIlvaine, Pres., 3.26; Mrs. Wilson, Treas. United Offering, 1.66, . . .	9 92
By Bishop Lee Scholarship in Mexico to Miss Palmer, . . .	90 00
For Rev. Mr. Forrester salary to Miss Palmer,	5 00
Memorial pulpit to Bishop Lee, Hayti, to Mr. Murray, .	5 00
Dr. Driggs' House,	88 10
Diocesan Missions to Mr. Grohe,	116 76
Bishop Talbot to Bishop Talbot,	25 00
Clergy House to Bishop Coleman,	10 00
Valle Crucis, to Miss Emery,	10 00
By cash, General Missions to Miss Emery,	2 50
Insurance of Foreign Missionary to Miss Emery, . . .	50 00
St. Paul's College, Tokyo, Japan, to Miss Emery, . .	50 00
School, Cape Palmas, to Miss Emery,	25 00
St. Barnabas Mission to Rev. E. K. Miller,	5 00
American Church Missionary Society, to Rev. R. A. Sawyer,	10 00
Bishop Wells to Miss Emery,	27 00
Rev. Mr. Morris,	5 00
Bishop Gray,	5 00
Bishop Garrett,	10 00
Balance due on foreign insurance of years 1894 and 1895, to Miss Emery,	5 50
Balance of United Offering of 1894 and 1895, to Mrs. Wilson,	3 75
Printing reports, to Delaware Churchman,	24 00
Quiet Day expenses, to Bishop Coleman,	13 00
For repairing church at Wuchang, China, to Miss Emery, .	5 00
Reserve Fund for President's traveling expenses, being one-fifth of collections,	22 58
	\$642 06
Balance on hand,	1 89
	\$643 95

It is to be understood that where there is a seeming discrepancy between the amount received for the various pledges and the amount paid out, that the Executive Committee, with the discretionary power vested in them, has made up the pledges from funds in hand. The afternoon collection at

the annual meeting last year, was decided at that meeting to be given to Dr. Driggs' house, Alaska.

EMMA A. LODGE,
Treasurer.

We do hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing Treasurer's account, and find the same correct.

MRS. M. C. JANVIER,
MISS EMILY RODNEY,
Auditing Committee.

WILMINGTON, DEL., October 8th, 1896.

Reports from Parish Branches,

October, 1895 to October, 1896.

CHRISTIANA HUNDRED—Christ Church.

To 1 box, \$53.00; United Offering, 27.00, \$ 80 00

CLAYMONT—Church of the Ascension.

1 box to St. Augustine School, Raleigh, N. C., \$15.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, 5.00; Clergy House, Rehoboth, 5 00; United Offering, 5.96; Annual dues, 1.00, \$ 31 96

DELAWARE CITY—Christ Church

Diocesan Missions, \$5 00; Systematic Offering, 2.50; United Offering, 4.08; Annual dues, 1.00, \$ 12 58

DOVER—Christ Church.

1 box, St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington, \$3.29; 1 box Santee Agency, 32.25; Bishop Wells, Spokane, 10.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, 5.00; United Offering, 4.00; Annual dues, 1.00, \$ 55 54

LEWES—St. Peter's Church.

1 box, St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington, \$12.34; Hospital for Babies, Wilmington, 6.30; Annual dues, 1.00, \$ 19 64

MIDDLETON—St. Anne's Church.

1 box, clergyman in Illinois, \$35.83; Dr. Driggs House, Alaska, \$10.00; Foreign Insurance Fund, 5.00; United Offering, 26.37; Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, 5.00; School, Cape Palmas, Africa, 5.00; Annual dues, 1.00, \$ 88 20

NEWARK—St. Thomas' Church.

Diocesan box, \$12.00; 1 box, Rev. Mr. Sweeney, South Carolina, \$17.50; St. Paul's College, Japan, 5.00; Foreign Insurance Fund, 5.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, 5.00; United Offering, 8.50; American Church Missionary Society, \$10.00; Annual dues, 1.00, \$ 64 00

NEW CASTLE—Immanuel Church.

1 box, Anvik, Alaska, \$24.09; 1 box, St. Michael's Day Nursery, 15.50; Diocesan Missions, 10.00; expenses of president to Minneapolis, 5.00; Dr. Driggs, Alaska, 5.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, 10.00; St. Paul's College Japan, 5.00; School, Cape Palmas, Africa, \$5.00; Foreign Insurance Fund, 5.00; Bishop Lee Pulpit, Hayti, 5.00; United Offering, 15.43; Annual dues, 1.00, \$106 02

NEWPORT AND STANTON—St. James' Church.

1 box, Mrs. Buford, Lawrenceville, Va., \$11.00; United Offering, 12 70; Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, 2.00; St. Barnabas Mission, Del., 5.00; St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington, 2.00; Annual dues, 1.00, \$ 33 70

SMYRNA—St. Peter's Church.

1 box, St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington, \$4.00; 2 boxes, Hospital for Babies, Wilmington, 11.00; expense of president to Minneapolis, 3.00; Foreign Insurance Fund, 5.00; St. Paul's College, Japan, 5.00; Dr. Driggs, Launch and Work, Alaska, 14.50; Hospital for Babies, Wilmington, 6.25; Clergyman's Wife, 10.00; freight on books, Church Periodical Club, 1.25; United Offering, 15.00; Disabled Clergy Fund, 10.00; Annual dues, 1.00, \$ 86 00

WILMINGTON—St. Andrew's Church.

Diocesan box, \$79.62; diocesan box, 17.25; 1 box, St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington, 23.70; 1 box, Mrs. Buford, Lawrenceville, Va., 40.00; Merchandise, St. Andrew's Junior Auxiliary, 12.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, 15.00; Foreign Insurance Fund, 5.00; Dr. Driggs, Alaska, 5.00; St.

Paul's College, Japan, 5.00; School, Cape Palmas, Africa, 5.00; United Offering, 58.56; toward stole, Mexican Deacon, 5.00; Annual dues, 1.00, \$272 13

GIRLS' FRIENDLY SOCIETY—St. Andrew's Church.

Dr. Driggs, Alaska, \$2.50; Church Work in Mexico, 2.50; diocesan missions, 2.00; United Offering, 9.37; annual dues, 1.00, . . . \$ 17 37

WILMINGTON—Calvary.

Foreign Insurance Fund, \$5.00; St. Paul's College, Japan, 5.00; Dr. Driggs', Alaska, 5.00; Wuchang, China, 5.00; Rev. Mr. Forrester, salary, 5.00; Rev. Mr. Morris, Brazil, 5.00; Bishop Talbot, 1.00; United Offering, 15.00; annual dues, 1.00, . . . \$ 47 00

WILMINGTON—St. John's Church.

Diocesan box, \$48.65; 1 box, school, Dakota, 51.50; toward Junior Auxiliary box, 8.00; 1 box, clergyman's son, North Carolina, 2.70; 1 box, cottas cassocks, St. Matthew's Mission, Wilmington, 8.00; 1 box, St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington, from G. F. S., 15.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, 5.00; to same, special, 10.00; school, Cape Palmas, Africa, 5.00, St. Barnabas Mission, Del., 5.00; St. Paul's College, Japan, 5.00; Clergy House, Rehoboth, Del., 5.00; Dr. Driggs, Alaska, 5.00; Foreign Insurance Fund, 3.00; diocesan clergyman, 20.00; St. Michael's Day Nursery, 43.50; United Offering, 31.00; annual dues, 1.00, \$272 35

WILMINGTON—Trinity Church.

Diocesan box, \$53.33; 1 box, Rev. Mr. Harris, Oregon, 183.41; to stole, Mexican deacon, 2.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, 5.00; Foreign Insurance Fund, 5.00; St. Paul's College, Japan, 5.00; school, Cape Palmas, Africa, 5.00; St. Barabas Mission, Del., 5.00; Dr. Driggs, Alaska, 15.00; Bishop Talbot, 25.00; systematic offering, 12.80; United Offering, 54.75; annual dues, 1.00, \$372 29

WILMINGTON—Old Swedes' Church.

Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, \$5 00; annual dues, 1.00, . . . \$ 6 00

SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS.

Three ladies to Bishop Gray, Southern Florida, \$10 00; Bishop Coleman to Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, 5.00; Bishop Coleman to Foreign Insurance Fund, 5.00; Bishop Coleman to St. Paul's College, Japan, 5.00; to diocesan missions, Church

of the Good Shepherd, Bishopstead, 5.21; a churchman, 25.00; Junior Auxiliary, 5.00; to systematic offering (diocesan missions) Mrs. Galloway, 1.14; Mrs J. M. Harvey, 2.60; Mrs. Van Kleck, 1.00; sale of photograph of clock, 50 cents; to Bishop Wells, Mrs. Littell, 2.00; to Bishop Garrett, Mrs. Littell, 2.00,	\$ 69.45
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Report on United Offering of 1898 for the Year Ending September 1896.

Received from Mrs. W. C. Lodge, December 2d, 1895, for United Offering. From Christ Church, Delaware City, \$2.75; From Trinity Church, Wilmington, \$1.00; total, \$3.75.

Received January 14th, 1896. Two hundred mite boxes for the United Offering of 1898, of which number one hundred and ninety-two have been distributed. The contents of these boxes so far as have been returned for the past year are as follows;

Wilmington, St. Andrew's, \$58.56; Trinity, \$54.75; St. John's, \$31.00; Calvary, \$15.00; G. F. S. of St. Andrew's, \$9.37; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, \$27.00; Immanuel, New Castle, \$15.43; St. Peter's, Smyrna, \$15.00; St. Thomas, Newark, \$8.50; St. James, Newport, Stanton, \$12.70; Christ Church, Delaware City, \$4.08; Church of the Ascension, Claymont, \$5.96; Christ Church, Dover, \$4.00; St. Anne's, Middletown, \$26.37; total, \$287.72. Balance from 1895, \$3.75. General total, \$291.47.

Respectfully submitted,

NATHALIE G. WILSON,

Treasurer.

We do hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing Treasurer's account, and find the same correct.

MRS. M. K. D. ELDRIDGE,
MISS KNIGHT,

Auditing Committee.

Wilmington, Delaware, October 8th, 1896.

Report of Corresponding Secretary of the Mexican Division.

At the last annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, we were so fortunate as to have with us the Rev. Henry Forrester, the Presbyter of our Church appointed by the Presiding Bishop to be his "resident representative for the guidance and oversight of Church Work in Mexico."

His sincere words and clear statements as to his work, made a deep impression upon all who heard him. On the following day he attended the annual meeting of the Mexican Aid Association, and translated from the Spanish a long letter from the candidate in the Bishop Lee Scholarship. Samuel Silenas writes to the Mexican Aid, sending his thanks for their valuable assistance. He gave an account of the four parishes under his care. He goes on horseback from one to the other—visiting each parish once a week. Mr. Forrester spoke of the good work now done by the girl graduates from Mrs. Hooker's orphanage, who are teaching church schools. Of Miss Driggs, the principal, he spoke in the warmest terms as well-fitted for her place. He said, "The orphanage is doing better than ever, there being a corps of able teachers."

A chapel has been recently built at Cuernavaca, the cost of which, \$1,000, has been met by an American lady. The first service was held August 16th, which was the 26th anniversary of the establishment of the congregation. Bishop Kendrick who made an Episcopal visitation to Mexico in January and February, 1896, says: "I found everything in good condition. There is harmony and earnestness and there has been good management. There is evidence of substantial progress since my visit two years ago. Mr. Forrester's administration of affairs continues to be characterized by faithfulness, ability and wisdom. He has the confidence and affection of the Mexican Church, and he is entitled to the confidence and support of the American Church. His aim is to make the Mexican Church self-reliant, able to stand by itself after a while, by God's help." There are at present in the Mexican Church:

- 6 Presbyters.
- 2 Deacons.
- 656 Communicants.
- 1214 Baptized members.
- 11 Day schools with 271 scholars.

The offerings of the natives for eleven months amounted to \$739.32. A very interesting paper on Church Work in Mexico was written for the May meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary by Dr. Josephine White. The work of the Mexican Aid has been carried on as usual during the past year.

Respectfully submitted,
M. T. CANBY,
Cor. Secretary.

Mexican Division, Treasurer's Report.

Elizabeth Palmer, in account with the Mexican Division of the Woman's Auxiliary:

1895-6.	DR.	
Membership dues,	\$ 42 50	
Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. Lodge, Treasurer,	95 00	
Immanuel church, Highlands,	3 00	
St. Andrew's Sunday-school, Wilmington,	60 00	
St. Andrew's Mexican Band,	50 00	
From Mrs. Rhodes,	10 00	
From Mrs. S. M. Curtis,	25 00	
Interest on deposit,	91	

		\$286 41

1895-6.	DISBURSEMENTS—CR.	
To Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico,	\$250 00	
To salary of the Rev. Mr. Forrester,	30 00	
General work in Mexico,	5 00	
Hooker Orphanage, Mexico,	1 00	

		\$286 00
Balance in treasury,	41	

		\$286 41

Report of President of Junior Auxiliary.

While the report of the Junior Auxiliary is not in all respects what we desire, yet it denotes progress, and shows an increase in the number and valuation of its Missionary Boxes. It is, moreover, a *very* good report, when you consider how very small the proportion of the *real working* force is, compared with the force *nominally* called "The Junior Auxiliary." This includes *all* the children of the Sunday-schools of the diocese of Delaware—but, just as The Woman's Auxiliary represents but a small proportion of the Church women of the diocese, so does The Junior Auxiliary represent but a small proportion of the children of the diocese.

It is therefore not quite correct, nor fair, to class the work of the Juniors, as work done by the children of the Sunday-school. On the other hand, it is equally unfair to consider the work done by the Juniors, all, as the only missionary work of the children of the diocese. The "Lenten" Sunday-school offerings alone comprise by far the largest proportion of monies given for that object, and this is mainly due to the faithful work and presentation of the subject of missions and their needs, by the rectors of the various parishes throughout our diocese.

To our Beloved Diocesan, and his earnest priests, belong the chief credit of whatever the "missionary leaven" is accomplishing. That you may have a fair estimate of the missionary work done by the combined efforts and forces of the children of the diocese, I have in as far I could, obtained through the courtesy of the rectors, the following reports of the Easter Offering, 1896, of the Sunday-schools of our diocese.

1. Calvary Church, Wilmington,	\$ 10 00
2. Christ Church, Delaware City,	10 00
3. Old Swede's, Wilmington,	20 85
4. St. James, Stanton, St. James, Newport, St. Barnabas, Marshallton, {	25 29
5. St. Anne's, Middletown,	34 93
6. Immanuel, New Castle,	37 80
7. Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	49 50
8. Immanuel, Highlands,	97 00
9. St. Andrew's, Wilmington,	95 00
10. St. John's, Wilmington,	100 00
11. Trinity, Wilmington,	111 00
Total,	\$592 88

Several other sources brought the offering to nearly \$700.00. In addition to this, missionary offerings are taken monthly, or quarterly in many Sunday-schools, almost equalling, in the aggregate, the Easter offering:

"The children are the best missionary workers the Church has," some one has said, and there is some truth in the assertion. If the men everywhere, who represent "The Brotherhood of St. Andrew," and the women who represent "The Woman's Auxiliary," had one and all taken Lenten, or missionary boxes, and put into them just in proportion, what the Sunday-school children did, our bishops to-day, would have enough to supply their own Diocesan Missionaries, their church institutions, and have some to spare for missionary jurisdictions in home and foreign lands.

I know it is frequently urged, that what the children give comes from their parents, and is, in fact their gifts.

This in many cases may be true, but the large majority of our Sunday-school children do not represent the *wealthy* portion of our church families, and in many cases, as every rector knows, do not come from church families at all. If therefore our Sunday-school Lenten Offerings were augmented by a United Lenten Offering of the men and women of the church, what might we not accomplish? During the year the individual parishes sent boxes to various schools and clergy.

The United Lenten Box was sent to the Government Field Matron of the Santee Agency, for distribution among the sick and destitute Indians at that place. The box or boxes—*four of them*, contained a great deal of suitable clothing, for the poor, and delicate food and medicine for the sick and wounded.

It is our privilege in this connection, to acknowledge the receipt of \$5.00 worth of the latter, from "The Ladies' Indian Association" of Wilmington.

Respectfully submitted,

SOPHIE C. HALL,
President.

Report of Secretary of Junior Auxiliary of Delaware for 1895-96.

The Junior Auxiliary of Delaware now numbers fourteen branches, viz: St. John's, St. Andrew's, Calvary, and Trinity, Wilmington; Christ Church, Delaware City; Christ Church, Dover; St. Peter's, Lewes; St. Thomas', Newark; St. Luke's, Seaford; St. Peter's, Smyrna; St. James', Newport; St. Anne's, Middletown; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred; and Ascension, Claymont. Annual dues of fifty cents have been received from the following branches: Delaware City, Newark, Claymont, Middletown, Newport, and Calvary, Trinity, St. Andrew's, and St. John's, Wilmington.

The annual pledge of the Junior Auxiliary amounted to twenty-five dollars, distributed as follows:

To Bishop Lee Scholarship,	\$ 5 00
To Dr. Driggs', Alaska,	5 00
To St. Paul's College, Tokyo, Japan,	5 00
To Valle Crucis, North Carolina,	10 00
 Total,	 \$ 25 00

The United Lenten Work of the branches resulted in three barrels and one large box of clothing, toys, and groceries sent to Miss Lindsay, Santee Agency, Nebraska, valued at \$231.35.

The following branches contributed:

Christ Church, Delaware City,	\$ 35 50
St. Anne's, Middletown,	27 35
Christ Church, Dover,	39 00
Christ Church, Christiana Hundred,	14 50
St. Thomas, Newark,	5 00
St. James, Newport,	5 00
Ascension, Claymont,	5 00
Trinity, Wilmington,	23 00
Calvary, "	25 00
St. Andrew's,	22 00
St. John's,	25 00
Special,	5 00
 Total,	 \$231 35
Freight charges,	5 67

SPECIAL WORK, PARISH BRANCHES.

Trinity, Wilmington.

To Dr. Driggs, Alaska,	\$ 30 00
“ Bishop Graves of the Platte,	30 00
“ Valle Crucis, N. C.,	1 00
“ St. Paul's School, Tokyo, Japan,	1 00
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	\$ 62 00
To United Lenten box,	23 00
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Total,	\$ 85 00

Calvary, Wilmington.

To Bishop Lee Scholarship,	\$ 2 50
“ Foreign Insurance,	2 50
“ Dr. Driggs, Alaska,	2 50
“ General Missions,	2 50
“ St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington,	2 50
Box to St. Michael's Day Nursery,	10 00
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	\$ 22 50
To United Lenten box,	25 00
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Total,	\$ 47 50

St. Andrew's, Wilmington.

To United Offering,	\$ 5 90
“ McCall Mission, Wilmington,	10 00
“ St. Raphael's Home, Wilmington,	1 00
“ Bishop Lee Scholarship,	2 00
“ Valle Crucis, N. C.,	7 00
Box to St. Raphael's Home, Wilmington,	80
Box to St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington,	1 50
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	\$ 28 20
To United Lenten box,	22 00
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Total,	\$ 50 20

St. John's, Wilmington.

To Bishop Lee Scholarship,	\$ 1 00
“ Dr. Driggs, Alaska,	2 00
“ Valle Crucis, N. C.,	1 00

St. Paul's School, Tokyo, Japan,	2 00
St. Paul's School, Beaufort, N. C.,	3 00
To Santee Agency, Nebraska,	2 00
" St. Michaels Day Nursery, Wilmington,	1 00
Box to diocesan clergyman,	50 00
" St. Paul's School, Beaufort, N. C.,	50 00
" St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington,	14 50
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To United Lenten box,	25 00
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Total,	\$151 05

Ascension, Claymont.

To United Lenten box,	\$ 5 00
Total,	\$ 5 00

St. Thomas', Newark.

To St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington,	\$ 17 00
" Bishop Lee Scholarship,	2 00
" freight on Santee box,	1 00
Box to St. Michael's Day Nursery,	35 00
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	\$ 55 00
To United Lenten box,	5 00
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Total,	\$ 60 00

Christ Church, Delaware City.

To Diocesan Missions,	\$ 5 00
" General Missions,	5 00
" Dr. Driggs, Alaska,	1 00
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	\$ 11 00
To United Lenten box,	35 50
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Total,	\$ 46 50

Christ Church, Christiana Hundred.

To United Lenten box,	\$ 14 50
Total,	\$ 14 50

St. Anne's, Middletown.

Memorial pulpit for Bishop Lee in Hayti,	\$ 1 00
To hospital fund for Bishop Holly,	1 00
“ Diocesan Missions,	5 00
“ Dr. Driggs, Alaska,	2 50
“ Bishop Lee Scholarship,	1 00
“ St. Paul's College, Tokyo, Japan,	1 00
Freight on boxes,	1 47
Boxes to St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington,	10 53
Box to Missionary, Omaha, Nebraska,	40 00
“ Beaufort, North Carolina,	94 60
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To United Lenten box,	27 35
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Total,	\$185 45

On Saturday, May 23, the sixth annual meeting of the Junior Auxiliary of Delaware was held in St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington. Addresses were made by Bishop Coleman and Archdeacon Brady of Pennsylvania. Reports were submitted by the President and Secretary, showing increased interest. The offertory amounted to nine dollars.

Total work of Junior Auxiliary for 1895-1896 is summarized as follows:

Boxes.	VALUE.
1 to Santee Agency, Nebraska,	\$231 35
1 to Missionary, Omaha, Nebraska,	40 00
1 to Diocesan Clergyman,	50 00
5 to St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington,	71 53
1 to St. Raphael's Home, Wilmington,	80
2 to Beaufort, North Carolina,	144 60
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Total, 11 boxes, valued at	\$538 28

Money.

Dr. Driggs, Alaska,	\$ 39 00
Bishop Graves of the Platte,	30 00
Bishop Lee Scholarship,	7 50
Foreign Insurance,	2 50
General Missions,	7 50
Diocesan Missions,	10 00
St. Michael's Day Nursery, Wilmington,	20 50
Memorial Pulpit for Bishop Lee at Hayti,	1 00
Hospital Fund for Bishop Holly,	1 00

St. Paul's College, Tokyo, Japan,	5 00
McCall Mission, Wilmington,	10 00
Valle Crucis, North Carolina,	10 00
St. Raphael's Home, Wilmington,	1 00
 Money total,	 \$145 00

Total Value in Boxes and Money for 1895-96.

Boxes,	\$538 28
Money,	145 00
 Total,	 \$683 28

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN EARNESTINE VAN TRUMP,
Sec. Junior Auxiliary of Delaware.

We do hereby certify that we have examined the foregoing Treasurer's account, and find the same correct.

MRS. C. M. CURTIS,
MISS COMEGYS

Auditing Committee.

Wilmington, Delaware, October 8th, 1896.

SUMMARY.

Grand Total for 1895-96.

Woman's Auxiliary,	\$1670 48
Balance of Mexican work not included in parish reports, . .	199 00
Balance of Junior Auxiliary not included in parish reports, . .	645 78
 Total,	 \$2515 26

PARISHES.

*Not reported last year. Del. City, \$2.75; Trinity, Wilmington, \$1.00.

Remittances should be made as follows:

For Woman's Auxiliary,
Mrs. WILLIAM C. LODGE,
Claymont, Del.

For the United Offering,
Mrs. ANDREW G. WILSON,
1119 Market Street,
Wilmington, Del.

For the Junior Auxiliary,
Miss HELEN VAN TRUMP,
412 Broome Street,
Wilmington, Del.

For the Mexican Division,
Miss ELIZABETH PALMER,
1908 Market Street,
Wilmington, Del.

Meetings.

The January Meeting will be held on the second Thursday in January, A. D. 1897, in Trinity Church, Wilmington, at 2 P. M.

The May Meeting will be held on the second Thursday in May, A. D. 1897, in Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, at 2 P. M.