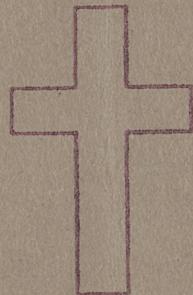


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Remember to say at mid-day this

**Prayer for Missions:**

Blessed Saviour, who at this hour did'st  
hang upon the cross, stretching forth Thy  
loving arms, grant that all mankind may  
look unto Thee and be saved; through Thy  
mercies and merits, who livest and reignest  
with the Father and the Holy Ghost ever  
one God, world without end.

**AMEN.**

# Eighteenth Annual Report

OF THE

# DELAWARE BRANCH

OF THE

# WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

TO THE

# BOARD OF MISSIONS.

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MINUTES  
OF THE  
Eighteenth Annual Meeting.

The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the Delaware Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in St. John's Church, Wilmington, on Thursday, October 9th, 1902.

The Holy Communion was celebrated at 10 a. m., the Bishop of the Diocese being the celebrant, assisted by Archdeacon Hall, Revs. H. Ashton Henry and Martin B. Dunlap. Rev. Dr. Elwood Worcester, of St. Stephen's Church, Philadelphia, preached a strong sermon on Foreign Missions. Rev. Frank Jones, of the Indian Territory, gave an account of his work, and Rev. Kensey J. Hammond made an address on the Babies' Branch.

Rev. Mr. Beach gave his services at the organ, and the hymns were sung by a volunteer choir of ladies. The offering was \$28.60.

At 12 o'clock noon day prayers for missions were said.

Immediately after this service luncheon was served in the Parish House to about 225 members of Auxiliary and clergy.

At 2 o'clock the business meeting was called to order, Mrs. McIlvaine in the chair. One hundred and fifty answered to the roll call, representing nineteen branches.

The President, in her address of welcome, expressed especial thanks to the delegates who had come from the more distant parishes. She made an earnest and urgent appeal for the aim the Auxiliary at large has set before itself of coming up to the full \$100,000 a year for the general work of the Board of Missions, suggesting that some branch undertake a scholarship in a school, or send money direct to the Board for the support of some worker in the field for whom the Board is responsible, instead of going into specials. She asked us to keep in mind the February number of the *Spirit of Missions*, a special number about "Children in the Mission Field," and of great interest to the Woman's Auxiliary, as it will contain the account of the Epiphany service, when the memorial offering to Mrs. Twing was made.

She urged us to make the coming year the best year of our Auxiliary life—to take up the verse of the Hymn Magnificat as our watch-word for the year, “ My soul doth magnify the Lord and my spirit hath rejoiced in God, my Saviour.” “ If these words, the precious heritage of all women, sing themselves in our hearts as we go about our Auxiliary duties, surely we shall be inspired with stronger desire ‘ to carry to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,’ the light of the glorious gospel of the blessed God.”

The President asked all to rise, while the Secretary would read the names of those members of the Auxiliary who had entered life eternal during the past year: Mrs. Frances Elizabeth Coleman, Mrs. Emma Harlan Thomson, Mrs. Lavinia Chamberlin, Mrs. Mary Pauline du Pont. While standing, the collect for All Saints’ Day was read by the Bishop.

The minutes of the May meeting were read and accepted. The Secretary read her annual report. The Treasurer reported receipts for the year \$902.61, of which \$26 had not been appropriated.

The Domestic Directress reported value of boxes sent during the year, \$1034.43. She presented letters for missionary boxes, sent by Miss Emery for distribution among the branches, and urged immediate attention to this important work.

The President of the Juniors reported the sum total for their year’s work \$646.05.

The Treasurer of the United Offering, \$412.06.

The reports of the Mexican Division and the Church Periodical Club were read by the Secretary.

At 3 o’clock the annual election of officers was held, resulting as follows:

President—Mrs. Caleb Churchman, Claymont.

Vice Presidents—Miss Emily Rodney, New Castle; Mrs. M. D. K. Eldridge, Smyrna; Mrs. Daniel Short, Laurel.

Domestic Directress—Mrs. J. P. Saulsbury, Dover.

Foreign Directress—Mrs. H. L. Curtis, Newark.

Treasurer—Mrs. W. C. Lodge, Claymont.

Secretary—Miss Mary Lafferty, Wilmington.

Treasurer United Offering—Mrs. A. G. Wilson, Wilmington.

Cor. of C. P. C.—Miss A. D. Gibbs, Middletown.

President Junior Auxiliary—Mrs. Geo. C. Hall, Wilmington.

Secretary-Treasurer—Miss Sarah Rodney, New Castle:

Secretary of Babies' Branch—Mrs. W. J. Wilkie, Middletown.

All were grieved and dismayed when the announcement was made that our faithful President would not accept a re-election. On motion of Mrs. Churchman, she was made Honorary President.

The Secretary was requested to appoint a committee to draft resolutions of regret on the retirement of Mrs. McIlvaine.

The following were presented :

The committee appointed to present resolutions in regard to the resignation of Mrs. C. L. McIlvaine, for nine years President of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Delaware, regrets very much the necessity for this action. In yielding reluctantly to Mrs. McIlvaine's final decision that she can no longer serve us in the capacity of President, we feel the diocese has been deprived of a most valued officer, and in the name of the Woman's Auxiliary, we wish to convey to her some expression of this feeling, and to voice its sincere and heartfelt appreciation of her unselfish devotion to all the demands of the Auxiliary. Her good works will continue and will serve (if that were necessary) to keep in our minds the loving remembrance of her strong personality, clear judgment and unwavering loyalty to her Master, Jesus Christ, and his Church.

Our earnest wish is for her well-being and happiness, and we pray our Heavenly Father to grant her health and strength, and length of days, so that she may continue to give to His service those sterling gifts of heart and mind with which He has so richly endowed her.

SOPHIE C. HALL,  
EMILY C. HENRY,  
ANNA LEA.

The following resolution was passed :

"In accepting the resignation of Miss Helen VanTrump as Secretary-Treasurer of the Junior Auxiliary, we wish to express our deep regret that the step is necessary, and our appreciation of her faithful services and the cheerful fulfillment of the duties of her office."

A motion was carried that the offering made at the morning service should be given to the general work of the Board of Missions.

Pledges for the year's work were then taken as follows: Bishop Lee Scholarship, Foreign Insurance, China, Japan, Alaska, General Missions, Diocesan Missions, Day Nursery and Hospital for Babies.

Invitations were extended to the Auxiliary to hold the meetings for the coming year, in Trinity Church, Wilmington, the Epiphany

meeting ; Christ Church, Dover, May meeting ; and Immanuel Church, New Castle, annual meeting. All accepted.

The old question of simple luncheons at the annual meetings was again very energetically discussed. Miss Warner made the following motion, which was carried: "That the luncheon for the annual meeting be limited to two relishes, coffee, tea and rolls, the object being to confine it to one course."

Miss Anna Lea offered a resolution of thanks to the ladies of St. John's parish for their beautiful entertainment. Accepted by rising vote.

The collection at the afternoon session was \$25.77.

After the benediction by the bishop, the meeting adjourned.

MARY LAFFERTY, *Secretary.*

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## PLEDGES FOR 1902-1903.

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1. Alfred Lee Memorial Scholarship.
2. Foreign Insurance.
3. Japan.
4. China.
5. Alaska, for work of Dr. Driggs.
6. Day Nursery and Hospital for Babies.
7. Diocesan Missions.
8. General Missions.

## **In Memoriam.**

### **ENTERED INTO LIFE ETERNAL.**

MRS. FRANCES ELIZABETH DU PONT COLEMAN,  
March 17th, 1902.

MRS. EMMA HARLAN THOMSON,  
January 26th, 1902.

MRS. LAVINIA CHAMBERLAIN  
(President of Junior Auxiliary of Middletown),  
July 27th, 1902.

MRS. MARY PAULINE (FOSTER) DU PONT,  
September 20th, 1902.

## Eighteenth Annual Report of Secretary.

### *Right Rev. Father in God and Women of the Auxiliary :*

I have the honor to present to you the eighteenth annual report of the Delaware Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

We now number twenty-one branches. The last one was organized during the past year in St. Michael's Parish, Wilmington.

Through the untiring efforts of our Domestic Directress several of the smaller branches united in filling missionary boxes, thus making it possible for the weak ones, like Laurel, Lewes and Georgetown, to send a fine box to an Indian catechist.

The new branch of St. Michael's, under the leadership of the rector's wife, united with several others in sending a box to a missionary in Alabama, and I am glad to record that very substantial aid towards this box came from the Old Swedes' Branch.

Of course we expect from the stronger branches nothing less than their full duty, and I think the reports of this year show earnest work. We can each one answer for ourselves, whether we have done *all* we could. Our Directress may well feel gratified that the sum total for boxes this year is \$1034.43.

Our foreign work consists, as it always does, in the pledges made at the annual meeting. This year more money has been sent to the domestic than the foreign field. Can we not make our contribution to the *General Board* more generous than heretofore?

The Cor. of C. P. C. reports two new librarians appointed, and she hopes for substantial gains from the coin cards sent out by the President of the C. P. C. to be collected on November 1st. Let us keep this good work ever in mind, the passing in of a paper or good book is such a small thing to the sender and of such great value to the recipient.

The Epiphany meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church on January 9th. About sixty were present, which seems to be about the average attendance on the mid-winter meetings.

Miss Shearman gave a talk on Mission Study Classes, the outcome

of which was the organization of a class that met in St. Andrew's Sunday-school room weekly during Lent. The subject was China, and the work was thoroughly enjoyed by the rather small class.

The May meeting was held in Christ Church, Delaware City. A perfect afternoon and the trolley ride combined to make it a large one. The profit derived from the cars chartered to carry delegates to and from Wilmington was given to General Missions. The hurried manner in which the business had to be pushed through showed the importance of one of the questions proposed for discussion that day, namely: "Shall the May meeting be made an all-day meeting?" This did not come to a vote.

Mrs. Manross, who for two years was a missionary to the Indians under Bishop Hare, gave a most interesting account of the schools and work among the Christian Indians.

After the adjournment of the meeting a delightful half-hour was spent while enjoying the bountiful hospitality of the ladies of Christ Church.

The Annual Quiet Day for Women at St. Andrew's Church was conducted by Rev. Randolph McKim, of the Church of the Epiphany, Washington. The attendance was large and the day a blessing to many. Through it all a feeling of sadness and deep solemnity prevailed, because of the extreme illness of the wife of our beloved Bishop. She passed to the higher life a few days after. For the first time in the history of these Quiet Days the gracious hospitality of Bishopstead could not be offered to the women from out of town who were in attendance.

At the May meeting the following resolution on the death of Mrs. Coleman was offered:

"Realizing that in the death of Frances Elizabeth Coleman, wife of our beloved Bishop, the Diocese of Delaware has sustained a great loss, we, the members of the Delaware Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, especially desire to pay a loving tribute to her memory. To her constant thoughtfulness for others, to her large and warm-hearted hospitality, to her wonderful unselfishness of disposition, to her ready sympathy with the sorrowful, all of us can bear witness, because of the sense of personal loss which has come to each one of us.

"Added to the kindness of her nature was the endowment of a fine intellect. She lived on a high plane, above petty things—serene,

noble, patient in suffering, an example of purity and modesty, of a faith unwavering though tried by years of suffering, she had passed to the higher life of love and service. 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.'

"What asks our Father of his children save  
Justice and mercy and humility,  
A reasonable service of good deeds,  
Pure loving tenderness to human needs.  
Reverence and trust, and prayer for light to see  
The Master's footprints in our daily ways?  
No knotted scourge, nor sacrificial knife,  
But the calm beauty of an ordered life,  
Whose every breathing is unended praise."

EMMA E. LODGE,  
NATALIA G. WILSON.  
C. L. McILVAINE.

Respectfully submitted,  
MARY LAFFERTY,  
*Secretary.*

## Reports From Parish Branches.

October, 1901, to October, 1902.

### CHRISTIANA HUNDRED—Christ Church.

MRS. D. B. CURLETT, President.

1 box to clergymen in West Virginia, \$50.00; to united box for clergymen in Jacksonville, Ala., \$14.80; Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$5.00; Foreign Insurance, \$5.00; Bishop Graves, China, \$5.00; Dr. Driggs, \$5.00; Rev. Mr. Bartlett, \$10; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$5.00; St. Matthew's Mission, \$5.00; Babies' Hospital, \$5.00; United Offering, \$26.50; annual dues, \$2.00 . . . . . Total, \$138 30

### CLAYMONT—Church of the Ascension.

MRS. WILLIAM C. LODGE, President.

MRS. CARRIE DAVISON, Secretary.

To box to clergymen in Alabama, \$25.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$5.00; General Missions, \$3.00; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$5.00; United Offering, \$6.19, annual dues, \$2.00 . . . . . Total, \$46 19

### CLAYTON—Trinity Church.

MRS. CORA E. WALKER, President.

MRS. M. E. HOLLIDAY, Secretary.

1 box to Babies' Hospital, \$20.00; 1 box to Delmar, \$5.00; United Offering, \$5.00; annual dues, \$2.00; memorial to Mrs. Twing, \$1.00. Total, . . . . . \$ 33 00

### DELAWARE CITY—Christ Church.

MISS A. E. HUNTER, Secretary.

Dr. Driggs, \$5.00; Rev. H. M. Bartlett, \$5.00; United Offering, \$8.72; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$3.00; annual dues, \$2.00 . . . . Total, \$ 23 72

### DOVER—Christ Church.

MRS. THOMAS FLEMING, President.

MISS ANNA B. HAYES, Secretary.

Clerical suit to clergymen in North Carolina. \$20.25; for support of

pupil in All Saints' Home, Baltimore, \$52.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$5.00; Rev. Mr. Forrester, \$5.00; Dr. Driggs, \$5.00; Rev. H. M. Bartlett, \$5.00; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$5.00; General Missions, \$10.00; Diocesan Missions, \$10.00, United Offering, \$18.25; annual dues, \$2.00. Total, . . . . . \$ 137 50

### GEORGETOWN—St. Paul's Church.

MISS MARY PATTERSON, President.

MISS SARA MARSHALL, Secretary.

Part of united box to Indian catechist, \$31.88; United Offering, \$5.59; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . . Total, \$ 39 47

### LAUREL—St. Philip's Church.

MRS. DANIEL SHORT, President.

MRS. C. N. SPALDING, Secretary.

For box to Indian catechist, \$5.00; Diocesan Missions, \$5.00; United Offering, \$5.00; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . . Total, \$ 17 00

### LEWES—St. Peter's Church.

MRS. WILLIAM MAUL, President.

MISS MARGARET ORR, Secretary.

For box to Indian catechist, \$43.95; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . Total, \$ 45 95

### MIDDLETOWN—St. Anne's Church,

MRS. W. J. WILKIE, President.

MISS MARY PRICE, Rec. Secretary.

One box to Bayfield, Wis., \$41.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$5.00; Foreign Insurance, \$5.00; St. Mary's Hall, China, \$5.00; Bishop Kinsolving, \$5.00; Dr. Driggs, \$5.00; Bishop Wells, Washington, \$5.00; St. Matthew's Mission, \$5.00; Diocesan Missions, \$5.00, Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$5.00; United Offering, \$46.63; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . Total, \$ 134 63

### NEW CASTLE—Immanuel Church,

MRS. F. M. MUNSON, President.

MISS EMILY RODNEY, Secretary.

Two boxes to South Carolina, \$87.20; Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$5.00; Foreign Insurance, \$5.00; Dr. Driggs, \$5.00; Bishop Wells, \$5.00; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$15 00; Diocesan Missions, \$10.00; United Offering, \$7.52; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . . Total, \$ 141 72

**NEWARK—St. Thomas' Church.**

MRS. H. L. CURTIS, President.  
MISS F. B. HURD, Secretary.

Part of box to North Carolina, \$15.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$5.00; Alaska, \$15.00; Dr. Driggs, \$5.00; Rev. H. M. Bartlett, \$5.00; Foreign Insurance, \$5.00; China, \$5.00; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$15.00; Babies' Hospital, \$5.00; United Offering, \$10.00; annual dues, \$2.00. . . Total, \$ 87 00

**NEWPORT AND STANTON—St. James' Church.**

MRS. R. J. PILLING, President.  
MRS. A. J. NEWLIN, Secretary.

Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$3.00; Foreign Insurance, \$2.00; China, Rev. S. H. Littell, \$5.00; Rev. H. M. Bartlett, \$5.00; Babies' Hospital, \$5.00; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$2.00; Diocesan Missions, \$5.00; United Offering, \$10.00; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . . Total, \$ 39 00

**SMYRNA—St. Peter's Church.**

MRS. M. D. K. ELDRIDGE, Secretary.

1 box to Charleston, S. C., \$14.00; 2 boxes to Babies' Hospital, \$13.75; to missionary in Washington, \$8.00; Church Periodical Club, \$2.00; Foreign Insurance, \$5.00; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$5.00; Diocesan Missions, \$15.00; United Offering, \$11.28; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . . Total, \$ 76 03

**WYOMING AND CAMDEN—St. Paul's Church.**

MRS. R. J. LINDALE, President.  
MRS. B. S. CROSSMAN, Secretary.

1 barrel to Babies' Hospital, \$13.84; Diocesan Mission, \$5.00; United Offering, \$15.00; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . . Total, \$ 35 84

**WILMINGTON—Calvary Church.**

Rev. H. M. Bartlett, \$5.00; annual dues, \$2.00; Bishop Morris Fund, \$5.00. . . . . Total, \$ 12 00

**WILMINGTON—St. Andrew's Church.**

MISS R. J. WARNER, President.  
MRS. C. E. MCILVAINE, Secretary.

1 box to Brunswick, Ga., \$79.64; 1 box to St. Augustine School, N. C., \$92.30; 1 package to Dr. Driggs, \$12.27; 1 package to Miss Sabine, \$4.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$15.50; Foreign Insurance, \$5.00; Dr. Driggs, \$5.00; Rev. H. M. Bartlett, \$15.00; to Miss Sabine, \$6.00; for rebuilding Anvik school, \$2.00; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$15.50; Babies'

Hospital, \$5.00; Diocesan Missions, \$100.00; General Missions, \$10.00; deficit in General Missions, \$10.00; United Offering, \$100.00; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . . Total, \$479 21

### WILMINGTON—G. F. S. of St. Andrew's Church.

MISS E. J. KNIGHT, Secretary.

MISS JANE LEA, Associate in Charge.

Towards box to St. Augustine School, N. C., \$17.55; Rev. H. M. Bartlett, \$2.00; Mrs. Hooker Orphanage, (Mexico), \$2.00; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . . Total, \$ 23 55

### WILMINGTON—St. John's Church.

MRS. ANDREW G. WILSON, President.

MRS. GEORGE C. HALL, Secretary.

1 box for Seaman's Mission, Philadelphia, \$29.00; 1 box Indian Catechist, S. D., \$87.00; 1 box to Babies' Hospital, \$20.00; Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$5.00; Dr. Driggs, \$5.00; Rev. H. M. Bartlett, \$5.00; Scholarship in St. Paul's School, N. C., \$10.00; Foreign Insurance, \$5.00; Rev. S. H. Littell, China, \$5.00; Babies' Hospital, \$5.00; St. Matthew's Mission, \$5.00; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$10.00; United Offering, \$50.00; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . . Total, \$243 00

### WILMINGTON—St. Michael's Church.

MRS. FRED CARNES, President.

1 box to Indian Catechist, \$44.50; 1 package to St. Augustine School, N. C., \$1.00; towards box for clergyman in Alabama, \$5.00; to Diocesan Missions, \$3.00. . . . . Total, \$ 53 50

### WILMINGTON—Trinity Church.

MISS MARY LAFFERTY, President.

MRS. T. C. HATTON, Secretary.

1 box to Gas City, Ind., \$150.60; Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$5.00; Foreign Insurance, \$5.00; S. H. Littell, (China), \$5.00; Dr. Driggs, \$5.00; Rev. H. M. Bartlett, \$10.00; Mrs. Twing Memorial, \$5.00; St. Matthew's Mission, \$5.00; Babies' Hospital, \$5.00; Diocesan Mission, \$10.00; United Offering, \$55.65; annual dues, \$2.00. . . . . Total, \$263 25

### WILMINGTON—Old Swedes' Church.

MRS. M. B. DUNLAP, President.

MRS. EDWARD BINNIX, Secretary.

Towards box to clergyman in Alabama, \$31.50; to box to Indian Catechist, \$4.50; Bishop Lee Scholarship, \$5.00; annual dues, \$2.00. Total, \$ 43 00

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Total of Parish Reports, . . . . . \$2,069 86

## Woman's Auxiliary, Treasurer's Report.

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

1901-1902.	DR.	
Nov. 14, 1901, Cash balance, . . . . .	41 86	
Nov. 14, 1901, Collection, Annual Meeting, . . . . .	53 44	
Nov. 9, 1901, Collection, Quarterly, . . . . .	10 82	
May 15, 1901, Collection, Quarterly, . . . . .	25 11	
March 11, 1901, Collection, Quiet Day, . . . . .	48 58	
May 15, 1901, Received from chartered cars, . . . . .	33 60	
Interest on Deposits, . . . . .	1 40	
Annual dues, . . . . .	36 00	
To Bishop Lee Scholarship in Mexico—Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, \$5.00; Mrs. S. M. Curtis, \$5.00; St. Anne's, Middletown, \$5.00; St. James', Stanton and Newport, \$3.00; Immanuel, New Castle, \$5.00; St. Andrew's, \$15.50; Trinity, \$5.00; Ascension, Claymont, \$5.00; St. John's, \$5.00; Christ Church, Dover, \$5.00; Junior Auxiliary, \$15.00; Old Swedes', \$5.00	78 50	
To Rev. Mr. Bartlett—Immanuel, New Castle, \$5.00; St. John's, \$5.00; Christ Church, Delaware City, \$5.00; Trinity, \$10.00; Girls' Friendly Society of St. Andrew's, \$2.00; Christ Church, Dover, \$5.00; St. Andrew's, \$5.00; Stanton and Newport, \$5.00; St. Anne's, Middletown, \$5.00; Calvary, \$5.00; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, \$10.00; Parishioner of St. Andrew's, \$10.00; St. Thomas', Newark, \$5.00	77 00	
To Insurance on Life of Foreign Missionary—St. John's, \$5.00; St. Andrew's, \$5.00; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, \$5.00; Trinity, \$5.00; St. Thomas', Newark, \$5.00; St. Peter's, Smyrna, \$5.00; Immanuel, New Castle, \$5.00; Stanton and Newport, \$2.00; St. Anne's, Middletown, \$5.00, . . . . .	42 00	
To Missions in Alaska, Dr. Driggs—Junior Auxiliary, \$5.00; St. John's, \$5.00; Christ Church, Delaware City, \$5.00; Trinity, \$5.00; St. Thomas', Newark, \$5.00; Christ Church, Dover, \$5.00; St. Andrew's, \$5.00; St. Anne's, Middletown, \$5.00; Immanuel, New Castle, \$5.00; Christ Church, Christiana, \$5.00	50 00	

At the late Triennial Convention in San Francisco, at the time Bishop Graves, of China, was making a most urgent appeal for an addition to St. Mary's School for Girls in Shanghai, Mrs. Mary E. Twing, Honorary Secretary to the Woman's Auxiliary, entered into rest. She had been as a mother to the Auxiliary, having been appointed Secretary thirty one years ago. Though not long its active Secretary, she laid the foundation principles of the Auxiliary so surely that they have never been changed. What better memorial could be made than the raising of sufficient money to build this addition to St. Mary's?

The closing services of the Convention were most impressive. With this service ended probably the largest and most inspiring Convention ever held. It was said that over 6000 persons journeyed westward to the Pacific Coast to attend the sessions of the Convention. I wish it had been possible for all of our Church women to have enjoyed the privileges and entertainment offered by the generous hearted women of the California Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

*The Delaware Ch. man*

and to a development of spiritual growth is the divided state of the Church. What a source of supreme satisfaction it must be to the wise devil to see the comparatively weak, feeble, almost helpless condition the Church is in on account of her unhappy divisions.

Let us look the question straight in the face and see if such an accusation is true, viz: that the divided state of the Church is a present hindrance to the spiritual growth of the people.

In what condition are the churches in a small country town or village to lead the people to a higher level of Christian living, toward the level described in the sermon on the mount?

In towns varying in population from 1000 to 2000, you will frequently find five or six churches, every one of which is in a desperate struggle to maintain an existence. All sorts and conditions of things are resorted to for the purpose of raising funds, oyster suppers, fairs, theatricals, strawberry festivals and every other kind of entertainment that can be thought of, and if it smacks just a little of what is not spiritual and edifying so much the better. The sad part of all this is that

To Mrs. Twing Memorial—St. Peter's, Smyrna, \$5.00 ; St. Thomas', Newark, \$15.00 ; Junior Auxiliary of Trinity, \$1.00 ; St. John's, \$10.00 ; St. Andrew's, \$15.50 ; Stanton and Newport, \$2 ; Christ Church, Dover, \$5.00 ; Ascension, Claymont, \$5.00 ; Christ Church, Delaware City, \$3.00 ; Trinity, Clayton, \$1.00 ; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, \$5.00 ; St. Anne's, Middletown, \$5.00 ; Immanuel, New Castle, \$15.00 ; Trinity, \$5.00	92 50
To Diocesan Missions—St. Andrew's, \$100.00 ; Stanton and Newport, \$5.00 ; St. Anne's, Middletown, \$5.00 ; St. Peter's, Smyrna, \$15.00 ; Christ Church, Dover, \$10.00 ; Trinity, \$10.00 ; Immanuel, New Castle, \$10.00 ; Camden and Wyoming, \$5.00, . . . . .	160 00
To Missions in China, Rev. Mr. Littell—Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, \$5.00 ; St. Anne's, Middletown, \$5.00 ; Junior Branch of Woman's Auxiliary, Georgetown, \$5.00 ; Stanton and Newport, \$5.00 ; St. Thomas', Newark, \$5.00 ; Trinity, \$5.00 ; St. John's, \$5.00 ; Junior Auxiliary, \$3.00, . . . . .	38 00
To St. Matthew's Mission—St. John's, \$5.00 ; Trinity, \$5.00 ; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, \$5.00 ; St. Anne's, Middletown, \$5.00, . . . . .	20 00
To St. Michael's Hospital and Day Nursery—St. John's, \$5.00 ; Junior Auxiliary, \$5.00 ; Trinity, \$5.00 ; St. Andrew's, \$5.00 ; Stanton and Newport, \$5.00 ; Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, \$5.00, . . . . .	30 00
To General Missions—Christ Church, Dover, \$10.00 ; St. Andrew's, \$10.00 ; Ascension, Claymont, \$3.00, . . .	23 00
To Deficiency in General Missions—Parishioner of St. Andrew's, \$10.00, . . . . .	10 00
To Bishop Morris Fund—Calvary, \$5 00, . . . . .	5 00
To Brazil, Bishop Kinsolving—St. Anne's, Middletown, \$5.00, . . . . .	5 00
To Mexico, Rev. Mr. Forrester—Christ Church, Dover, \$5.00, . . . . .	5 00
To Mrs. Hooker Orphanage, Mexico—Girl's Friendly Society of St. Andrew's, \$2.00, . . . . .	2 00
To Idaho, Ross Fork, for Sutah Zeloty—Babies' Branch of Junior Auxiliary, \$11.80, . . . . .	11 80
To Printing Reports—Junior Auxiliary, \$2.00 . . . . .	2 00
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By traveling expenses of speaker, . . . . .	\$ 4 00
By sexton at Middletown . . . . .	1 00
By Bishop Morris Fund, to Miss Alice Hay, . . . . .	5 00

By Rev. Mr. Bartlett, $\frac{1}{2}$ morn. col., to Miss Emery, . . . . .	14 64
By Bishop Graves, China, $\frac{1}{2}$ morn. col., to Miss Emery, . . . . .	14 64
By Rev. Mr. Bartlett, special, to Miss Emery, . . . . .	10 00
By deficiency in General Missions, to Miss Emery . . . . .	10 00
By printing reports, to Mercantile Printing Co., . . . . .	35 20
By Mrs. Twing Memorial, to Mrs. George C. Thomas, . . . . .	92 50
By Rev. Mr. Kohler's salary, to John S. Grohe, . . . . .	100 00
By Diocesan Missions, to John S. Grohe, . . . . .	96 83
By chartered cars, J. V. Deener, . . . . .	20 00
By Ross Fork, Idaho, to Miss Emery, . . . . .	11 80
By Bishop Lee Scholarship, to Mrs. James L. Banning, . . . . .	78 50
By insurance of life for missionary, to Miss Emery, . . . . .	50 00
By China, special, Rev. Mr. Littell, to Miss Emery, . . . . .	38 00
By Alaska, special, Dr. Driggs, to Miss Emery, . . . . .	50 00
By Rev. Mr. Bartlett, to Miss Emery, . . . . .	67 00
By Mexico, special, Rev. Mr. Forrester, to Miss Emery, . . . . .	5 00
By Brazil, special, Bishop Kinsolving, to Miss Emery, . . . . .	5 00
By Mrs. Hooker Orphanage, to Miss Emery, . . . . .	2 00
By St. Michael's Hospital, to Mrs. E. W. Knowles, . . . . .	30 00
By St. Matthew's Mission, to Bishop Coleman, . . . . .	20 00
By expenses of Quiet Day, to Bishop Coleman, . . . . .	11 75
By Church Publication Society, to Miss M. E. Beach, . . . . .	5 00
By traveling expenses of President, . . . . .	1 25
By postage and express expenses of five officers, . . . . .	11 95
By General Missions, to George C. Thomas, . . . . .	38 00
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Total, . . . . .	\$829 06
Balance on hand, . . . . .	73 55
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	\$902 61

Audited and found correct.

ANNIE D. RODNEY,  
ALICE HAY,  
Auditing Committee.

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## United Offering Fund.

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*Nathalie G. Wilson in account with United Offering Fund, Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, Delaware Branch.*

Received since October 3d, 1901—

From "United Service," Trinity Church, Wilmington, . . . . .	\$ 10 42
From St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, . . . . .	100 00

From Trinity Church, Wilmington, . . . . .	55 65
From St. John's Church, Wilmington, . . . . .	50 00
From St. Anne's Church, Middletown, . . . . .	46 63
From Christ Church, Christiana Hundred, . . . . .	26 50
From Christ Church, Dover, . . . . .	18 25
From Wyoming and Camden, . . . . .	15 00
From St. Peter's Church, Smyrna, . . . . .	11 28
From Newport and Stanton . . . . .	10 00
From St. Thomas' Church, Newark, . . . . .	10 00
From Christ Church, Delaware City, . . . . .	8 72
From Immanuel Church, New Castle, . . . . .	7 52
From Church of the Ascension, Claymont, . . . . .	6 19
From St. Paul's Church, Georgetown, . . . . .	5 59
From St. Philip's Church, Laurel, . . . . .	5 00
From Trinity Church, Clayton, . . . . .	5 00
From Dividend E., G. and T. Co. . . . .	31
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## Junior Auxiliary—

From Trinity Church, Wilmington, . . . . .	\$15 00
From St. John's Church, Wilmington, . . . . .	1 00
From Calvary Church, Wilmington, . . . . .	1 00
From St. Andrew's Church, Wilmington, . . . . .	1 00
From St. Thomas' Church, Newark, . . . . .	1 00
From Immanuel Church, New Castle, . . . . .	70
From General Branch, . . . . .	30
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	20 00
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	\$412 06

Respectfully submitted,

NATHALIE G. WILSON,

October 9th, 1902.

Treasurer.

Since September 1st nineteen notices have been sent, urging the prompt sending of the contents of mite boxes, with the result of contributions from fifteen branches, almost all being sent by the 1st or 2d of October, as requested, which is most helpful and encouraging, simplifying the work of receiving, depositing and acknowledging the various sums of money, or checks, all of which require as much care and attention as though they were very large amounts.

It is gratifying to the Treasurer to know that all are in sympathy with the object of the 1904 offering—"to be given to the Board of Missions for woman's work in the domestic and foreign fields, including the training, sending and support of women workers. This to be interpreted to include Brazil, Haiti, Cuba and Mexico. It is also to be

understood that this resolution includes the care of sick and disabled women workers."

This, in a modified form, was the object of the 1898 offering, and it seems only natural that after having given the 1901 offering to the general missionary work, the great heart of the Auxiliary should again throb with love and enthusiasm for its sisters, who, through the consecration of their lives, are helping others to the knowledge and the love of Christ, in whose sight even the least is precious.

Since 1895 the Delaware Branch has given \$2453.15 to "United Offering"—a goodly sum for so small a band of workers. May we not hope and strive and pray—even as we strive, to raise our total amount by 1904 to \$4000? To accomplish this we must give \$145 extra for each of the two remaining years. Do you think that is too much to hope for?

NATHALIE G. WILSON,  
*Treasurer.*

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## Report of Correspondent of Church Periodical Club.

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Number of magazines and papers sent regularly each week or month, 66; number of persons contributing literature, 56; number of boxes or barrels, 3; odd numbers magazines, 1,705; Sunday school papers, 1,117; persons contributing money, 6; prayer books and hymnals (each), 1; total amount of money contributed, \$11.90.

We are greatly pleased to be able to report two new librarians, Mrs. Thomas W. Wilson, of Dover, and Mrs. D. B. Curlett, of Montchanin.

Each librarian has been furnished with a coin card, sent by the president of the C. P. C., to be returned by November 1st, 1902, and I have been assured fine results will be reported from them. One of our most enthusiastic and helpful librarians hopes to be able to send the treasurer \$10 in hers. If each librarian will do her best, we feel sure a large amount will cheer the workers at the Church Mission House.

Let me beg our librarians to do their utmost to increase the number of magazines and papers sent regularly. Sixty-six is a small number, yet if sixty-six homes are made better and happier, we must not be discouraged. One lady gives seven periodicals each month, another five, one four. Is there one member of the Auxiliary assembled here today who could not send a magazine or paper regularly? If so, has she not a book, a game, Easter and Christmas cards? All these are begged for. One of our patrons (in very moderate circumstances) bought four copies of "Uncle Max" at different times and passed them on—two of "Donavan" and gave them. When you find a good, clean book, will you remember the Church Periodical Club?

ANNA DALE GIBBS,  
*Cor. Branch 58, C. P. C.*

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## Mexican Division.

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The Mexican Aid Association has held its usual meetings, and with its auxiliary society, the Mexican Chapter of St. Andrew's Guild, has forwarded the usual amounts to Mexico, for the Alfred Lee Theological Scholarship, and the Josephine Hooker Orphanage.

The Society has sustained a loss in the resignation of Miss Margaret Canby, who has filled the office of corresponding secretary for a long time. We take pleasure, at this time, in recognizing her faithful and efficient labors.

C. L. McILVAINE,  
*President.*

## Mexican Aid Association of Delaware.

*In account with Emma L. Banning, Treasurer.*

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*Receipts—1901-1902.*

1901.	November—To balance on hand, . . . . .	\$ 2 00
1901.	November 25—From Mexican Chapter St. Andrew's Church for Scholarship, . . . . .	50 00
1901.	November and December annual subscriptions, . . . . .	36 60
1902.	January 11—Mexican Chapter, for Scholarship, . . . . .	12 00
1902.	April 11—Mexican Chapter, for Mrs. Hooker School, . . . . .	20 00
1902.	April 25—Mrs. John Rhodes, . . . . .	5 00
1902.	June 25—Proceeds parlor sale for Orphanage, . . . . .	46 50
1902.	June 25—Subscription, . . . . .	1 65
1902.	July 31—From Woman's Auxiliary, . . . . .	78 50
1902.	July 31—Donation to Leaflet Fund, . . . . .	2 00
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1901.	November 25—Check to George C. Thomas, for Scholarship, . . . . .	\$ 50 00
1902.	January 11—Mrs. Bolton Bangs, for Leaflet Fund, . . . . .	1 25
1902.	April 22—To George C. Thomas, for Orphanage, . . . . .	20 00
1902.	May 2—Check to George C. Thomas, . . . . .	50 00
1902.	June 26—Proceeds of sale for Orphanage, . . . . .	46 50
1902.	July 31—To Mrs. Bolton Bangs, Leaflet Fund, . . . . .	2 00
1902.	August 8—To George C. Thomas, . . . . .	80 00
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To balance on hand, . . . . .		4 50
		<hr/> \$254 25

Note—St. Andrew's Sunday-school has sent, as usual, through George C. Thomas, \$60.00 towards the Alfred Lee Scholarship.

## Report of the President of the Junior Auxiliary of the Diocese of Delaware.

It is with thankfulness to the great Head of the Church, and with congratulations to its members and friends, that the Junior Auxiliary of Delaware presents this report of its work ended May, 1902.

In some respects this has been one of the most successful years in the history of the Junior Auxiliary, and in using the term *successful* I do not mean to imply that it exceeded in money and boxes the offerings of last year—though such *was* the case—but rather that the work has broadened, so that in addition to meeting our pledges to China, Japan, Alaska and Mexieo, we are reaching out into Brazil and our own new possessions.

Of the nineteen boxes distributed during the year, the most important by far, as well as the most valuable, was the "United Lenten Box" sent to Dr. John B. Driggs, Point Hope, Alaska. This box contained many articles suitable for Dr. Driggs' own personal comfort, as well as for those people among whom he labors. It *also* contained sufficient gifts to gladden the hearts of all the boys and girls of Point Hope and deck their Christmas trees for 1902 and 1903.

The completion of the much needed *additional* improvements to "The Babies' Hospital" were assumed and met during the year by the Juniors, so that the work of the entire renovation of "The Hospital and Day Nursery" has been done by the Junior Auxiliary of Delaware. The Board of Managers of the Hospital appreciates the efforts of the Juniors in their behalf to such an extent that they no longer undertake any new improvements without asking their assistance.

Our admiration for the "*founder*" of it—Frances Elizabeth Coleman—ought to be sufficient reason for us to interest ourselves enough to inquire into the work so dear to her heart—for the Babies' Hospital is doing a *special* work—one that is absolutely a *necessity* in a city of our size—and one that *no other* hospital or home, under their existing regulations, *can* do.

The institution is under most competent management, has trained

nurses and skilled physicians, and we heartily commend it to all the Junior Auxiliaries, in a special sense, for their support and care.

The annual meeting of the Junior Auxiliary was held in St. John's Parish, May, 1902, beginng with a very interesting morning session of officers and delegates, in the Parish House.

Addresses were delivered by Mrs. C. L. McIlvaine, Mrs. Physick, President of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Easton, and Mrs. Manross, of St. Michael's Parish, Wilmington. Mrs. McIlvaine spoke on the relation of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Junior Department. Mrs. Physick gave a very admirable address on "The Babies' Branch," and in this connection spoke of the *first little member*, "Gaylord Hart," through whose instrumentality this very young but growing missionary organization was effected.

Mrs. Manross' topic was "Church Schools for Indians *vs.* Government Schools," and so eloquently did she plead for the former that she made us all realize how infinitely superior they were to the latter. So interested did we become in our "red brother" that it was the unanimous decision of all branch officers present that our "Lenten box" for 1903 should be sent to St. Mary's School, South Dakota.

The Advent work of the various branches goes as usual to "The Babies' Hospital and Day Nursery."

Luncheon was served at 1 p. m. At 2.30 anniversary service was held in St. John's Church. The music was inspiring, and more than the usual number of vested clergymen were in attendance. The reports submitted by the youthful Branch Secretaries were so well rendered they received commendation by the Bishop of Delaware. Rev. Mr. Thomas, rector of the Church of the Holy Apostles, Philadelphia, made the annual address. All pronounced this last meeting one of the very best we have ever held. For us it holds some sad memories.

Some eight years ago the Junior Auxiliary of St. Anne's Parish, Middletown, was organized. What that Auxiliary is to-day is largely due to the inspiration, worth and work of Mrs. Lavinia Chamberlain, who on the ninth Sunday after Trinity heard the summons to "come up higher." Mrs. Chamberlain was a woman of great character. Her life was one of devoted service. Even when a great sufferer confined to her bed, she labored for the advancement of her Master's kingdom and the upbuilding, not only of the parish to which she belonged, but the *Church at large*.

As has been so well said by another, "She loved the Church as

few love it, and labored for it as few labor." Her "little blue box" stood by her bedside and was frequently well filled by the labor of her own hands for others. She will long be missed in Middletown, "*because her seat is empty.*" While her rector will miss her in all of his undertakings, he will also miss her as one of the best and noblest of friends—one whose ability, judgment and tact rendered her pre-eminently a safe counselor and friend. These same characteristics shone forth in all her relations with the diocesan officers of the Junior Auxiliary. Loyal to it, as she ever was to her church, she entered enthusiastically into every project that was for its advancement and was wise in planning and effort.

Lives like hers are indeed rare. Let us, therefore, thank God for her needful life, and noble example of perfect womanhood.

The Junior Auxiliary of Delaware suffers another great loss, one caused by the resignation of its efficient secretary and treasurer, Miss Helen VanTrump.

It was not that she had grown weary of the work and laid down her burden, but a new outline of studies and multiplied duties rendered her doing otherwise impossible. For years we have labored together. I feel as if the better half of myself has departed, and I should like to see spread upon the minutes of this body assembled, a testimonial to her able and careful work.

SOPHIE C. HALL,  
*Pres. Junior Auxiliary.*

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## Statement of the Work of the Junior Auxiliary, 1901-1902.

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### Boxes.

United Lenten box to Dr. Driggs, Point Hope, Alaska, . . . . .	\$123 60
2 boxes to St. Paul's School, Beaufort, N. C., . . . . .	55 87
8 boxes to St. Michaels Day Nursery and Hospital, . . . . .	54 37
7 boxes (special) Diocese, . . . . .	29 88

I box, Seaman's Mission, Philadelphia, . . . . .	11 30
Painting and papering Day Nursery, three rooms, . . . . .	25 00
Total, . . . . .	\$300 02

**Money.**

Beaufort, N. C., St. Paul's School, . . . . .	\$ 32 00
Bishop Graves, . . . . .	25 00
China (\$5.00 Junior Auxiliary, \$3.00 Babies' Branch) . . . . .	8 00
Bishop Lee Scholarship, Mexico, . . . . .	15 00
Dr. Driggs, Alaska, . . . . .	52 06
Porto Rico, . . . . .	2 00
General Missions, . . . . .	50 00
Diocesan Missions, . . . . .	11 45
Mrs. Twing Memorial, . . . . .	1 00
Home of the Merciful Rest, Wilmington, . . . . .	25 00
St. Michael's Day Nursery and Hospital for Babies (\$3.00 Babies' Branch) . . . . .	97 52
United Offering (last year; too late to be credited) . . . . .	7 00
United Offering, sent by parish branches, direct to Mrs. Wilson, . . . . .	20 00
	\$346 03

**Total Value in Boxes and Money.**

Boxes, . . . . .	\$300 02
Money, . . . . .	346 03
Total, . . . . .	\$646 05

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN E. VANTRUMP,

*Secretary and Treasurer.***Annual Report of the Babies' Branch.****REV. FATHER IN GOD:**

The secretary had no report to read at the annual meeting of the Junior Auxiliary in May, owing to a slight misunderstanding, St. Andrew's, Wilmington, having used their Babies' Branch money to make up their Junior pledges. The following is their report:

For work in China, . . . . .	\$3 00
Day Nursery, St Michael's, for repairs, . . . . .	3 00
Making a total of . . . . .	\$6 00

This Branch numbers twenty-five members.

Another Branch had their meeting too late to report at this meeting.

The work this year has gone along as usual, but there has not been much encouragement. The parishes where they have Branches have done much good work; unfortunately no new ones have been started. The money gathered this year has been put to many good needs, as will be shown from the following report of the treasurer:

Brought forward from May, 1901, . . . . .	\$ 3 39
Received from Immanuel, Highlands, . . . . .	11 80
Received from Immanuel, Highlands, . . . . .	3 00
Received from Trinity, Wilmington, . . . . .	2 34
Received from St. Anne's, Middletown, . . . . .	3 15
 Total, . . . . .	 \$23 68

#### EXPENSES.

Reports, . . . . .	\$ 30
Hydrophobia Fund, Immanuel, . . . . .	3 00
Miss P. C. Garrett, Indian work, Immanuel, Highlands, . . . . .	11 80
Postage, . . . . .	43
St. Michael's Babies' Hospital, towards repairs for furnace, . . . . .	6 00
 Total, . . . . .	 \$21 53
 Balance on hand, . . . . .	 23 68

Respectfully submitted,

NATALIE D. WILSON,

*Diocesan Secretary-Treasurer.*

#### SUMMARY.

##### Grand Total for 1901-1902.

Total of parish reports of Woman's Auxiliary, . . . . .	\$2,069 86
Total of Junior Auxiliary, . . . . .	646 05
Total of Babies' Branch, . . . . .	21 53
Balance of Mexican not included in parish reports, . . . . .	171 25
Collections at Diocesan Meetings, . . . . .	137 95
 Total, . . . . .	 \$3,046 64













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 SARAH RODNEY,

New Castle, Del.

For the Mexican Division,

Mrs. JAMES L. BANNING,

Wilmington, Del.

For the Babies' Branch,

Mrs. W. J. WILKIE,

Middletown, Del.

## Meetings.

The Epiphany Meeting will be held on the second Thursday in January, A. D., 1903, in Trinity Church, Wilmington, at 2 P. M.

The May Meeting will be held in Christ Church, Dover.

The nineteenth Annual Meeting will be held on the second Thursday in October, in Immanuel Church, New Castle.