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The Woman's Auxiliary was created by the Board of Missions during the session of the General Convention, October, 1871, in the city of Baltimore, and approved by the Board of Missions at the General Convention of 1886, to assist it in meeting its regular appropriations; to aid all missionary work of the Church in any direction, and in any way that may be recommended by the Board or endorsed by the several Bishops.

The next annual meeting of the Georgia Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary is to be held on the first day of the Diocesan Convention, which meets at St. Paul's Church, Albany, May 9th, 1900.

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AUGUSTA.

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St. Mary's Church (Colored)—

Mrs. Cora R. Porter, President.

WAYNESBORO.

St. Michael's Church—

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Church of the Ascension—

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MACON.

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— — —, President.

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SAVANNAH.

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Mrs. P. A. Waring, Secretary.

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Miss Annie C. Johnson, President.

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Miss Julia Gould, Vice President.

Miss Ella Callahan, Secretary and Treasurer.

Mrs. James Gould, Director.

MINUTES.

The seventh annual meeting of the Georgia Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in Atlanta, on Wednesday, May 17th, 1899, after the Morning Services of the Diocesan Convention at the Cathedral. Rt. Rev. C. Kinlock Nelson, D. D., Bishop of Georgia, held a short service, and addressed the meeting, speaking in most encouraging manner of the work accomplished in the Diocese during the year past. At the close of his address he stated that Mrs. Frank H. Miller, Diocesan Secretary was unable to be present by reason of ill health, and had tendered her resignation of the office which she had filled with great ability for a number of years. This announcement was received with expressions of deepest regret and sympathy. The Bishop then called Mrs. Nellie Peters Black, Secretary of the Atlanta Archdeaconry to the Chair, and the following resolutions were offered and unanimously adopted:

Whereas, our beloved Secretary, Mrs. Frank H. Miller, is prevented by her illness from continuing the duties of her office,

Be it Resolved, That we accept her resignation with the greatest regret, and desire to record our thorough appreciation for her faithfulness, her unvarying cour-

tesy and kindness, and the efficiency of her work as General Secretary.

Be it resolved, further, That our sympathy be sent her in this present sickness with the earnest hope for her speedy recovery.

Reports from the various Archdeaconries were then read and received.

Resolutions of sympathy for Rev. Mr. Hudgens, Rector of St. Peter's Church, Rome, because of the very sad death of his wife, were passed, and a copy of the same ordered sent to Mr. Hudgens.

Pamphlets were distributed which contained an interesting account of the "Babies' Branch" of the Auxiliary which was organized in Savannah, and has been doing some noble work. Mrs. Elliott, of Savannah, spoke in a very touching manner in behalf of this department, urging that like branches be formed throughout the State.

Among the churches represented were: St. Phillip's, St. Luke's and the Missions in and around Atlanta, Columbus, Marietta, Albany, Augusta, East Point, Barnesville, Hapeville, Dublin, Gainesville, Madison, Decatur, Cartersville, Mt. Airy, Edgewood, Griffin, Savannah, Macon and Athens.

At 1:30 P. M. luncheon was served the delegates and was made most enjoyable, Mrs. P. H. Snook being in charge of the day and assisted by Mrs. W. N. Hawkes, Mrs. Owens, Mrs. Austin, Miss Austin, Misses Snook, Mrs. Gettings, Miss Susie Ragan, Mrs. E. P. King and Mrs. F. Dixon.

The afternoon session was called to order by Mrs. Nellie Peters Black, at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. H. C. White, of Emmanuel Church, Athens, was elected Diocesan Secretary. In consenting to serve the Auxiliary she did so with the understanding that if at the end of the year Mrs. Frank H. Miller was physically able to again hold the office, Mrs. White would resign in her favor. Mrs. Miller was then elected Honorary

ary Secretary, and the funds for the united offering were ordered sent to her as previously.

Mrs. Black then introduced Mrs. Patton, of Japan, wife of Rev. J. L. Patton, missionary to Japan.

She spoke most charmingly for over an hour. Her subject was "The Women of Japan," and she is well fitted to speak interestingly on this theme since she has spent over seven years in Japan, where her husband's mission includes work in ten towns, in all of which Mrs. Patton is known for her earnest and untiring assistance.

Mrs. Patton introduced her story of the unhappy women of Japan by stating the cause that indirectly leads to all their trials—ancestor worship, and consequent desire to continue the family line. She stated that when a girl is born she is always a disappointment, because the parents wish a son who can repeat the family name. A creature merely tolerated, she is at the free disposal of her father—to care for, sell, give away, desert or kill, just as he chooses. Until she is thirteen or fourteen years old most of the instruction she receives consists of continually impressing upon her her inferiority to her brothers, and the fact that her highest aim should be the obtaining of a husband and absolute submission to him when she is married. In childhood she is allowed to behave exactly as she pleases, Japanese parents being incapable of saying "no" to their children, and they are, therefore, wilful and spoilt. When the question of marriage presents itself, however, they are expected to be all obedience and submission and from that time forward obedience is demanded.

A "go-between", the marriage agent, arranges a match and the groom receives his wife in his home on trial. After a certain time he may send her back to her parents if he does not care for her, and he is at liberty to choose another wife, while she may negotiate for a new husband.

Should the husband be pleased, however, he keeps her and she becomes the drudge, her title being very appropriate. In the Japanese language the term for husband is "master," and the wife is called the "Interior of the house." She and her husband are, therefore, introduced as Mr. So-and-so, and the interior of his house.

A woman's lot in Japan is much happier if she is educated, because the husband has more respect for her, and she can help to support herself—she need not be such a slave to her "master." It is for this reason especially that the education of the Japanese girls is so necessary.

Only the wealthiest families have servants, the wife being obliged to do all the work and be completely subservient to every desire of her husband's relatives. The very rich women who keep servants, how-

ever, spend the entire day at the theatres, because there are so few of them educated and, therefore, cannot amuse themselves by the resources of their own minds.

Perhaps even happier than the educated women are those of the peasant class. They work in the fields side by side with their husbands, sharing their labor and enjoying conversation with them, the latter pleasure being seldom accorded the women of the upper classes.

When asked what a Japanese girl did if she did not wish to marry the man chosen for her by her parents, Mrs. Patton said that the only alternative was suicide, a very common crime in that country. If the girl falls in love with a man and he with her, it is a deep disgrace, and they are never allowed to marry. A woman is considered forward and unwomanly thus to attract the attention of a man, and her marriage to him is out of the question.

The Japanese women could not understand the fact that American women walk on the streets with their husbands. The women of Japan always walk a few steps behind their "masters," with their heads bent low. Their costumes, too, are not such as to attract the eye, being somber shades, and all alike. Only the Geisha girls, of whom we have heard so much, wear bright colors, and are taught to dance and sing and amuse the men.

On the whole, although Mrs. Patton made the story of these women's lives very entertaining, their days must be very dull and monotonous, and, after we have become acquainted with their strange lives, we would find the "interior of the houses" in Japan very uninteresting.

Mrs. Patton's interesting talk was most enthusiastically received, and a rising vote of thanks was immediately given her.

A courteous invitation of Bishop and Mrs. Nelson, extended the members of the Auxiliary to attend a Reception at the Episcopal residence on Thursday evening, was, on motion, accepted, with expressions of appreciation.

The meeting then adjourned to meet at 12 M. the next day.

THURSDAY, MAY 18.

An adjourned meeting of the Georgia Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the Bishop Elliott School building.

The meeting was called to order at 12.00 M. by Mrs. H. C. White, and opened with prayer.

Mrs. W. H. Elliott, of Savannah, spoke earnestly on the subject of Foreign Missions, after which, by special request, she gave a most interesting account of the origin and early work for Foreign Missions in the Diocese of Georgia.

Archdeacon W. M. Walton was then introduced and spoke briefly to the ladies of the Auxiliary on the need of accurate reports, importance of attending the different meetings of the Auxiliary, and benefit of enthusiasm in the work. He suggested that Archdeaconry meetings be held at least once a quarter, closing with an illustration of how local differences between members may be overcome and harmony procured.

Some informal discussion on methods followed, in which it was suggested that the terms of officers and reports of the Auxiliaries begin and end with May 1st of each year.

Mrs. F. F. Reese was then called for and spoke on Domestic Missions, pointing out that the Georgia Branch seemed to have greatly overlooked this important part of its work, giving as an illustration the great difficulty experienced by one or two Archdeaconries which had undertaken to raise \$25 each as a memorial to Bishop Beckwith.

The following resolution, presented by Mrs. Alexander, was adopted:

Resolved, That the Georgia Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary pledge itself to raise \$50 for the support of a native Bible Woman in Japan for the next year."

In pursuance of the above resolution a subscription list was opened and the entire amount pledged in a few minutes.

Mrs. Patton, from Japan, then thanked the ladies for the offering made, and gave some further very interesting facts in regard to the work being done by the Missionaries in Japan.

Mrs. H. C. White then read a communication from

Miss Emery about a general publication fund, which, upon motion, was laid on the table.

Mrs. Alexander, custodian of the Expense Fund, reported balance on hand \$44.90, and a motion was passed that each Archdeaconry raise \$5.00 for the same purpose the coming year.

The meeting then adjourned with the Doxology.

Mrs. H. C. WHITE,
Diocesan Secretary.

Address Read From Mrs. Frank K. Miller,
DIOCESAN SECRETARY.

To the Members of the Georgia Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary :

DEAR FRIENDS:—I have the pleasure to present you herewith, my account of the Auxiliary work during the past year.

Upon the adjournment of the last annual meeting, I caused to be published a Report of the Proceedings. This contains, on page 11, the address of the Bishop, and expression of his wishes as to the work to be done during the year. Copies of this Report, and the accompanying statements, were sent by me to the Bishop and the Clergy of the Diocese, the Organizing Secretaries, and to each point where the Auxiliary work was being carried on in Georgia. Also to the officers of the Auxiliary in the sister Dioceses, as well as to the Missionary jurisdictions, foreign and domestic, in exchange for which, I have received, during the year, Reports from various other Dioceses.

After this publication and distribution, my attention was specially directed to the Triennial Meeting, which was to take place in Washington City, in October, 1898, the object of which was the training of women for missionary work, and I asked, at the hands of our several Diocesan Secretaries, a remittance of the amounts con-

tributed by Churches and Mission Stations within their jurisdictions.

On the 3rd of October, accompanied by our Diocesan Treasurer, I proceeded to Washington, where I had the pleasure of meeting Mrs. W. H. Elliott, of Savannah, representing, under certificate from the Bishop, the Savannah Archdeaconry, Miss Harold, the Secretary of the Albany Archdeaconry, and several other ladies. Our entire representation, officially and otherwise, was nine, the largest number which has ever been present at a Triennial Convention.

All of us attended the grand opening services of the Convention at the Church of the Epiphany, Wednesday, October 5th, immediately after which the first meeting of the Auxiliary was held, at the National Rifles Hall. A beautiful luncheon was served by the Washington Branch of the Auxiliary, which was followed by a business meeting, when reports were read from the four Advisory Committees—on Systematic Giving, on Missionary Publications, on Missionary Workers, on the Junior Auxiliary,—and each Diocese was called upon to suggest a subject for the next United Offering, all discussions being postponed until the adjourned business meeting of Monday, October 10th.

There were present at this meeting two hundred and thirty-seven officers, with many members, aggregating about five hundred.

On Thursday morning, October 6th, nearly two thousand members of the Woman's Auxiliary, representing various Dioceses, attended the Triennial services of the body, at Trinity Church, and the two business meetings which were held later.

The address of welcome was by the Bishop of Washington, who delivered an eloquent sermon upon Self-Sacrifice. the Bishop stating that the work of the Auxiliary had taught him its meaning, the true self-sacrifice.

At this service, during the singing of the hymn, "Holy Offerings, Rich and Rare," the offerings were

taken up—the largest ever given by the Auxiliary, ultimately aggregating \$81,475.00, of which Georgia's contribution was five hundred and one dollars.

"These offerings came in the oddest of envelopes. The money from Alaska was in the shape of nuggets and gold dust, enclosed in an ermine bag and bead pouch; a Brahmin prayer-bag contained the offering of the Zenana Mission at Calcutta; the Connecticut contribution was in an embroidered purse, worked in the Arms of the Diocese; a Japanese purse contained golden yen of a new coinage; China enclosed its offerings in a red silk handkerchief, which was sent as a gift from the Empress to each body of the Christian women of the Empire who had united to send her a Bible; a plain envelope from Pennsylvania contained \$14,000; Southern Florida's gift came in an exquisite basket of palm fibre, and an Indian bag of chamois, worked in quills, was sent from South Dakota."

Immediately after this service as many of the delegates as could do so assembled in the National Rifles Hall, where business sessions were to have been held, but owing to the unexpected and unprecedented number of delegates it was found utterly inadequate for their accommodation, and an adjournment was had to Convention Hall, a building erected mainly for political purposes.

At this afternoon service there were present two highly bred Japanese ladies in full costume, one Superintendent of the Ladies' Institute in Tokyo, and the other of the Peeresses' School in Tokyo.

An address was made by the Bishop of Japan, a Report made by the General Secretary, an address by Mr. John W. Wood, on the Laity as a Body of Missionary Volunteers, Addresses from four of the Missionary Bishops, and also from the Bishop of Georgia, who said:

"A great field is open to the women who will become missionary evangelists in the South. That people must be Christianized, and the beginning of the reform must lie in dissipating the ignorance of the home."

On Friday, the 7th, the Woman's Auxiliary did not meet, except for an hour to hear the Junior Auxiliary Publishing Co.'s report. This being the first day of the meeting of the Board of Missions at the Church of the Epiphany, the members, as far as they were able to obtain seats, attended, the most interesting occurrence of the meeting being the reception by the American Church of its guests of the Canadian Church, the Archbishop and his associates.

On Saturday, the Auxiliary were invited to Christ Church, Alexandria, as guests of the Virginia Branch, and a hospitable Virginia welcome was given to all. There was an address from the Rector and missionary speeches from the Bishops of Minnesota, Oklahoma, Tokyo, and Shanghai.

After service there was an informal reception in the Parish Hall, where the members were permitted to look at Washington's family Bible.

"This was followed by a luncheon, which sustained the reputation of Virginia cookery. Miss Sallie Stewart, Diocesan Secretary, was the inspiration of the scene, and completed the conquest of all hearts."

Returning from Alexandria, a reception was tendered by Bishop and Mrs. Satterlee, to the delegates.

On Monday there was held an adjourned meeting of the Diocesan officers, to decide upon the object of the United Offering of 1901. The object suggested by Georgia, to-wit: the Widows and Orphans of Deceased Clergy and of Aged and Infirm Clergy, although favored by many, was not accepted, and, after much discussion, it was decided to be given to the Board of Missions, to be divided into equal parts, and one part given to each of the Missionary Bishops, and one part to the Colored Commission, to be used at their discretion, the offering in each case to be reckoned as special and in addition to the appropriations made by the Board of Missions.

To the "United Offering of 1901," your contributions for the next three years will be invited.

This action terminated the important business of the

Auxiliary, and many of the officers left for home, yet others, and large numbers of the members remained in attendance until the close of the Convention.

The most attractive place in Washington, during these weeks, was St. John's Parish Hall, the headquarters of the Woman's Auxiliary, prepared and daintily decorated by the women of Washington at the opening of the Convention.

Here an afternoon tea was daily served under the personal direction of prominent women of Washington, and each and all were prominent "in kindly thought and sympathetic hospitality."

The men were not excluded, and each afternoon, several were present as invited guests.

During these weeks every Missionary Bishop had an opportunity to be heard as to the peculiar wants of his Mission field.

These gatherings were sufficiently informal for any woman, however unused to public speaking to volunteer to ask for detail information upon the methods of procedure, or how to overcome difficulties in various lines of work, while women from different parts of the country responded to the request of Miss Emery, General Secretary, and gave their experience in Auxiliary work.

The only thing that occurred to mar in any way the great pleasure and gratification received, was the difficulty on the part of the officers of the Auxiliary to obtain seats, when both Houses of the Convention met in joint session to discuss missionary matters.

This was owing to the fact that the large attendance of members from Washington and the surrounding country and the deep interest felt in the Convention by the citizens of Washington, caused every seat to be occupied at an early hour, and the Speaker of the House felt constrained to enforce a rule which had heretofore not been strictly observed, of excluding the wives of delegates and officers of the Woman's Auxiliary from seats on the floor not occupied by delegates to the Convention.

I presented at a meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, a resolution stating that inasmuch as we were earnestly devoting our lives to the cause, and could only receive proper instruction from hearing the reports of the Missionary Bishops and the discussions thereon, we asked in behalf of the Woman's Auxiliary a reservation of seats in the gallery or elsewhere that might be indicated, so that we could be sure to have an opportunity to attend and hear the proceedings.

This resolution was adopted and presented by the Secretary to the House of Bishops, favorably approved, and reported to the next Joint Session, so that on the last night of the Convention, when a vast number attended, at the reading of the Pastoral Letter, there was reserved for the Woman's Auxiliary one of the transepts of the Church.

Apart from the Church work, there was tendered to the members of the Convention and their families, a reception by the President of the United States, and by the Trustees of the Corcoran Art Gallery.

During the session of the Convention there was unveiled the Peace Cross on Mt. St. Albans, the site of the future Cathedral of the Diocese of Washington.

On returning home I gave attention to distribution of the new labels to go upon the mite boxes, to be used in gathering the United Offerings for 1901, and in disseminating information so as to enable the women in Georgia who desired to engage in the training of women for missionary work to receive an appointment from the Board of Missions. Subsequently, upon invitation, I went to Macon, December 6th, 1898, and to Atlanta, December 13, 1898, to attend the meetings of the Auxiliary, and to impart such information as I possessed.

When attending the meeting at Macon, I realized my vision was becoming impaired. This has continued, and become so serious that under the imperative orders of the oculist not to use my eyes for reading or writing for months, I feel duty to the work requires me to give place to another, and thereupon, on April 20th, tender-

ed to the Bishop my resignation and declination of further service.

This parting from you is only official. As a member I shall always have at heart warmly and deeply, the welfare and success of the Auxiliary. I feel it is rapidly becoming the most powerful factor in the successful administration of the missionary work of this Church; and that upon each and all of us devolves the duty of aiding it by thought, word and deed.

Tendering my grateful thanks for the kind courtesy, aid and assistance I have received during the four years of my administration of the duties of the office, I bid you all farewell.

JULIA K. MILLER.

THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN EXPENSE FUND.

1898.

May 16.—By cash rec'd from Mrs. C. H. Phinizy, Treas., \$37 00

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	last year's acc't.	5 00
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	Christ Church,	5 00
1899, Feb. “ “ “ “	St. John's Church	5 00
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	Summerville, ...	5 00
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1898

May 18—Paid D. A. Heller, Stenographer, 5 00

“ F. Speering for 225 Sixth Annual Reports 17 10

“ Miss Johnson, of Savannah, for postage, 1 00--

23 10

Balance on hand, \$44 90

HENRIETTA B. ALEXANDER,
Diocesan Treasurer.

Report of the Atlanta Archdeaconry.

To the Woman's Auxiliary :

As Secretary of the Atlanta Archdeaconry, I have the honor to report the work done by the women of this section of the Diocese. The old story of the inadequacy of these records is again to be told; many sums of money, much that has been accomplished, was never recorded at the time, and therefore lost to our sum total. I have tried very hard by letters and personal request, to bring this subject to the attention of the officers of Guilds and Societies, and will continue to do so. In the furtherance of the work, upwards of two hundred and fifty letters have been written, personal visits have been made to Greenesboro, Decatur, Calhoun, Dublin, and in Atlanta to St. Philip's, St. Luke's and The Holy Comforter and Holy Innocents Missions, with informal talks explaining the great aims of the Auxiliary at each place. A meeting was held at the Cathedral in November which was attended by delegates from twelve points. Strong and helpful talks were given by Bishop Nelson, Rev. Mr. Benedict, Mr. Beatty, Mr. Knight, Mr. Walton and others. Our General Secretary, Mrs. Frank H. Miller, of Augusta, gave an interesting account of the triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in Washington. The work being done by Sister Mary for the colored people was described in a report from her. Short talks were given by the different delegates present, describing the ways and means employed to make money. The following resolution was presented by the Bishop and carried unanimously :

Resolved, That it is the sense of this meeting, that local conferences of the Woman's Auxiliary be held in a series throughout the year, as a regular feature of the Archdeaconry sessions.

The success of the two meetings held in 1897 and 1898 by the Atlanta Archdeaconry encourages me to suggest the adoption of this plan by the other Archdeaconries.

Lunch being served between the morning and after-

noon sessions offers an opportunity for a social interchange of thought and gives a cheerful holiday aspect to the meetings.

The reports presented indicate one fact very clearly ; if there is a definite, interesting object to work for, such as the building a new church or some popular charity, more money will be raised, more enthusiasm manifested, than if the ordinary, every-day support of the parish is the principal thing to be achieved. It is important, therefore, that officers of Societies shall always keep before their members some special work for missions or otherwise, and present the matter in such a manner as to ensure hearty co-operation.

After all, enthusiasm, that bright and shining torch of the soul, which should be held aloft by every worker in the Master's cause, is the great element of success. To enlighten our darkness, to dispel the gloom that settles over our best endeavors at times, to disperse the shadows of discouragement and unavailing effort, this is the work of the Holy Spirit. The light of enthusiasm, well directed, seems to be the outward manifestation of this spirit. The more cheerfully, the more joyously we do our work, the greater the results that will be achieved.

The present withdrawal of our General Secretary, Mrs. Miller, from her official position is a great sorrow to me personally. By her promptness in answering letters, and her uniform courtesy and kindness, she has endeared herself to all who have worked with and for her, and our great hope is that she may soon resume her duties in the Auxiliary.

The following tabulated summary of all reports sent to me for the year, is herewith appended.

Respectfully submitted,
NELLIE PETERS BLACK,
Organizing Secretary.

Atlanta Archdeaconry Report—1898-1899,

	Diocesan.	Domestic.	Foreign.	Boxes, val.	Charities.	United Offering.	Parochial.	Total.
<i>Atlanta.</i> —								
St. Luke's	111 50			25 00			314 97	451 47
St. Philip's,	251 79	5 00	2 00	15 00	8 84	37 00	371 22	690 49
The Incarnation	25 00				9 00		251 53	285 53
Holy Innocents	7 00				2 50		39 09	48 59
Holy Comforter.					1 63		67 00	68 63
St. Stephen's.							12 00	12 00
St. Paul's						8 75	11 72	20 47
<i>Athens</i> —Emmanuel	125 00					1 00		1850 00 1975 00
<i>Austin</i> —St. Paul's,		1 00	50			1 00		2 50
<i>Cartersville.</i> —								
The Ascension						4 00	35 50	39 50
<i>Cathoun</i> —St. James.							8 67	8 67
<i>Carrollton.</i> —								
St. Margaret's.	2 00	1 00						3 00
<i>Dalton</i> —St. Mark's.							50 00	50 00
<i>Decatur.</i> —								
Holy Trinity	1 00	1 00	50				134 63	137 13
<i>Edgewood.</i>							228 83	228 83
<i>East Point.</i>						1 00	135 62	137 48
<i>Eatonton.</i>							90 00	90 00
<i>Greeneboro.</i> —								
The Redeemer	5 00						77 88	82 88
<i>Gainesville</i> —								
Grace Church	5 10				5 00		68 45	78 55
<i>Hapeville</i> —Christ's							41 75	41 75
<i>LaGrange.</i> —								
St. Mark's		1 00	50				135 98	137 48
<i>Mt. Airy</i> —Calvary	17 00					9 00	1 75	27 75
<i>Marietta</i> —St. James	10 00		15 00	31 50	10 00	55 50	201 65	323 65
<i>Kingston.</i> —								
St. Andrews						3 00	6 00	9 00
<i>Rome</i> —St. Peter's							2000 00	2000 00
<i>Washington.</i> —								
The Mediator								
<i>West Point.</i> —								
Christ							51 90	51 90

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Report Augusta Archdeaconry--1899.

Augusta.—

St. Paul's Parish,	\$1679 81
Atonement. No report.	

Summerville —

The Good Shepherd,	372 79
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Augusta—St. Mary's, (Colored.)	No report,
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Woodlawn—

St. Andrew's Mission	105 93
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Waynesboro.—St. Michael's.	No report.
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Grovetown.—

Church of the Heavenly Rest,	26 80
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Sparta.—Church building fund	36 00
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Sandersville	410 00
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Total,	\$2631 33
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Report of Albany Archdeaconry.

As the Albany Archdeaconry is made up of Mission Churches almost entirely, there being only, I think, three independent Churches in the Archdeaconry, and some of these have heavy debts they are trying to pay, necessarily our report is very small. We hope by another year to add one or two Branches.

Truly yours,

MARIA HARROLD, Secretary.

Americus, Ga.—Calvary Church,	\$54 00
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Bainbridge.—St. John's Church	53 00
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Fitzgerald.—St. Matthew's Church	16 00
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Waycross.—Grace Church,	5 00
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	\$128 60
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Report of Macon Archdeaconry.

I herewith submit my Report as Secretary of the Archdeaconry of Macon. We have cause to be encouraged, I think, in that we have added four new Branches to our list since the last Report :

St. Barnabas, Macon, where I began the work, and although young and feeble, they are hopeful of accomplishing something in the future.

Barnesville, where I organized a Branch by letter. They are struggling, with few members, to build a church.

Dublin and Sandersville, which were organized by the Archdeaconry of Atlanta. I know nothing personally of these, but trust that I may visit them and others, to help and encourage them by telling of what others can do and are doing.

I try to get our people, although few in number, to meet regularly, and read of and pray for Missions, and if they will do that, the interest and money will soon follow. I am convinced that ignorance of Missions and the needs of the Church is the cause of the half-hearted interest people take in it. Our own Branch subscribes to the Spirit of Missions, and it is sent around to members who wish to read it, as a book from the library is sent, and the people, I know, read it, and look forward to its coming.

Very sincerely,

ELLA P. REESE, Secretary,
518 Walnut St., Macon, Ga.

												Total.
												General Missions.
												Value of Boxes . . .
Barnesville,	167 95	2 03	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 169 98
Columbus :	497 00	17 95	.....	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	519 95
Dublin	250 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	250 00
Griffin	51 45	50 00	.....	4 00	2 00	5 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	112 45
Hawkinsv'lle	156 00	3 00	1 00	2 00	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	165 00
St. Barnabas,	77 44	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	77 44
Macon.												
St. Paul's, . . .	328 00	.....	4.00	9 20	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	341 20
Macon.												
Christ Ch'ch	378 72	350 00	.....	10 00	4 00	32 33	1	5595	1 00	.....	.....	832 00
Macon.												
Milledgev'lle	200 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	200 00
Sandersville	450 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	450 00
												\$3,118 02

Savannah Archdeaconry. May 1898 to May 1899.

							Total.
				Ch'ch and Charitable Objects.			
				Boxes . . .			
Christ Church.....	95 00	30 00	.....	298 45	35 00	1575 66	\$2034 11
Savannah.							
St. John's, Savannah.	35 00	30 00	24 35	326 35	.....	400 00	815 72
St. Stephen's, "						72 00	72 00
St. Cyprian's, Darien,			5 00	15 00	.....		20 00
Junior Branch Christ Church, Frederika.	5 00	.....		5 50	.....		10 50
							\$2952 31

ANNIE C. JOHNSON,
Organizing Secretary.

TABULATED DIOCESAN REPORT.

							Total.
				Parochial			
				Boxes . . .			
Atlanta,.....	9 00	18 50	156 86	560 39	71 50	6,185 24	7,002 25
Albany.....	5 00	.....	3 00	56 00	.....	64 00	128 00
Augusta	Not	desig nated.					2,631 33
Macon	5 00	30 20	47 33	422 98	55 95	2,566 56	3,118 02
Savannah	60 00	35 00	29 85	645 30	35 00	2,047 56	2,952 81
Total,.....							\$15,832 41

Respectfully submitted,

ELLA F. WHITE,
Diocesan Secretary.

