

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT.
OF THE
INDIANA BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
TO THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS.

JUNE, 1897.

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ARTICLE V.

OF THE

CONSTITUTION.

SECTION 1. The officers shall be a President, three Vice-Presidents, one for each Deanery; and one for the Junior Auxiliary; a Recording Secretary; a Corresponding Secretary, and a Treasurer, who, with eight elected members, shall constitute the Executive Committee and shall meet monthly. Any five shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 5. The duty of the Treasurer shall be to receive *all special and general funds*, to disburse the former as the donors indicate, and the latter under the directions of the Executive Committee, and to render account of the same at the annual meeting.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

AT ANNUAL MEETING JUNE 1st, 1897.

*To the Bishop of the Diocese and
The Women's Auxiliary:*

Another year has come when it is my honor and pleasure to bid you welcome and review together our work of the last year, and our hopes for the year to come. God has indeed blessed us in our work together this year. I rejoice in the deep interest aroused in many parts of the Diocese,—I wish I might say in all,—but that will come in time.

Last year when we assembled for our annual service we were bidden to remember in our prayers one of our faithful members who was lying very ill. Today she is free from all sufferings, and we are called upon to mourn her loss. All who knew Mrs. Josephine Nichols knew of the unfailing love and interest she felt in the missionary work of the Church, and as long as her strength lasted she took an active part in the Auxiliary work.

I have to report through the kind courtesy and assistance of the Deans as one of the most encouraging features of our work, the successful Auxiliary meetings in conjunction with the Convocations. Last year the Board strove to make more effective the division of the work into Deaneries, the Diocese being so large that it was impossible to have more than one general meeting during the year, although the necessity was realized of strengthening that bond of sympathy which can only be felt when we become acquainted with one another and confer as workers together. I have had the pleasure of meeting three times with the Northern Deanery. Each meeting was well attended. The first was held at Laporte, and there were forty women present. The second was held at Michigan City, sixty ladies present. The third was held at Marion with a good number in attendance. At all of the meetings there were representatives from most of the branches in the respective Deaneries. Reports and interesting papers were read. The success of the Northern Deanery,

which is well established in its work, is largely due to its interested and efficient Secretary, Mrs. A. D. Guild, of Fort Wayne, whose untiring zeal has been felt throughout the entire northern part of the Diocese. I have had the pleasure of meeting with the Southern Deanery at Evansville this last month at which meeting there was a large number of women present. I also have been privileged to attend two meetings of the Auxiliary at Lafayette both of which were well attended and full of interest. This coming year we hope to see the Central Deanery well established. I regret very much that we were unable to have an Auxiliary meeting held in Terre Haute, as the ladies had a very successful local meeting at the time of Convocation. There is one great need felt in the carrying on of the work of our Auxiliary. It is the necessity of a fund out of which can be drawn the traveling expenses of some member of the board. Through the generosity of the Bishop I have been enabled to attend the various meetings, but it is hardly fair for us to add the carrying on of our work to his many other burdens. There is one very important matter that should be considered by all the Auxiliaries. It is the establishment of the Half Hour Reading Club in connection with their work. The interest in missionary work is a matter of education. People are never interested in anything of which they are totally ignorant. We must find some way of instructing them. I most heartily commend to the use of each branch of the Auxiliary, the Handbook written by Mrs. Twing. It is almost a necessity for at least one copy to be placed in each Auxiliary. In this book Mrs. Twing sets forth in a very plain, concise way the plans of the Auxiliary in all its branches. Before closing I wish to pay my highest praise and gratitude to the officers connected with me in our work. Through their interest and energy we have together been able to accomplish the work of the past year.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

OF THE

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

FROM JUNE 1ST, 1896, TO JUNE 1ST, 1897.

Woman's Auxiliary.	No. of Members.	Money.	No. of Boxes.	Value.
Bristol, St. John's.....	.....	No report.	.....	.....
Cannelton, St. Luke's.....	.....	No report.	.....	.....
Columbus, St. Paul's.....	7	\$6 00	.....	.....
Evansville, St. Paul's.....	50	74 00	2	\$158 66
Evansville, Holy Innocents'.....	25	36 00	1	20 00
Fort Wayne, Trinity.....	29	110 00	4	90 00
Frankfort, St. Luke's.....	10	96 80	.....	.....
Goshen, St. James's.....	24	54 00	1	30 00
Indianapolis, Christ Church.....	.....	103 65	2	83 50
Indianapolis, St. Paul's.....	42	110 00	1	65 00
Indianapolis, Grace Cathedral.....	21	62 85	1	130 00
Indianapolis, Holy Innocents'.....	14	7 00	1	25 00
Jeffersonville, St. Paul's.....	7	76 00	.....	.....
Kendallville, Trinity Mission.....	8	8 25	2	28 00
Lafayette, St. John's.....	20	35 00	1	25 00
Laporte, St. Paul's.....	23	36 00	1	50 00
Logansport, Trinity.....	9	10 00	1	8 00
Madison, Christ Church.....	.....	9 35	1	.....
Michigan City, Trinity.....	25	35 00	2	90 00
Muncie, Grace.....	40	97 00	.....	.....
New Harmony, St. Stephen's.....	7	2 50	1	3 75
Plymouth, St. Thomas's.....	21	10 00	.....	.....
Richmond, St. Paul's.....	20	120 25	2	30 00
Terre Haute St. Stephen's.....	.....	196 95	1	75 00
Terre Haute, St. Luke's Mission.....	7	6 00	.....	.....
Totals.....	409	\$1,302 60	25	\$911 91

RECAPITULATION.

Total Cash	\$1,302 60
Total Value of Boxes.....	911 91
Total	<u>\$2,214 51</u>

JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

Junior Auxiliary.	No. of Members.	Money.	No. of Boxes.	Value.
Evansville, Holy Innocents' .....	.....	No report .....	.....	.....
Indianapolis, Christ Church.....	.....	No report .....	.....	.....
Indianapolis, Grace Cathedral.....	10	\$1 50 .....	.....	.....
Indianapolis, St. Paul's.....	71	115 40	2	\$22 00
Indianapolis, Holy Innocents'	7	.....	.....	.....
Madison, Christ Church.....	50	7 18 .....	.....	.....
Worthington, St. Matthew's.....	17	.....	.....	.....
Totals	155	\$124 08	2	\$22 00

RECAPITULATION.

Total Cash	\$124 08
Total Value of Boxes.....	22 00
Total	<u>\$146 08</u>

TOTAL FOR WOMAN'S AUXILIARY AND JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

Total Cash.....	\$1,426 68
Total Value of Boxes.....	933 91
Total	<u>\$2,360 59</u>

WOMAN'S PAROCHIAL WORK.

PLACE.	CHURCH.	SOCIETY.	Members.	Money.
Alexandria.....	St. Paul's.....	The Ladies' Guild	11	\$270 49
Anderson	Trinity	The Ladies' Guild	12	405 70
Aurora	St. Mark's.....	The Guild of Loving Service.....	.....	99 97
Bristol	St. John's	St. John's Guild	20	136 35
Columbus	St. Paul's	St. Paul's Guild.....	8	225 88
Connersville.....	Trinity	Trinity Guild.....	9	85 59
Crawfordsville...	St. John's	St. Mary's Guild.....	18	120 94
Elkhart	St. John's	Ladies' Guild	20	157 00
Elkhart	St. John's	The Entertainment Guild.....	25	675 00
Evansville	St. Paul's	Guild of the Sisters of Bethany.....	12	20 00
Evansville	St. Paul's	St. Paul's Guild.....	.....	431 59
Evansville	St. Paul's	Daughters of the King.....	10	20 00
Evansville	St. Paul's	Altar Guild.....	28	85 40
Evansville	St. Paul's	St. Agnes's Guild.....	21	33 25
Evansville	Holy Innocents'...	Daughters of the King.....	10	7 30
Evansville	Holy Innocents'...	Young Woman's Guild.....	14	50 00
Fort Wayne.....	Trinity	St. Margaret's Guild.....	40	187 78
Fort Wayne.....	Trinity	Ladies' Association.....	17	208 71
Frankfort	St. Luke's	Altar Circle.....	9	16 30
Frankfort	St. Luke's	Ladies' Guild	10	8 20
Garrett.....	Emmanuel.....	Ladies' Guild	23	72 38
Garrett.....	Emmanuel.....	King's Daughters.....	12	22 50
Garrett.....	Emmanuel.....	Busy Bees	37	21 76
Goshen	St. James's.....	Ladies' Guild	25	270 91
Greencastle.....	St. John's	St. Mary's Guild.....	9	44 50
Huntington.....	Christ Church.....	Ladies' Guild.....	8	88 84
Indianapolis.....	Christ Church.....	Christ Church Guild.....	41	513 24
Totals forward.....			449	\$4,279 58

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WOMAN'S PAROCHIAL WORK—Continued.

PLACE.	CHURCH.	SOCIETY.	Members.	Money.
Brought forward.			449	\$4,279 58
Indianapolis	Christ Church.....	Daughters of the King.....	27	21 61
Indianapolis	Christ Church.....	Altar Guild.....	12	109 66
Indianapolis	Christ Church.....	The Rectors' Aid Society.....		416 00
Indianapolis	St. Paul's	St. Paul's Guild.....	27	930 34
Indianapolis	Grace Cathedral ..	Choir Guild.....	11	133 50
Indianapolis	Grace Cathedral ..	Parochial Guild	8	100 56
Indianapolis	Grace Cathedral ..	Altar Guild.....	6	19 65
Indianapolis	Grace Cathedral ..	Domestic Guild.....	8	33 58
Indianapolis	Holy Innocents'...	Rectors' Aid Society.....	14	83 18
Indianapolis	St. George's.....	Daughters of the King.....	9	28 00
Jeffersonville	St. Paul's.....	Daughters of the King.....	5	
Jeffersonville	St. Paul's.....	St. Agnes's Altar Guild.....	17	234 73
Jeffersonville	St. Paul's.....	Ladies' Guild.....	17	240 00
Lafayette.....	St. John's.....	First Chapter of Guild.....	16	746 15
Lafayette.....	St. John s.....	Second Chapter of Guild.....		250 00
Lafayette.....	St. John's.....	Daughters of the King.....	31	40 40
Laporte.....	St. Paul's.....	United Workers.....	18	127 96
Laporte.....	St. Paul's.....	Ladies' Aid.....	20	270 88
Laporte.....	St. Paul's.....	The Young Church Builders.....		100 00
Logansport	Trinity	Daughters of the King.....	15	25 00
Logansport	Trinity.....	Trinity Guild.....	30	443 45
Logansport	Trinity.....	St. Cecelia's Guild.....	8	12 00
Marion	Gethsemane	St. Margaret's.....	23	149 02
Michigan City ..	Trinity.....	Ladies' Aid Society.....	50	181 78
Michigan City ..	Trinity.....	St. Agnes's Guild.....	12	45 00
Michigan City ..	Trinity.....	Daughters of the King.....	25	44 75
		Totals forward.....	858	\$9,066 78

Michigan City...	Trinity.....	Ladies' Aid Society.....	23	149 02
Michigan City...	Trinity.....	St. Agnes's Guild.....	50	181 78
Michigan City...	Trinity.....	Daughters of the King.....	12	45 00
			25	44 75
		Totals forward.....	858	\$9,066 78

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WOMAN'S PAROCHIAL WORK—Concluded.

PLACE.	CHURCH.	SOCIETY.	Members.	Money.
Brought forward.			858	\$9,066 78
Muncie	Grace Church.....	Ladies' Guild.....	12	79 40
Muncie	Grace Church.....	Ladies' Afternoon Social.....	24	38 64
Muncie	Grace Church.....	Young Ladies' Guild.....	17	44 50
New Albany.....	St. Paul's.....	Altar Guild.....	12	125 08
New Harmony...	St. Stephen's.....	St. Stephen's Guild.....	20	.....
New Harmony...	St. Stephen's.....	Ministering Children's League.....	15	16 06
Peru	Trinity.....	Ladies' Guild.....	20	550 19
Plymouth	St. Thomas's.....	Ladies' Parish Guild.....	26	101 95
Plymouth	St. Thomas's.....	The Altar Guild	24	129 41
Princeton	St. Thomas's.....	The Ladies' Guild	9	164 55
Richmond	St. Paul's.....	The Altar Guild	10	15 33
Richmond	St. Paul's.....	St. Paul's Guild	35	87 65
South Bend.....	St. James's.....	Woman's Guild	20	208 66
South Bend.....	St. James's.....	Choir Guild.....	51	226 11
Terre Haute.....	St. Stephen's.....	Ladies' Church Aid.....	22	225 75
Terre Haute.....	St. Stephen's.....	Sisterhood.....	18	26 06
Terre Haute.....	St. Stephen's.....	Young Ladies' Guild.....	30	60 00
Terre Haute.....	St. Stephen's.....	Rosebud Circle of Daughters of the King...	19	57 00
Terre Haute.....	St. Stephen's.....	St. Stephen's Guild.....	25	200 00
Terre Haute.....	St. Stephen's.....	The Altar Society.....	.....	.....
Terre Haute.....	St. Stephen's.....	Missionary Circle of Daughters of the King.	.....	.....
Terre Haute.....	St. Luke's.....	St. Luke's Altar Guild.....	8	15 00
Terre Haute.....	St. Luke's.....	Ladies' Guild.....	8	10 00
Warsaw.....	St. Andrew's.....	Parish Guild.....	15	54 85
Washington	St. John's.....	Woman's Guild.....	8	90 50
		Totals.....	1,306	\$11,593 47

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TOTAL, WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, JUNIOR AUXILIARY AND PARISH GUILDS.

Workers, 1,870.

Cash from Auxiliaries.....	\$1,426 68
Cash from Parish Guilds.....	11,593 47
Total	\$13,020 15
Total Value of Boxes.....	933 91
Total of Cash and Boxes.....	\$13,954 06

The value of reports consists in the means of comparison which they furnish. Studying those just read you by the delegates of the respective societies, and of which your Secretary's can be scarcely more than a recapitulation, they reveal that of the twenty-five branches of the Woman's Auxiliary twenty-three reported to the Secretary. The two not reporting belong to small parishes, unable to do much missionary work, so that the report may be considered virtually complete.

One new branch of the Auxiliary has been added this year (that is Gethsemane, Marion), but having organized only during the past month, no work could be done by it. There are, therefore, twenty-five branches of the Auxiliary in Indiana.

Last year's statistics show, however, that there are sixty-one parishes and organized missions in this Diocese. In every one of these there should be a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, for none is so weak or so poor to do something for the cause of missions. Indeed the poorer and weaker the parish, the more it stands in need, for its very life's sake, to cultivate the apostolic spirit manifested in and kept alive by the effort to spread Christ's Gospel, and establish His Kingdom.

The cash contributions from the Auxiliary, are about \$300.00 less than last year but it seems needless to attribute this to anything except the unparalleled stringency of the money market.

That that, rather than a lack of zeal for, and interest in missions, is the cause, is shown by the fact that the boxes, prepared for the mission field, have been as numerous as last year and more valuable, so that the total of cash and boxes lacks but three dollars of last year's total. Our money has been divided among the various missionary fields in about the following proportion:

Diocesan Missions.....	\$1,121 87
Domestic Missions.....	177 45
Foreign Missions.....	70 70

If to the sum given to Domestic Missions be added the value of the boxes, all of which go into that field, our contributions to Domestic Missions will reach the sum of \$1,111.36—almost equal to the amount we spend on ourselves. No comment is necessary on the small sum sent into the foreign field, in fact, it is scarcely worth mentioning.

Of the parish societies, sixty-one have reported. Many parishes having two or more societies, it is evident that not nearly all of the parishes are here represented, and yet it is doubtful if there be a parish or mission without its efficient woman's society, whose work should be made known for the encouragement of us all.

Your secretary would be grateful for suggestions as to means of extracting the facts from these too modest workers.

This year the report blanks were sent through the Auxiliary officers and the clergy. If they or anyone else can suggest a better means of distributing these blanks, the method would receive fair trial. Effort has been made to keep in close touch with the branches of the Auxiliary, and to that end, your secretary has written during the year, two hundred letters and seven postals; an average of eight and one-third letters to each branch.

The reports show that one thousand, eight hundred and seventy women are actively engaged, in Indiana, in work for the Church. That is an imposing number—a small town full—almost two regiments. But when we remember that there are, in the Diocese, seven thousand, three hundred and sixty confirmed persons, of which number, probably two-thirds are women, we can not but wonder what those unrepresented in this report are doing, and what excuse they make to themselves if they are idle. The reports also disclose the fact that less than one-third as many women are members of the Auxiliary as are at work in parish societies. The fact is one to be lamented. Not that we would detract from the enormous value of the work done by the parish guilds, or draw from them one worker, for the Auxiliary is in no sense their rival; but we can not but lament that all the efficient women who are in parish work should not give the Auxiliary also, the benefit of the energy, training and enthusiasm there displayed. And there can be no doubt but that the spiritual strength they would gain, by doing for others without thought of reward; the breadth of view, from looking at the

whole world—not simply one parish; the courage, from feeling themselves members of the great missionary army, with its out-posts in all lands; would render them doubly effective in parish work. May every woman in Indiana soon realize this fact, and share with the Auxiliary, her parish pride and enthusiasm, which she will thus not not divide, but double.

In the battle we are all waging, there can be, thank God, neither surrender nor defeat, so we, looking gratefully on the past, can serenely face the future.

Respectfully submitted,

CAROLINE H. HOWLAND.

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LIST OF TOWNS REPRESENTED
AT THE ANNUAL MEETING OF
WOMEN WORKERS.

WITH THE NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM EACH.

Columbus.....	3
Evansville.....	4
Fort Wayne.....	2
Frankfort.....	2
Indianapolis.....	53
Lafayette.....	1
Laporte.....	1
Madison.....	1
Marion.....	1
Michigan City.....	2
Muncie.....	1
New Harmony.....	1
Plymouth.....	1
Richmond.....	2
Terre Haute.....	4
Total.....	79

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDENT

OF THE

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB.

The work of the Church Periodical Club, in Indiana is gradually increasing and new workers are being added to our books. There are now seven Librarians in the Diocese. Grace Cathedral, Christ Church, St. Paul's Church, Indianapolis; St. Stephen's Church, Terre Haute; St. John's Church, Lafayette; Christ Church, Madison; and St. Paul's Church, Laporte, being the parishes represented. Of these, the most interest seems to be taken by St. Stephen's Church, Terre Haute; and Christ Church, Madison; and a great deal has been done by Grace Cathedral, considering the short time they have been working.

Fifty-two periodicals are being sent out regularly for this year, besides literature in quantities, a package here and a package there, as it can be obtained. No trouble is experienced in finding a place to send it, as there are always those who can not have good reading, and appreciate it when sent to them in this way. During the past winter, one thousand, two hundred and forty-five lesson leaflets, two prayer books, one testament, ninety-eight reward of merit cards, a number of old magazines, eight bound children's books, eight paper bound story books, sixty-one pictures, one hundred and eight cards, six sheets of paper dolls, several pamphlets, and two books, for light reading, have been sent.

The picture cards, and story books, are especially appreciated by those doing missionary work among the Indians. A certain section is given to our Diocese, comprising the states of Nebraska, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin, Illinois, and Indiana, the plan being eventually to supply only those states, though at present we are sending literature to the far West, Maine, South Carolina, and others.

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Rectors of several other parishes, have been asked to take up the work, and help it along by appointing Librarians who will take an active interest in doing good in this simple way and although they have not as yet responded, it is the earnest hope of the Club soon to be strengthened by the addition of many more members. If we could but realize how much any book, paper or magazine is enjoyed by those far away from all such advantages, we should take delight in mailing our own to them, each week or month, as soon as we have finished reading them.

ELLA J. AUSTIN.

