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Woman's Auxiliary to the
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President's Address.

Christ Church, June 3, 1902.

Women of the Auxiliary.—It seems a brief year since your President with joyful heart greeted those daughters of the Church who give this one day to the learning of her progress and hopes, and to-day our augmented number inspires even a greater enthusiasm than any meeting of the past. We wish that the Annual Meeting might be regarded as a sort of coaling-station to which each individual Auxiliary craft may put in, and conscientiously take in enough fuel to keep its engines in fine running order, for its long voyage of the coming year. It is a fact that the societies which send delegates to this meeting are those which prosper most and are in greatest sympathy with its work; we must infer that the community of interest, and the magnetism of personal contact with other interested women, produce tangible results which are felt, even by proxy, among those societies which are represented on this occasion. For this reason have we urged the representation of our eighteen branches and it is a pleasure to greet so many of them to-day. But not alone to Auxiliary members is this welcome proffered, but to all who come to-day, either to represent some organized Church work or merely as listeners. Because the Auxiliary is the only general organization of the Diocese, this meeting is mainly in its charge; but it is to be remembered that this day is but a part of the Diocesan Council and that the entire work of woman, auxiliary, guild and all other, receives recognition to-day.

Concisely will we endeavor to present to you the Auxiliary life of the past year—a year of wholesome effort, improved conditions and some valuable growth. Among the duties resting upon a Diocesan President there was, in the beginning, none more dreaded by your President than that of visiting Auxiliaries to whom she was a stranger. Do you fancy, my dear hearers, that it is an easy thing for a woman to go to meet other women and to talk to them about “duty?” Especially when her topic chances to be the Woman's Auxiliary—a subject so often received with a coldness which is distressingly dampening. How keenly at such times does one feel herself being weighed and measured, in that fine, discriminating way characteristic of the sex, and how often she breathes a hope, a prayer, that she may not be found want-

ing. And if she finds that perhaps—in the goodness of God—she has made warmer some hearts which were already warm, and penetrated to some consciences which were indifferent before, she is paid for all her hesitancy and trepidation. Such has been your President's good fortune in the visits made outside of Indianapolis and which she now counts among the happy events of her life, in that they have brought her in close contact with many of the devout women of the Church whose strength and devotion have cheered and encouraged her.

Personal visits have thus far been made to Evansville, Muncie, Richmond, Connersville, Shelbyville, Jeffersonville, New Albany, Alexandria, Madison. Early in the autumn of 1901 we visited the beautiful town of Madison, with its fine old Church edifice telling of a prosperous past. Here a number of Churchwomen assembled and with Mrs. Bamford as President the Auxiliary was re-organized with eight members and now number a score or more. Its response to the Epiphany offering was among the first and was the largest. It has one of the best correspondents and sends its Church news to us prepared in delightful manner. I am telling you this about Madison because it is a "revived" Auxiliary, and, although the poet sings "that cold broth hot again, that loved I never," yet we are certain that a "warmed-over Auxiliary"—like some vegetables which are said to gain in value with each warming—is a distinct success.

Later in the year the Convocation at Shelbyville was attended. If you have kept abreast of Church improvement in the Diocese, you will remember the remarkable record of this Shelbyville Church. That with only a half-dozen Churchmen, an effort toward building a Church was successfully executed. A tasteful building costing \$2,200 apart from the value of the lot, was builded and consecrated free from debt; it has paid its apportionment toward general missions and is in excellent financial condition, probably because it began its life in a broad and generous spirit. The visit of your President was simply to place before the congregation the work and aim of the Auxiliary. As she told them on that occasion, "Shelbyville has the spirit of the Auxiliary without the organization." As yet a branch has not been formed there but they have the U. O. boxes, and in due time we will welcome them to the ranks of Auxiliary workers.

In October an exhibit was prepared to be sent to San Francisco with Bishop Francis. This contained portraits of all of our past Bishops, as well as our Missionary Bishop Kemper; also pictures of many of our Parish Churches. This exhibit is now—we believe—at the Church Missions' House, New York City, and we

hope in time to make it a thoroughly complete one, as well as to place a similar one, as a permanent pictorial history, in some suitable place in Indianapolis. We have recently received from the Church Missions House, a request for data which shows us that Indiana is to be fully represented at that centre of Church life.

The united offering of \$407 was taken to San Francisco by Mrs. Francis, our delegate. The cheque was placed in an envelope adorned with a pen and ink sketch of St. James' Church, Vincennes, the oldest in the Diocese, and one full of historic interest.

In December the five branches in Indianapolis met at the home of the President to hear Mrs. Francis recount the story of the great woman's day at San Francisco, and to hear Mrs. C. M. Evans rehearse her life in Japan. Bishop McKim, Bishop of Tokyo, and Bishop Graves, Bishop of Shanghai also addressed the Auxiliaries during the autumn, Bishop Graves being presented with a set of vestments by the women of the Pro-Cathedral.

Then followed Epiphany. Never, under the present administration, has this season been so emphasized in Auxiliary life, almost every branch having an Epiphany meeting; some simply a service, others elaborate with tradition and decoration, suitable for the day. Indianapolis Auxiliaries were the guests of Christ Church Auxiliary on that day, and it was one to be long remembered. Opening with Evening Prayer and a brief address by Bishop and Rector, it was followed by a social meeting with a delightful paper on Epiphany traditions, and later a gorgeous Twelfth-Night cake bedight with lighted candles. The offering asked from all of you for the Bishop's use in his Diocesan work, was a generous one, when it is remembered that Miss Emery had just sent out an appeal for a memorial to Mrs. Twing, whose untimely death at San Francisco deprived the Auxiliary of its founder and counsellor. This offering amounted to \$80. While upon this subject, I would counsel Presidents of local branches, to regard their Epiphany meeting as the most important of the year. Let it be a day of unusual effort, devotional in part, missionary as to its program, remembering that this season, more than any other, signifies the missionary spirit. In arranging for this meeting, if possible, let it be upon the Feast of the Epiphany, that the service of the Church may lend its beauty.

The next important thing in the year was the great semi-annual meeting at Connersville in January. True, from a newspaper or a political point of view, it would not be called "great," it will not be recorded in the annals of Indiana, but it was "great" to us who were there; great in interest, great in cordiality, and

we fully believe it will be great in results. The Auxiliary at Connersville, under the leadership of Mrs. Otte, has taken a new lease of life and has promptly responded to every suggestion and met every demand.

In April, an Auxiliary meeting was planned as a feature of the Convocation at Jeffersonville, and at beautiful St. Paul's Church the women of New Albany and Jeffersonville assembled in goodly number. The presence of several of the Clergy added to the interest, and the work of the Auxiliary was thoroughly canvassed. All of these meetings have been productive of good and we feel that if but one member is gained to us, these visits are rich indeed. Of your especial work, in the assistance of maintaining an Archdeacon you will hear later, also of the various monies and boxes, an account of which you will receive in printed form and which should be kept by all Auxiliary officers for frequent reference during the year. Beside the getting of money, the carrying out of programs and Auxiliary work in general, you have also continued the publication of the Church Chronicle, which through your own unwearied loyalty, keeps up its modest existence, unhampered by debt and trying to bind the Diocese of Indiana in closer ties by a mutuality of interest whose foundation is unswerving fealty to the Church and to our Bishop. Six hundred copies of this paper are mailed monthly yet our paying list does not reach that number. Since the beginning of our fourth year with the April number, we have added 60 new subscribers. We beg you to keep the Chronicle in your thoughts and to recommend it to every Churchwoman. We hope the time may come when a substantial sum may be realized from it, which shall swell our annual assets, but at present we think ourselves fortunate to keep out of debt.

Your Board has met two losses this year. Mrs. Michie who succeeded Mrs. Hawley as Recording Secretary was obliged to resign after a short and excellent service; she was succeeded by Mrs. E. G. Peck, of Indianapolis. Mrs. Stevenson who had so long, and with so little encouragement, kept in charge the Junior work, left the city to our great sorrow; she was succeeded by Mrs. Moore of Indianapolis.

I hope you are not wearied with the necessary recital of your own year's work, for I must now bring to your consideration that vital basic principle which alone gives to our work its value. We have reviewed the outward signs of our interest and now let us turn our eyes inward and see if we have advanced in any wise, in God's grace during this buried year whose record we may not

undo. What might have been the happy history of the Church to-day in Indiana, if when nearly a score of years since, Miss Upfold began her mission of introducing the Auxiliary into this Diocese, what might not have been achieved if the Bishops and Clergy had been sustained in their pioneer work by a responsive band of devout Churchwomen? Some of us perhaps, heard that call, heard that early plea for help; some of us there were whose lives had ever known a Church environment; who bore Her baptismal cross, who knelt at Her altar, who received Her absolution, who fled to Her bosom in distress, and yet who through apathy or ignorance refused that giving of self which would have meant so much to this organization in its feeble inception. There were others—I doubt not that some are here to-day—who at once recognized this call as the voice of God showing them a way to do His work and cheerfully have they given of their best during those eighteen years of Auxiliary life. It has been given to some of us to atone for this great sin of omission in rejecting the privileges of those years when our help was so greatly needed, and each year witnesses the awakening of more consciences, perhaps because of that ripening of character which is one of the beauties of advancing life; so that to-day we number within our fold more valuable women than ever before. Some of these have been long within the Church, but have just found the true meaning of Auxiliary work and have entered upon it with eagerness and joy, enriching our organization by their noble personalities. But while to-day we proudly claim the largest membership ever enrolled in the Diocese, we must seriously confront the fact that of 4,000 communicants, a great majority of whom are women, less than 500 are Auxiliary members; less than 500 who are willing to attempt to advance the Church's work by observing the simple rules of the society, to pray, to give, to learn.

I do not forget that many of those outside of the Auxiliary are faithful members of other Guilds, all working in their own way toward good ends, and perhaps withholding their support from the Auxiliary only because their time and means are expended in other channels; the fact remains, however, that the Auxiliary should be paramount, and that while hundreds remain outside, it is not from overwork but from indifference.

One of the most distinctive and certainly one of the most deplorable marks of the American woman is the haunting fear that in some way or at some time she may expose herself to the possibility of "being bored" to use her own terse (if inelegant) phrase.

I doubt not but that you have all felt the charm of those delicious and sedative stories of English life—such as Charlotte Brontë's "Shirley," when the anticipated pleasures and great social events of those high-bred maidens lay in the Whitsuntide and Easter and Christmas festivities, wherein the children of the peasantry had tea and cakes, and speeches were made by young curates and recitations and songs by the children; when chaperones took their charges home at seven o'clock in the evening quite worn out with the dissipation of the day. Our English sister, even to Royalty has ever found delight in these festivals of the Church, and has given to them her time and talent, nor do we hear of her complaining of their dullness; it remains for the American feminine, in her ephemeral and unceasing quest for temporary diversion, to carefully avoid many chances of giving help to others, by the loudly-proclaimed fear that in so doing she will sacrifice what is known as "a good time." We do not by any means consider this a universal or even a general condition—the vast organized charities in which woman is the dominant spirit would at once confute such an assertion—but that it is a reason constantly adduced cannot be denied. Women, however, cannot be baited or lured into the Auxiliary and conscience must have some recognition before our work can secure a foothold; and if the fear that a sympathy with much that is best in life, if to keep step in the magnificent march of God's workers, if to keep heart and hand nerved for helpfulness, if to grow in knowledge and richness of life and to forget self in the consideration of the majesty and magnitude of Christian work, if all this—dear friends—is to be bored, than must we allow them to go off and be bored and may God have mercy on what souls they have and arouse and expand them.

Only in one way can we increase our membership and that is by showing our own interest and pleasure in the work; by making it first in importance, thus elevating it in the estimation of the outsider, by sedulously avoiding all rancour, and above all things in never placing the Church in a false light.

The Auxiliary woman is in an especial degree "a defender of the faith," and although good Queen Bess was the first woman who bore that honored title, yet may each of us arrogate the right and glory of bearing it as nobly as royalty itself. Yet how often do we unconsciously betray it. What must be thought of one who having known the blessings of the Church for a life time, having used its privilege as one breathes the air, is constantly complaining "the Church is always asking for money—the Church is always begging." If there can be any more treasonable utterance

than this, I wonder what it may be? The Church always begging—the Church always asking? The Church is not a wage-earner but pours her bounty upon all who will have it. The Church cannot beg and if its human administration in its effort to widen her borders, keeps constantly before us, its needs, woe to those who criticise! Woe to those who wilfully withhold! The fine scorn of those words of our Savior recur, as without scrip or purse he sent forth his chosen band “and in whatsoever place they receive you not, shake off the very dust from your feet.” Are these the words of a beggar? And yet they are the words of the Divine Head of the Church.

Let it be the especial duty of the Auxiliary woman to sustain in every way, by sympathy, by gift, by word the administration of the Church, to be loyal to her Priest, to her Parish, to her Bishop and above all to exalt the Church to its true position and never to force it into the attitude of a beggar—Magnificent Almoner that She is, whose immeasurable bounty to us we can never hope to reciprocate even should we pauperize ourselves in the attempt.

As to this matter of giving. This comprehensive word embodies the entire duty of the Auxiliary woman but in its broadest meaning—the giving of self. That an Auxiliary woman may be unable to comply with the letter of the law and yet fulfill its spirit has recently been shown. Not long since the president of an Auxiliary said “there is a woman in our society who for a long time declined to come in because of her inability to give much money. I urged her strongly telling her that a very small sum would fill the requirements of her pledge and that she would enjoy the society. She joined, since then she has brought two persons to confirmation, five children to baptism, three of whom would otherwise have remained unbaptized. She has a Sunday School class; she has not missed an Auxiliary this year nor is her work perfunctory, but a source of pleasure.” This is what is meant by giving of self; but the Auxiliary woman may also exemplify the letter of the law without its spirit. In questioning the president of a branch whose membership bore marks of prosperity I asked about systematic offerings. She sighed, “O, they are all systematic givers,” she said, “some of them the most systematic I have ever known.” “Yes,” she said, after a brief pause, “they systematically give nothing, and they never vary—for I don’t call it giving when a woman has five cents a month extorted from her by a collector.” Let us see that our giving, be it small or great, is a gift, made in the spirit of giving and not a fee, or a due. Banish these words from Auxiliary nomenclature! At what sum

would a woman place her dues to God's Church? How could she ever hope to pay them? Let the money part of our giving be joyous and spontaneous and in the words of Ingersoll—who perhaps I may dare to quote on this subject at least “if you have but a dollar to spend, spend it like a king.”

I have quoted an Auxiliary woman who does not limit her work to the prescribed duties of membership but who goes about attending to whatever of need she may find, and this opens a long list of possibilities. In the absence of Sisterhoods and Deaconesses, what great things remain for the Auxiliary woman. She may invest herself with a kind of inspired meddlesomeness which impels her to do whatever nobody else will do. With the eye of optimism, we can see our earnest band in Indiana increasing its work, active in mission, in settlement, in Sunday School and hospital work, glorying in its privilege and faithful in its labors. Not always do we expect to bear the proportion of 400 to 3,000 in this Diocese. Not always to count our meager savings and to make hesitating pledges, fearful of their fulfillment! We have the faith that assures us of the leavening power of the Auxiliary. By God's grace and its members' work it must grow it must strive and best of all it must achieve.

And now let us dwell briefly upon this great missionary field in which our lot is cast—Indiana—a synonym for years for many things crude, now a synonym for many things progressive and magnificent, but still, as some one has called it, “a stronghold of Church weakness.” Churchmen coming in from other Dioceses, very quickly express their disappointment in the strength of the church. We concede all that they assert, but—what are we to do about it? We are Indiana people—some of us were born in Indiana, some achieved Indiana and some had Indiana thrust upon us. Indiana is our “cabbage-patch” and we must look upon it in a “Mrs. Wiggs” frame of mind, and while that undaunted optimist is too suggestive of microbes to serve in all ways as “guide, philosopher and friend,” one can but admire the wonderful philosophy whose skill lay in metamorphosing the disagreeable things of life into positive advantages through the magic of her unceasing cheerfulness. Let us face our situation unflinchingly! Let us say “things might be worse in Indiana,” and we know they might for they have been. It is a much better slogan for the battle than the constant reiteration of the weakness of the Church—a habit which is growing on us. And if we have that spirit which our name implies, what better place than Indiana for its display? Look at our own capital city; rich in beautiful edifices, prosperous, clean, the admired of all visitors—the city of which Hoosiers are

so justly proud, has not within its borders a flourishing Mission Church; it has not even a beginning toward a Church settlement of any kind; no Church hospital, no philanthropy of any kind. Where poverty abides and human beings are the densest, the voice of the Church is not heard. What think you would the Apostle Paul say could he see how we have planted the faith among the prosperous, well-kept people and strenuously avoided the slums? His words of commendation, methinks, would be given to the Salvation Army and the Pentecost Band.

There are sixty counties in our Diocese—in 26 only has the Church ever been known. These things are said not to discourage but to inspire. We are not reflecting on the past, but suggesting opportunities for the future. We must realize the privilege of work—the privilege of achievement for that is the kernel of life—earnest effort, successful fruition, if this is not joy, this world has it not. I have in mind a capable woman who left a struggling Parish where she had been of great use and went to a wealthy Chicago Church. At her first visit home she gave vent to her disappointment. "Talk about your Church privileges" she said, "why I have not been asked to bake a chicken pie since I have been there—there's nothing to earn—they have everything and everything's paid for." Poor woman! Too soon had she tasted the "sad satiety" of a rich Parish. She longed for the excitement the planning, the working, the managing and the crowning joy of achievement. Let us get the rich nugget of this philosophy. We are still asked for our personal service; we are still an intrinsic part of the economics of the Diocese and let us rejoice in our importance, getting pleasure out of the fruition of our modest plans, putting discouragement out of sight, and showing forth in our lives the happiness which every daughter of the Church should feel in Her service; which effort may in generation to come redeem our Diocese from the stigma under which it has suffered.

And now, thanking you for the sustaining power of our great loyalty, your President would incite and inspire you to a new year of joyous effort, predicting for the Auxiliary of Indiana fresh usefulness, growth and a strengthening of those bonds of love and harmony which mark this sisterhood wherever its benign influence is known.

SARAH S. PRATT.

B. Statistical Report
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June 1, 1901 to June 1, 1902.

BRANCHES.	Members.	Money in Diocese.	Money out of Diocese.	Boxes:	Value.	Total.
Columbus, St. Paul's	13	\$58 00				\$58 00
Connersville, Trinity	15	40 84	\$4 30	1	\$50 00	95 14
Evansville, St. Paul's	51	119 00	25 00	1	104 00	248 00
Evansville, Holy Innocents	8	33 00	12 00			45 00
Indianapolis, Christ Church	44	102 00	72 73	2	160 00	334 73
Indianapolis, Grace Pro-Cathed'l	30	52 00	65 00	1	25 00	142 00
Indianapolis, St. David's	14	22 00	20 10			42 10
Indianapolis, Holy Innocents	17	14 00		1	13 00	27 00
Indianapolis, St. Paul's	44	102 00	79 26	1	35 00	216 26
Jeffersonville, St. Paul's	30	17 00	9 34	1	30 00	56 34
Lafayette, St. John's	20	30 00		1	50 00	80 00
Madison, Christ Church	20	25 15				25 15
Muncie, Grace Church	29	38 00	28 36	1	30 00	96 36
New Albany, St. Paul's	24	35 37	23 15			58 52
Richmond, St. Paul's	12	11 80	13 18			24 98
Terre Haute, St. Stephen's	40	109 00	141 00	2	88 00	338 00
Terre Haute, St. Luke's	7	10 00		1	7 25	17 25
Worthington, St. Matthew's	15	15 95				15 95
Totals.....	433	\$835 11	\$493 42	13	\$592 25	\$1,920 78

C. Woman's Parish Work.

From June 1, 1901 to June 1, 1902.

Name of Parish.	Name of Society.	No. of Mbrs.	Money Raised.
Anderson, Trinity.....	Alter Guild	10	\$74 10
Anderson, Trinity.....	Trinity Guild	20	293 71
Attica, Grace	Grace Church Guild.....	8	100 00
Aurora, St. Mark's.....	Young Ladies Guild	7	21 60
Covington, Mission Station	Mission Guild.....	15	30 00
Columbus, St. Paul's.....	St. Paul's Guild.....	10	50 00
Connersville, Trinity.....	Trinity Guild	8	45 18
Crawfordsville, St. John's.....	Guild of the St. John's Church.....	16	329 00
Evansville, Holy Innocents.....	The Ladies' Guild.....	20	413 00
Evansville, Holy Innocents.....	The Alter Guild	10	15 00
Evansville, Holy Innocents.....	The Sewing Guild.....	16 00
Evansville, St. Paul's.....	The Alter Guild	17	75 36
Evansville, St. Paul's.....	The Parish Guild	100	397 91
Evansville, St. Paul's.....	The Rector's Aid Society.....	10
Indianapolis, Christ Church.....	The Alter Guild.....	11	139 12
Indianapolis, Christ Church.....	Christ Church Guild.....	37	485 00
Indianapolis, Christ Church.....	Daughters of the King.....	23	35 00
Indianapolis, Grace Cathedral	Grace Cathedral Guild	12	178 70
Indianapolis, Grace Cathedral.....	St. Faith Catholic Daughters of the King.....	12	43 87
Indianapolis, St. David's.....	St. Agnes' Guild.....	12	41 70
Indianapolis, St. David's.....	St. David's Guild	12	166 68
Indinnapolis, Holy Innocents.....	The Ladies' Guild.....	21	111 38
Indianapolis, Holy Innocents.....	St. Margaret's Chancel Guide	11	36 15

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Indianapolis, St. Paul's.....	The Alter Guild.....	24	289 77
Indianapolis, St. Paul's.....	Daughter's of St. Paul.....	15	just org.
Indianapolis, St. Paul's.....	Sisters of Bethany.....	10	59 00
Indianapolis, St. Paul's.....	St. Paul's Guild.....	64	409 71
Jeffersonville, St. Paul's.....	St. Agnes' Guild.....	22	1,431 78
Jeffersonville, St. Paul's.....	The Ladies' Guild.....	26	230 16
Lafayette, St. John's.....	First Chapter of the St. John's Guild.....	15	267 00
Lafayette, St. John's.....	Second Chapter of the St. John's Guild.....	12	538 00
Lafayette, St. John's.....	Daughters of the King.....	21	24 70
Lawrenceburg, Trinity.....	The Ladies' Guild.....	12	67 64
Madison, Christ Church.....	The Ladies' Guild.....	30	265 90
Mount Vernon, St. John's.....	St. John's Guild.....	10	35 00
Muncie, Grace.....	The Ladies' Guild.....	12	175 97
New Albany, St. Paul's.....	The Woman's Guild.....	25	287 17
New Harmony, St. Stephen's.....	St. Stephen's Guild.....	20	537 82
Richmond, St. Paul's.....	The Alter Guild.....	18	6 30
Richmond, St. Paul's.....	St. Paul's Guild.....	32	206 35
Shelbyville, Christ Church.....	Christ Church Guild.....	15	356 00
Terre Haute, St. Luke's.....	St. Luke's Guild.....	7	189 38
Terre Haute, St. Stephen's.....	The Altar Society.....	10	40 00
Terre Haute, St. Stephen's.....	The Ladies' Aid Society.....	20	511 40
Terre Haute, St. Stephen's.....	The Sisterhood.....	17	40 38
Terre Haute, St. Stephen's.....	St. Barnaba's Guild.....	16	35 00
Terre Haute, St. Stephen's.....	St. Stephen's Guild.....	24	250 58
Veedersburg, Mission Station.....	Mission Guild.....	15	30 00
Vincennes, St. James'.....	Choir Association.....	15	50 00
Vincennes, St. James'.....	Daughters of the King.....	16	132 70
Vincennes, St. James'.....	Rector's Aid Society.....	20	180 00
Worthington, St. Mathew's.....	St. Mathew's Parish Guild.....	15	82 88
	Totals.....	960	\$9,928 85

Report of the Corresponding Secretary.

The summary of the eighteenth annual report of the Indiana branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions is as follows:

Entire number of woman workers	1,393
Cash from Auxiliary branches	\$1,328 53
Cash from parish guilds.....	9,928 85
Specials	265 20

Total cash	\$11,522 58
Value of boxes.....	592 25

Total cash and boxes.....\$12,114 83

All of the Auxiliary branches have reported and 52 guilds. Three new guilds have been formed—St. Cecilia's and Daughters of St. Paul, at St. Paul's, Indianapolis, and St. Margaret's Chancel Guild, Holy Innocents', Indianapolis.

Your Secretary has written 123 letters, 50 postal cards, and sent out 150 of our annual reports of 1901.

Our boxes have made a strong feature of our work this year, and I am very pleased to report that they have been most generously supplied, even enthusiastically; one branch sending a beautiful set of episcopal robes, another added to its already attractive contents a tailor suit for the wife of the missionary, and still another, after completing an expensive box, sent a whole set of dishes, simply on a suggestion from the General Secretary that they were needed. These acts, to my mind, score great progress in the cause for which we are laboring, for it strikes the keynote of the Woman's Auxiliary—love of our fellows. In fact, we are constantly receiving requests for benefactions, and whenever it is possible we respond most cordially.

We furnished a surplice for the clergyman who was in charge of the African Court at the Missionary Exhibit in California at the time of the General Convention; a set of altar linen for the Church of the Holy Innocents', Indianapolis, and a brass cross for St. George's Mission, to replace the one that was stolen. We gave our commemoration service offering to the Bishop of Tokyo, helped a church in Texas that had been injured by fire, sent a box to a clergyman's family whose needs were made known to us, and we contributed to the Twing Memorial Fund. The ladies of the different parishes held a sale of laces to help the Indian women

of Birch Coulee, and we did not forget to make an offering to our own Bishop for his mission work, that he might be assured that our hearts and purposes were in close sympathy with him, even if our resources were limited. You will ask how do you do all this? and I am glad of an opportunity to tell you that the smaller gifts are made by dint of economy in using the Contingent Fund, to which you all contribute by your annual dues. In the case of the surplice and the altar linen, we purchased the material at a discount, and some woman with a loving heart and deft fingers contributed her beautiful work, often consisting of fine embroidery. From the mite chest of the Lenten Study Class the daintiest of layettes evolved, and I think no one who saw the realization of that sweet and beneficent thought can ever forget it, or fail in the future to honor and esteem the little pyramid that so quietly receives our weekly offering and turns it into a power for good. Then in the larger gifts you have all responded so heartily to the appeals sent forth that we are able to-day to make this creditable record. I am bringing this before you to tell you that our calls are many, and that we women of Indiana should meet them courageously in order to maintain the dignity of our beloved Diocese. We ought, really, to be able to pay the traveling expenses of women who are willing to go about the Diocese and establish parish branches of the Auxiliary, and thus explain and enlarge our mission work. The demand for this is indeed strenuous, and if either society or individuals would bear this in mind and occasionally make a donation to this Contingent Fund, it would be most gratefully received and productive of great good.

In nearly every instance the reports sent in this year have scored an advance, and we have every reason for encouragement, for never in our history have our interests been so numerous or extensive, and aside from the gifts they have inspired, the education has been deepening in its character, as shown by our Auxiliary work, which exceeds that of last year over three hundred dollars. We all know that a vision that begins to look away from home is likely to end by looking all over the country, and even the world, and may this evidence of development along missionary lines lead us to turn our attention towards general missions, and cause us to rise to the privilege of doing our part towards making up the amount that is required to fulfill the obligations that our Board of Missions has assumed in the name of the Church. And so let us not be faint-hearted or fear, but press on, for if the spirit of the Lord be upon us there can be no failure.

Respectfully submitted,

AMORETTA N. HAWLEY, Cor. Sec.

Indiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary Treasurer's Report.

	Balance 1901	Receipts	Expendi- tures.	Balance 1902
Contigent Fund.....	\$42 06	\$40 20	\$59 22	\$23 04
Archdeacon Salary Fund...	134 01	654 00	766 00	22 01
Church Chronicle Fund.....	107 16	294 31	248 43	153 04
General Board		97 37	97 37	
United Offering.....	107 89	298 11	406 00	
Specials.....		221 20	221 20	
Totals.....	\$391 12	\$1,605 19	\$1,798 22	\$198 09

Respectfully submitted,

S. E. H. PERKINS,

Treasurer, Ind. Br. W. A.

D. The Church Periodical Club.

The Church Periodical has now six librarians at the following parishes: Christ Church and St. Paul's, Indianapolis; St. Stephen's, Terre Haute; Christ Church, Madison; Grace Church, Muncie, and St. Paul's, Jeffersonville.

It has sent regularly, each week or month throughout the past year, 55 current Church and secular periodicals. The greater number of these are sent to the western dioceses, but not a few go to the smaller parishes and missions of our own Diocese. The Good Shepherd Library, at Linton, Ind., is still supplied with some magazines by the club.

It has distributed, chiefly to the missions in Indianapolis, 450 numbers of odd magazines, over 200 Christmas and Easter cards, 18 books for boys.

No money, except that necessary for postage, stationery and express, has been contributed.

K. F. FERGUSON,

Diocesan Correspondent, Indiana.

The United Offering.

At the triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in San Francisco, in October, 1901, it was

Resolved, That the United Offering of 1904 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, also the care of such workers when sick and disabled; this to be interpreted to include Brazil, Haiti, Cuba and Mexico."

With the hope of increasing interest in the United Offering and enlarging the circulation of mite boxes, a special treasurer for this fund was appointed by Bishop Francis at the meeting in June, 1901. The work of distribution was begun immediately after the triennial meeting, and boxes have been sent as follows:

Anderson, 1; Columbus, 15; Connersville, 16; Evansville, 50; Indianapolis—Pro-Cathedral, 50; Christ Church, 75; St. Paul's, 75; Jeffersonville, 25; Lafayette, 25; Madison, 15; Muncie, 25; New Albany, 30; Richmond, 25; Shelbyville, 10; Terre Haute, 50; Worthington, 10. Total, 497.

Though in past years no definite account of boxes has been kept, it is quite certain this is a larger number than has been given out before. The amount of \$1,000 has been set as the mark we hope to reach for our next offering. Can it be more?

If the different branches are careful to open their boxes annually, in March, and send the amount to the Treasurer, a little interest can be added to the whole by investment, and also opening day can be made one of fresh start and enthusiasm.

SALLIE F. GRANNISS, Treas.

The Babies' Branch.

The first Babies' Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of Indianapolis was organized in New Albany in October, 1901, with twelve members. Since that time branches have been organized in Madison, Jeffersonville, Connersville, Lafayette and Indianapolis, at Christ Church, St. Paul's and the Pro-Cathedral. As yet no reports have been made by these secretaries.

MRS. DAVID CADY WRIGHT, Secretary.

E. Report of Junior Secretary.

Contributions of Past Year—

Boxes	\$120 86
Money	53 95
Perry pictures (sent to Japan).....	1 25
Total	\$176 06

The aims of the Junior Department of the Woman's Auxiliary are to teach and to inculcate (1) Daily Prayer for Missions, (2) Systematic Study of Missions, (3) Regular Gifts for Missions of Money and of Work.

The fact that during the year preceding this the gifts of the Sunday Schools and Junior Auxiliaries for mission work amounted to \$119,214.17 indicates not only a steadily growing knowledge, but a prayerful and intelligent interest of the young people of the Church.

In my own work during the past year I have had much to discourage, but more to encourage.

From some of the branches I have had most encouraging and enthusiastic letters—letters that were not only inspiring but uplifting; letters that told of work done with loving, willing hands, and of hours of study of the missionary fields; of desires to fill mite boxes, and of frequent prayers for missions; of entertainments given, that money for missions might be raised, even though sometimes part of it was taken to paper a church, or for other parish uses. One parish, which was assessed \$10.40 for Domestic Missions, found it hard to pay it. The Junior Auxiliary, during Lent, baked and sold bread twice a week, and by that and other means expect to pay the full amount.

The few visits I have been able to make have strengthened a discouraged heart. The faithful attendance of the young people, the earnest desire to study and to work, the fervent devotion, the inspiring hymns sung by the young voices, the interest and constancy of the leaders, have been a revelation, an education and an inspiration. I very much desire several copies of *The Young Christian Soldier*, *The Spirit of Missions* and a few educational books for the use of the Juniors; also some missionary pictures; and hope that some one will contribute money for this purpose. The Juniors give their time, work and money for missions; will not some one provide them means to a better knowledge of the

people and countries for whom they work, and of the Church which they love?

The second Sunday after the Epiphany was children's Sunday, and in Indianapolis there was a union meeting at Christ Church. The Church was well filled and most interesting addresses were made by the Rev. Mr. Stanley and by Bishop Francis. The offering was \$5.87, which was given to the Bishop for the Indians of Oneida, Wisconsin.

As in union there is strength, it seems to your Secretary that it would be far better to have all our young people united in one grand, systematic work than to have so many varied societies, such as Ministering Children's League, Rector's Aid Societies, Sewing Guilds, Young People's Guild, etc. To me it seems possible and proper that every Sunday school in the Diocese should be a Junior Auxiliary, and that all our young people make one steady, united effort, that all the strength and enthusiasm be put forth for missions—diocesan, domestic, foreign—

"To welcome to our heart's embrace
All children of the human race."

The Secretary has written 98 letters and postals, placed or sent out 52 mite boxes, innumerable leaflets and prayer cards; also sent a number of Church papers. Nearly all the branches report increased membership and interest. At least one new, flourishing, interesting branch has been organized, composed of a mother, her three little daughters and two little friends. The Juniors, I think, have all contributed to the Archdeacon's salary. Missionary boxes have been sent to the Indians of Oneida, Wisconsin, and South Dakota, and to the negroes of Georgia. One branch sent 125 Perry pictures to Japan; another a valuable box of gifts and clothing to miners' children in our own Diocese. A Thanksgiving box was sent to Brunswick, Georgia, and Christmas boxes to Georgia and South Dakota. One branch sent gifts to the Eleanor Hospital, and another provided a Christmas dinner, fuel and clothes for a poor family in the city. If our work for the past year has not been altogether systematic it has been creditable, and, perhaps, has always been the right thing in the right place. If little, sick, suffering children had their lives brightened with a box of toys and books; if a poor family was provided with food, fuel and clothing, and miners' children who knew nothing of the blessed Savior or His glorious birthday received their first Christmas gifts, and all was done in the name of our Blessed Lord, who gave the command, "Feed my lambs," can any one criticise?

Our great hope is that each parish may find the time ripe to organize a branch of the Junior Auxiliary, that all our Juniors

may acquire such a foundation of knowledge of our beloved Church's great work that they may not only be a power, but thoroughly educated, active, consecrated workers in the field which is the world.

ALICE SELMAN MOORE, Secretary.

