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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

The present, our thirteenth annual meeting, closes what we have every right to consider a most encouraging year's work for the Woman's Auxiliary. Much has been done in the way of organization. With the ever-ready co-operation of the Bishop and the appreciated assistance of the Diocesan Board of Missions, it has for the first time become possible to carry out the long-cherished plan of undertaking a visitation of the entire Diocese in the interests of this work. This visitation, extending to almost every at present available point, is concluded with the gathering of to-day.

Since my election to office, eighteen months ago, I have made forty-nine visits to parishes and missions in the Diocese, nearly all within the present convention year. I have reached in this way all but four of the branches named on our list, these four having but a nominal existence; thirteen new branches have been organized, and several former ones revived, so that our list at present numbers forty-eight.

While very much remains to be done in developing the work yet certainly its status may be described as most hopeful. Better than any results, however, which can be put on paper, are the increased interest, the sympathetic spirit, to which these visitations have borne testimony. The reverend clergy have everywhere been most cordial and helpful. The attendance at the various meetings held was at least double, the interest three times, what would have been looked for some years ago. Surely we may well thank God and take courage. Nor must it be forgotten that the work we report tells, after all, but part of the story, since a large share of the greater missionary interest among the women has un-

doubtedly found expression in the gratifying increase of the missionary offerings of the various parishes. Oyer the marked advance in this respect we all rejoice.

The time was when many a parish kept quite aloof from missionary work upon the plea that there was so much to do at home—which indeed seemed often but too grinding a fact. We are, however, learning the higher lesson that the work at home will be best done where there is also work for others. A supernatural religion like ours is full of just such paradoxes, and their continual working out is but an added proof of its divine origin. Every rector of a good missionary parish will rise to bear cheerful testimony to the fact that his financial problems are most largely solved by that same spirit which “scattereth and yet increaseth,” and so for the highest good of one and all we hail with satisfaction the near dawning of that day when the parish or mission which shall attempt to wrap itself solely in the cloak of its own interests and cares will find itself solitary and alone in so doing. That day is already very close at hand.

Shall we not then, in the closing year of the nineteenth century, go on with high hopes both for the work at home and the work beyond, with unfailing trust that God will not forsake those who lean on Him, and with the resolve to do whatsoever our hand findeth to do, in that field which is the world and where at last the reapers are the angels.

Sincerely your friend,

HENRIETTE E. HENNINGSEN,

Diocesan President.

SECRETARY'S ADDRESS.

Again Greeting—This year your secretary has the *comfort* of reporting work for a whole year—May, 1899, to May, 1900; a year, too, that exceeds all other years, and there are now thirteen (13) of them, in interest and activity.

Through the kindly, active, interest of our Bishop, in

the work of the women of his Diocese, and the indefatigable efforts of our president, Miss Henningsen, who has gone, thro' heat and cold, rain and shine, to many, if not all, of our present parishes, and organized missions, waking up priest and people, our work has *spread*, and is spreading.

Our increased number of active branches, over last year's list, plainly shows an increase of interest and activity.

At the close of last year's work, we had twenty-one working branches, two of them being themselves missions, Bristow and Maquoketa; this year we have thirty-six working branches, counting those who have begun using the United Offering Boxes only, with those who have done more.

Our list of branches really numbers forty-six, but they have not all worked this year. The last time, but one, that the Auxiliary pledged itself to raise a given amount, it was \$100 for Miss Babcock. We fell short several dollars on the one pledge.

This year just closed, we had two pledges of \$100 each to carry. We not only redeemed them *both*, but I have \$33.12 to carry over to next year; nineteen dollars of it to be applied on the pledges, if renewed. Is not all this food for encouragement?

And now I beg leave to submit my report as secretary-treasurer of the Iowa branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

H. L. MAHON,

May, 1900.

Secretary-Treasurer.

MINUTES OF THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

TUESDAY, MAY 22, 1900.

The Forty-eighth Annual Convention of the Church in Iowa, was opened by the usual divine service, held at 10:30 Tuesday morning, May 22, 1900, in St. Paul's Church, Council Bluffs.

As requested, the women of the Diocesan Auxiliary attended the service in a body, and made a corporate communion.

At 2:30 in the afternoon, the women assembled with the Convention, in the church, to listen to the Bishop's address, after which the Auxiliary retired to the court room in the federal building for its Annual Business Meeting. The meeting was called to order by the president, Miss Henningsen, our honorary president, the Bishop's wife, gracing the meeting with her presence.

Roll-call showed seventeen delegates present, representing ten branches. Many of the resident church-women were present, but the distance of the place of meeting from so many of our "working branches" made it impossible for delegates to be sent; the meeting was a fine one, nevertheless, and the Diocesan Branch felt the interest and encouragement to such an extent as to take upon itself a new pledge, further mention of which will be made later.

Following is a list of branches represented, together with the names of delegates, given as accurately as is possible from credentials presented at time of roll-call:

Albia—Mrs. T. B. Perry.

Algona—Mrs. G. E. Clarke.

Chariton—Mrs. W. V. Whitten, Mrs. S. H. Mallory.

Council Bluffs—St. Paul's—Mrs. T. J. Foley, Mrs. L. H. Greer, Mrs. D. N. Graves.

Council Bluffs—Grace—Mrs. George Rudio, Mrs. G. H. Jackson, Mrs. Harry Jones.

Des Moines—St. Paul's—Mrs. C. A. Gilmore, Mrs. Stephen D. Wilson.

Lyons—Miss H. E. Henningsen.

Maquoketa—Mrs. George A. Jones.

Ottumwa—Mrs. C. C. Taylor, Mrs. M. F. Lounsbury.

Sioux City—St. Thomas'—Mrs. E. J. Williams.

It was found expedient to omit the reading of the minutes

of the last meeting, as the afternoon was advancing; so the business of the Auxiliary was immediately taken up, the two pledges of last year receiving first attention.

The condition of the Auxiliary concerning these two pledges—"The Bishop's Pledge" and "The Babcock Pledge"—was found to be so healthy, so encouraging (a little statement of their condition will be found in the secretary's address), that, not only were they renewed, but a third one, it, too, being a pledge of \$100, was assumed. The new pledge is for general missions, and \$60 of it was pledged then and there, our honorary president, Mrs. Morrison, leading the movement by making a pledge for the Cathedral branch—a most fitting beginning for the new pledge. The list reads as follows:

Davenport—Cathedral branch.....	\$10.00
Council Bluffs—St. Paul's branch.....	10.00
Ottumwa.....	5.00
Sioux City—St. Thomas' branch.....	5.00
Des Moines—St. Paul's branch.....	10.00
Maquoketa	5.00
Council Bluffs—Grace Church branch.....	10.00
Lyons.....	5.00
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	\$60.00

These pledges followed so thick and fast upon the heels of the Cathedral pledge, that the secretary could with difficulty record them, and may have made some errors, but trust not. This rapid firing led to a little change in the wording of the motion that secured this pledge, which limited it to \$100; the original pledge was amended to this extent, viz: Let us accept the one hundred dollars, and as much more as can be raised.

The secretary-treasurer was then called upon to read the totals in money and boxes of each separate branch and the grand total of all the work of all the branches.

Each branch was then called upon, alphabetically, to

give a little account of its Parochial Auxiliary work; this was quite a pleasant feature, but can only be mentioned in this connection, as space does not permit more.

The Church Periodical Club was a subject of importance to be brought up, and was next in order.

After quite a little discussion as to whether the Diocesan Branch should, or should not, abandon the project, it was decided that, to give up this branch of our work, or, in fact, any branch of work that the Diocesan Auxiliary had undertaken, would be a blot upon this, the banner meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in Iowa ("banner," not in point of attendance, but in point of awakened interest, as manifested by the reports of work done during the year just closed, and in increase in number of active branches); and so the project is still one of our active interests, and Miss Weare was elected to the office left vacant by Miss Knott's resignation. I say "one of our active interests," hoping that it will prove to be more so than formally; the retiring officer, Miss Knott, of Waverly, has met with discouragements through lack of funds, and the work, while it was active, was largely local as to its expenses.

A motion prevailed, making it incumbent upon each branch to send at least one magazine to some person (a name, to be secured, I believe, from our new Correspondent, Miss Susanna H. Weare, 705 Pearl street, Sioux City,) as a beginning of the good work, and until she can give the work her more personal supervision.

The fifth topic on the program for Tuesday, was "A Conference on Missionary work in and for the Sunday School." By the time this subject, so dear to the heart of our President, was reached, the afternoon was far-spent, and as the election of officers was still to be held, it was soon decided to lay aside the "Conference," and resume it the next morning at an extra meeting after the General Missionary Meeting of the Convention.

The election was instituted and was quickly dispatched, resulting as follows:

President—Miss H. E. Henningsen.

First Vice-President—Mrs. Simon Casady.

Second Vice-President—(In charge of Junior Auxiliary Work)—Mrs. T. J. Foley.

Secretary-Treasurer—Mrs. Samuel Mahon.

Correspondent Church Periodical Club—Miss Susanna H. Weare.

The meeting then adjourned.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23, 1900.

At 9:00 a. m. the Auxiliary assembled, with the Convention, in St. Paul's Church, to listen to the following program:

PROGRAM.

Wednesday, May 23, 1900.

9:00 a. m.—General Missionary Meeting.

1. Processional, Hymn 255.
2. Opening Prayers.
3. Address, The Rt. Rev. Theodore N. Morrison, D. D.
4. President's Address.
5. Report of Second Vice-President on Junior Work.
6. Report of Secretary-Treasurer.
7. Offertory, Hymn 327.
8. Address, "The Relationship of the Individual to Missions in General"—Mrs. D. B. Lyman, Chicago.
9. Address, The Rt. Rev. A. L. Williams, D. D.
10. Closing Prayers.

11. Recessional, Hymn 329.

This *morning* meeting took the place of the *evening* Missionary Meeting which it has heretofore been customary to hold, on one of the evenings of the Convention season. The Auxiliary never figured at this evening meeting, though it sometimes was given the offertory; as it is now a gathering of so much importance to the Diocesan Auxiliary, and whereas, if your secretary understands it rightly, the Auxiliary is largely, if not entirely, indebted to our dear Bishop for its prominent part in this meeting, she deems it fitting to express, in this public way, an appreciation of the golden opportunities thus afforded the Auxiliary, and now does so on behalf of our branch.

Mrs. D. B. Lyman, of La Grange, Illinois, President of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of Chicago, most kindly consented to be present and address the meeting, which she did.

This address was the central feature of the meeting, and was a very fine one, and was listened to with much interest and attention; it will be found elsewhere in the Report, printed in full.

Both lack of time and lack of space make it impossible to more than thank the other speakers for their words of pathos, of encouragement, of commendation.

The amount of the Offertory was \$26.32, and was devoted to the use of the Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

At 11:00 o'clock the women went again to the federal building, to the adjourned meeting, and held a very delightful and helpful conference on the subject in hand, "Missionary work in and for the Sunday School."

Mrs. Lyman addressed this meeting also, giving the women some information in detail on this subject; it interested them so much, that the motion was made and carried,

that every delegate take home with her a full account of the Auxiliary meeting in regard to Sunday School work.

A vote of thanks was then extended to Mrs. Lyman for her kindly interest.

A vote of thanks was tendered to the women of St. Paul's, and Grace Church, for their cordial hospitality.

Your secretary never attended an Auxiliary meeting that evinced so much of pre-arrangement in every particular, as did this Annual Meeting throughout its entire course; it will ever be a bright spot in our record, because of this, and because of the great encouragement regarding the strengthening of the work, the enlarging of the opportunities of the Woman's Auxiliary in Iowa. Meeting adjourned for lack of more time to talk.

The next Annual Meeting—that of 1901—will be held in Des Moines, in connection with the Annual Convention of the Church.

H. L. MAHON, Secretary.

ADDRESS OF MRS. D. B. LYMAN.

Rt. Rev. Father in God—Dear Women of the Auxiliary in the Diocese of Iowa:

It gives me great pleasure to be with you and to share in your Annual Meeting. Our work and our interests are the same. The long years of faithful labors given to the Diocese of Chicago by Dr. and Mrs. Morrison, to say nothing of the long personal friendships, endears all the work of Iowa under Bishop Morrison to the hearts of the Church people of Chicago.

We feel that North Dakota, Nebraska and Iowa have taken from us those whom we still need; but we are glad to have such personal influences extended. It is the lesson we all need to learn—to give of our best, to widen our love, to share our blessings.

It is good to be here, and exchange methods, ideas and ideals. I am sure that you do not expect me to set before you any original plans. The foundations of this Auxiliary have been too well lain.

Dear Women of the Auxiliary:—With these constantly recurring meetings we come nearer and nearer together, our interests are more united, our work more vital and consequently each year more successful. By this continual contact we are learning the need of individual development for the furtherance of our efforts to aid in bringing the spirit of our Lord into the world. We are also learning, as a great body of women, that we stand as witness-bearers of righteousness, of truth, of peace and harmony. This body of woman has for its goal the enlisting of all women to such activities as center in the Church life.

Our monthly meetings continue to grow in the number present and in interest, but there are still many of the parishes not represented at all. Today we should have, at the least, two delegates from each branch in this Diocese. It is a pity not to have the joy of being present and to catch the influence of a meeting like this. Such absences hinder the entire dissemination of the wide knowledge of missions and their needs which is carefully and constantly kept before the truly interested members of the branches by the Board of Missions.

We do not realize how complete the chain of missionary intelligence is. There is no lack of sources of knowledge, whatever lack there may be in accepting knowledge. On the other hand no one woman is expected to master every detail of missionary information; rather let each one place herself as far as possible in the atmosphere of general restful knowledge.

I once said to Miss Emery, our General Secretary, "How do you take in all this knowledge, when do you find time to read all this manifold literature on missions?" "I don't,"

she replied, "I just breathe it." The baptized world seems to be breathing it. We are unconsciously, too unconsciously, I sometimes think, coming to know the fullness of joy in reaching out to each other. It has been the work of this century, to manifest the results of ages. Where may we find more incentive to Christian effort and Christian work, than in the one hundred years just past? The ages all along have been slowly revealing the force of the great example of our Lord, until it is becoming a realization in the individual life.

Individuals taking up the work of God and seeing for themselves the fulness of joy in believing, give it out to others. No wonder that the work of the Woman's Auxiliary finds and holds its way in so many parishes and missions. It ought to wherever there is a clergyman to preach Jesus and his Love. Hearing, we believe, and belief gives the grace and the power to work. Each one present today, knows something of the joy that glows in response to loving effort, knows, too, how it is enkindled by sympathy and interest, how much more quickly and with what greater ease, results are accomplished where there is unity of purpose. Each one of us, as an individual, however, must realize her own responsibility to the purpose for which our Lord came into the world. Having received from the source of life in our baptismal vows, we become Auxiliary to that life in others. All this wonderful "Century of Service," so ably described by the Honorable Secretary to the Board of Missions in her Fifth Triennial Report, is the result of the gradual development of individual Christianity.

The leaven here and there, that ran over, giving quickening power to those who, through the reading of God's work and through prayer, desired the fulness of joy, reaching often only the finger tips of those who desired not, through ignorance or indifference. We all know that there are givers, even to this beloved, all-absorbing work, who give not from their own choice and inspiration, but because

sometimes they believe in those who have surrendered self to its magic influence, and sometimes, to get rid of the subject, and to have more freedom for their own worldly amusements.

If we could but realize that we are only deferring obligations and blessed privileges when we thus give, hindering the accomplishment of the only object in life—the glory of God. (The soul born of God, learns to love the freedom of individuality and to exercise it.)

Woman's best work is that of *influence*. It is the atmosphere we make that persuades and controls. Silent, invisible grace; borne upon the wings of love, hovers and settles upon many troubled lives, till they, too, catch the Spirit of Peace—rest in it awhile, when the flood tide of joy rushes in, and then a song of gladness breaks forth, another and another take up the refrain, until bye and bye, the whole wide world sings in unison, the everlasting hymn of Redemption. Is it not high honor to be a sharer of such work; and while lifted up with the thought we are humbled to the dust in remembering that God can use such weakness; that he is pleased to work, through the least of his children.

Woman's ability to work is established, and her power to execute, to unfold, to enrich, unquestioned. The real question is who can afford to lose her share of the privilege in the uplifting of the nations to our Lord and His Kingdom?

May I ask the question direct, do we, each one as active members of the Woman's Auxiliary, do our individual part, so that no one is hindered, or overworked? Is each individual here today praying, studying, giving her utmost capacity, or any part of her capacity? Praying, studying, giving, the threefold obligation that *rests* upon each Auxiliary member. We cannot divide what we do not own, where there is no love there can be no effort. The individual must be in the right relationship to her home, to her parish and to her Diocese, then we may look for right and sure results.

One discontented irritable member sets ajar the most perfect plans.

A gifted musician sat down at a piano not long since, to the anticipated delight of a little parlor audience, and failed utterly to give pleasure—she made many attempts on different pieces. She was too courteous to the hostess to say what the trouble was. The hostess finally came to the rescue herself. “I am sorry I asked you to play on this piano, your skill is too great, your ear too fine. The tuner said when last here, that it needed special over-hauling. Please recite for us that beautiful little poem on ‘The Tapestry Weavers,’” and she did so. The harmony of the occasion was restored. The next day the piano tuner came and pointed out to the careful home maker *one rusty* string, which made the whole instrument jingle with discord. Work will not, cannot flourish unless there is peace and harmony in the parish, each individual filling her full place, each parish taking its whole part in the Diocese. Then may the Bishops and the Clergy fulfill the great command: “Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature.”

I asked a saintly woman in a little country town, what she thought her individual responsibility to Missions in general meant. She replied: “I think it means what it meant to the Apostles, Go.” Yes! It means go to all the world; not in the same way that our Bishops or the Clergy go. They have the Divine Commission to impart the Truth, to sow the seed, while we women, with tender touch, point over to the face of our Lord offering Himself in love, saying, “This have I done for thee; what wilt thou do for me?” While beholding this face, how easy seems the service—but somehow it is easily crowded out of the range of our vision, weariness ensues; we lose the hand that holds; inspiration ceases; enthusiasm dies; things of time, and sense pall; we are no longer creatures, bearing the image of God. We have lost our likeness and find only an empty living in cheap finery.

For our rescue, there comes along, may be, a stranger, whose personality stirs us to belief. We remember how our interest was enkindled for Liberia, Western Coast of Africa. We took our Geographies and studied our maps, located the five missionary districts and the four tribes fighting among themselves (in that little Republic colonized in 1820 for the freed colored men and women of the United States, and made independent in 1847), making it all the more difficult for our missionaries to work the works of peace and righteousness. Even Bishop Ferguson, whom we had seen and heard at the General Convention in Minneapolis in 1895, seemed more real and interesting. We followed him in his travels up and down the coast confirming. We studied the Biographies of Bishop Payne and his wife, Bishop Auer and his short life, and the *influence* of his missionary wife, Bishop Penick, the third Bishop, and then we became interested in the eighteen clergymen who hold services in some eighty-five places, and in the fifteen boarding schools and twenty day schools and one hospital. Our affections centered all about Cape Mount, and the six mission buildings on the pretty plateau 600 feet above Robertsport and the sea. We could understand the joy of the first beautiful confirmation service in the new church. All because of the personality of a woman, whose vision was so clear of the love of Christ for all mankind that she must offer self to tell the old, old story in that far off fever-stricken land.

That was Lulu Higgins (many of us know her, we all love her), who went to Liberia three years ago last January from the heart of the Diocese of Chicago. I sat by her at the consecration service in the Cathedral when she was about ready to leave, and heard our Bishop tell Miss Higgins and the little congregation present what a sacrifice it meant, even the giving up of life might be required; but there was no shrinking; she had given her life to the Master, and counted it all joy to offer youth and life and health.

The Spirit of Missions tells of her splendid service. I

hope you read the magazine. It grows more and more attractive in literary merit and illustrations.

To return for a moment to Miss Higgins; our Chicago branch has offered a scholarship of \$300.00 for one of her students, to be given to her as soon as she arrives. We hope to welcome her in the early summer for the much-needed rest. To Chicago, Miss Higgins' personality was largely the incentive for the study classes and excellent papers on Africa.

Miss Marston has stirred a feeble enthusiasm for missions in Calcutta, India, otherwise, we should not even know, I fear, of the Zenana Mission.

Rev. and Mrs. Geo. Pratt stir us to greater desire for knowledge of Porto Rico, San Juan, and the Church services in the Town Hall have become familiar and dear.

Miss Elliot has deepened our interest in the work among the Mormons. The Rev. Ellis Bishop, of Salt Lake City, in one quiet address of not more than twenty minutes at our last semi-annual convention melted our hearts within us, to rise when we had committed the entire meeting to the Rector in charge of the parish whose guests we were, and plead for help to supply the needs of this associate mission.

There are such personalities all through the Foreign and Domestic and Diocesan fields, and how they shine forth with illumination from the Light of the World. What a quiet steady enthusiasm is theirs, because they have the key note of all healthful enthusiasm—work. It is the only way to create and sustain interest. Each earnest, active woman has within her a force that is contagious, she gathers about herself, all unconsciously, those who have no aim or settled purpose in life. In our City Mission Hospital work, one woman, through her love for the sick, and her comprehension of the soul sickness, which must first be healed, has won active interest to her work from about every parish in our

Diocese. Easter Monday she took a cab, drove to the larger churches, asked for the flowers, and distributed them so that the county hospital patients received the touch of Easter love and Easter fragrance. Was there not invisible grace there, leading the soul by this outward and visible sign? The breath of the violet, the scent of the rose, and from God's altar, surely may lead to His Throne. How can I tell you of the power of the individual as exemplified in the Sisters? So quietly, unobtrusively do they move in and out of the Mission House next door to the Cathedral that one must be often there and really a part of the work to realize its worth and its growth. Starting with seven children in 1893, they have often, and most of the time, sixty-seven picked from the street in rags and hunger. They have been regenerated, and their sweet healthy faces and tidy clothes reflect the inner spiritual cleansing. As I look at Sister Frances, Sister in charge, I recall the 6th chapter of Isaiah, the story of the Seraphim each with their six wings--with twain he covered his face and with twain he covered his feet and with twain he did fly--she seems clothed upon with the six wings in pairs of humility, obedience, activity, and these wings are never at rest. Her personality often awakens in the weakest, possibilities undreamed of before. She starts in many a life a responsive chord which answers all tremblingly, "Here am I; send me."

The afternoon would not suffice to mention even a few of the many of our time whose personal influence and responsibility, for the Faith once delivered has kept alive the Holy Seed.

The question for us dear women is the same that might be asked in every Diocesan branch. What is our duty to our Diocese, so that she may sustain her City Missions, her Diocesan work, and reach without stint of self, of time or money, to the most distant fields? Not long since I heard a young new Bishop say, "We want our hands on them all in the

great uplift. All these missions, wherever they are—Africa, the Philippines, or Oklahoma."

If we believe in our Bishops, our Clergy, and that is why we are here today, why we are the Woman's Auxiliary, each baptized person must ask herself, How can I help? The little monitor, conscience, is at first very feeble and points to some small act of duty, perhaps in only my parish; but let us be thankful that we grow and give room, time and place to conscience, which fills us with love and knowledge, and calls forth such a meeting as this, when each one present knows that she may have her share in all missions, and realizes, in some degree, with each Bishop and Rector the weight of care and fulness of joy in the blessed benediction that is to welcome home each one of us, and all laborers in His Vineyard, "Well done thou good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joys of thy Lord."

With appreciation of individual effort, a purpose always before us, with system, and the knowledge of Missions in general, we need not be faint hearted or fear. If one lacks in riches, she may double her gift of prayer, and if we lack in intellectual attainments, let us remember Canon Lid-don's all comforting words:

"Faith supplies the intelligence department of the soul." Finally, if the spirit of the Lord be upon us, there can be no failure. "I will greatly rejoice in the Lord. My soul shall be joyful in my God; for He hath clothed me with the robe of righteousness. For as the earth bringeth forth her bud and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth, so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations."

MARY C. LYMAN,

President Chicago Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

FULL REPORT OF THE PAROCHIAL SECRETARIES AND
TREASURERS.

FOR 1899--1900.

Albia—Grace.

Cash. Diocesan current expense fund....\$	50	\$	50
Boxes. Donation sent in Ottumwa's box...	3.00		3.00

Algona—St. Thomas'.

Cash. United Offering.....	2.65		
Cash. Diocesan current expense fund...	50		
			3.15

Box to Sewanee, Tenn.....			13.71
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Ames—St. John's.

Organized in 1899. No report.			
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Anamosa—St. Mark's.

Organized March, 1900. No report.			
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Boone—Grace.

Cash. Diocesan current expense fund....	1.25		1.25
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Bristow—St. Andrew.

Cash. To a Council Bluff's mission.....	50		50
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Burlington—Christ.

Cash. United Offering.....	15.38		
Cash. "The Bishop Fund"	5.00		
Cash. The Babcock Fund.....	5.00		25.38
Boxes. To a missionary in Diocese	30.00		30.00

Cedar Rapids—Grace.

Cash. Diocesan Missions.....	190.05		
Cash. United Offering.....	6.05		196.10
Boxes. Missionary in Diocese.....	22.00		
Boxes. Missionary in Diocese.....	50.00		
Boxes. Missionary in Diocese.....	10.00		82.00

Cedar Falls—St. Luke's.

No report.			
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Chariton—St. Andrew's.

Cash. "The Bishop Pledge.....	3.00		
Cash. The Babcock Pledge.....	1.50		
Cash. Diocesan Current Expense Fund..	1.00		

Cash. Expressage on U. O. boxes.....	55	6.05
Boxes. To Des Home Finder.....	27.00	
Boxes. To Burroughs, Georgia.....	21.12	48.12

Cherokee—St. John's.

Reorganized May, 1900. No report.

Clermont—Church of the Savior.

No report.

Clinton—St. John's

Boxes. To Missionary in Diocese.....	24.64	24.64
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Council Bluffs—St. Paul's.

Cash. United Offering.....	15.00	
Cash. The Bishop Pledge.....	5.00	
Cash. The Babcock Pledge.....	5.00	
Cash. To Bishop Edsall.....	15.00	
Cash. To Ardmore, Indian Ter. (for a school).....	10.00	
Cash. To "Spirit of Missions".....	1.00	
Cash. To St. Martin's Church, S. Omaha.	2.50	
Cash. Postage on packages to Denison, Iowa, etc.....	30	53.80
Boxes. "Bishop Box" to Bishop Graves (Domestic).....	50.00	50.00

Council Bluffs—Grace.

Boxes. To Pine Ridge Agency, S. Dakota	61.75	61.75
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Davenport—Cathedral.

Cash. United Offering.....	8.86	
Cash. The Babcock Pledge.....	10.00	
Cash. The Bishop Pledge.....	10.00	
Cash. To Missionary in Diocese.....	5.00	
Cash. Mr. Peyton for Philippines.....	5.00	38.86
Boxes. To Missionary in Diocese.....	21.89	
Boxes. To Valley City, N. Dakota	59.98	
Boxes. Articles to Denison, Iowa, (Apron Sale).....	1.00	82.87

Davenport—Trinity.

Cash.	The Bishop's Fund	10.00
Cash.	Diocesan Missions.....	20.00
Cash.	The Babcock Fund.....	3.00
Cash.	United Offering.....	3.00
Cash.	General Missions.....	10.00
Cash.	Diocesan Current Expense Fund..	2.00
Boxes.	To Valley City, North Dakota....	48.00
		19.00

Decorah—Grace.

No report.

Des Moines—St. Paul's.

Cash.	Divinity Student.....	70.00
Cash.	The Babcock Fund.....	12.00
Cash.	Indigent Clergy Fund (Through Bishop Morrison).....	10.00
Cash.	Diocesan Missions.....	509.40
Boxes.	To Divinity Student.....	601.40
		150.00
		150.00

Des Moines—Good Shepherd.

Cash.	United Offering.....	1.60
Cash.	The Bishop Pledge (St. Katharine's Guild)	1.75
Cash.	The Bishop Pledge, (Ladies' Guild)	50
Cash.	The Babcock Pledge (Ladies' Guild)	6.75
		10.60

Dubuque—St. John's.

Cash.	United Offering.....	10.11
Cash.	The Babcock Fund.....	5.00
Cash.	Diocesan Current Expense Fund..	1.00
Cash.	The Bishop Pledge.....	5.00
Cash.	Diocesan Missions.....	5.00
Cash.	Expressage on boxes.....	1.90
Boxes.	To Missionary in Diocese.....	28.01
Boxes.	To Sister Mary Frances, Georgia	9.65
Boxes.	To Pine Ridge Agency, S. Dakota	21.10
		62.50
		93.25

Durant—St. Paul's.

No report.

Dyersville—Christ.

Cash. United Offering..... 4.05 4.05

Emmetsburg—Trinity.

Cash. United Offering.....	10.00
Cash. General Missions.....	7.50
Cash. Diocesan Missions.....	7.50
Cash. Domestic Contingent Fund.....	5.00
Cash. St. Martin's Church, Omaha.....	60 30.60

Estherville—Grace.

Re-organized May, 1900. No report.

Fairbank—St. Luke's.

No report.

Farley—St. George's.

Cash. United Offering..... 2.45 2.45

Ft. Dodge—St. Mark's.

Cash. United Offering.....	9.00
Cash. The Bishop Pledge.....	5.00
Cash. The Babcock Pledge.....	5.00 19.00
Boxes. To Wakpala, S. Dakota.....	13.75
Boxes. To Missionary in Iowa.....	13.45
Boxes. To Pine Ridge Agency, S. Dakota	25.00 52.20

Independence—St. James'.

Cash. To Bishop Fund.....	10.00
Cash. To Babcock Fund.....	3.00
Cash. United Offering.....	8.76
Cash. Central Committee on Mexican Work	1.00
Cash. Church Periodical Club.....	1.00
Cash. Diocesan Missions.....	9.95 33.71
Boxes. To Pine Ridge Agency, S. Dakota	23.00

Iowa City—Trinity.

Cash. To Bishop Pledge..... 5.00

Cash. To Babcock Pledge.....	5.00	10.00
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Keokuk—St. John's.

Cash. Diocesan Missions.....	10.00
Cash. The Bishop Pledge.....	5.00
Cash. The Babcock Pledge.....	5.00
Cash. United Offering.....	8.20
Cash. Diocesan Special.....	12.00
Boxes. To Missionary in Diocese.....	52.29

Le Mars—St. George's.

Organized May, 1900.

Lyons—Grace.

Cash. Diocesan Missions.....	15.00
Cash. United Offering.....	20.10
Cash. The Bishop Pledge.....	7.50
Cash. The Babcock Pledge.....	5.00
Cash. St. Martin's Mission, S. Omaha...	1.25
Cash. Domestic Contingent Fund.....	7.50
Boxes. Church Furnishings to Oelwein..	5.00
Boxes. Iowa Children's Home in Des Moines.....	9.92
Cash. St. Luke's Hospital, Cedar Rapids.	6.33
Cash. Agatha Hospital, Clinton.....	6.90
Cash. Articles to Bristow.....	3.00
	31.15

Mapleton—All Saints'.

Organized May, 1900.

Marshalltown—St. Paul's.

Cash. United Offering.....	3.70
Cash. Diocesan Current Expense Fund..	50
Cash. The Bishop Pledge.....	1.00
Cash. The Babcock Pledge.....	1.00
Cash. Diocesan Missions.....	2.00
	8.20

Mason City—St. John's.

No report.

Maquoketa—St. Mark's.

Cash.	United Offering	6.28	6.28
Boxes.	Pine Ridge Agency, S. Dakota...	6.00	
Boxes.	Pine Ridge Agency, S. Dakota...	23.00	29.00

Mooar—St. Andrew's.

Cash.	Diocesan Current Expense Fund..	25	
Cash.	Freight paid on boxes.....	1.00	1.25
Boxes.	To Memphis, Tenn.....	15.00	
Boxes.	To Memphis, Tenn	17.00	32.00

Mt. Pleasant—St. Michael's.

Organized November, 1899.

Did a little work, which was not reported in time for publication this year.

Muscatine—Trinity.

Cash.	The Babcock Pledge.....	2.00	
Cash.	The Bishop's Pledge.....	10.00	
Cash.	Diocesan Missions.....	15.00	27.00

Oelwein—St. Mary's.

No report.

Ottumwa—Trinity.

Cash.	United Offering	20.78	
Cash.	The Bishop Pledge.....	5.00	
Cash.	The Babcock Pledge.....	5.00	30.78
Boxes.	"Bishop Box," to Topeka, Kansas	33.75	33.75

The Young Women's Guild—St. Margaret's—is entitled to some recognition in the mention of this box.

Oskaloosa—St. James'.

Cash.	Diocesan Current Expense Fund..	1.00	1.00
Boxes.	To a Missionary in Diocese.....		11.00

Sioux City—St. Thomas'.

Cash.	The Babcock Pledge.....	5.00	
Cash.	The Bishop Pledge.....	5.00	
Cash.	United Offering	5.55	15.55

Sioux City—St. Paul's.

Organized May, 1900.

St. Katharine's Hall, Davenport, (Through
Cathedral Branch.)

A box to a Missionary in the Diocese..... 65.50

Spencer—St. Stephen's.

Cash. The Bishop Pledge..... 5.00

Cash. The Babcock Pledge..... 3.00

Cash. United Offering..... 3.84 11.84

Spirit Lake—Good Shepherd.

Re-organized May, 1900.

Waterloo—Christ.

Cash. The Babcock Pledge..... 5.00

Cash. The Bishop Pledge..... 5.00

Cash. United Offering..... 6.80

Cash. General Missions..... 10.00 26.80

Boxes. St. Elizabeth's Mission, Wakpala,
S. Dakota..... 15.00 15.00

Waverly—St. Andrew's.

Cash. The Bishop Pledge..... 3.50

Cash. The Babcock Pledge..... 2.50

Cash. Diocesan Missions..... 5.00

Cash. Diocesan Current Expense Fund.. 1.00 12.00

Boxes. Raleigh, North Carolina..... 19.80

Boxes. Kearney, Nebraska 5.80 25.80

BOX CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR 1899--1900.

Albia.			
Domestic	\$ 3.00	\$ 3.00	
Algona.			
Domestic	13.71	13.71	
Burlington.			
Diocesan	30.00	30.00	
Cedar Rapids.			
Diocesan	22.00		
Diocesan	50.00		
Diocesan	10.00	82.00	
Chariton.			
Diocesan	27.00		
Domestic	21.12	48.12	
Clinton.			
Diocesan	24.64	24.64	
Council Bluffs—St. Paul's.			
Domestic	50.00	50.00	
Council Bluffs—Grace.			
Domestic	61.75	61.75	
Dayenport—Cathedral			
Diocesan	21.89		
Domestic	59.98		
Diocesan	1.00	82.87	
Davenport—Trinity.			
Domestic	19.00	19.00	
Des Moines—St. Paul's.			
Diocesan	150.00	150.00	
Dubuque.			
Diocesan	9.65		
Domestic	21.10		
Domestic	62.50	93.25	

Ft. Dodge.			
Domestic.....	13.75		
Domestic.....	25.00		
Diocesan.....	13.45	52.20	
Independence.			
Domestic.....	23.00	23.00	
Keokuk—St. John's.			
Diocesan.....	52.29	52.29	
Lyons.			
Diocesan.....	5.00		
Diocesan.....	9.92		
Hospital—St. Luke's—Cedar Rapids..	6.33		
Hospital—Agatha—Clinton.....	6.90		
Diocesan.....	3.00	31.15	
Maquoketa.			
Domestic.....	6.00		
Domestic	23.00	29.00	
Moor.			
Domestic	15.00		
Domestic	17.00	32.00	
Oskaloosa.			
Diocesan.....	11.00	11.00	
Ottumwa.			
Domestic	33.75	33.75	
St. Katharine's Hall, Davenport (through Cathedral Branch).			
Diocesan.....	65.50	65.50	
Waterloo.			
Domestic	15.00	15.00	
Waverly.			
Domestic.....	19.80		
Domestic	5.80	25.60	
Total Diocesan Missionary Boxes.....	506.34		
Total Domestic Missionary Boxes.....	509.26		
Total Hospital Boxes.....	13.23		
Total Contributions in Boxes.....		\$1,028.83	

CASH CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MISSIONS.

FOR 1899-1900.

Bristow.

Diocesan \$ 50 50

Cedar Rapids.

Diocesan 190.05 190.05

Council Bluffs—St. Paul's.

Domestic 15.00

Domestic 10.00 25.00

Davenport—Cathedral.

Diocesan 5.00

Foreign 5.00 10.00

Davenport—Trinity.

Diocesan 20.00

General 10.00 30.00

Des Moines—St. Paul's.

Diocesan 509.40

Domestic 10.00 519.40

Dubuque.

Diocesan 5.00 5.00

Emmetsburg.

Diocesan 7.50

Domestic 5.00

Domestic 60

General 7.50 20.60

Independence.

Diocesan 9.95

Foreign 1.00 10.95

Keokuk—St. John's.

Diocesan 10.00

Diocesan 12.00 22.00

Lyons.			
Diocesan	5.00		
Diocesan	10.00		
Domestic	7.50		
Domestic	1.25	23.75	
Marshalltown.			
Diocesan	2.00	2.00	
Muscatine.			
Diocesan	15.00	15.00	
Waterloo.			
General	10.00	10.00	
Waverly.			
Diocesan	5.00	5.00	
Total to Diocesan Missions	806.40		
Total to Domestic Missions	49.35		
Total to Foreign Missions	6.00		
Total to General Missions	27.50		
Total contributions to Missions		\$889.25	

MISCELLANEOUS CASH CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR 1899--1900.

Chariton.			
Expressage on U. O. Boxes		\$ 55	
Council Bluffs.			
To Spirit Missions		1.00	
Dubuque.			
Expressage on Boxes		1.90	
Independence.			
To Church Periodical Club		1.00	
Mooar.			
Freight paid on Boxes		1.00	
Total Miscellaneous cash		\$5.45	

UNITED OFFERING.

MAY, 1899—MAY, 1900.

1899.

August 26—Independence	\$ 8.76
September 2—Davenport—Trinity	3.00
September 2—Algona	2.65
September 6—Muscatine	3.50
September 8—Lyons	20.10
September 8—Farley }	2.45
September 8—Dyersville }	4.05
September 11—Des Moines—Good Shepherd	1.60
September 12—Ottumwa	20.78
September 13—Waverly	7.47
September 16—Spencer	3.84
September 19—Davenport—Cathedral	8.86
September 21—Maquoketa	6.28
September 21—Sioux City—St. Thomas'	5.55
September 21—Council Bluffs—St. Paul's	15.00
September 25—Emmetsburg	10.81
September 30—Dubuque	10.11
October 8—Marshalltown	3.70
October 19—Burlington	15.38
October 24—Ft. Dodge	9.00
October 30—Waterloo	6.80
November 17—Keokuk	8.20
1900.	
January 27—Interest	1.14
February 9—Cedar Rapids	6.05
Total	\$185.08

THE BISHOP PLEDGE.

FOR 1899--1900.

Davenport—Trinity	\$ 10.00
Lyons	7.50
Waterloo	5.00

Ft. Dodge.....	5.00
Independence.....	5.00
Keokuk.....	5.00
Burlington.....	5.00
Ottumwa.....	5.00
Waverly.....	3.50
Chariton.....	3.00
Spencer.....	5.00
Sioux City—St. Thomas'.....	5.00
Council Bluffs—St. Paul's.....	5.00
Marshalltown.....	1.00
Muscatine.....	10.00
Dubuque.....	5.00
Davenport—Cathedral.....	10.00
Iowa City.....	5.00
Des Moines—Good Shepherd (Ladies' Guild).....	50
Des Moines—Good Shepherd (Young Ladies' Guild).....	1.75
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	\$102.25
Total amount of Pledge for 1899-1900.....	\$100.00
Surplus.....	2.25
Total.....	102.25
Forwarded to Bishop Morrison.....	<hr/> 100.00
Surplus.....	2.25

THE BABCOCK PLEDGE.

FOR 1899--1900.

Davenport—Trinity.....	\$ 3.00
Waterloo.....	5.00
Independence.....	3.00
Keokuk.....	5.00
Burlington.....	5.00
Lyons.....	5.00
Ft. Dodge.....	5.00
Dubuque.....	5.00

Waverly	2.50
Des Moines—St. Paul's.....	12.00
Council Bluffs—St. Paul's.....	5.00
Spencer	3.00
Sioux City—St. Thomas'	5.00
Marshalltown	1.00
Muscatine	2.00
Davenport—Cathedral	10.00
Ottumwa	5.00
Iowa City	5.00
Chariton	1.50
Des Moines—Good Shepherd	6.75
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	\$93.00

Seven dollars of 1899-1900 Pledge was sent to Miss
Emery in August, 1899.

April 8, 1899—Independence.....	2.00
May 19, 1899—Emmettsburg	5.00
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	\$100.00

REPORT OF JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

FOR 1899--1900.

The Sunday School Lenten Offerings to General Mis-sions are not included in this report.

Boone—Grace S. S.—Diocesan Missions\$ 5.73
Cedar Rapids—Grace S. S.—Diocesan Missions	31.81
Chariton—St. Andrew's S. S.—Diocesan Mis-sions.....	26.96
Cresco—Grace S. S.—Diocesan Missions.....	3.11
Dubuque—St. John's S. S.—Diocesan Mission	24.65
Fairbank—St. Luke's S. S.—Diocesan Missions	1.00
Farley—St. George's S. S.—Diocesan Missions	2.61
Ft. Dodge—St. Mark's S. S.—Diocesan Mis-sions.....	11.44
Ft. Madison—Hope S. S.—Diocesan Missions	15.35

Independence—St. James' S.S.—Diocesan Mis-				
sions	18.66			
Keokuk—St. John's S. S.—Diocesan Missions	11.60			
Lyons—Grace S. S.—Diocesan Missions	30.85			
Mooar—St. Andrew's S. S.—Diocesan Mis-				
sions	31.93			
Oelwein—St. Mary's S. S.—Diocesan Missions	7.30			
Oskaloosa—St. James' S. S.—Diocesan Mis-				
sions	11.18			
Sioux City—St. Thomas' S. S.—Diocesan Mis-				
sions	1.40	\$235.58		

UNITED OFFERING.

Sioux City—St. Thomas' S. S.	1.68		
Cedar Rapids—Grace—St. Agnes' Guild	3.45	5.13	

GENERAL MISSIONS.

Sioux City—St. Thomas' S. S.	8.24	8.24	
Total cash offerings—Junior Auxiliary			\$248.95

BOXES.

Independence—To Pine Ridge Agency, S. D.	24.14		
Independence—To Farley, Iowa	2.75	\$26.89	
Grand total Junior Auxiliary for 1899-1900...			\$275.84

SUSANNA H. WEARE,
In charge of Junior Auxiliary Work.

SUMMARY OF CASH OFFERINGS.

FOR 1899--1900.

United Offering	\$ 185.08	
The Bishop Pledge	107.25	
The Babcock Pledge	111.75	
Diocesan Missions	806.40	
Domestic Missions	49.35	
Foreign Missions	6.00	

General Missions	27.50
Diocesan Current Expense Fund.....	45.72
Miscellaneous Contributions.....	5.45
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Total Cash Contributions	\$1344.50

SUMMARY OF BOX CONTRIBUTIONS.

FOR 1899-1900.

Total Diocesan Missionary Boxes.....	\$ 506.34
Total Domestic Missionary Boxes.....	509.26
Total Hospital Boxes.....	13.23
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Total value of Box Offerings.....	\$1028.83

RECAPITULATION.

1899-1900.

Total Cash Offerings—Woman's Auxiliary	\$ 1344.50
Total Cash Offerings—Junior Auxiliary ..	248.95
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Total Cash Offerings for 1899-1900	\$1593.45
Total Box Offerings—Woman's Auxiliary	\$1028.83
Total Box Offerings—Junior Auxiliary ...	26.89
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Total Box Offerings for 1899-1900	1155.73
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Grand total Offerings from various sources	\$2749.18

DIOCESAN CURRENT EXPENSE FUND.

FOR 1899-1900.

1899.	RECEIPTS.
Balance on hand from last report.....	\$ 34.72
Ottumwa	1.00
Dubuque	1.00

Waverly.....	1.00
Chariton.....	1.00
Mooar	25
Marshalltown.....	50
Albia	50
Algona.....	50
Davenport—Trinity.....	2.00
Oskaloosa.....	1.00
Independence.....	1.00
Boone	1.25
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	\$45.72

DISBURSEMENTS.

Postal cards and envelopes.....	\$ 1.25
Stamps, paper, wrappers.....	78
To Rev. W. V. Whitten, printing of portion of Annual Reports	10.36
Expressage on U. O. Boxes from New York.....	85
Postage on Annual Reports.....	4.88
Return postage to Miss Emery	18
Expressage on 50 U. O. Boxes from New York.....	1.00
Expressage on 100 U. O. Boxes from New York	1.10
Expressage on 200 U. O. Boxes from New York	1.60
Two packages paper-wrappers.....	55
Postage	28
Postal-cards.....	25
Stamps for Emery circular-letter	25
Government envelopes	50
Postal-cards.....	25
Subscription to Spirit of Missions for 1900.....	1.00
Postage for Convention circular-letter.....	49
Stamps for issuing programs, credentials, etc.....	61
Stamps.....	77
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	\$31.60
Balance in Treasurer's hands.....	14.12
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	\$45.72

H. L. MAHON, Treasurer.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

This association shall be called the Iowa Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE II.

The object of this association shall be the same as those of the General Auxiliary.

ARTICLE III.

All parochial missionary societies of women, and all baptized women of the Diocese desiring it, who contribute prayers or gifts to missions, shall be considered members of this association.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers shall be Honorary President, President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE V.

These officers shall be elected by the women in their annual meeting, during Convention of each year, and shall serve until their successors shall be elected.

ARTICLE VI.

The duty of the President shall be to call meetings and to preside over them.

ARTICLE VII.

The Vice-President shall preside over meetings in the absence of the President.

ARTICLE VIII.

The duties of the Secretary-Treasurer shall be to give notice of meetings and keep record of them; to correspond with parish secretaries and with the Secretary of the Auxiliary; to obtain yearly reports from the Parochial Branches and incorporate them into an annual report for the Diocesan Branch. As Treasurer, she shall receive and disburse the moneys of the Diocesan Branch; obtain reports yearly from the parish treasurers, and make up from them an annual report.

ARTICLE IX.

The officers, as a committee, shall use such efforts as lie in their power to increase missionary knowledge and zeal among the women of the Diocese, and to encourage the formation of Parochial Branches.

ARTICLE X.

An annual meeting shall be held each year, at the time and place of the Diocesan Convention. Special meetings may be held during the year, upon the united call of three Parochial Branches, for the purpose of increasing interest.

ARTICLE XI.

This Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present.

ARTICLE XII.

Two delegates or two alternates shall be sent from each Parochial Branch to attend each annual meeting.

BY-LAWS.

The officers shall hold an executive meeting before each general meeting, and at one other time during the year, at the call of the President.

The regular order of business for the annual meetings shall be as follows:

1. Prayers.
2. Roll-call.
3. Minutes of Meetings.
4. Report of Secretary-Treasurer.
5. Election of Officers.
6. Miscellaneous Business and Addresses.

By-laws may be amended at any meeting, by vote of a majority of those present.

