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To the Members of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions:

DEAR FRIENDS—I have already indicated my interest in this Woman's Auxiliary. Unlike Diocesan and Parish organizations it has behind it the authority of the whole church. For that reason alone, if for no other, I feel that its work demands the sympathy and the aid of the Bishops. And that at the very outset of my Episcopate I ought to make my personal interest understood and felt. It is my desire that every baptized woman in this Diocese should appreciate that by virtue of her baptism she is a member of the Auxiliary, and that the Church by such a broad conception of this Society has imposed upon every woman an obligation to help by prayer and labor the great cause of missions. I beg those who realize this fact to rise up to it, and I entreat women, as I also entreat the clergy, to make this fact widely and generally known. My friends, I bid you God speed, however, for the reason that I am aware that many of you in other fields have done much to advance the cause of Christ and that you have a loyal purpose to further that cause here in Southern California. I rejoice every day that it has been put into the heart of so many women in this Diocese to consecrate their labor to this end. And my most earnest prayer for you is that the same devout and broad spirit which has characterized your work at its beginning may mark it as long as you are permitted to labor for God.

With every good wish and blessing.

Sincerely yours,

JOSEPH HORSFALL JOHNSON.

Bishop's Office, Los Angeles, July 10, '96.

“Bring them hither to me.”



The Woman's Auxiliary asks the prayers of the Church on the Festival of the Transfiguration of Christ, the Auxiliary's “Altar Day.”

The following may be used by the clergy in this Diocese at the services on the Festival of the Transfiguration.

JOSEPH HORSFALL JOHNSON.

Prayer

FOR THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY IN THE DIOCESE:

O Almighty Father, who didst vouchsafe to Thy chosen ones on the mount the comforting vision of the glory that shall be revealed, to strengthen and cheer them in their Apostolic work, we beseech Thee to be with Thy servants, the members of the Woman's Auxiliary in this Diocese, in all their efforts for the spread of the Kingdom of Thy dear Son. Grant that to many hearts may go the call of opportunity to serve Thee in this work, in the bearing of other's burdens and the fulfillment of the law of Christ. In what they think and do, enable them to hear the voice of Thy Son to guide and strengthen them. And in all the means of grace in Thy Church, and more especially in the Holy Communion at Thy Altars help them to see Him who is invisible, that in their aims, and difficulties, and trials they may have the abiding faith that all things are possible to them that believe. We ask this for the merits of Him who came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, Thy Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

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Primary Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of
Los Angeles.

This day, which will be ever memorable to the church-women of our new Diocese, commenced with the celebration of the Holy Communion in St. Paul's Church, Los Angeles, and with an address by the Bishop.

A large congregation of women and a number of the clergy had assembled to receive the food of life at the hands of our Bishop, and to listen to an address which certainly none who were privileged to hear will be likely ever to forget.

The key-note of the Bishop's address was the thought that Christ is a living Christ, claiming from us as His right a recognition of His sacrifice and a realization of the fact of His indwelling presence among us.

He spoke of the undying lessons of Ascension and Whitsuntide.

" How shall we dare to refuse Him our service ? "

Bishop Johnson was assisted in the celebration by the Rev. J. H. McCracken, of Monrovia.

At eleven o'clock a meeting of the Auxiliary for temporary organization was called. The Bishop was chosen as chairman and Mrs. J. D. H. Browne as secretary of the meeting.

Twenty-six parishes and missions responded to the roll-call, all being fully represented by delegates.

A meeting of the officers was then called. The constitution of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of California was read and temporarily adopted as that of the Los Angeles Branch. Matters preliminary to a business meeting in the afternoon were taken up. Voting by parishes was discussed.

A motion was adopted that members of parishes and missions where as yet no Branch of the Auxiliary exists should be allowed to vote if able to pledge themselves that such branch should be organized before next Advent.

The nomination of officers for the new Branch was discussed and a number of names was submitted to be proposed at the business meeting.

The meeting then adjourned until two o'clock.

After luncheon at the Plaza Vista, to which all the delegates had been invited, the first business meeting of the Los Angeles Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary took place, Bishop Johnson in the chair.

Before prayer Bishop Johnson made a touching reference to the fact of the illness of our beloved former Diocesan Bishop Nichols, and the very serious illness of Bishop Wingfield, inviting all to join with him in the Church's beautiful prayer for the sick.

After prayer business was proceeded with. A telegram was here read from Mrs. A. M. Lawyer, bearing a touching message of loving greeting from the Auxiliary in the North to new Branch. The Secretary was instructed to express the earnest appreciation of the greeting and to respond.

The first business was the reading of the reports for the past year of the undivided Auxiliary. The Treasurer's report was read by Miss Towell; the Secretary's, by Mrs. Spencer of San Gabriel. This admirable report, with its beautiful closing words of farewell, was listened to with deep attention. The report of the Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary was read by Mrs. A. S. Clarke; that of the Babies' Branch by Miss Towell, and the report of the Church Periodical Club by Miss Patton.

The election of officers now took place which resulted as follows:

President..... MRS. R. B. KELOGG

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(Election of the Fourth Vice-President deferred.)

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Correspondent of Church Periodical Club.....	MISS A. WILSON

The Bishop then called on the Rev. A. S. Clark to read the Constitution. It was moved and carried that this Constitution be adopted as that of the Los Angeles Auxiliary.

The motion was adopted that the Bishop appoint a committee on the revision of the constitution. The Bishop then appointed Mrs. Kellogg, Miss Towell, Mrs. Spencer, Mrs. A. G. L. Trew and Mrs. Henderson Judd, as said committee.

Pledges of Branches for Central expenses were then given, and, on motion, the meeting adjourned.

In the evening a Missionary meeting was held in St. Paul's Church. Prayer was read by the Rector, the Lessons by the Rev. Dr. Easter.

Ten-minute addresses were made by Bishop Johnson, Rev. H. A. Brown of San Bernardino, Rev. J. D. H. Browne, Missionary of Covina, and Rev. S. M. Wren, Rector of Pomona.

Earnest, strong, and helpful words were spoken; the Bishop dwelling on the glorious outlook and blessings attaching to Missionary work. Rev. H. A. Brown, taking up the subject of our grave responsibility in training the youth, the future men and women, with whom will rest the destiny of this great republic; the Rev. J. D. H. Brown dwelling particularly on the glorious work of the Auxiliary and its practical dealing with questions of vital interest to the church; and the Rev. Mr. Wren, speaking of the Clergy and Auxiliary as those who are to uphold the Bishop's hands as did Aaron and Hur those of Moses.

The Bishop closed with a beautiful reference to those upstayed hands forming the shadow of the Cross, in which blessed shadow we shall find peace, strength, and joy.

T. M. BROWNE,
Secretary of the Meeting.

To the Women of the Los Angeles Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary:

DEAR FRIENDS:—We are entering upon our new life as a separate Branch—a little twig as yet, but destined, we hope, to grow to a fair flowering and a goodly fruitage.

We have all much to learn; and your board of general officers ask for your earnest co-operation in the work, your patience with their mistakes, and your prayers for their guidance.

We were organized, you know, at Whitsuntide, the time of the beginnings of our Holy Church, and we, too, are bound to obey her "marching order" to go into all the world and make disciples of all nations.

But, while this duty presses upon our hearts, we may also take to ourselves the comfort of the collect for that season, hoping that, in our labors, the light of the Holy Spirit may give us a right judgment in all things.

Let us take then the Whitsunday collect for our prayer and the Whitsunday Gospel for our lesson, since it comes to us in such a special way, and so may we be led to rejoice in his holy comfort.

I desire to call your attention to the mite boxes for the united offering. It will be the first in which the Los Angeles Branch shall have a share to be offered at that great triennial meeting in 1898. Let us begin it now. If you have no United Offering box, send for one to-day and tell some one else about it. It is the little sums we look for, a penny a day, a penny on Sunday if you can do no more, and always a prayer.

Miss Emery calls our attention to the sad deficit in the Missionary treasury this year, threatening a great reduction in the appropriations. We are helpers to the Board of Missions. What can we do to help? Can you make a collection of little sums and send it to me for General Missions? Do not think a little is of no

use, but with the little gifts may there not be one from some woman of a larger sum. Great is the aggregate of small sums.

I know we are poor at home. Our Missions need our aid; our own parishes claim our work; our Bishop needs as large a fund as we can give him. But the Great Commission given by our Lord Himself comes before all, and this we may not leave undone.

Let us, then, prove our loyalty to our new Bishop, whose soul is in the cause of Missions; to the Board of Missions, whose handmaids we are; to the Church in her greatest work and to our Blessed Lord in the zeal with which we enter upon our first year's work.

Faithfully yours,

ELLEN B. KELLOGG, President.

The Altar Guild.

The Altar Guild is designed to unite in a common interest all women having care of altars or working for altars, as embroidery guilds. The payment of our dollar or more annually at the Feast of the Transfiguration makes a society or individual a member of this Guild. This money will be used to erect altars in Mission Churches.

Societies and individuals are asked to give in addition such help as they can by providing chancel furniture and vestments. Report to the Secretary what work your society will give during Advent or Lent, and send name and address of persons who will keep a bit of fine needle work in hand, or of amateur workers in wood or metal who would make an occasional gift.

Report every article of church, chancel or Sunday school furniture no longer in use. Look out for disused family bibles; organs and melodeons no longer used; handsome materials, as silks or laces, which have been laid aside, but would gladly be given for some sacred use.

For gifts to missions, altar linen, surplices, cassocks and hangings will be prepared at cost price, with directions for making.

Apply for estimates to Directress Altar Guild.

I would like to take this opportunity to make a personal appeal to all the Parishes and Missions where an Altar Guild has not already been established.

The object of the Guild has been clearly stated above, and I am sure that those who have the blessed privileges of the Altar will like to feel they are helping, even in a small way, those who are yet deprived of the comfort and help of the Blessed Sacrament.

The payment of one dollar a year will make any society or individual a member of the Guild. If the money can be paid before the Feast of Transfiguration, August 6th, it will greatly oblige

Your Secretary,

ISABEL G. JOHNSON.

The Junior Auxiliary.

To the Officers and Members of the Junior Auxiliary of the Diocese of Los Angeles:

The Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary of the Diocese of Los Angeles calls your attention to the needs of the work for the ensuing year.

With organizations in most of the Parishes and Missions we still should form branches wherever the Church is established. Whatever line of work may be selected or whatever portion of the year may be chosen for its performance it is expected that we should all do something for this great cause by virtue of one membership in the Church of Christ, and our love for the souls whom the Lord has redeemed. Further information for methods of work can be had by applying to

MRS. A. S. CLARK,
Sec'y Junior Auxiliary, 1370 Figueroa street,
Los Angeles, Cal.

The Babies' Branch.

"Jesus Called a Little Child unto Him."

PRAYER.

God bless the Missionaries all over the world and all the Little Helpers.

The Babies' Branch is intended to introduce children into their missionary responsibilities at baptism; but any baptized child under seven years may become a member.

Officers of the Auxiliary, or, where there is no branch, the clergy, are asked to appoint in every town a competent correspondent who will constantly seek for members.

The child joins the society by giving five cents to the next United Offering of the Woman's Auxiliary.

The correspondent is to send these *five cents to the Secretary*, stating the full baptismal name and the surname and the age of the applicant, when she will receive a book and a box. The book certifies to the child's membership and to the fact that it has given its first five cents to missions. On every Sunday the child is to put one cent in the box and to say and/or hear said the prayer and text.

Many boxes are taken in memory of dear babies now in Paradise.

At Easter the *money is to be taken from the box* and sent *with the book* to the Secretary, who will credit the amount and indicate how it has been divided among the diocesan, domestic and foreign fields.

Four principles are thus enforced: That every child is by baptism a member of the missionary society—the church; that on the first day of the week it should lay apart for the Lord; that prayer for missions is its constant duty; that the field is the world.

It is hoped that all who take boxes and books will realize how important it is to take the best care of them, and also train the "Little Helpers" to systematic giving and praying, so that in the future they may become earnest and faithful workers for Christ.

ADDIE T. FRIESNER,
Secretary.

Address, Mrs. Wm. M. Friesner,
2217 Figueroa street, Los Angeles, Cal.

Mission Class Work.

The missionary impulse being the very essence of Christianity, it follows that every true soldier of Christ desires to do something towards spreading the Gospel, either in person or by a substitute.

Whenever a lack of zeal is observed it may more often be traced to carelessness in obtaining such information as will arouse interest, than to the sin of praying only with the lips, "Thy Kingdom come."

The scheme planned by the secretary of this department is one which is being successfully carried out by two classes at present, and to which the Bishop has given his approval, saying that he wishes there were several such classes in this diocese. It may be studied in parts wherever books for the whole are unattainable.

The Secretary will help all who will correspond with her.

Address DR. ANITA E. TYNG,
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The Church Periodical Club.

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Counsels to Parochial Officers.

Impress upon the women of your parish that they are, by virtue of their baptism, members of the Auxiliary. Urge them to recognize this claim by working along the appointed lines and by giving such yearly dues as your parish branch may settle upon, varying from one to three dollars per year.

Every Branch is expected to give to one General United Fund and one Diocesan United Fund as its first obligation.

Then make your pledge to central expenses and report to Diocesan Treasurer.

After this develop any general or diocesan work that has the approval of your rector.

This Branch has selected as its General United Fund, until October, 1898—the United Offering to be made by all Branches of the Auxiliary at the next Triennial Meeting for the training and support of women workers in the mission field. This is to be gathered by mite boxes. Send for them and for the leaflets to the Treasurer of the Diocesan Branch.

The Diocesan United Fund or Bishop's Auxiliary Fund is applied to work in the Diocese at the discretion of the Bishop. It may be raised conveniently by the envelope system and packets marked "Auxiliary Fund" will be furnished. They may be put in the alms basins and thus easily collected. In time they will furnish a regular income. Send quarterly to Mrs. Bugbee, Treasurer.

Begin every meeting with prayer.

Take the Pacific Churchman and read to your Branch the department on Woman's Work. Keep ready for reference a Church Almanac with clergy list, the last report of your Diocesan Branch, Miss Emery's last report, and the Spirit of Missions; and keep in supply copies of the Auxiliary prayers, leaflets from the Church Missions House, mite chests for the United Offering, Auxiliary Fund envelopes and blanks for box lists.

When a project is laid before your Branch do not fail to report its action, after due deliberation.

When you begin a box, advise recipient and the diocesan secretary. When you ship it, advise again, giving date and mode of shipment.

Send boxes to clergy and institutions direct; mixed boxes to the diocesan secretary after advising with her on the subject; pinning on every new article its valuation.

Good clothing that is outgrown or no longer needed, and good misfit shoes may be sent to the diocesan officers; but no second hand clothing that is soiled or torn. If you cannot secure free shipment always prepay charges and state this in your notification. Remit money by express, postoffice orders, or bank drafts.

Report at once changes of address or temporary absence.

Fear not; trust and pray.

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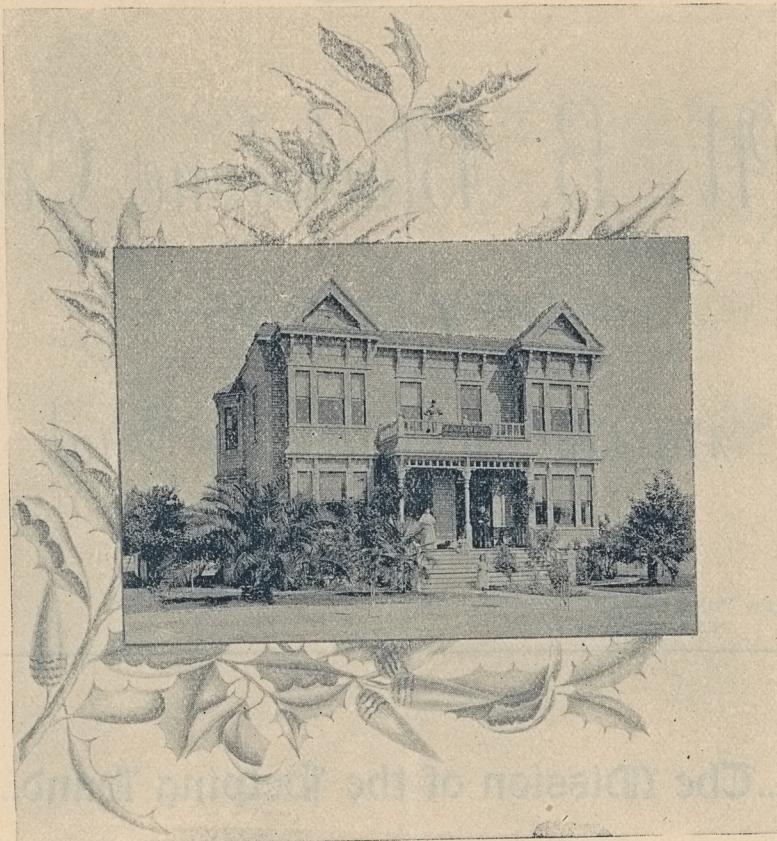
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