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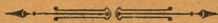
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Board of Missions,

From EASTER, 1896, to EASTER, 1897.



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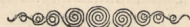
TENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Louisiana Branch, Woman's Auxiliary.

TO THE

BOARD OF MISSIONS.



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Alexandria, St. James' Church.....	Mrs. H. C. Duncan
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Laurel Hill, St. John's.....	Mrs. S. Allaine
Lake Providence, Grace Church.....	Mrs. C. D. Mack
Mansfield, Christ Memorial.....	Mrs. Claude Pegues
Napoleonville, Christ Church.....	Mrs. John B. Foley
New Iberia, Epiphany.....	Mrs. Geo. M. Robertson
New Orleans—	
Annunciation.....	Mrs. H. D. Forsyth
Christ Church.....	Mrs. M. Gillis
Grace Church.....	Mrs. Walter H. Rogers
St. Anna's Church.....	Mrs. J. P. Hornor
St. George's Church.....	Mrs. Geo. Peete
St. Luke's Church.....	Miss E. Farrow
St. Paul's Church.....	Miss Greenwood
Trinity Church.....	Mrs. Edward Watson
Plaquemine, Holy Communion.....	Mrs. C. B. LeBlanc
Shreveport, St. Mark's Church.....	Mrs. W. D. Scofield
St. Francisville, Grace Church.....	Mrs. L. B. Johnson
Thibodaux, St. John's Church.....	Mrs. James Philson
Williamsport, St. Stephen's Church.....	Mrs. Pratt

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Dear Friends and Co-Workers.—As the Louisiana branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was organized in November, 1886, this is the tenth yearly report which is laid before you. In that time we have cheered many self-sacrificing servants of God by the timely arrival of the promised Christmas boxes, which have been such a comfort and help to them. We have been a help to the bishop in what has been done for diocesan missions. We have assisted in general and foreign missions. But we have not done the half of what would have been accomplished had the zeal of the first years been maintained by systematic giving, which is the case in most of the other branches of the Woman's Auxiliary. We are falling off instead of enlarging our work. Why is that the case? The home-coming of our own missionary, Miss Suthon, who has done a grand work under the guidance of God, should certainly encourage us to go on more heartily than when the work was undertaken ten years ago. Your bishop needs your earnest support for diocesan missions. Should we not double our efforts to sustain our missionary, Miss Suthon, now on her way back to the field of labor in Japan? Our colored children and red brothers we have no right to neglect, or to forget. And what are we doing for the united offering to be made next year?

Dear Christian women, all of you who believe in God's blessed book as being the inspired word of God, and believe that through Adam we fell and that God so loved His creatures that He sent His Son to suffer and die that through His precious blood shed for us we might be redeemed, and believe that Christ rose from the dead for our justification, should we not manifest our faith and love by obeying to the uttermost his wishes? "If ye love me, keep my commandments," and that command: "Go ye, therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." Can we, dare we, ignore that command laid upon his followers with his parting blessing?

There is a power in small sums given systematically. Will you not each one who claims the name of Christian, do what you can, with a willing mind, and if you can do no more, pray daily for the cause of missions?

IDA A. RICHARDSON.

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The annual meeting of the Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held on Thursday, April 16, 1896, in Christ Church Chapel at 11 o'clock. The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Rev. J. Moore, of St. George's Church. Immediately afterwards Mrs. T. G. Richardson, president of the Auxiliary in Louisiana, called the meeting to order. The business began by calling the roll of delegates and officers. Delegates from the following parishes responded: Grace, St. Francisville (Bayou Sara); St. Stephen's, Williamsport; St. John's, Thibodeaux; Christ Church, Bastrop; Grace Memorial, Hammond; Annunciation, New Orleans; Christ Church, New Orleans; Grace, New Orleans; St. Paul's, New Orleans; Trinity; New Orleans.

The Recording Secretary, Mrs. F. N. Ogden, being absent from the city, the Corresponding Secretary read the minutes of the last annual meeting which were approved and accepted. The Treasurer's report then followed.

The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Coyle, read her report and commented upon the falling off in the Treasurer's report during the past year, and hoped for better results in the future.

Reports from the Junior Branches being called for the Secretary read both secretary's and treasurer's reports.

The President then read her report, calling attention particularly to the woman's united offering to be offered at the next general convention in 1898, and hoping that Louisiana would show more interest in this work than at the last convention, when her offerings were not as large as could have been expected. The President also commented upon the deaconess fund which is now no longer needed, as the Diocese has undertaken the work of training deaconesses.

Miss Suthon, our missionary to Japan, was then asked to give an address, which was listened to with great interest by the large number present. At the conclusion of the address a vote of thanks was tendered her by Mrs. Ferguson and unanimously seconded.

Mrs. Richardson, President, then took up the question of what should be done with the money contributed to the deaconess fund. After some discussion it was decided that it should be given to Miss Suthon for one of three specific purposes, viz: "Reading Room," "Children's School," or "Sunday School" in Amoari, Japan, to be known as the Ann Lobdell Memorial.

Mrs. J. L. Harris urged that Miss Suthon be helped in her work in Japan by the gift of a Stereopticon.

Mrs. Coyle made a motion that the semi-annual meeting be held somewhere in the diocese outside of New Orleans.

Mrs. Harris suggested that Miss Suthon make a tour through the State at the expense of the Auxiliary. The matter was referred by the Board to the Bishop with power to act.

The President then urged every communicant to pledge herself to give at least \$1.20 a year to diocesan missions, and called attention to the envelopes provided by the Auxiliary for that purpose.

After the re-election of the board of officers the meeting adjourned to the Diocesan House, where a delightful luncheon awaited them.

The semi-annual meeting of the Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held in St. James church, Baton Rouge, Nov. 29, 1896, at the request of the Rt. Rev. Bishop Sessums. A most cordial invitation was extended the ladies by the Rev. J. J. Cornish, rector of St. James' church.

Mrs. T. G. Richardson, president, in the chair; officers present, Mrs. Coyle and Miss Rountree; Mrs. J. H. Oglesby acted as secretary. Delegates present: Mrs. W. T. Cluverius, Miss E. Greenwood, Miss Pritchard. Mrs. H. A. Starkey. After roll call the Recording Secretary's report was read and accepted.

Delegates from the following churches responded: Grace, St. Francisville; Grace Memorial, Hammond; St. Stephen's, Williamsport; St. John's, Thibodeaux; Christ Church, Bastrop; Annunciation, New Orleans; Christ Church, New Orleans; St. Paul's, New Orleans; Trinity, New Orleans; Epiphany, New Iberia.

Treasurer's report read and accepted.

Reports of various committees were accepted.

Special attention was called to the woman's united offering to be presented at the general convention in 1898.

Miss Suthon, our missionary to Japan, addressed the meeting, eliciting deep interest in her work and welfare and admiration of her earnest zeal and great courage.

Mrs. Richardson's address was earnest and made those present feel that they would make every effort to carry out the plan for organizing a branch of the Auxiliary in their parish.

Mrs. Wm. Garig was elected President of the Senior Branch, Mrs. Cornish, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Julia Edwards, Treasurer; and Miss F. May, President Junior Branch; Miss Annie Gavin, Treasurer.

The weather was cold and unpropitious, detaining many from attendance, but the delegation feel that much was accomplished and in time may grow to a strong addition to the work.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. ROBERTSON,

Recording Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

To cash on hand last annual report.....	\$115 98
To cash from membership dues, 25 cents	141 30
To cash from donations—	
Mrs. J. P. Hornor, St. Anna's Church	5 00
To assist in building church at Bastrop	5 00
Collection at annual meeting	10 70
Contributions from sundry churches for C. M. Pritchard Memorial.....	272 25
To cash for Diocesan Missions	372 90
“ from Mite boxes, General Missions.....	39 41
Cash in hand Ann Lobdell Memorial Fund.....	219 25

\$1181 79

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Geo. Bliss, treasurer, New York, C. M. Pritchard Memorial, for Miss Suthon's salary—Missionary to Japan	\$272 25
For Diocesan Missions, to Rev. U. B. Bowden, Treas.	372 90
To Geo. Bliss, treasurer, New York, for General Missions	39 41
To Geo. F. Wharton for printing	40 00
Mission Church, Cashier Valley, N. C.	10 00
Postage on reports received	34
For Church at Bastrop	5 00

\$739 90

To Miss Suthon to establish a reading room in connection with her work in Japan, as a Memorial to Mrs. Ann Lobdell	219 25
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\$959 15

Received

\$1181 79

Disbursed

959 15

\$222 64

Received for United Offering \$26.82.

M. E. ROUNTREE,

March 31st, 1897.

Treasurer.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY FROM EASTER, 1896, TO EASTER, 1897.

Two new branches have been formed this year; one in St. Matthew's Church, Houma, and one in Grace Church, Lake Providence.

REPORT OF WORK DONE IN PARISH BRANCHES

Alexandria, St. James's Church.

Diocesan Missionary	\$22 70
Expenses	1 05—\$23 75

Baton Rouge, St. James' Church.

(No Report.)

Donaldsonville, Ascension.

1 Box Diocesan	35 00— 35 00
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Franklin, St. Mary's Church.

(No Report.)

Hammond Grace Memorial.

Diocesan Missions	4 00
Foreign—Armenia	4 00
Membership dues	2 75— 10 75

Lake Providence, Grace Church.

Membership dues	1 50— 1 50
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Laurel Hill, St. John's Church.

Domestic Missionary	9 30
Membership dues	1 75

11 05

1 package Children's Home N. O.....	3 00— 14 05
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Mansfield, Christ Church.

(No Report.)

Napoleonville, Christ Church.

1 box domestic Missionary	21 45— 21 45
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New Iberia, Epiphany.

Diocesan Missions	5 00
Membership dues	5 00— 10 00

NEW ORLEANS.

Church of the Annunciation.

3 boxes Domestic Missionaries	92	52
Foreign Missions C. M. Pritchard Memorial	18	70
Diocesan Kindergarten	120	00
Woman's United Offering	1	52
Membership dues	7	25
General Missions	1	50—341 49

Christ Church Cathedral.

Diocesan Missions	245	20
Foreign Missions C. M. Pritchard Memorial	117	20
General Missions, contents of mite boxes	32	91
Colored Missions, St. Luke's Church	12	00
Diocesan Kindergarten	115	50
Membership dues	14	75
Contents United Offering box	25	30
Special Donation, Miss Suthon	50	00
	612	86

Boxes sent—

1 Domestic (with freight)	172	10
4 Indian "	101	48—886 44

Grace Church.

Membership dues	4	25
Foreign Missions C. M. Pritchard Memorial	2	50
	6	75
1 box Domestic	50	00— 56 75

St. Anna's Church.

Membership dues	1	00
Donation Mrs. J. P. Hornor	5	00
Foreign Missions C. M. Pritchard Memorial	5	00
Special Donation Miss Suthon	15	00— 26 00

St. George's Church.

Membership dues	5	75— 5 75
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St. Luke's Church.

1 box Domestic	35	00
Membership dues	4	00
	39	00
General Missions, contents of mite Box	5	00— 44 00

St. Paul's Church.

Diocesan Missions to Rev. H. H. Waters	60 00	
Diocesan " " Treasurer	2 70	
Diocesan Kindergarten	120 00	
Curate's Salary	120 00	
Foreign Missions C. M. Pritchard Memorial	44 20	
Membership dues	23 50	
Reading Room for Boys	15 00	
Sewing School	5 00	
Diocesan Clergymen	20 00	
	10 40	
1 box Domestic	70 00	—480 40

Trinity Church.

Foreign Missions C. M. Pritchard Memorial	64 60	
Diocesan " Trinity Chapel	120 00	
Building Fund, Bastrop, La	5 00	
" " near Jetties	1 00	
Envelopes	35	
St. John's Church repairs	1 00	
Membership dues	48 75	
Commission for Collecting	1 65	
Books for Society	1 00	
Board of Missions deficiency	3 45	
Kingsley House	69 00	
	315 80	
Boxes sent—		
2 Domestic	89 20	
5 Diocesan	141 05	—546 05

Shreveport, St. Mark's Church.

Membership dues	3 00	— 3 00
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St. Francisville, Grace Church.

Membership dues	8 25	
2 boxes Children's Home, N. O.	18 50	— 26 75

Thibodaux, St. John's Church.

Membership dues	2 00	
Foreign Missions C. M. Pritchard Memorial	5 25	— 7 25

Tunica, St. Stephen's Church.

Foreign Missions C. M. Pritchard Memorial	1 20	— 1 20
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Williamsport, St. Stephen's Church.

Membership dues	8 35
Foreign Missions C. M. Pritchard Memorial 10 00	
Boise City	3 25— 21 60

Total in Cash.....\$1633 88

Total in Boxes..... 829 30

Total from Auxiliary\$2463 18

JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

In submitting our seventh annual report we are most grateful for the work accomplished. Much is due to those in charge of the various Branches; they have worked hard and under great difficulties.

The Christmas boxes were prepared and sent from Christ Church, St. Paul's Church and St. George's Church. The united Easter box was packed in Grace Church and sent to Fort Bennett, South Dakota.

The children's offering in money is for Miss Suthon's work in Japan. While here she gave many interesting accounts of that "far off country," and took with her a number of prettily dressed dolls from our Auxiliary to the Japanese children. With the offering to be sent she will purchase a portable organ.

It gave me great pleasure to accompany the officers and delegates of the Woman's Auxiliary to Baton Rouge and there to be able to establish a Junior Auxiliary, which is preparing a box for South Dakota. We welcome this parish branch in St. James Church, Baton Rouge, also one formed in St. James Church, Alexandria.

It grieves us very much when any branch once formed leaves our band of workers; we hope for their speedy return and help in all we have to do in the children's missionary field.

CORA R. PRITCHARD,
President.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

1896, 1897.

Last year's annual report closed with reference to the Easter work then nearing completion. A call for assistance from the Rev. Mr. Carson in his efforts to erect a church at Grand Prairie, appealed largely to the sympathies of the members of the Junior Auxiliary, and it was decided at one of the meetings previous to Easter that instead of an united Easter box money should be raised by the various Branches for this work.

Every effort to raise as large a sum as possible was made, and resulted in the Junior Auxiliary giving to Mr. Carson the sum of \$165.69.

At the April meeting we rejoiced in the fact of Junior Auxiliary Branches having been formed in Donaldsonville and Melville; and at the May meeting news was received of branches organized in Napoleonville and Hammond. The children's annual meeting was held in Christ Church, on Sunday, April 19th, and was the most successful we have ever had both in attendance and in enthusiasm.

The annual election of officers resulted in the unanimous re-election of those who had served the previous year; this was the last important event before the summer's adjournment.

The November meeting was devoted to the discussion of the Christmas work, which resulted in boxes sent by Christ Church, St. Paul's and St. George's.

Our President gave an interesting description of her trip to Baton Rouge with the Woman's Auxiliary, and owing to her efforts a Junior Auxiliary Branch was formed there.

After many disappointments and much discouragement the semi-annual meeting was held at the Church of of the Annunciation on Sunday, January 31.

Miss Suthon gave her last address to the Juniors before leaving for her work in Japan.

Discussion about the united Easter box was begun as early as the December meeting and rapidly nears completion.

The record of this year's work looks more encouraging than the six that have passed. We rejoice in the addition of five new Branches in the Diocese. Our meetings have been well attended, and the spirit of missionary work is widening and extending through the many parishes.

Respectfully submitted,

JOSEPHINE HONOR,

Recording Secretary.

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

FROM EASTER, 1896, TO EASTER, 1897.

1896—

RECEIPTS.

Membership dues, Christ Church, Napoleonville	\$ 2 00	
Special to Grand Prairie	50	
Collection at annual meeting	9 54—	\$12 04
1897 membership dues—		
The Misses Rogers, for 1896 and 1897	1 00	
Miss Beld n	25	
Miss Turck	25	
Christ Church Cathedral branch	7 35	
St. Anna's "	75	
Grace Church, N. O. "	4 50	
St. Paul's "	8 00	
Annunciation "	1 00	
St. Luke's "	1 25	
Grace Church, Hammond "	50	
St. George's "	1 70	
Total membership dues		26 55
Special donations	1 00	
Collection semi-annual meeting	5 00	
Donation from Trinity Sunday School	25 00	
Special donation	1 00—	32 00
Total receipts		\$70 59

1896—

EXPENDITURES.

To Rev. Mr. Carson for Grand Prairie	\$12 04	
" Diocesan Missions	25	
" Miss Suthon for her work in Japan	58 00	
Total expenditures		\$70 29
Balance		30

CARO B. GIRAULT,

Treasurer.

New Orleans, April 1897.

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOXES SENT

FROM EASTER, 1896, TO EASTER, 1897.

Alexandria—	
Sister Flora, St. Mary's, Sewanee, Tenn.....	\$ 12 30
Hammond—	
To Armenian Sufferers	2 00
Napoleonville—	
To Missionary's child, Texas	21 45

NEW ORLEANS.

Christ Church—	
Christmas, to Indian School, S. Da.	50 00
St. George's—	
Christmas, to Indian School, S. Da.	7 50
Grace Church—	
Doll to Miss Suthon.....	2 25
St. Paul's—	
To Mission in North Carolina	\$32 32
To Platte Mission Church, British Colum- bia	5 00
To Miss Suthon, Japan.....	20 00
1 doll to Miss Suthon.....	2 00—59 32
Trinity Chapel—	
To Indian Hospital, Oklahoma.....	5 00
	<u>\$157 82</u>

BRANCH OF JUNIOR AUXILIARY AT CHRIST CHURCH, NA-
POLEONVILLE—ORGANIZED, 1896.

1. Bowden, Henrietta, Miss.	11. Foley, Arthur Moring, Master.
2. Bowden, Ethel, “	12. Hobson, Nannie, P. Miss.
3. Bowden, John D. Master.	13. Guion, Susie, “
4. Bowden, Upton, “	14. Guion, Walter, Master.
5. Dyer, Edith, Miss.	15. Munson, Olivia, Miss.
6. Dyer, Edna, “	16. Munson, Lilian, “
7. Dyer, Jessie, “	17. Munson, Myrtle, “
8. Dyer, Elvina, “	18. Munson, Willie, Master.
9. Dyer, Nellie, “	19. Pugh, Mary F., Miss.
10. Foley, Evelyn, “	20. Pugh, Agnes A., “

MEMBERS OF BRANCH AT GRACE CHURCH, HAMMOND—OR-
GANIZED 1897.

1. Cate, Chas. Edw., Master.	4. Paul, Lawrence. Master.
2. Durkee, Agnes F., Miss.	5. Starkey, Frank, “
3. Lauson, Alden M., “	6. Smith, Hattie, Miss.

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

The name of this society shall be the "Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions."

ARTICLE II.

The object of the society shall be, by means of union and systematic efforts to diffuse Missionary intelligence, to increase Missionary activity among women of the Diocese, to unite previously existing societies and to encourage the formation of societies where there are none.

ARTICLE III.

All baptized women belonging to the Diocese, who desire to be members of the society, shall be so regarded upon the payment of 25 cents per annum.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this society, shall be a President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, and a Board of Managers.

ARTICLE V.

The President shall call meetings together and preside over them.

ARTICLE VI.

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

ARTICLE VII.

The duty of the Corresponding Secretary shall be to prepare an annual report for circulation in the Diocese, and to conduct the correspondence of the Association, especially that with the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary and with the Parochial Branches, and to keep a fair record of all Missionary box reports.

ARTICLE VIII.

The duty of the Recording Secretary shall be to give notice of the meetings and keep a record of all such meetings.

ARTICLE IX.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and keep account of all monies contributed for the work of the Association, to pay all drafts upon the funds, and to prepare a report for each general meeting.

ARTICLE X.

The duty of the Managers shall be to increase, especially in their own localities, a Missionary spirit, by arousing the societies to greater efforts in working for Missionaries, in raising money for the cause, and by diffusing intelligence concerning the past and present Missionary work of the Church. They shall attend all meetings of their parochial societies and keep a record of all Missionary work done at said meetings; they shall send a monthly report to the Board and a summary of these shall constitute the yearly report.

ARTICLE XI.

All societies who desire it shall be considered affiliated Branches of this Auxilliary, and will send their report of money collected and work done to the Corresponding Secretary. Also delegates from all such societies will be expected at the general meetings.

ARTICLE XII.

There shall be at least two general meetings of the society in each year, at such place and time as shall be designated by the President and Board of Managers.

ARTICLE XIII.

Special meetings may be called by the President at the request of three of the officers or managers.

ARTICLE XIV.

The Board of Managers shall consist of one member from each Parochial Missionary Society in connection with this Branch of the Auxiliary.

The President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Corresponding and Recording Secretaries shall be ex-officio members of the Board of Managers. Five shall constitute a quorum for business.

