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—TO THE—

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PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Dear Friends and Co-Workers:—It is with great pleasure we greet all who are present and with us to-day, at this the Eleventh Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions. We need your presence and sympathy to cheer us on and to sustain us in our work as officers.

You will miss the animated presence of Mrs. W. G. Coyle, our Corresponding Secretary; it is with sincere regret on her part, as well as ours, that illness prevents her presence, and has caused her resignation. Her devotion and earnestness to the work, you all know, but the faithful manner in which she has always discharged it, her clear head and wise judgment keeping me up to my duties, none but myself know. We have great cause for thankfulness that she is still with us, in heart and spirit, and that we can always go to her for counsel and advice.

It is with no little concern that I have to report great falling off in apparent interest and in the contributions. So many Parishes have ignored the letters written to them, so that from them, there are neither reports nor contributions. None of the City Churches have done as well as formerly! Dear Christian women, why is such the case? When it is known that but little over a quarter of the world has come to the knowledge of the Light of the Gospel of Christ, and nearly three-fourths of the globe is in the darkness of Buddhism, Brahmanism, Paganism and Mohammedanism should not all Christians help the cause of Missions by their sympathy and with their means, to the best of their ability? And is it not the duty of every Christian to help to christianize the ignorant at our doors, to respond to the Bishop's appeal in behalf of Diocesan Missions? And to the colored Missions throughout the South, as well as to send the Gospel to the Indians, and if you can do nothing else, will you not at least, pray for the success of all missions and Missionaries?

In the January number of the "Spirit of Missions", you will find the following statement, which should make us women of Louisiana think earnestly, and then act,—Bishop Hare has sent lately to the clergy and congregations of South Dakota a circular letter regarding the contributions of his Missionary district to the General Missions of the Church which makes an extraordinary showing. We

give the letter in full, as it deserves. The Bishop says—“The tabulated statement lately sent out by the Board of Managers shows that in only six dioceses have as many as 100 congregations contributed to the treasury of the Board—a painful fact. A gratifying fact, however, is this, that struggling South Dakota is among the noble six. The amount of our offerings has not been great, for many of our congregations are in numbers and in means very feeble, but in number of contributions—South Dakota has taken her place alongside the great Dioceses, as Albany, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York and Pennsylvania.—The secret of our remarkable record is this, that the clergy have been faithful in their duty as laid upon them in the law of the church, which reads—‘The ministers of this Church shall diligently instruct all in their Cures concerning the Missionary work of the Church at home and abroad, and offer suitable opportunities for contributions from time to time for the maintenance of that work.’ God bless the people who have responded to the appeal of the clergy and give us grace still to press on the work of His Dear Son.”

Where does Louisiana stand in that tabulated statement of the Board of Missions? And where will the Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary stand when the united offerings will be presented at the great gathering in Washington next October? Now is the time for opening the Mite Boxes, but so far we have heard nothing from them. Will you send your delegates to Washington empty-handed? The time of meeting is not far off, much can be accomplished by the 1st of September. The *will* only is needed on the part of our Church women, and the deed will be accomplished. Let us ask ourselves, are we as Christian women, honestly embracing this opportunity of doing our share in spreading the Gospel and obeying the commands of our Lord and Master?

May God help us each one to do our duty as in His sight.

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 Thursday, April 29th, 1897, at 11 o'clock, in Christ Church Chapel. The Holy Communion was celebrated by Rev. Jos. N. Spearing of Lake Charles, La., assisted by Rev. J. Moore of Mt. Olivet, Algiers, La. Immediately after service Mrs. Richardson, President, called the meeting to order and opened it with special and appropriate prayers. Roll call and the following responded: Mrs. W. G. Coyle, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. T. G. Richardson, President; Miss M. E. Rountree, Treasurer; Mrs. J. P. Hornor, Vice President; Delegates: Christ Church, New Orleans; Trinity Church, New Orleans; St. Paul's Church, New Orleans; St. Anna's Church, New Orleans; St. Luke's Church, New Orleans; Annunciation Church, New Orleans; Mt. Olivet, Algiers, La.; St. John's, Thibodeaux, La.; St. Matthew's, St. Francisville, La.; Grace Church, Lake Providence; Grace Church, St. Francisville.

The attendance was not as large as was hoped and a most noticeable and much regretted absence of delegates from the country parishes. This was undoubtedly owing to the distressing condition of many places from overflow and others fearful of disaster from the continued threatening high water. Minutes of last Annual and Semi-Annual meetings read and accepted. Mrs. Coyle, Corresponding Secretary, read a full and complete report of boxes sent and total amount of money received and disbursed—

Total in cash	\$1,633 88
Boxes	829 30
	————— \$2,463 18

Treasurer's Report also read—

Total receipts	\$1,181 79
Disbursed	959 15
Balance	\$ 222 64

Mrs. Richardson read a communication from Mr. Kramer of New Iberia, La., inviting the Woman's Auxiliary to hold its next Semi-Annual Meeting in New Iberia. It was put to a vote and carried. A motion was made, seconded and carried "That the amount of \$200 00 Deaconess Fund, over and above expenses, be given to the support of Miss Suthon."

The following resolution was offered by Rev. Mr. Duncan, Registrar, and accepted—*Resolved*, "That the Woman's Auxiliary and Junior Auxiliary be requested to instruct their Treasurers, annually on Monday in Easter week to report to the several rectors of parishes the amount contributed in the way of dues or donations, other than through the Parochial Branches, by the parishioners of said Rectors."

Reports of the Junior Auxiliary were read by Mrs. Wharton and Miss Rogers which were not only interesting, but most satisfactory and encouraging. Mrs. Richardson then read her 10th Annual Address which laid before us plain our work of the past and urged us to greater and more earnest efforts in the future; Saying, that while we had cheered many anxious self-sacrificing servants of God by the timely arrival of the promised Christmas and Easter boxes, had helped our Bishop in Diocesan Missions and also assisted in General and Foreign Missions, we had not manifested the zeal of the first years' of the organization; that there had been a falling off

instead of an enlargement of our work. Then calling our attention to the great need in our own diocese, our missionary in Japan, our colored and red brethren and the united offering, appealed to us as Christian women to go on more heartily and more earnestly in the work that Christ's love may be known and his kingdom spread.

The election of officers being next in order, the Board was unanimously re-elected.

Mrs. Ida A. Richardson, President.

Mrs. J. P. Hornor, Vice President.

Mrs. W. G. Coyle, Corresponding Secretary.

Miss M. E. Rountree, Treasurer.

Mrs. R. L. Robertson, Recording Secretary.

Bishop Sessums entering just at this time, Mrs. Richardson requested that he would address the meeting. He congratulated the Board upon its re-election, spoke encouragingly of the work accomplished and of holding the semi-annual meetings in the country parishes, suggesting Lake Charles, where there was life in the church, and the environments and conditions responsive to the work. He also stated that quite a number of the young clergy of the Diocese had expressed their desire and intention of remaining in the Diocese to work, which he considered was a hopeful sign in the development of the church. There was, indeed, all around us a deeper interest in church life and church work. But that which he most desired to lay before the women of the Church was that the best way and the only real permanent one to contribute to the growth of the Church is to educate their sons in the Church and for the Church, to bring them up in a religious atmosphere at home and under such influences as would naturally result in their entering upon and following the work of the Master. The meeting then adjourned to the Diocesan House, where lunch awaited them.

The semi-annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held at Christ Church Chapel on St. Andrew's Day, Tuesday, November 30th, 1897, at 11 o'clock. The services of the Church, with Holy Communion, were conducted by Revs. F. Coyle and E. A. Neville, the latter preaching an eloquent and appropriate missionary sermon. He, himself, being a missioner in the Diocese, the subject was naturally one near and dear to his heart, and he was also personally familiar with the missionary work of the diocese and its needs, was more fully able to bring closely to our minds and hearts the urgency of sending more ministers into the country and supplying means to support them. Immediately after the sermon the business meeting was called to order. Mrs. Richardson, president, in the chair. Roll call showed the following to be present: Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. J. P. Hornor, Mrs. W. G. Coyle, Miss Rountree. Delegates from St. Paul's, St. Anna's, St. George's, Christ Church and Annunciation. Mrs. About, of St. Francisville, the only delegate from the country. Minutes of the last semi-annual meeting read and accepted. Mrs. Coyle, Corresponding Secretary, presented her report, explaining that all returns were more or less imperfect owing to the absence of so many from the city and not having been able to obtain reports from all the parishes. She read a communication from Mrs. Hampden, of Cashier Valley, returning thanks for the annual donation of \$10.00 from the Louisiana branch of Woman's Auxiliary. She regretted having no letter to read from Miss Suthon in Japan. No report from the Junior Auxiliary. Miss Pritchard explained that they never made a semi-annual report, but stated to the meeting that the juniors were preparing a Christmas box for the miners at New Iberia. Mrs. Coyle then addressed the meeting on the subject of the United Offering Boxes, saying that they must be opened twice a year in order to accumulate the interest.

Mrs. Richardson then spoke of the Christmas boxes, saying that the people outside of New Orleans were so panic stricken about the yellow fever germs that no one would like to receive boxes from New Orleans and suggested that we endeavor to collect as much money as possible and appropriate it to Diocesan Missions instead of sending boxes as usual. Mrs. Richardson then read her address, which was earnest and touching. On motion a rising vote was tendered Miss Points for her interest in our work and her excellent and faithful reports of our meetings. A vote of thanks was also tendered Mr. E. A. Neville for his most admirable address, it being considered by all present to be the best and most appropriate we have ever had at any of our meetings. The amount collected at the meeting was \$19.40. An invitation was extended to all members of the Auxiliary to attend the regular meetings, become acquainted with the work and its needs and thereby awakening deeper interest and inciting all to greater deeds and more extended work.

At the request of Rev. E. A. Neville, the Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, visited and held a meeting at Hammond, La., Wednesday, March 9th, 1898, at 3 p. m. in Grace Memorial Church. Officers present: Mrs. Ida Richardson, Miss M. E. Rountree and Mrs. R. L. Robertson; Mrs. M. Fischer of New Orleans. Members of the Hammond Branch of Woman's Auxiliary, present, were Mrs. N. A. Mooney, President; Mrs. N. R. Smith, Vice-President; Mrs. T. W. Cate, Treasurer and Mrs. F. G. Stewart, Secretary. The attendance was very good. The Daughters of the King and Delegates from Amite and Ponchatoula were present, and also representatives from the Methodist, Baptist and Congregational Churches. Mr. Neville made a most excellent and hearty address, welcoming the Auxiliary and those of the other denominations. Mrs. Richardson then addressed the meeting and explained the work of the Woman's Auxiliary, the United Offering, the sending of boxes, the support of Miss Suthon and other missionaries. She urged that they adopt the envelope system and take hold of some definite line of work.

I think a much deeper interest was awakened among those present and good work will result from our meeting, and coming in contact with these earnest christian women. Altogether our visit was most delightful and encouraging. We were most cordially welcomed by the ladies of the Parish and royally entertained throughout the day—winding up with a drive into the country and a handsome afternoon tea at the hotel—returning home on the 6:30 train much strengthened and refreshed by our day's work.

Respectfully submitted,

C. C. ROBERTSON,

Recording Secretary.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

To cash on hand last annual report	\$ 222 64
" from membership dues, 25 cents	130 25
" for Domestic Missions	1 00
" for Diocesan Missions	364 01
From Mite boxes	33 57
Contributions from sundry churches for C. M. Pritchard Memorial	265 55
To Bishop Penick for colored missions	75
For Langford fund	1 75
Collection at annual and semi-annual meetings	34 65
	\$1,054 17

DISBURSEMENTS.

To Geo. C. Thomas, treasurer, N. Y.—	
For domestic missions	\$ 1 00
For general missions	33 57
For C. M. Pritchard Memorial, for Miss Suthon's salary, missionary to Japan	465 55
For Bishop Penick for colored missions	75
For Langford fund	1 75
To Rev. U. B. Bowden, diocesan treasurer, for Diocesan missions	364 01
To Mission church, Cashier Valley, N. C.	10 00
For printing reports, &c	39 50
Postage on reports received, money orders, &c	53— 916 66
Balance	\$ 137 51

Received for United Offering, \$59 67.

M. E. ROUNTREE,
Treasurer.

March 31st, 1898.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY
FROM EASTER, 1897, TO EASTER, 1898.

WORK DONE IN PARISH BRANCHES

Alexandria, St. James Church.

Diocesan Missionary	\$ 26 00
Expenses	1 71— \$ 27 71
<i>(a desk & lounge for Rev Mr Matthews Crowley.)</i>	
Dues	1 00
Foreign Missions, C. M. Pritchard Memorial	1 00
Domestic Missions	1 00— 3 00

Franklin, St. Mary's Church.

Membership dues	4 00— 4 00
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Hammond, Grace Memorial Church.

To widows and orphans of clergy	10 00
" waifs home	3 00
" yellow fever sufferers	2 75
" drought sufferers	5 00
" domestic missions	23 00
" membership dues	3 25
	\$ 47 00
1 box domestic missions	8 00— 55 00

Houma, St. Matthews' Church.

Diocesan missions	5 00
Foreign missions, C. M. Pritchard Memorial	5 00
Membership dues	4 00
United offering	3 00
	\$ 17 00
1 box domestic missions	6 60— 23 60

Mansfield, Christ Church.

Membership dues	3 00
1 box domestic missions	16 50
1 box diocesan missions	6 00— 25 50
	16 50
1 box domestic missions	6 00— 25 50

Church of the Annunciation.

Langford memorial fund	1 00
Domestic missions	5 00
Diocesan missions	19 20
Diocesan kindergarten	130 00
Foreign missions, C. M. Pritchard Memorial	20 25
Colored missions	75
United offerings	1 00
Membership dues	8 25— 185 45

Christ Church Cathedral.

Diocesan missions	196 00
Foreign missions, C. M. Pritchard Memorial	125 65
General missions	33 57
United offering	33 20
Membership dues	17 75
Diocesan kindergarten	179 75
Colored missions	22 00
Rev. E. A. Nevill for Church at Amite	71 00
	\$ 678 92

Boxes sent—

2 Indian, value with freight	103 17
1 Diocesan	40 23
1 Domestic	32 85— 855 17

1 Indian sent to Crow Creek

" Umatilla Oregon value of the two \$103.17

1 Diocesan sent to Rev. E. A. Nevill, Missionary I.C.R.R. \$40.23

32. 85

1 Domestic Mrs. F. L. B. Church \$1.00

Original document located in The Archives of the Episcopal Church.

Grace Church.

Membership dues.....	3 50
Foreign missions.....	2 45
Domestic missions.....	4 00
	<i>A. G. P. Dodge</i>
1 box domestic missions	\$ 9 95
	20 00— 29 95

St. Simon's Mills, Georgia
St. Anna's Church.

Membership dues..... 1 50
Foreign missions, C. M. Pritchard Memorial. 10 00— 11 50

St. George's Church.

Membership dues.....	4 00
Diocesan missions.....	9 25
1 box domestic <i>A. G. P. Dodge</i>	\$ 13 25
	9 50— 22 75

Georgia
St. Luke's Church.

Membership dues 3 75
Diocesan missions 5 00— 8 75

St. Paul's Church.

Membership dues.....	17	75
Foreign missions, C. M. Pritchard Memorial.....	20	60
Diocesan missions to Rev. H. H. Waters.....	55	00
Diocesan kindergarten.....	110	00
Curate's salary.....	110	00
United offering.....	5	47
Donation to Memorial Home, New Orleans.....	5	00
Donation to Duncan Industrial and Parochial School, Church Good Shepherd, Mobile, Ala.....	5	00
Diocesan missions to Treasurer.....	2	90
" " through envelopes.....	70	

1 box domestic *Rev B. Allston* \$ 332 40
47 00 379 40

South Carolina

Trinity Church

Foreign missions, C. M. Pritchard Memorial	63 00
Discesan "	124 80
Kindergarten	120 00
Kingsley House	60 00
United offering	18 00
Christmas donations—	
Putting benches in Church at Melville	26 00
Repairing Church at Ponchatoula	12 10
Membership dues	44 50
Freight on two boxes	5 00
Current expenses	8 45
Local Council dues	2 00
	\$ 483 85

Boxes sent—

Boxes sent—
 4 Diocesan missions 50 00
 1 Domestic " 50 37— 584 22

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St. Francisville, Grace Church.

Membership dues 5 50
1 Clerical Suit, Domestic Missionary 23 00 — 28 50
sent to Rev F. A. Jung, Trenton, Tenn - value \$23. 00
Thibodaux, St. John's Church.

Membership dues 5 75
Foreign missions, C. M. Pritchard Memorial 9 60 — 15 35

Williamsport, St. Stephen's Church.

Membership dues 5 75
Foreign missions, C. M. Pritchard Memorial 10 00 — 15 75

Total in cash \$1,862 38
Total in boxes 413 22
Total from the Auxiliary \$2,275 60

No Reports have been received from the following Churches—

Baton Rouge, St. James' Church.
Donaldsonville, St. James' Church.
Lake Providence, Grace Church.
Laurel Hill, St. John's Church.
Napoleonville, Christ Church.
New Iberia, Church of Epiphany.
Shreveport, St. Mark's Church.
Tunica, St. Stephen's Church.

LAURA B. OGDEN,
Corresponding Secretary.

United box sent to St. Simon's Island—
Annunciation Church \$12 00 | Grace Church \$20 00
Christ " 40 55 | St. George's " 9 50
Total value \$82 05

JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

It is with feelings of gratitude, that amid all the difficulties of the past year, we are able to record some work accomplished, and an Offering given to Diocesan Missions. The report of both Secretary and Treasurer give an account of a noble and most successful undertaking, brought forward and carried out by a loving member of Christ Church, I refer to the Blessing Boxes, which tell their own story by the large amount collected therein.

Christmas Boxes were sent from the Church of the Annunciation, Grace Church and St. Paul's Church. The members of the Auxiliary engaged in preparing the United Easter Box of 1898 have worked untiringly, Sister Flora of St. Mary's, Sewanee, Tenn. will be the recipient.

We record with expressions of much regret, on account of removal from the city, the resignation of our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. George F. Wharton, she was one of the original Officers, placed in charge by the Woman's Auxiliary, and did much to forward the work of the Junior Branch.

We trust that during the coming year, some great effort will be made to strengthen the Junior Auxiliary, and not have it pass away from us forever, let us be up and doing, asking for the guidance of the Holy Spirit upon "all who are engaged in Missionary work".

(Signed)

CORA R. PRITCHARD,
President.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

MAY 1897 TO MAY 1898.

As the last year's record was being written, the members of the Junior Auxiliary were busily employed making and arranging for their United Easter Box for 1897, which was probably the most interesting work we have ever accomplished. The appeal for assistance came from St. John's School, Ft. Bennett, South Dakota, and was the making of complete outfits for so many Indian girls in the school as we could undertake.

Christ Church Branch decided that they could manage one. St. Paul's Branch agreed to take another, and the third girl was provided for by the united efforts of Grace Church, St. George's, St. Anna's, and Annunciation. The interest manifested by the children in this personal work for other children was the most encouraging sign that the members of the Board have had since the organization of the Junior Auxiliary, seven years ago. The letter of thanks from the Rev. E. J. Warner, the clergyman in charge of the Mission, was full of gratitude and appreciation, so much so that all that had assisted in the work, felt a thrill of delight and satisfaction. The Annual Children's Meeting was well attended showing an increasing interest, in both children and parents; admirable addresses from Rev. Mr. Moreno and Mrs. N. Starkey gave much gratification to the Board of Managers. The Annual dues, which amounted to \$58.00 were sent to Miss Suthon for her work in Japan.

At the May meeting there was inaugurated a new line of work, which has been so successful that our thankfulness and appreciation of the one who instituted it are too deep for words to express. I allude to the Blessing Boxes. Ever since the organization of the Junior Auxiliary, the members of the Board have thought and planned how they could continue the missionary interest in the

children during the long summer months when no meetings were held and very little work accomplished; no plan had been successful until the delegate from Christ Church Branch made her wise suggestion, not only made it, but entirely by her own individual exertions and efforts faithfully carried it out; that was, that small boxes, to be called "Blessing Boxes" should be distributed, among the children of the Junior Auxiliary in May, and recalled in November; the boxes were to be filled with pennies, a penny for every blessing bestowed by a loving and gracious God upon the possessor of the box, and the money thus collected to be used only for the work in the Diocese. There were two hundred boxes distributed, and in November when they were recalled, notwithstanding the depressing and trying summer we had had, the amount collected reached \$157.00. Of this money \$50.00 was given to the Rev. Mr. Neville for his work in the Diocese; \$9.00 to the Rev. Mr. Bowden for mission work in the Diocese, and \$12.00 to the Diocesan Kindergarten.

Owing to the first Fall meeting taking place so late on account of the absence of so many members from the city, we omitted our semi-annual meeting, and the Christmas work was sadly affected for the same reason. It is with deep regret, and unwillingness that we have to deplore the loss of the Junior Auxiliary Branch in St. George's Parish; their work has always been so well done and cheerfully accomplished, that we feel discouraged at their abandonment of it. We have to record the forming of a Junior Auxiliary Branch at Mansfield, La., the only addition to our list in the past year. Were it not for the cheering success of the "Blessing Boxes," our Annual Report this year would be sadly depressing, for we have had anxieties and discouragements, so much so that abandoning the Junior Auxiliary work in Louisiana had been discussed by the officers of the Board, and only the energy and perseverance of those who feel that it is a work of God, a work inspired of God and guided by Him in all its stages, encouraged us to persevere once more.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed) JOSEPHINE HORNOR,
Recording Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary of
the Board of Missions.

April 1898.

ANNUAL REPORT OF BOXES SENT

FROM EASTER 1897 TO EASTER 1898.

NEW ORLEANS

Christ Church—	
Easter United Box, 1897, to Indian School S. Da.	\$ 25 00
St. George's—	
United Easter Box	5 00
Grace Church—	
Easter United Box, 1897	6 50
Xmas Box of Toys to Saluda, S. C.	1 00
St. Paul's—	
Easter United Box	30 34
Xmas to Avery's Island	21 00
Annunciation—	
United Easter Box, 1897	3 35
Xmas, Toys to Mission S. Schools	2 00
St. Anna's—	
Easter United Box, 1897	6 00
	\$100 19

Alexandria—
 To the Children's Home, New Orleans, La. 10 00
 \$110 19
 (Signed) JOSEPHINE HORNOR,
 Cor. Secretary, *pro tem.*

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT
EASTER 1897 TO 1898.

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RECEIPTS.

Balance Easter 1897	\$ 30
Membership dues Miss Roberts	25
Membership dues Christ Church, Napoleonville	2 70
Collections at Annual Meeting	10 00
Special for Diocesan Missions	25
Christmas offering from Trinity Sunday School	25 00
	\$ 38 50

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Proceeds of Blessing Boxes	156 50
Interest on above	50
Special donation	45
Membership dues St. Paul's Branch	7 50
Christ Church Branch	5 80
St. Anna's Branch	75
Grace Church Branch	5 25
Church of the Annunciation	1 00
Christ Church, Mansfield	95
Five members	1 25
	22 50
Total Receipts	\$218 45

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EXPENDITURES.

To Church in Venice, La.	\$ 1 00
1898	
To Secretary for Postage	\$ 50
To Rev. Mr. Neville	50 00
To Diocesan Kindergarten	12 00
To Rev. Mr Bowden for Diocesan Missions	90 00
To the repair fund of the Church of Amite	54 00
	206 50
Total Expenditures	\$207 50

Cash Balance Easter, 1898 \$ 10 95

(Signed) Respectfully submitted
 CARO. B. GIRAUT,
 Treasurer Junior Auxiliary.

Received since membership dues for 1898 from Christ
 Church, Napoleonville \$ 2 20

**JUNIOR AUXILIARY OF CHRIST MEMORIAL CHURCH,
 MANSFIELD, LA.**

Branch organized on the Festival of Innocents, 1897.

Curtis, Ida—President	Murphy, Parker
Curtis, Lewis	Murphy, Nellie
Curtis, Aubrey	Lee, Norma
Durr, Effie—Treasurer	Lee, Frank
Durr, Nina	Pegues, S. A.
Gibbs, Helen	Pegues, W. S.
Hall, Clifford—Vice-President	Pegues, Mary Lillian
Hall, Lillian—Secretary	Robinson, Bessie
Jones, Fanny	Williams, Belle
Foster, Sanders	Gibbs, E. K. Mrs—Directress

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 they 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 Auxiliary, 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.

