

Eighteenth Annual Report

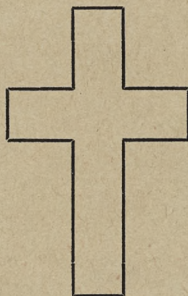
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OF THE

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TO THE

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EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

LOUISIANA BRANCH

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TO THE

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DELEGATES.

Alexandria—St. James' Church.....	Mrs. H. C. Duncan.
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Covington.....	Mrs. Tolsen.
Donaldsonville—Church of the Ascension.....	
Franklin—St. Mary's Church.....	Miss Elizabeth M. Short.
Houma—St. Matthew's Church.....	Mrs. W. J. Suthon.
Hammond—Grace Memorial Church.....	Mrs. H. A. Mooney.
Laurel Hill—Wakefield—St. John's Church.....	Mrs. S. T. Allain.
Lucknow—Richland Parish	Mrs. C. H. Lewis.
Lake Charles—Church of the Good Shepherd.....	Mrs. Edbrooke.
Lake Providence—Grace Church.....	
Mansfield—Christ Memorial Church.....	Mrs. K. P. Thorp.
Mer Rouge—St. Andrew's Church	Mrs. C. A. Sharp.
Monroe—Grace Church.....	
Marksville—St. Peter's Church	
New Iberia—Epiphany Church	Mrs. C. C. Kramer.
Napoleonville—Christ Church	Mrs. U. B. Bowden.
Opelousas.. ..	Mrs. B. A. Littell.
Point Coupee.....	Mrs. Mains.
Rosedale	Mrs. A. H. Gay, Jr.
St. Francisville—Grace Church.....	Mrs. J. L. Tucker.
Shreveport—St. Mark's Church.....	Mrs. A. T. Monroe.
Thibodaux—St. John's Church.....	Mrs. James Philson.
Williamsport—St. Stephen's Church.....	Mrs. W. E. Pratt.

NEW ORLEANS.

Free Church of the Annunciation.....	Miss A. Percival.
St. Anna's Church.....	Mrs. I. Hughes.
St. Andrew's Church—Carrollton.....	Mrs. M. L. Prague.
Christ Church Cathedral	Miss S. Huling.
Grace Church.....	Miss F. Chadwick.
St. George's Church.....	Mrs. D. Melville.
St. Luke's Church.....	Miss E. Farrow.
St. Paul's Church	Mrs. L. M. Hornor.
Mt. Olivet Church—Algiers.....	Mrs. C. Thayer.
Trinity Chapel—New Orleans.....	Mrs. M. Cornwell.
Trinity Church—New Orleans.....	Miss Grace Thompson.

REPORT OF SESSION OF THE LOUISIANA BRANCH OF
THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

The Eighteenth Annual Service and Session of the Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, was held in Christ Church Chapel, at 10:30 A. M., on May 4th, 1905, the second day of the Council. The attendance was large and included many delegates from the city and country parishes, and several of the clergy.

The services were said by Rev. Dr. C. L. Wells, Dean of the Cathedral, assisted by the Rev. John Gray, of Los Angeles, Cal. Rev. Mr. Gray preached the sermon, which was a masterly exposition of missions and the work of women in the mission field, and for all missions.

The offertory was then taken up, and was followed by the celebration of the Holy Communion.

At the close of the service, the President, Mrs. Ida Richardson, called the meeting to order, which consisted of the calling of the roll, reading of the reports of officers, and of the work done by the city and country parishes. The reports showed growth, and an excess in money of \$372.46 over last year's total, in cash and value of boxes.

The report of the Junior Auxiliary stated that meetings had been held monthly, increased interest noted, and several new delegates appointed.

A fine report from the Babies' Branch was read by Mrs. W. J. Suthon, the General Custodian for Louisiana. The report of the United Offering gave \$143.95 in bank to date since October, 1904, and was read by Mrs. James McConnell, Custodian.

Louisiana's Missionary to Japan, Miss Suthon, read an interesting paper on conditions in Japan and the work of the Church there.

Miss Emery's annual letter to the Woman's Auxiliary of Louisiana was read by Mrs. C. L. Wells, Vice President, after which the President, Mrs. Richardson, read her annual address, referring to the Convention of the Church in Boston, in October, 1904, and reviewed what missions had done for this country.

A member of the Auxiliary, who had been, in previous years, an officer of the Juniors, called attention to the death in Ireland, of Miss Josephine Hornor, the first Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary of Louisiana. Resolutions of regret and sympathy were passed, standing. The President then arose and said that she knew that she voiced the feeling of all present when she recalled the great loss this Auxiliary had sustained in the passing away of Mrs. Byron Holly, wife of Rev. Mr. Holly, of Grace Church, New Orleans, and resolutions of regret and sympathy were also passed, standing with bowed heads.

Bishop Sessums addressed the meeting, speaking of his pleasure at the growth of the work of the Auxiliary in Louisiana and the interest

shown in both Foreign and Domestic Missions, and thanking the Woman's Auxiliary, Junior's and Babies' Branch for their substantial aid; congratulated the Auxiliary in having Miss Suthon with them, saying that the Woman's Auxiliary stood for the ideal interpretation of the meaning of Christianity.

After the benediction by the Bishop, the meeting adjourned to the Council lunch.

N. B.—If an executive meeting precedes the Annual Meeting of your Branch, please present this letter to the Diocesan officers at that time, and, later, have it read at the meeting of your Branch.

CHURCH MISSIONS HOUSE,
FOURTH AVENUE AND TWENTY-SECOND STREET,
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY,
NEW YORK, April 26th, 1905. }

My dear friends of the Louisiana Branch:

Your Annual Meeting has come again, and we are glad to send again our annual greeting from headquarters at the Church Missions House. I hope that the year has been a good one for you, and that you are meeting with deeper interest than ever before and a more courageous hopefulness.

There are several things that are of special interest to us all at this time, which I want to bring to your attention, and about which I shall be very glad to hear from you. The first of these is the business which is becoming of increasing interest in all our branches, what the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions is doing about that annual hundred thousand dollars asked of it towards the appropriations of the Board. I know you will be sorry to hear that up to April 1st only \$34,862.00 has been given by the Auxiliary for this purpose, and that this is \$2,606.00 less than had been given at the same date last year. The sum that was suggested to your own Branch was \$550 00, of which I hoped the women would give \$500.00, and the Juniors, including the Babies' Branch, \$50.00. Up to date, however, the women have given only \$135.74 of this, the Juniors, nothing. I think you will be glad to do all that you can do to try to get the remaining \$414.26 in hand before the last of the coming August.

In 1904 your Branch gave \$853.02 towards the United Offering, and it will be pleasant to hear that you have made a good beginning towards that of 1907, in this first year of the triennium.

I am sure we will all agree that there is no method so successful in accomplishing both our annual and triennial gifts as that of systematic and conscientious giving, so I hope that throughout the Auxiliary it is becoming more and more the habit for each member to have *two mite chests* in constant use, the red one for General Missions, and the blue one for the United Offering; for if every member would give daily, weekly or monthly, according to her means, through these boxes, we

may be very sure the Auxiliary would not fail of its yearly \$100,000 towards the appropriations and a goodly United Offering each third year. When suggesting the two boxes for each member, I would add that, so far as the Little Helpers are concerned, it would seem unwise to change their present plan of giving to the United Offering, and that, with the Juniors, while each *member* might have a *red box*, unless individuals wished for it, *one blue one* for the *Branch* might suffice.

Another subject which I know has been of very deep interest to large numbers of Branches this year has been that of Missionary study. The year has been rich in this kind of work, and it proves that the new Educational Secretary has come to the Missions House no sooner than he was needed. I am sure it will help him in his work, which is still new to him, to receive accounts of your present methods, and to be told what you want of him in the future. Will you not send him—the Rev. Everett P. Smith—this information, telling him what you feel to be the particular needs as yet unmet in studying, and also what you think it is most important should be studied in your Branch the coming year?

It seems early to speak of the next matter, but the Diocesan officers of your Branch will remember that I was asked to remind the Auxiliary each year of the question of representation at the triennial conferences. The Annual Missionary Council has been discontinued, so that the Auxiliary as a whole will not be called to meet next fall. But it is hoped that at the time of the conferences which are now being planned for the different Missionary Departments, the Branches of the Auxiliary represented within those departments may also have an opportunity for a joint meeting.

At the last triennial a resolution was passed which was to affect the Officers' Conferences of 1907 only, when we shall all want to consider the subject of a more limited representation at such conferences thereafter. In order to reach a good understanding, then, we want to bring the matter before the Branches each year previous to that time. The resolution which applies to 1907, reads as follows:

Resolved, That each Diocesan Branch be entitled to at least eight representatives, and if officers to that number be not present at any meeting, the number may be filled up by active members of the Auxiliary, presenting credentials from the President and Secretary of their Branch, and from their Bishop.

After the meeting of 1907, what do you think will be the best plan to pursue? From that time on shall the representation of officers be limited to a certain number from each Diocese, carefully chosen to represent the Auxiliary as a whole, with its Junior Department and Babies' Branch, with substitutes chosen from among the other members of the Branch only when the officers cannot attend in sufficient numbers to make up a desired quota, and, in making up this quota, shall we follow the rules of General Convention, sending an equal number of delegates from all the Branches? This is a matter that concerns

us all, and I hope may be thought over carefully in every Branch, and that we may hear at the Church Missions House what is thought about the matter.

We may have to consider this question of triennial representation even beyond the Officers' Conferences, for we must remember that the time of our meeting is that of the time of meeting of General Convention, which is the great representative gathering of the Church. Perhaps we shall have to take care lest the Auxiliary, by unlimited numbers, does not make itself an embarrassing factor in the busy weeks of Convention. Some of our Diocesan Branches have already found that they must hold their annual meetings at a time apart from that of the Diocesan Convention; and I am sure we should all regret the necessity of holding our triennial separate from the season of General Convention, and we would all wish to avoid anything that would tend to such an arrangement. I shall be most glad to receive from any and every Branch expressions of opinion, comments, suggestions and inquiries regarding this matter also.

Everything in this letter is written for the consideration of your entire Branch, including those who guide the Junior Department and its Babies' Branch. All are concerned in it, and I hope it may be discussed among you all.

This letter will reach you as you are separating for the summer, and I would like to ask that during these summer months each one of you keeps by her, wherever she may be, the boxes which shall be your continual reminder of your continual giving; that each one of you sees that the *Spirit of Missions* reaches and is read by you each month; that, besides, you undertake to read one missionary book in the course of the summer; and also that, wherever you may be, once each day, at least, you will pray earnestly for the progress of Christ's Kingdom, and, in your Communion, for all those serving Him in the mission field, and the needs of those peoples whom they serve.

Believe me, with every good wish for yourselves and for all whom you represent,

Yours very sincerely,

JULIA C. EMERY,
Secretary.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Dear Friends:

Since our meeting last year a few of us have had the pleasure and gratification of attending the great meeting in Boston. A meeting never to be forgotten by those who were there! Would that it was in my power to give you the faintest idea of it! All I can say is that those twenty-one days of addresses and instruction, by the most consecrated men in our Church, was such an opportunity that we dare not ignore, nor forget the responsibility laid upon us. That responsibility is ever present with me, and I feel it more and more as the days, weeks and months go by, and I am compelled to ask myself in what manner am I bringing it before you that you may realize what your opportunities are and why you should realize your responsibility? Do you not know that every baptized person, from the date of that act, is a child of God, a follower of Christ and a co-worker with Him in spreading the Gospel all over the world? Think, dear women, what it is to be in partnership with Christ by carrying the Glad Tidings to those who have never heard it! We cannot all go to tell the old, old Story, but we all can help those who can go. By doing so, we are giving the cup of cold water to those who are thirsting for the water of life.

And what of those who say they do not believe in Foreign Missions, ignoring Christ's parting words to His disciples? How soon St. Peter was made to realize he was sent not only to preach to the Jews, but also to Cornelius and his household. And Saul, the persecutor of Christ's followers, was made the Apostle Paul to the Gentiles, and so, from that small band of disciples and their successors, the work has gone on, until there is no country in which the Gospel has not been preached.

Oh, tell those who say they do not believe in Missions, what Missions have done for our own country. The year 1787 was a red letter year in the history of the extension of Christ's Kingdom. It was the year of the consecration of Bishops White and Provoost to complete, with Bishop Seabury, the organization of the Church in the United States; and now, in 1905, there are now 94 consecrated Bishops for the United States, including those in our Domestic and Foreign fields, besides Christians of other denominations than those of our Church. In 1642, Tasman saw the New Zealand group of islands, and Capt. Cook saw them in 1777, but could not land in consequence of the cannibal savages who inhabited them. It was not until 1809, that Samuel Marsden went as a Chaplain Missionary on a convict ship, England having established convict settlements in New Zealand, Tasmania and the Norfolk Islands. In 1814, Samuel Marsden wrote to England, that "the field was white to harvest," and begged for Missionaries. And in 1829, the Archdeacon of New South Wales, went to England and

urged that she do her duty to the 70,000 degraded savages. Sixty-five thousand pounds was raised to increase the clergy and to establish schools in Australia and New South Wales. In 1841, George Augustus Selwyn was sent out as the first Bishop of New Zealand, and began work at Auckland. The work he accomplished among these savages and cannibals was wonderful, so that when he was called back to England at the end of twenty-five years, he had to divide his field into five bishopricks, giving Melanesia to Bishop John Colderidge Patterson, who was murdered, in 1871, on the Island of Nukapu.

In all of the hundreds of islands in the South Pacific there are now no cannibals, and most of the natives are Christians, with schools and churches everywhere, and all are pleading for more teachers. These Bishops never antagonized the people, but through love and kindness brought them to the knowledge of Christ's love for them; and where they found any other Christian denominations at work they never interfered with, but worked in harmony with them. And, as Bishop Selwyn wrote, "their faith, when baptized, was the same as that of the thief on the cross, and the Ethiopian Eunuch who was baptized by Philip." God intends all who believe in Christ to be saved. It is our own Christian people who would be outraged if told that they, in their lives as Christians, manifest less faith than the people they call heathen.

You have heard both Bishop Roots, of Hankow, China, and Bishop Rowe, of Alaska, tell of the eagerness of the people who want to learn of the true God, and of the God of love and peace. And you have heard their pleadings for more men and women; the latter, particularly are needed to be put in charge of hospitals as nurses and matrons. Oh, will not some of our young women dedicate themselves to this greatest and noblest of all works!

Vancouver had visited the Sandwich Islands some time in the forties, and had told King Kameahmeha I if he wished to make his people happy they must worship the Spirit God and not those gods they made, and the King asked that some one be sent to teach them about the Spirit God. But England, at that time, paid no heed, and it was not until 1830, that the Congregationalists of New Bedford, sent the first Missionaries to these islands; the following year, the Presbyterians also sent some of their Church. In 1878, I visited these islands with my husband, and made an excursion around the Island of Hawaii with the Rev. Mr. Forbes, a class-mate of our revered Dr. Palmer, and he told us he did not believe there was a single native in the five islands who would not agree he was a Christian, and did not strive to live as such. As evidence of it, they owned a schooner called the "Southern Cross," and supported Missionaries they sent to convert the Fiji Islanders. That vessel came to Honolulu while we were there.

King Kameahmeha died before the first Missionaries landed; when dying, he called his nobles and chiefs around him and had the wooden idols brought before him, and he told his nobles and chiefs that he had heard there was a Spirit God, but he did not know Him, but if there

was a Spirit God he was sure He would forgive him for worshipping the only gods he knew, but that they must turn to the Spirit God when any one came to teach them about Him. Do you not believe that poor heathen King was accepted by our All-wise, Just and Merciful God?

Should we not send Missionaries, men and women, to teach of the love of Christ, and should not every Christian, in this Christian land, help to send these men and women, who give themselves and their lives to this work?

Is it not a plain duty, and as co-workers with Christ, will they not contribute to the support of Missions? Will they not help as followers of the loving Saviour?

Oh, dear, dear women, manifest your faith by your works.

IDA A. RICHARDSON,

President.

MINUTES.

The Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, was held Thursday, April 14th, 1904, at 11 o'clock, in Christ Church Chapel. For the first time, and as an experiment, the meeting was divided into two sessions. The first session consisting of the religious service and sermon, and the President's Annual Address. The second session devoted entirely to business. The Holy Communion was celebrated by Rev. Dr. C. L. Wells, Dean of the Cathedral, and the sermon delivered by Rev. C. C. Kramer, of New Iberia, La. This attendance was very large. After the close of the service, Mrs. Ida Richardson, President, read her Annual Address, in which she reviewed the history of the United Offering, the plan of which grew from the suggestion of one of the most earnest and interested workers of the Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. Twing. Mrs. Richardson appealed to the women of the Church to make their share in the United Offering a worthy one. Turning then, to the Bishop and those of the Clergy present, she thus addressed them: "Will not the present Council, now in session, in their wisdom, direct that the thank offerings on Easter, the Day of Days, be given for the spreading of the glad tidings of Christ's Resurrection, and not used for church debts and the current expenses of the respective parishes?" After the President's Address, the meeting adjourned to the lunch hall on Carondelet street.

As per adjournment, the meeting re-assembled at 3 P. M. Roll call showed representation from the following country parishes: Alexandria, Franklin, Hammond, Laurel Hill, Lucknow, Lake Charles, Mansfield and Williamsport. Delegates from all the city parishes were present. The attendance was much smaller than at the morning session. Minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and accepted.

The Corresponding Secretary's report of work in all the Branches in the Diocese, of boxes sent, number of letters and postals received and written, and the distribution of reports and missionary literature, was read and approved.

Miss Greenwood, Treasurer, submitted her annual report of total receipts, \$1,109.00; disbursements, \$1,073.91; balance, \$35 09.

Mrs. R. W. Rennie, Treasurer of the Junior Auxiliary, reported total receipts, \$436.62; expenditures, \$436.62.

Mrs. W. J. Suthon, General Secretary of the Babies' Branch, reported offerings of \$31.34.

After all reports were in, the Bishop informally addressed the meeting, and offered to the women of the Auxiliary his congratulatory thanks for the work they had accomplished during the year and the evidences of increased strength and larger work; also expressed his

desire and hope that Branches of the Auxiliary would be organized and established in every parish and mission throughout the Diocese.

An invitation to visit New Iberia, at the time of the Convocation, was extended to the officers of the Auxiliary by the Rev. C. C. Kramer, for January 21st, 22d and 23d.

After prayers and benediction by the Rev. Mr. Carson, the meeting adjourned.

C. C. ROBERTSON,
Recording Secretary.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY FROM APRIL, 1904, TO APRIL, 1905.

Letters written during the year.....	26
Postals written during the year.....	64
Letters received during the year.....	49
Postals received during the year.....	9

Circular letters and pamphlets received during the year from: The Church Kalendar Co., New York; The General Clergy Relief Fund, Philadelphia; The National Armenia and India Relief Association for Industrial Orphan Homes, Worcester, Mass.; The American Church Missionary Society.

A circular relating to Bishop Grafton's Book, "Christian or Catholic."

Leaflet by the Rev. Dr. Holland, of St. Louis, styled, "Which Bible?"

Leaflets from the Church Missions Publishing Company, Hartford, Conn., on the "United Study Course."

From Mrs. W. J. Suthon, of Houma, La., General Custodian of the Louisiana Babies' Branch, the annual (published) report of the Babies' Branch of the Diocese of Louisiana.

Packages have been received from Miss Emery: "The Catechism on Missionary Appropriations and Apportionments;" leaflets on "History of the Woman's Auxiliary;" the United Offering; the Junior Auxiliary, and the lists of the United Offering Missionaries. Many of these have been distributed in the Diocese.

By request, packages of envelopes and missionary literature have been sent in and out of the Diocese.

Copies of the Thirty-third Annual Report of the Woman's Auxiliary have been sent to twenty delegates in Louisiana.

The Seventeenth Annual Report of the Louisiana Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary has been sent to Bishop Sessums and all of the clergy in the city and country parishes; to many parishes where no services are held; to Miss Julia C. Emery and Mr. J. M. Wood, New

York; to all of the delegates in the United States; to Mrs. Graves, in China, and to Miss Suthon and Miss Leila Bull, Missionaries in Japan. Four hundred have been distributed among the city parishes, and several hundred, by request, have been sent to the country parishes.

One each, has been sent to four clergymen who were, at one time, in Louisiana.

The following annual reports of the Woman's Auxiliary for 1904, have been received: from the Indianapolis Branch, Indiana; the Connecticut Branch; the Pittsburg Branch; the Maryland Branch; the Rhode Island Branch; Missouri Branch; that of Southern Florida; of Florida; of Western New York and of Alabama; and the "Journal" for 1904, of the (then) Missionary District of Western Texas.

TABULATED REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY,
FROM APRIL, 1904, TO APRIL, 1905.

PARISH OR MISSION	Diocesan Missions.	Colored Diocesan Missions.	Foreign Missions, C. P. M.	Dues to Woman's Auxiliary	General Missions.	Domestic Missions.	Babies' Branch.	United Offering since Triennial Meeting in Boston, in October 1904	Total.
New Orleans—Free Church of the Annunciation.....	\$40 60	\$1 25	.....	\$6 00	.....	.....	\$1 55	\$13 50	\$63 20
St. Anna's Church.....	.....	.....	.....	2 75	.....	.....	1 30	2 00	6 05
St. Andre w's Church.....	.....	.....	.....	2 75	.....	.....	1 50	.....	4 34
Christ Church Cathedral.....	81 95	90	\$6 10	11 35	.....	.....	3 05	9 75	113 10
Grace Church.....	5 20	.....	3 10	5 75	.....	.....	13 00	4 55	31 00
St. George's Church.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00	.....	.....	5 22	15 00	28 22
St. Luke's Church.....	7 25	.....	.....	5 75	.....	\$2 00	4 71	4 20	23 91
Mt. Olive Church.....	2 50	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 00
St. Paul's Church.....	80 45	16 25	441 95	24 60	\$38 09	278 50	11 57	21 05	912 46
Trinity Church.....	248 20	.....	60 00	11 10	.....	12 00	8 40	22 50	362 20
Trinity Chapel.....	75	.....	1 50	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 25
Anonymous, Feb. 20th.....	46	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	46
Alexandria.....	.....	.....	5 50	12 00	.....	6 50	2 64	9 10	35 74
Amite City.....	.....	.....	1 82	50	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 32
Donaldsonville.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 00
Franklin.....	.....	.....	.....	3 00	.....	10 40	.....	.....	13 40
Hammond.....	5 00	.....	.....	3 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	8 00
Houma.....	11 25	.....	.....	3 25	.....	.....	19 78	8 20	42 48
Lake Charles.....	.....	.....	.....	6 00	.....	.....	.....	16 50	22 50
Laurel Hill-Wakefield.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Lecompte.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	4 05	.....	4 05
Lucknow.....	6 00	.....	7 25	75	3 00	3 00	5 75	5 00	30 75
Mansfield.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	2 00
Mer Rouge.....	9 25	.....	.....	2 75	.....	.....	.....	1 00	13 00
Napoleonville.....	.....	.....	.....	3 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	3 25
Opelousas.....	.....	.....	.....	6 75	.....	.....	.....	.....	6 75
Plaquemine.....	.....	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	1 10	.....	1 10
Rosedale.....	1 20	.....	.....	25	.....	.....	2 00	.....	3 45
Shreveport.....	16 25	.....	.....	12 25	16 00	.....	19 55	.....	64 05
Thibodaux.....	9 40	.....	9 00	4 25	1 45	.....	.....	8 00	32 10
Williamsport.....	.....	.....	10 00	5 85	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 85
Special for Bishop Rowe's work in Alaska.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19 53	.....	.....	19 53
For Bishop Root's work in Hankow, China, from the Woman's Missionary Society of Trinity Church, N.O.....	.....	.....	15 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	15 00
To a disabled clergyman, Los Angeles Cal.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	2 00	.....	.....	2 00
One book to Boone School, Wuchang, China.....	.....	.....	1 25	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 25
Parish not designated.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	5 24	.....	5 24
St. Anna's Asylum, New Orleans, Mrs. Phelps box, to "United Offering".....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1 60	1 60
	\$525 71	\$18 40	\$563 47	\$144 40	\$58 54	\$333 93	\$110 80	\$143 95	\$1,899 20

Grand total in cash..... \$1,899 20

BOXES SENT.

	VALUE
Grace Church, New Orleans—Easter box to Columbia, South Carolina.....	\$40 00
Trinity Chapel towards the same	1 25
St. George's Church, New Orleans—Christmas box to St. Elizabeth's School, Flora, South Dakota.....	42 25
St. Paul's Church, New Orleans—Christmas box to Church Creek, Maryland.....	60 40
Sent privately through St. Paul's Church at Christmas—One box to Crow Creek Agency School, South Dakota.....	30 50
One box to Dan Philip Fire Cloud, Indian Catechist, Crow Creek, South Dakota.....	15 00
One box to Little Eagle, one of Bishop Hare's Schools. South Dakota.....	30 00
One box to Umatilla Agency School, Pendleton, Oregon.....	20 00
Lake Charles, La. - Church of the Good Shepherd, Easter box to All Saints' School, South McAllister, Indian Territory.....	20 00
Mansfield, La.—Christmas box to "St. Mary's on the Mountain," Sewanee, Tennessee.....	20 00
Napoleonville, La.—Christmas box to Miss Lucy Brave Eagle, Rosebud Agency, South Dakota.....	26 00
Shreveport, La.—Two boxes at Christmas, to Rev. Charles Thorp, Mansfield, La., for work in North Louisiana.....	25 00
Total value in boxes.....	\$330 40
Total value in cash.....	1,899 20
Grand total in cash and boxes.....	\$2,229 60

AMELIA C. WHARTON,

Corresponding Secretary.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, FROM
APRIL, 1904, TO APRIL, 1905.

RECEIPTS.

To cash on hand last annual report.....	\$35 09
Offertory.....	42 50
From membership dues (25 cents).....	144 40
For Diocesan Missions.....	543 11
Contributions for "C. M. Pritchard Memorial".....	222 22
For Theological Scholarship, Bishop Kinsolving, Brazil.....	300 00
Special to Bishop Roots, for his work in Hankow, China.....	25 00
Domestic Missions.....	332 93
General Missions.....	58 54
	\$1,703 79
	1,661 56
Balance to credit.....	\$42 23

LOUISIANA BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

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DISBURSED.

To George C. Thomas, Treasurer, N. Y.:	
For "C. M. Pritchard Memorial," Miss Suthon's salary.....	\$250 22
To Bishop Kinsolving, Brazil, for Theological Scholarship.....	300 00
Special to Bishop Roots, for his work in Hankow, China.....	25 00
Domestic Missions—to Dr. Driggs, Point Hope, Alaska.....	207 00
Mrs. Evans, for her work in Alaska.....	59 00
Special to Bishop Rowe Alaska.....	19 53
Disabled clergymen, Los Angeles, California.....	16 00
Rev. Mr. Ribble, St. John's Church, Chester, Virginia.....	12 00
Undesignated.....	23 40
General Missions.....	58 54
To Rev. W. S. Slack, for Diocesan Missions.....	552 71
To Rev. W. S. Slack, for Colored Diocesan Missions.....	18 40
To Mrs. Geoffroy, St. Paul's School, Beaufort, North Carolina.....	20 00
To Miss Kate Hampton, Mission School, Cashier Valley, N. C.....	10 00
To Rev. A. Crawford, Theological Seminary, Alexandria, Va.....	10 00
A. W. Hyatt Stationery Co., Ltd., for printing reports.....	36 55
Palfrey-Dameron Co., Ltd., for printing reports, furnishing and printing postal cards.....	33 60
Postage on Auxiliary business.....	6 61
Copy of "Arnold of Rugby," to Boone School Library, Wu- chang, China.....	1 25
Treasurer's Journal.....	1 00
Easter greeting to two children, St. Paul's School, Beaufort, North Carolina.....	75

\$1,661 56

ELIZA GREENWOOD,
Treasurer.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE UNITED OFFERING,
FROM THE TRIENNIAL OFFERING IN OCTOBER,
1904, TO APRIL, 1905.

New Orleans, La.—Free Church of the Annunciation.....	\$13 50
St. Anna's Church.....	2 00
Christ Church Cathedral.....	9 75
Grace Church.....	4 55
St. George's Church.....	15 00
St. Luke's Church.....	4 20
St. Paul's Church.....	21 05
Trinity Church.....	22 50
St. Anna's Asylum, Mrs. Phelps's Box.....	1 60
Alexandria, La., St. James's Church.....	9 10
Houma, La., St. Matthew's Church.....	8 20
Lake Charles, La., Church of the Good Shepherd.....	16 50
Lucknow, La.....	5 00
Mer Rouge, La., St. Andrew's Church.....	1 00
Thibodaux, La., St. John's Church.....	8 00
Mansfield, La., Christ Memorial Church.....	2 00

\$143 95

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. JAMES McCONNELL,
Custodian of United Offering.

OFFICERS AND DELEGATES OF THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY, LOUISIANA BRANCH.

OFFICERS:

MISS CLÉMENTCE CHARLES.....	President.
2230 Carondelet Street, New Orleans.	
MISS F BREDEN.....	Vice President.
1629 Thalia Street, New Orleans.	
MRS. E. A. RENNIE.....	Treasurer.
1119 Gaiennie Street, New Orleans.	
MISS CORA STANTON.....	Corresponding Secretary.
3923 Carondelet Street, New Orleans.	
MISS MAY LOGAN.....	Recording Secretary.
1529 Philip Street, New Orleans.	

DELEGATES:

Free Church of the Annunciation.....	Miss M. Percival.
1216 Jackson Avenue, New Orleans.	
St. Anna's Church.....	Miss C. Zengel.
2505 Burgundy Street, New Orleans.	
Christ Church Cathedral.....	Miss Lydia Mattas.
4720 Carondelet Street, New Orleans.	
Grace Church.....	Miss Huye.
1715 Canal Street, New Orleans.	
St. George's Church.....	Miss Evelyn Melville.
1101 Berlin Street, New Orleans.	
St. John's Church.....	Miss Limmer.
828 Second Street, New Orleans.	
St. Paul's Church.....	Miss Bertha Leeds.
1439 Seventh Street, New Orleans.	
Trinity Church.....	Miss Anna Hero.
1213 Third Street, New Orleans.	
Custodian of Blessing Boxes.....	Miss Pinckard.
2621 Prytania Street, New Orleans.	
Custodian of United Offering Boxes.....	Miss Beulah Butler.
1608 Carondelet Street, New Orleans.	

ANNUAL REPORT OF PRESIDENT JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

The meetings of the Junior Auxiliary, of Louisiana, have been held on the second Saturday of every month, since November. Several new delegates have been added to the Board during the past year, and it is gratifying to note the interest taken in the proceedings by all the members. Misses Ivy and Butler are the new delegates from Trinity Church; Miss Evelyn Melville from St. George's Church; Miss Lydia Mattes from Christ Church Cathedral; Miss Michel from the Free Church of the Annunciation, and Miss Huye from Grace Church. According to our usual custom of giving alternate years to Diocesan and Foreign Missions, last year the sum of \$50 00 was sent to aid in the erection of a Church in Ruston, La., and \$14.00 to Venice, La. This year \$50.00 will be sent to Miss Suthon for her work in Japan, and a box of clothing to the Sisters of St. Mary's on the Mountain, Sewanee, Tenn.

The joint box sent at Christmas to Rev. Robert White, Standardville, Virginia, was a source of great pleasure to the mountain children, many of whom enjoyed at this time, their first Christmas celebration.

In response to an appeal that all the Junior Auxiliaries would unite in building a children's ward in the hospital at Ghankin, China, the sum of \$5.00 was contributed by the Louisiana Branch.

At one of our meetings Mrs. C. C. Robertson gave a most interesting talk in regard to the proceedings of the General Convention, held in Boston, last October.

Miss A. Wharton, at another meeting, brought to the attention of the Junior Auxiliary the subject of the Appropriation Fund, but no decision was made as we do not at present feel able to contribute even a very small amount.

Letters were sent to the Ministers of the various parishes regarding the special collection for the United Offering. Only three clergymen in the city expressed their willingness to take up this collection in their Sunday Schools, and one in the State, Houma, the Rev. G. L. Tucker.

A united service was held at Christ Church Cathedral during the Epiphany season, at which an offering was taken up.

St. Andrew's Church and Trinity Chapel are the only churches without representation at our meetings, but we hope soon to welcome delegates from both these parishes.

Letters were also sent to the Ministers of all the parishes asking that the Junior Auxiliary of their respective churches would contribute from 25 cents to \$1.00 each year towards the United Offering of 1907.

Miss Beulah Butler, from Trinity parish, has been appointed Custodian of the United Offering Boxes.

A Christmas Box was sent by the Juniors to Miss Lucy Brave Eagle, Rosebud Agency, South Dakota. The box was valued at \$6.00.

Respectfully submitted,

CLÉMENTINE E. CHARLES,

President Louisiana Branch Junior Auxiliary.

April 1, 1905.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY,
EASTER, 1904, TO EASTER, 1905.

REVENUE.

Cash on hand Easter, 1904:	
General Fund.....	\$47 86
Blessing Box Fund.....	23 64
Horse and Buggy Fund.....	151 87
Collection at Annual Meeting.....	16 30
Membership Dues—	
Church at Houma	\$4 00
Free Church of the Annunciation, New Orleans..	1 75
Grace Church, New Orleans.....	5 00
Trinity Church, New Orleans.....	20 00
Christ Church Cathedral, New Orleans.....	5 75
St. George's Church, New Orleans.....	50
St. Paul's Church, New Orleans.....	2 00—39 00
Helen Starkey Memorial Blessing Boxes—	
Orphans' Home, New Orleans.....	\$6 46
Free Church of the Annunciation, New Orleans..	4 73
Trinity Church, New Orleans.....	9 30
Christ Church Cathedral, New Orleans.....	18 31
Grace Church, New Orleans.....	6 00
St. George's Church, New Orleans.....	4 11
Church at Houma.....	5 25
Church at Thibodaux.....	7 50
Church at Opelousas.....	1 00
Individual Boxes.....	37 16
Donations	19
Church at Houma.....	5 60
Church at Franklin.....	2 65—108 26
	\$386 93

EXPENDITURE.

To Building Fund of Church at Ruston, La.....	\$50 00
To Building Fund of Church at Venice, La.....	14 00
To United Offering.....	35 00
To Missionary Work in Diocese.....	97 20
To hospital at Ghankin, China.....	5 00
To buggy for use on Lower Coast.....	70 00
Expense of Blessing Boxes.....	5 50
Cartage	75
Postage.....	28
Defective coin.....	10
	\$277 83
Cash on hand—	
Blessing Box Fund.....	\$28 35
General Fund.....	33 88
Horse and Buggy Fund.....	46 87—109 10
	\$386 93

Respectfully submitted,

BETTIE WHITLOW RENNIE,

Treasurer.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY OF THE
JUNIOR AUXILIARY—FROM APRIL, 1904, TO APRIL, 1905.

Letters received	14
Letters written	48
Report of work from Parishes in New Orleans:	
Free Church of the Annunciation—Dues	\$1 75
Blessing Boxes	4 73
Toys in Christmas box	1 00
	<u>\$7 48</u>

MISS MICHEL,

Delegate.

Christ Church Cathedral—Collected.....	\$12 50
Dues.....	5 75
Blessing Boxes	18 31
Toys in Christmas box.....	5 85
	<u>\$42 41</u>

LYDIA MATTAS,

Delegate.

Grace Church—Dues.....	\$5 00
Blessing Boxes	6 00
Scholarship to St. Paul's School—North Carolina.....	10 10
Easter box to David Moore, North Carolina.....	7 10
	<u>\$28 20</u>

MISS HUYE,

Delegate.

St. George's Church—Dues	\$0 50
Blessing Boxes	4 11
	<u>\$4 61</u>

EVELYN MELVILLE,

Delegate.

St. Paul's Church—Dues.....	\$2 00
Christmas box to Venice, La.....	11 00
	<u>\$13 00</u>

BERTHA LEEDS,

Delegate.

Trinity Church—Dues.....	\$20 00
Blessing Boxes	9 30
Christmas box	12 00
	<u>\$41 30</u>

A. HERO,

Delegate.

20 LOUISIANA BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

Blessing Box from Children's Home.....	\$6 46
Value of box sent at Christmas to Stanardville, Virginia:	
Free Church of the Annunciation	1 00
Christ Church Cathedral.....	5 85
Trinity Church.....	12 00
	\$18 85
Express donated.....	6 00
Total value of box.....	\$24 85

Respectfully submitted,

CORA V. STANTON,
Corresponding Secretary,
Junior Auxiliary of Louisiana Branch.

REPORT OF THE BABIES' BRANCH, FROM APRIL, 1904, TO
APRIL, 1905.

PARISH.	SECRETARY.	LITTLE HELPERS.	OFFERING
New Orleans, La.—			
Free Church of the Annuncia- tion	Miss Huling.....	3	\$1 85
St. Anna's Church.....		2	1 30
St. Andrew's Church.....		3	1 59
Christ Church Cathedral.....		3	3 05
Grace Church.....		2	13 00
St. George's Church.....		7	5 22
St. Luke's Church.....		4	4 71
St. Paul's Church.....		7	11 57
Trinity Church.....		29	8 40
Shreveport, La.—			
St. Mark's Church.....	Mrs. Conway Moncure	31	19 55
Houma, La.—			
St. Matthew's Church.....	Mrs. W. J. Suthon.....	20	19 78
Alexandria, La.—			
St. James' Church.....	Mrs. Arnaud Texada...	27	2 64
Plaquemine, La.—			
Church of the Holy Commu- ion	Mrs. B. C. LeBlanc.....	7	1 10
Lecompte, La.—			
Church of the Holy Comforter	Mrs. G. F. Drouet.....	1	4 05
Rosedale, La.—			
Church of the Nativity.....	Mrs. A. H. Gay, Jr.....	1	2 00
Lucknow, La.....	Mrs. R. B. Mhoon.....	3	5 75
Parish not designated.....			5 24
Mer Rouge, La.....	Mrs. C. A. Sharp.....	3	
Total number.....		153	
Total offering			\$110 80

DISBURSEMENTS.

DIOCESAN.

To Bishop Sessums for Diocesan work	\$25 00
Expenses contributed through St. Matthew's Branch	7 18
	<u>\$32 18</u>

FOREIGN.

JAPAN—Osaka, support of Suma Ozama	\$20 00
Kyoto, for Miss Peck's salary	1 00
Akita, Gaylord Hart Mitchell Memorial Kindergarten	3 00
CHINA—Wuchang, Angelica Church Hart Day School	2 00
Shanghai, Little Helper's Day School	2 00
AFRICA—For Miss Grante's salary	1 00
	<u>\$29 00</u>

DOMESTIC.

ALASKA—For Mrs. Evans' salary	\$5 00
EAGLE CITY—Mission Font	2 00
PORTO RICO—Miss Cuddy's salary	4 00
NORTH CAROLINA—Raleigh, Little Helpers' Bed, St. Agnes' Hospital	2 00
SOUTH CAROLINA—Country School for Colored Children	2 00
SOUTH DAKOTA—St. Elizabeth's School	2 00
UTAH—Miss L. Carter's Emergency Fund	7 50
	<u>\$24 50</u>
To Board of Missions undesignated	3 00
To United Offering in Boston, October, 1904	21 58
Balance on hand	54
Total receipts	<u>\$110 80</u>
Total expenditures	<u>\$110 80</u>

MRS. WALTER J. SUTHON,
General Secretary, Diocese of Louisiana.

An extract from the Children's Number of the "*Spirit of Missions*," for March, 1905, will tell "how the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions is helping to train the children and young people of the Church." This extract reads:

"The other day a Chicago baby, two years old, received from her grandmother ten pennies for her Little Helpers' Box. With delight she proceeded to drop them in, one by one, saying as she did so: 'God bless the Missionaries all over the world, and all the Little Helpers, for Jesus' sake.' But the prayer was short, while the pennies were many, and when three had been dropped in, the prayer was ended. But not so to the baby's thinking, for with each succeeding penny, the 'amen' was said again, as sweet a 'sevenfold amen' as ever sounded. An incident of this sort makes it clear how very soon our children learn to

associate the act of giving and the act of prayer, and how early they may form the habit which shall make prayer more constant and more fervent, giving more free and loving, as the spiritual life deepens and expands.

"It is with the purpose of making a good beginning that the work of the Babies' Branch—the kindergarten of our Missionary School—is being extended. Begun in 1891, by Miss Hart, of Rochester, its Secretary in the Diocese of Western New York and its enthusiastic helper far beyond, (for her little nephew, Gaylord Hart Mitchell), it is now found in fifty Dioceses and Missionary Districts, under the care of sixty Diocesan officers, with a reported membership of 17,000. It serves as a constant reminder that in baptism we enter upon our life-long warfare and service, through which Christ's Kingdom grows, and not one of its least benefits has proved to be, as some of the clergy have testified, that it has more than once brought to the attention of thoughtless parents the importance of baptism for their children.

"The box given on the day of baptism, the gift dropped by the mother's hand and the prayer said by her lips until the child can do these things herself; the box kept and filled with gifts of loving memory, should the child be taken away by death, are the simple methods of the Babies' Branch.

"Last year this infant class of our Junior Department gave \$2,447.29 through the missionary treasury, of which \$1,330.80 applied on the appropriations of the Board of Missions, and toward the \$100,000.00 desired of the Woman's Auxiliary.

"There is an age limit in some Branches for these kindergarten children; six years among some, eight among others, and then they are graduated into the primary class of our Juniors which stands ready to receive them and carry on the work so well begun."

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 this 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 promotion of Societies where there are none.

ARTICLE III.

All baptised women belonging to the Diocese who desire to be members of this Society, shall be so regarded upon the payment of twenty-five (25) cents per annum.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Society shall be appointed by the Bishop, and shall be as follows: A President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary, Custodian of United Offering Boxes. For the Junior Department—a President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, General Secretary for the Babies' Branch and two or more managers in each Archdeaconry, and such other officers as may be deemed necessary. These shall constitute a Board of Managers, to which the general management of the affairs of this Branch of the Auxiliary shall be intrusted.

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 to keep a record of all such meetings.

ARTICLE IX.

It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and keep account of all moneys 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 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 and managers.

ARTICLE XIV.

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

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