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ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MAINE BRANCH
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

TO THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS

FOR THE YEAR 1894

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OLD TOWN—*S. James'*—MISS H. V. SEWALL.

PORTLAND—*S. Luke's*—MRS. JOHN M. MITCHELL.

PORTLAND—*S. Paul's*—MRS. MARY S. MCCOBB.

ROCKLAND—*S. Peter's*—MISS ANNA M. PISTON.

SACO—*Trinity*—MISS L. M. CHADWICK.

WATERVILLE—*S. Mark's*—MRS. JULIAN D. TAYLOR.

WISCASSET—*S. Philip's*—MISS GRACE INGALLS.

WOODFORDS—*Trinity Chapel*—MISS ALICE M. CHAFFEY.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING.

The Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Maine Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the parish house of S. Luke's Cathedral, Portland, on Tuesday, June 12.

Prayers were read at the opening of the meeting by Archdeacon Walker.

Before the transaction of the usual business, the President announced that Archdeacon Walker, of North Carolina, would make a short address. His remarks were on the subject of his own negro mission, stating first his great need, that of teachers. His work, he said, was difficult, and one which requires tact and wisdom, because of the two races concerned, negroes and white persons, the management of each being necessarily very different. Clergymen and schools, with good teachers, are to him of vital importance, and he begged the assistance of his friends in the North with regard to these two objects.

When he had concluded, the meeting was called to order, and the roll read, showing delegates present from sixteen branches, viz.:— Church of the Heavenly Rest, Auburn; S. Barnabas' Mission, Augusta; S. Mark's, Augusta; S. John's, Bangor; Grace, Bath; Christ, Biddeford; S. Thomas', Camden; Church of the Messiah, Dexter; Christ, Gardiner; S. Stephen's, Kennebunk; S. Andrew's, Newcastle and Damariscotta; S. Luke's Cathedral, Portland; S. Peter's, Rockland; Trinity, Saco; S. Mark's, Waterville; Trinity Chapel, Woodfords.

The minutes of the last annual meeting were read, the report of the Treasurer, which was accepted by vote, and the reports of the Altar Society, the Church Periodical Society, and the Junior Auxiliary.

The address of the President was next in order. Mrs. Neely announced that the Junior Auxiliary, whose report had been just presented, had become a diocesan branch, organized in Bangor at the last quarterly meeting. She then introduced Miss Jarvis,

the chief of the Junior department, who had kindly promised to address the present meeting.

Miss Jarvis, after a few introductory remarks, peculiarly interesting to the people of Maine, said that the message, "Go, tell the brethren," given to women, seemed to point particularly to work done in a woman's most natural way — in teaching the children. This teaching in the Junior Auxiliary is of a kind which bears good fruit, as children, taken collectively, will do with enthusiasm ten times the amount that they will as individuals. And their inspiration and help come from the women.

It is easy to train children in habits of methodical prayer and of giving. The striking of the clock at noon, for instance, is heard always by a large proportion of the little ones. It is the time when a lull comes in their school occupations — a moment of peace and order. What so simple as to teach them to use that moment for the short noonday prayer for missions! After being reminded a few times they will not forget it, and with the prayer will come the beginning of their work.

The Babies' Branch, not yet introduced into this diocese, is an important part of the Junior Auxiliary. The mite box is taken for the child long before the little hands are able to give the required penny a week. But the mother makes the offering instead, and gradually the child learns to do so itself. In the Connecticut diocese the anniversary of this branch is Holy Innocents' Day, and the babies' money is equally divided among the three chief objects of missionary labor, the Indians, the negroes, and Foreign Missions.

In conclusion, it has really seemed true that mission work has been waiting, unfinished, until all should join in it, and now for the first time men, women and children are working with each other, each a part of the great Church, the Bride for whom Christ died.

On motion of Mrs. Sills a vote of thanks was tendered Miss Jarvis for her most welcome words.

The usual collection followed.

The President suggested as nominating committee for the an-

nual election of officers, Mrs. Foster of Bangor, Mrs. Mitchell of Portland, Miss Jarvis of Augusta. The committee was chosen unanimously by vote, and the officers nominated were accepted by vote in the same manner.

Voted, To donate the sum of twenty-five dollars to Archdeacon Walker.

Meeting adjourned to the time and place of the next Diocesan Convention, Portland, June, 1895.

HARRIET S. MCCOBB,
Secretary.

REPORT OF SECRETARY.

The work of this, the sixteenth year of the Woman's Auxiliary, differs chiefly from that of 1893 in its concentration upon fewer objects. The result is good, and the actual labor, as represented by the box account, exceeds the past year by \$134.92.

The Lenten contributions have been sent to Archdeacon Joyners mission to negroes in South Carolina, with the exception of a part of the articles from Augusta (S. Mark's), and all from Newcastle and Woodfords, which were for the Indians.

Other recipients of packages were, first, the missionaries in this diocese who wished for aid, next, the House of the Good Shepherd, Rockland, and last, the mission to negroes, Tryon City, North Carolina, well known through a member of one of our own parish branches, and considered to have always a certain claim upon our hearts and purses.

The Junior Auxiliary throughout the country is increasing so rapidly that it is becoming a power in many dioceses, and in one especially (Pennsylvania) its receipts for one year were ten thousand dollars. The amount and value of our own work, especially during Lent, is perceptibly increased by the efforts of the children. The members of the Auxiliary take great pleasure in the fruits of this enthusiasm and vigor of their young coworkers.

The Altar Society and Church Periodical Society have made steady progress, and reports from them will be in order.

The following box account shows the amount and value of the year's work.

BOX ACCOUNT.

PARISHES.	BOXES.	VALUE.
Auburn, Church of the Heavenly Rest,	1	\$ 10 00
Augusta, S. Barnabas' Mission,	1	25 00
Augusta, S. Mark's,	5	63 35
Bangor, S. John's,	8	222 17
Bar Harbor, S. Saviour's,	2	83 49
Bath, Grace,	2	20 00
Biddeford, Christ,		
Brunswick, S. Paul's,		
Calais, S. Anne's,		
Camden, S. Thomas',		
Dexter, Church of the Messiah,	2	19 93
Eastport, Christ,		
Exeter, Holy Trinity,	1	25 00
Fort Fairfield, S. Paul's,		
Gardiner, Christ,	3	61 95
Hallowell, S. Matthew's,	1	2 40
Houlton, Church of the Good Shepherd,	1	15 00
Kennebunk, S. Stephen's,	1	2 00
Newcastle, S. Andrew's and Damariscotta,	4	75 64
North East Harbor, S. Mary's-by-the-Sea,	1	35 00
Old Town, S. James',	1	2 00
Portland, S. Luke's Cathedral,	4	145 90
Portland, S. Paul's,		
Rockland, S. Peter's,	1	10 00
Saco, Trinity,	1	12 32
Waterville, S. Mark's,		
Wiscasset, S. Philip's,	1	5 00
Woodfords, Trinity Chapel,	3	26 00
	44	\$862 15

RECIPIENTS OF BOXES.

Archdeacon Joyner's Mission to Negroes,	\$348 41
Missionaries in Diocese,	302 62
Missions to Indians,	55 52
House of Good Shepherd, Rockland,	19 65
Mission to Negroes, Tryon City,	135 95
	\$862 15
Contributions in Cash,	\$532 25
" " Boxes,	862 15
	\$1,394 40

TREASURER'S REPORT.

ELIZABETH H. SMITH, *Treasurer, in account with Maine Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary from June 12, 1893, to June 12, 1894.*

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To cash on hand, June 12, 1893,	\$ 5 01
" Collection at Gardiner, June 13,	33 56
" " Woodfords, Sept. 27,	15 00
" " Rockland, Dec. 5,	5 00
" " Bangor, March, 1894,	7 10
" Cash from friends,	8 50
" " collected by Mrs. Neely,	20 00
" " from friend, for united offering,	5 00
" " Auburn,	50
" " Augusta, S. Barnabas',	1 12
" " Augusta, S. Mark's,	32 00
" " Bangor, S. John's,	77 84
" " Bar Harbor, S. Saviour's,	5 00
" " Biddeford, Christ church,	7 00
" " Bath, Grace church,	5 00
" " Camden, S. Thomas',	10 05
" " Dexter, Church of the Messiah,	1 00
" " Gardiner, Christ church,	24 00
" " Hallowell, S. Matthews',	2 40
" " Houlton, Good Shepherd,	40 00
" " Kennebunk, S. Stephen's,	2 00
" " North East Harbor, S. Mary's,	40 00
" " Newcastle, S. Andrew's,	15 00
" " Old Town, S. James',	1 00
" " Portland, S. Luke's,	133 40
" " Rockland, S. Peter's,	14 27
" " Saco, Trinity,	2 00
" " Waterville, S. Mark's,	10 50
" " Wiscasset, S. Philip's,	5 00
" " Woodfords, Trinity chapel,	4 00
Total,	\$532 25

By amounts paid, viz :—	
For Miss Emery's Traveling Expenses,	\$21 75
" Printer's Bill,	16 50
" Freight on Box to South Carolina,	1 95
" Two Mileage Tickets for Traveling Missionary,	20 00
" Clerical Suit in Oct., 1893,	20 70
" " March, 1894,	23 25
" Box for Missionary,	10 00
" "	10 00
" Freight on Mission Boxes,	95
" Express on Mite Boxes,	60
" Furniture for Church Missions House,	20 00
" Thank-offering " " "	20 00
" Trinity chapel, Woodfords,	25 00
" Clerical Suit,	20 00
" Freight on Barrels to South Carolina,	5 44
" " Wisconsin,	1 68
" Diocesan work, paid to Bishop Neely,	20 00
" General Missions,	40 00
" Diocesan "	60 00
" Foreign "	10 00
" Domestic "	10 00
" School at Tryon, N. C.,	23 34
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	\$381 16
Cash on hand June 12, 1894,	151 09
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Total,	\$532 25

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB.

Number of Librarians,	13
" persons contributors,	51
" periodicals being sent for current year,	37
" books sent,	13
" Sunday-school papers,	3
" Tracts,	8

All odd numbers of periodicals and magazines, including odd numbers
of Sunday-school papers, 1,402

M. K. CORNING,
Correspondent for Maine.

June 20, 1894.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF MAINE ALTAR SOCIETY.

This Society commenced its meetings for embroidery in the Parish House of S. Luke's Cathedral, Portland, the first Monday after S. Luke's Day, 1893, and they have been regularly continued on each succeeding Monday, and through Lent on Friday mornings also.

The amount of work accomplished has been much larger than the year previous, and many new non-working members have been added to the list of subscribers.

In the embroidery department, under Mrs. McMullan, Portland, there have been completed, three altar frontals, one for North Conway, one for Brunswick, and one with pulpit hangings for Woodfords; eleven stoles, embroidered for different clergymen in the diocese; one white silk chalice veil; several book markers. In the linen work, under Miss Stevens of Randolph: One full set altar linen; one small set Communion linen in case; one full set Communion linen made and embroidered; one surplice cut and basted; one chasuble and alb; one full set Communion linen cut and marked.

The regular attendance at meetings has been much larger than before, and great interest shown in the work.

Receipts, \$138.77.	Expenditures, \$135.67
Cash balance,	<hr/> 3.10
	<hr/> \$138.77

ALICE WOOD,
Secretary and Treasurer.

FIRST ANNUAL REPORT OF MAINE JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

The Junior Auxiliary, which is the Junior Department of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, was established in October, 1889, at the Triennial Meeting of the Board of Missions. At that time it was suggested that all existing children's missionary societies be banded together under the direction of the Woman's Auxiliary, each society to be left to choose its own method of organization and work. Carrying out this suggestion, diocesan branches were soon established throughout the United States, that of Maine, however, not being fully organized until the present year, although the work had begun much earlier. At the present time there are nine parish branches established in the state, viz.: — Augusta, Bangor, Waterville, Rockland, Dexter, Bar Harbor, Damariscotta, Gardiner and Portland.

The objects of the Junior Auxiliary are to teach children about missions and missionary work. These objects have been carried out by our societies, but it seems that more time might well be given to instructing the children about missions, and that a portion of each Saturday might be set apart, and profitably devoted to that purpose. Considerable time has, however, been given to work for missions, and the results have been quite satisfactory. During the four weeks before Christmas the children throughout the state, met regularly on Saturday afternoons, and worked for such objects as they were best able, and also during Lent. At these Saturday meetings the children, in addition to learning to give their time and labor for the good of others, were instructed in needlework, etc., and taught to do many little things which they might not otherwise have thought of.

At many of these meetings some one of the officers read articles in relation to the missionaries and their work. Your Secretary thinks that a portion of the literature furnished is too old

for children, and that some reading matter more easily understood should be provided, if possible.

While our work has met with a fair amount of success, there still is room for improvement. The purposes of the association should be better understood and more widely known. The members should feel the importance of the undertaking and be willing to devote more time and thought to it, and to be more thoroughly identified with it. Every child belonging to the association should have a badge and wear it, in order to call their attention and the attention of others to the fact that our society is alive, and that it has work for all. We should have a society hymn. Now that we have the collects would it not be a good time to select such a hymn for use throughout the diocese? Our object should be in every way to advertise our society and its purposes, and to interest all children in it.

LIST OF BOXES SENT IN 1894.

- S. Mark's, Augusta, one to Indian Mission, Oneida, Wisconsin.
- S. John's, Bangor, one to Sunday-school of S. Paul's church, Fort Fairfield.
- Church of the Messiah, Dexter, one to Archdeacon Joyner's Mission to Negroes.
- S. Andrew's, Newcastle and Damariscotta, one to House of Good Shepherd, Rockland; one to Indian Mission, Oneida, Wisconsin.
- S. Mark's, Waterville, one to Sunday-school of S. Paul's, Fort Fairfield; one to House of Good Shepherd, Rockland.
- S. Peter's, Rockland.
- S. Luke's, Portland, one to S. Paul's, Fort Fairfield; one to Hospital, Oneida, Wisconsin,
- Christ church, Gardiner.
- S. Peter's, Rockland.

No. of children connected with Junior Auxiliary in diocese, 71.

ELLA C. SNOW,
Secretary.

ADDRESS OF PRESIDENT.

Owing to a serious illness, my dear friends, I have been unable to write many things which I had intended to say at this our annual meeeting. The year just passed has been one of unusual financial depression, as you all know, but I rejoice to say that the work of the Auxiliary has not languished, nor the amount of money contributed been less than in days of greater prosperity.

Our Altar Society has been active, and its work is worthy of all praise. The silk embroidery department, under Mrs. J. H. McMullan's efficient management, has increased the number and value of its gifts to missionaries and mission stations, and the beauty of the work done has won for it commendation from persons outside of the diocese who were well qualified to judge of its merits. Mrs. McMullan has resigned her office, and, though it is difficult to find any one who will fill it as well as she did, I cannot but hope that we may succeed in appointing a worthy successor, and that the coming year will see no diminution in the usefulness or excellence of this branch of our Auxiliary work.

The linen department has flourished under Miss Stevens' fostering hand, and has had more paying orders than the other. Probably the "hard times" account for this, for Communion linen and surplices must be used at our services, but the things which tend only to the "beauty of holiness" are not necessary, albeit they are desirable; so in times when money is scarce the silken hangings are less sought, but they are most gratefully received when given by us to the missions unable to purchase them for themselves. In another part of the building some of the Altar Society work is on exhibition, and I ask your attention to it at the close of our meetings, and would also invite as many as may feel disposed to give time to either branch of this department, to enter their names upon the Secretary's book for that purpose.

The Junior department of the Woman's Auxiliary, of which I spoke to you last June, has become a Diocesan Branch. It was organized as such at Bangor at the last Quarterly Meeting, and a special session will be given to its interests to-day.

At the Branch meeting we elected Miss E. M. Snow as Diocesan secretary and treasurer, such office to be held until this time, when a fuller representation would enable us to elect a president for the Juniors, and if desirable a treasurer apart from the secretary. As we have had no money in the past to treasure, it made the office a sinecure; but with nine parish branches all ready for work we can but hope and believe that our Junior department will soon prove a valuable aid in raising money for missions and in all other good works connected with missionary enterprise and zeal. We have with us to-day Miss Jarvis from Connecticut, who is at the head of the Junior Department, and she will, I am sure, give you many points and arouse an interest that must result in the formation of new parish branches and enlighten us as to the very best way in which to carry on the work. As we desire to hear as much from her as possible, I will only add that our boxes and barrels have all reached their destination, and been most thankfully received. Letters from the recipients will be read by our secretary.

Miss Jarvis was here introduced, and made an admirable address.

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS
OF THE
MAINE BRANCH
OF THE
Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

This organization shall be called the Maine Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

Its object is to unite all the parishes of this diocese in the two branches of mission work, domestic and foreign.

The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, a Treasurer and an Executive Committee of three ladies, who shall attend to the different branches of missionary work. This board shall fill all vacancies that may occur between the annual meetings.

This Association shall hold an annual meeting at the time and place of the annual Diocesan Convention, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, hearing reports of the parish secretaries, electing delegates to the general meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, and transacting such other business as may come before it. Each parish shall send delegates to the annual meeting, also a written report to the Secretary of the work done during the year.

The President shall preside at all of the meetings, and have a general knowledge of all the work that is in progress.

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

The Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the Association, send notice of the meetings, keep a record of them, keep an account of the work done by the women of the diocese, as re-

ported by the Parish Secretaries, and report this annually to the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary in New York.

The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all money sent to her for either branch of missionary work, and for the expenses of the Association, and shall present a report at the annual meeting.

Five persons shall form a quorum at all the meetings.

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