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TO THE
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FOR THE YEAR 1901.

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President's Address.

I shall not attempt this morning to make a formal address, but in the briefest possible manner direct your attention to the results of the year's work in the various departments.

We have been much handicapped in the official work of the diocesan branch by the absence of your experienced and efficient secretary, Miss Harriet S. McCobb. Since December she has been enjoying a well earned vacation on the Pacific coast and there is a rumor that she will remain until after the triennial meeting in October. I am sure we are all glad that she should have this pleasure, but she is sadly missed. Since the inception of the Auxiliary, her time, her fine executive ability and her money have been freely spent in its service and perhaps it is well that she went away for a while that we might find how valuable her service has been. Her duties have been divided between the treasurer and a member of my own family. I desire personally to express my gratitude to all the branches for the consideration and thoughtfulness they have shown me and the many ways in which the work has been made easy and pleasant for a new president. It is a pleasure for me to serve the Auxiliary in any capacity. The one regret of the year is that for one reason and another I have been unable to take advantage of the opportunities that I have seen for expanding and strengthening the work. I feel that I might have gained better results if I had had a personal acquaintance with some of the members at least of every branch, if I had better understood the condition under which the work was done. At the beginning of the year I resolved to visit every branch in the diocese, but illness in my family in the autumn and early winter, and inclement weather and bad traveling in the spring have prevented.

As has been the habit in past years, we have made the missions and missionaries in our own diocese our first care. Not only the personal needs of missionaries and their families have been met, but we have done something for Christian education. Through the Altar Society we have helped to make fit and beautiful the service of the sanctuary in many places. We have supplied books and

papers where needed. Through the Periodical Club we have tried especially to carry church papers to those who are living in towns where there is no church service. Through the Juniors we have supplied Christmas trees with gifts and maintained a scholarship in the House of the Good Shepherd, and we always intend to keep our treasury in a condition to meet a call within the diocese at any time during the year. Our lenten work for the Indians and colored people is more than ever before. We have sent a box of clothing to a school in Africa, twenty-five dollars to a church in Japan, twenty-five to the hospital for women and children in Shanghai, China. This is not all the items by any means, but it gives an idea of the scope of our efforts. Our quarterly meetings are of great value and have been well attended; the enthusiasm of members is what we all need, and by holding these meetings in different parts of the diocese nearly all our women have an opportunity of meeting their co-workers at least once a year.

As you are aware, the General Convention meets this year in October in San Francisco, and the triennial meeting of the Auxiliary occurs at the same time and place. I hope that Maine will have a large delegation present. It must surely be something worth while to be one of such a gathering as the last triennial meeting, when twelve hundred churchwomen offered to God for his service, eighty-two thousand dollars, the united offering of the women of the American Church throughout the world.

The suggestion by Mrs. Twing that each diocese should carry to San Francisco some historical notes in the way of photographs of its earliest churches, is of peculiar interest to Maine. We remember that the first christian service held in New England was that of the Episcopal Church at the mouth of the Kennebee river in 1606. The first church buildings were at Saco and Richmond's Island. I believe the oldest church building now in existence is at Gardiner. I am informed that the font of the old church on Richmond's Island is now in the historical rooms in Portland. Should we not send a photograph of that? However, all this we will leave to a committee.

As we look back over the year we see much for which to be grateful and many places for improvement. Let us thank God and take courage.

ANNA B. OGDEN, *President.*

Minutes of the Meeting.

The twenty-third annual meeting was held at S. Luke's Cathedral, Portland, on Tuesday, May 23d. Morning prayer was said and Holy Communion celebrated at 9.30 A.M., after which the ladies adjourned to the Parish House for the business meeting. At the calling of the roll, delegates responded from fourteen parishes, viz.: Auburn, Church of the Heavenly Rest; Augusta, S. Barnabas' and S. Mark's; Bangor, S. John's; Bath, Grace; Brunswick, S. Paul's; Gardiner, Christ; Kennebunk, S. Stephen's, Lewiston, Trinity; Newcastle, S. Andrew's; Portland, S. Luke's and S. Paul's; Saco, Trinity; Woodfords, Trinity Chapel.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and the reports of the secretary and treasurer were read and with emendation accepted by vote. Then followed the reports of the secretary and treasurer of the Junior Auxiliary, of the Babies' Branch, of the Altar Society and of the correspondent of the Church Periodical Club, which were all accepted by vote.

No report was received from the correspondent of the Society for Aid of Isolated Churchwomen.

The President, in a few words, called the attention of the meeting to the beautiful work of the Babies' Branch.

The secretary of the Altar Society made a plea for more subscriptions to her work and the Rev. Mr. Plant, by request, gave an account of the special work done by the Gardiner Branch.

Mrs. Corning, at the request of the general treasurer of the Church Periodical Club in New York, gave an interesting account of the increased work of the club and explained the propriety of the Maine branch contributing to the general support. It was

Voted, That as the Church Periodical Club was a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, that \$2.00 be appropriated from the treasury toward the general expenses of said club.

The usual collection was then made, amounting to \$29.00.

It was moved that the nominating committee for the annual election of officers be appointed by the chair. These were Mrs. Sills, Mrs. Davenport, Mrs. Payson. The officers were unanimously re-elected with the addition of Mrs. Corning to the advisory committee.

Pledges for general expenses and for the scholarship were made.

Letters received in response to barrels sent were read from Bishop Hare, Archdeacons Appleby and Joyner and Mrs. Tyson.

By request, Mrs. Shepherd gave an account of the advantages of a missionary cup of tea as a means of paying expenses and of the rapidity with which a box of clothing can be prepared under pressure.

The meeting adjourned for lunch until 2.30 P.M.

Meeting re-assembled at 2.30 P.M. in same place.

The President asked the delegates to bear in mind during the summer the united offering which was to be made October 3, 1901.

The delegates for the triennial meeting at San Francisco were then elected. They were as follows: Mrs. Stanwood; Mrs. Alice White, alternate, Miss Stevens or Mrs. Plant; Mrs. Glidden; Mrs. Hughes; Mrs. Corning.

Miss Clark presented the advantages of a certain trip to California and return, which she thought worth the consideration of the delegates.

On motion of Mrs. Pressey, a vote of thanks was extended to the ladies of S. Luke's for their hospitality.

Mrs. Shepherd moved that a gavel be provided for the President. Mrs. Shepherd and Mrs. Wood were appointed to secure the same before the next annual meeting.

The Rev. Canon Ogden then introduced the speaker of the day, the Rev. J. Thompson Cole of Philadelphia.

The meeting adjourned to time and place of next annual meeting.

MARGUERITE OGDEN, *Secretary pro tem.*

Annual Report.

The year 1900 and 1901 opened on September 4th, with the first quarterly meeting at Wiscasset, delegates from ten parishes being present. The tone was given to the meeting by the devout and earnest words of Bishop Codman at its beginning. The subject emphasized by the president was organization and the advantage of united and well-directed effort. Following this, the subject of mission study was introduced and fine classes at Bangor and York Harbor were reported. Attention was called to the fact that the work for the first quarter would be devoted to diocesan Missionaries.

The second meeting was held at Bangor in December. Delegates to the number of thirty, from twelve parishes, responded to the roll-call. The reports of advent work for the diocese were heard and were most gratifying, particularly the contributions in money. The chief point of the meeting was, that greater care should be taken by the parishes in sending instructed delegates to the quarterly meetings. Several new mission classes were reported.

The third meeting at Bath assembled with twenty-seven delegates from ten parishes present. The interest of this meeting lay in the remarks made by the secretary of the Altar Society on this branch of the Auxiliary and the exhibition of some of the work of its members, and in a talk given by Mrs. Foster on practical missionary work among the colored people of Georgia. The various objects for lenten work were presented for the consideration of the delegates.

The lenten work has so increased that it was found desirable for the larger branches to send barrels directly to their destination. The smaller packages were sent to Portland as usual and repacked.

The objects for the year's work are as follows: Missionaries in the Diocese of Maine, four; House of the Good Shepherd, Gardiner, Me.; Archdeacon Joyner's Missions, South Carolina; School for Colored Children, Brunswick, Ga.; Work for the "Poor

Whites," North Carolina; Bishop Hare's Catechists, So. Dakota; Indians in the Diocese of Duluth; Girls' School in Japan; Hospital at Shanghai, China.

Following is the box account:

BOX ACCOUNT.

PARISHES.	NO.	VALUE.
Auburn, Church of the Heavenly Rest,	1	\$ 11.82
Augusta, S. Barnabas',	1	6.00
Augusta, S. Mark's,	4	99.00
Bangor, S. John's,	4	186.25
Bar Harbor, S. Saviour's,	4	116.50
Bath, Grace,	2	20.55
Biddeford, Christ,		
Brunswick, S. Paul's,	1	10.00
Calais, S. Anne's,		
Camden, S. Thomas',		
Dexter, Church of the Messiah,	2	9.70
Eastport, Christ's,		
Exeter, Holy Trinity,	1	4.50
Fort Fairfield, S. Paul's,	1	6.00
Gardiner, Christ,	6	169.23
Hallowell, S. Matthew's,	1	4.58
Henderson,	1	4.50
Houlton, S. John's,		
Hull's Cove, Church of Our Father,	1	12.50
Kennebunk, S. Stephen's,	1	18.60
Lewiston, Trinity,	1	30.00
Newcastle and Damariscotta, S. Andrews',	2	102.00
North East Harbor, S. Mary's-by-the-Sea,	2	37.05
Old Town, S. James',		
Portland, S. Luke's,	4	100.16
Portland, S. Paul's,	1	32.50
Presque Isle, S. John's,	1	7.75
Richmond, S. Matthias',		
Rockland, S. Peter's,	1	4.60
Saco, Trinity,	1	30.36
Waterville, S. Mark's,	1	10.00
Wiscasset, S. Philip's,	1	10.00
Woodfords, Trinity Chapel,	2	51.48
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Total,	48	\$1,095.63

MARGUERITE OGDEN, *Sec. pro tem.*

Treasurer's Report.

Treasurer's Report.

I will ask a little more time than usual for my report to-day and go a little more into details; and if the delegates will listen closely, and note any points on which my books do not agree with those of different branch treasurers, all mistakes can be rectified before the reports are printed.

Before proceeding to figures let me say a few words in regard to general expenses, to which it seems to me important that each parish branch should contribute something. The term general expenses covers many things, and might be made to cover more. Primarily, it means printing the annual reports, which are sent to all the branches, expressage or freight on missionary boxes, postage, and the expenses of the speaker at the annual meeting. It has also included some years one or two mileage books for our missionaries, and sometimes I have been made rich enough to buy a suit of clothes, or some much needed articles for missionary families early in the season before active work is begun in the parish branches. We have had no call for mileage books this past year, but probably may have in the coming year. It seems to me it would be well this year to furnish our president with a mileage ticket so that she may be able to visit some of the parishes between the times of the regular meetings. Such visits would surely increase the interest in the work, and enable all to work to better advantage.

When the pledges are called for for general expenses, I earnestly hope that each branch will wish to pledge something. If some branches pay the freight on their own boxes, it is but fair and right that they should deduct the amount so paid from the sum pledged and send us only the balance.

In 1895 the Maine Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary contributed \$450.32 to the united offering. In 1898 Maine's share was \$382.02. This year we are likely to fall behind as the amount in my hands at present is but \$170.06. I am sure there still are some boxes to be opened, and sums added to this, and I earnestly request that all contributions for this object may be sent to me by the middle of August. I am to send a check, not gold, to Miss Emery this time, and additions at the last minute will not be easy or convenient.

ELIZABETH H. SMITH,
Treasurer.

ELIZABETH H. SMITH, Treasurer, in account with the MAINE BRANCH of the WOMAN'S AUXILIARY,
from May 16, 1900 to May 20, 1901.

Report of Altar Society.

The Maine Altar Society continued work this year until late in June to finish an order received from S. John's, Bangor. The stated meetings were resumed in October and will be continued until the work on hand is finished.

At the third quarterly meeting, held in Bath, the secretary of the society exhibited some of the completed work and made an earnest plea for the support of the Society. I renew the plea for subscriptions and beg that pledges to the amount of fifty cents a year may be made in all branches of the Auxiliary.

The following work has been accomplished:

SILK EMBROIDERY.

Green broaded super-frontal, pulpit-fall, stole, bookmarks, burse and veil for S. John's, Bangor.

Two broaded silk stoles for Rev. Mr. Stewart, Bath.

Two silk stoles for Christ Church, Biddeford.

A white silk stole for Rev. Canon Ogden.

A white silk stole for Rev. Wm. Walker.

A red silk stole for S. Luke's, Portland.

A green silk stole for Trinity Chapel, Woodfords.

UNFINISHED WORK.

A super-frontal, pulpit-fall and lectern-fall for Christ Church, Biddeford.

A broaded silk burse and veil for S. Mary the Virgin, Falmouth Foreside.

A super-frontal, burse and veil for S. Mark's, Waterville.

LINEN.

A set of altar linen for S. Paul's Church, Portland.

A set of altar linen for Mission at Henderson.

A set of altar linen for S. John's Church, East Boston.

A surplice for missionary in Oregon.

S. LUKE'S, PORTLAND.

Balance on hand, May 20, 1901,	\$ 16.25
Subscriptions,	11.50
Sale of work,	75.00
 Total,	 \$102.75

Paid for material, postage, etc.,	\$ 92.13
Cash on hand,	10.62
Total,	\$102.75

CHRIST CHURCH, GARDINER.

Balance on hand,	\$ 49.52
Sale of Christmas greens,	53.18
Sale of work,	40.14
Dividend,	.38
Total,	\$143.22
For material, postage, etc.,	\$52.18
Added to Permanent Fund,	10.75
Parish purposes,	30.44
Cash on hand,	49.85
Total,	\$143.22

The working branches of the Altar Society are S. Luke's, Portland, St. Andrew's, Newcastle, Trinity Chapel, Woodfords and Christ Church, Gardiner. The three first depend for their funds on the fifty cent subscriptions through the diocese. The last is self-supporting, keeping their treasury well filled by their own earnings.

CLARA A. PRINDLE,

Secretary and Treasurer.

Report of Junior Auxiliary.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY—SECRETARY'S REPORT.

1900-1901.

This has been a most auspicious year for the Junior Auxiliary, the box and cash account showing an increase of more than one hundred dollars over last year.

With few exceptions, each individual branch has accomplished more this year than the previous one, a gratifying proof of progress. Augusta heads the list with a report of \$42.60. Bangor comes next with \$36.55, and Woodfords follows closely with \$32.25 to their credit.

The Christmas boxes for mission Sunday schools were prepared as usual during Advent, and during Lent boxes of clothing were distributed among the poor whites of North Carolina, colored people of Brunswick, Ga., Indian Missions, a Home in New York State, New Mexico, and our own special charge, the House of the Good Shepherd.

Money was sent for missions in China and the Philippines, also for other missions, including the united offering, aside from the sixty dollars for the junior scholarship.

We are pleased to report one new branch, that of York Harbor, which is under the direction of Miss Cheney of Boston. While this is only a summer branch, they report \$23.00 for their first season's work. The mere fact of these young people going there for their summer's outing and being willing to devote a part of their time to the work for missions, is a step in the right direction and an example we might well follow.

Our latest and most interesting mission station is Dennistown, up in the Moose River district, four miles from any railway station, in the northern wilds of Maine, near the Canadian border. While all of our work has been enjoyable, the work for this isolated mission has been specially delightful. They have no clergyman, and the Sunday school is kept up mainly through the efforts of a churchwoman, from whom we received a most appreciative letter

written upon receipt of a Christmas box sent from Portland and Newcastle. As most of the men and boys were at work in the logging camp and could not be at home on Christmas day, they arranged to have their tree on the Saturday night following, in order that all might be present. In her letter, Mrs. Wilson says, "I wish you could have seen the little girls' joy when they found that the dolls could open and close their eyes, and the boys with their games. Many of them forgot all else and went to playing on the spot." She thinks that the fact of the presents coming from the Junior Auxiliary will have a good effect upon her young people, and we sincerely hope it will prove so, as we are all beginning to realize that "The child is the hope of the race," and we must make great effort in its behalf.

We were glad to learn that this year one of the branches, that of Augusta, has voted to keep up the monthly study meetings through the summer, using one of the outlines of the Junior Auxiliary Publishing Company's missionary leaflets, with reading from the "Spirit of Missions," on current events; also map study and illustrations when they can be obtained. We wish the missionary study class might be adopted in more cases, keeping us in touch with missions, thereby imparting new life, and encouraging us to keep on in the good work.

The box and cash account follows:

	NO.	VALUE.
Augusta, S. Mark's,	6	\$36.60
Junior scholarship, House Good Shepherd,		6.00
Auburn, Heavenly Rest,	1	6.35
Bangor, S. John's,	3	31.55
J. scholarship,		5.00
Bar Harbor, S. Saviour's,	2	21.00
J. scholarship,		5.13
Bath, Grace Church,	1	8.00
J. scholarship,		5.00
Exeter, Holy Trinity,	1	2.00
J. scholarship,		1.00
Gardiner, Christ Church,		
J. scholarship of 1899-1900,		5.00
J. scholarship of 1900-1901,		5.00

	NO.	VALUE.
Kennebunk, S. Stephen's,		
Cash for clothing little girl at House Good		
Shepherd,		\$3.00
Junior treasury,		1.00
Junior scholarship,		1.00
Lewiston, Trinity,		
J. scholarship,		5.00
Newcastle, S. Andrew's,	1	16.75
J. scholarship,		5.00
Portland, S. Luke's,	2	15.00
J. scholarship,		5.00
Saco, Trinity.		
Burgess-Neely Endowment paid,		3.00
Maine Missionary Society,		3.00
General Board Missions,		3.00
Missions in China and the Philippines,		3.00
United offering, 1901,		3.00
J. scholarship,		6.00
Woodfords, Trinity Chapel,	2	27.25
J. scholarship,		5.00
York Harbor, summer branch,	1	12.00
J. scholarship, H. G. S.,		11.00
Contributed by Babies' Branch,		\$266.63
		5.85
Total,		\$272.48

Respectfully submitted,

JENNIE S. DERRY,

Secretary and Treasurer.

Babies' Branch.

The Babies' Branch of our Junior Auxiliary which includes all baptized children, seems almost unknown throughout the diocese and there is a great lack of interest shown by the few who do know of it. To-day, however, I should like to ask and to urge that a delegate from each parish here represented obtain from me a leaflet, which will tell what the Babies' Branch is and what it aims to do, and that she try to get at least one member in her own parish to whom a box and book may be sent. It is wonderful how young a child may grasp the missionary spirit, and I feel strongly that the Babies' Branch not only can and should prove an important factor for good in our missionary work, but that the enjoyment of the little ones in the bright boxes and the jingling pennies, their ready interest in the stories of the Indian, darkey and Chinese babies, their pride and pleasure when they can say the verse about "the penny from a baby hand", must act as a stimulus to the enthusiasm of the mother and be the beginning of a stronger, broader, more united Woman's Auxiliary.

There is little to report from the Babies' Branch of the Junior Auxiliary in Maine. During the month of January, 1901, I forwarded to the Church Missions House in New York, \$15.85. Of that amount, \$10.00 had been received from fourteen boxes for the year ending December 28, 1899, and \$5.85 from eleven boxes for the year ending December 28, 1900; divided as follows: Domestic Missions, \$6.00; Foreign Missions, \$6.00; United Offering, \$3.85; total, \$15.85.

In 1896, when the Babies' Branch was started in this Diocese, a number of boxes were sent to five different parishes: S. Luke's, Portland; Woodfords, Gardiner, Auburn and Waterville. In addition, several isolated boxes were sent other parishes — Old Town, Machias, Braggyville, and later, Dexter, Exeter, and North East Harbor — which Mrs. Neely distributed herself, and kept under her charge.

Since then, Gardiner, Waterville and Auburn have entirely dropped out; Portland, since Mrs. Neely left us, has done but little, and to Trinity Chapel, Woodfords, belongs the credit of the greater part of the work accomplished.

Since January, however, there have been given out in S. Luke's Parish, Portland, nine boxes, in Woodfords (in charge of Mrs. Manasseh Smith), eight boxes, Exeter (in charge of Mrs. Fowler), four boxes, North East Harbor, one box, Gardiner—given out last week—one box, making a total of twenty-three boxes; and I hope by next year to report a decided increase in the number of baby members.

Respectfully submitted,

S. C. PAYSON,

Secretary and Treasurer.

May 20, 1901.

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 of 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 reported 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.

