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MID-DAY PRAYER FOR MISSIONS,

"And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me."

*Blessed Saviour, who at this hour didst
hang upon the Cross, stretching forth thy
loving arms; grant that all mankind may
look upon thee and be saved; through thy
mercies and merits, who livest and reign-
est with the Father and the Holy Ghost,
ever one God, world without end. Amen.*

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Minutes of the Meeting.

The thirty-first annual meeting was held in St. Luke's Cathedral, Portland, on Tuesday, May 18th. After the usual celebration held in the Cathedral, the ladies adjourned to the Parish House for the business meeting. At the calling of the roll, the following twenty-nine branches were represented by sixty-nine delegates:

Auburn; Augusta, St. Barnabas'; Augusta, St. Mark's; Bangor; Bar Harbor; Bath; Biddeford; Brunswick; Camden; Caribou; Fort Fairfield; Gardiner; Hallowell; Houlton; Lewiston; Lisbon Falls; Newcastle and Damariscotta; Pittston; Portland, Cathedral; Portland, St. Paul's; Portland, St. Stephen's; Portland, Trinity Chapel; Presque Isle; Rumford Falls; Saco; Sanford; Waterville; Wiscasset, St Philip's; York Harbor.

A few words of welcome were spoken by the President, and a letter of greeting read from Miss Emery, from Hawaii.

The minutes of the last meeting, at Gardiner, were read.

The annual report of the Recording Secretary, including the box account, was read and approved.

The annual report of the Corresponding Secretary was read and approved.

The report of the Treasurer was read and accepted by vote.

It was stated that the Treasurer had been obliged to borrow money to pay a part of the apportionment and the ladies were begged to refund it at the collection which immediately followed—a larger collection than was ever made before at a single meeting. It is needless to say that the debt was paid.

Several questions of organization were stated and discussed and it became evident that age and congeniality would naturally indicate the dividing line of the chapters into which a large branch inevitably falls.

The branches were reminded that the Altar Society is diocesan, while Altar Guilds are parochial.

The annual report of the Junior Auxiliary was read by its Secretary.

The annual report of the Babies' Branch was read by its presiding officer.

The librarians of the Church Periodical Club were asked to confer with Miss Metcalfe, their Directress.

An invitation was given to the clergy and their wives, and the delegates and officers of the various branches of the Woman's Auxiliary, to meet the Bishop at his house at lunch on the following day.

The noon prayers for missions were read by the Vice President.

An address followed by Deaconess Goodwin, one of the Secretaries for Student Work under the Board of Missions.

An account of Mission Study was given by Miss Burgess, who is in charge of that branch, and several parishes reported that they had engaged systematically in the study of missions.

Pledges were made for general expenses for the coming year.

Pledges were also made for the Scholarship for 1909-10.

The meeting adjourned for lunch.

Met in the same place at 2.00 p.m.

The President stated the need of a Communion Service to be owned by the diocese, and loaned, when required, to the several clergymen. Contributions of old silver, to be added to a small amount already given, were requested for this purpose.

The annual election of officers followed.

Voted: That the officers be elected by acclamation, and that the ticket for the previous year be retained.

The officers were declared elected.

A short address was made by the Rev. Mr. Plant, mentioning the session of the Sunday School Commission on the evening of the present day, and also on that of the following day at 8.00 p. m.

On motion of Mrs. Fortin, a vote of thanks was extended to the Cathedral Branch for hospitality.

Applications were made from three parish branches for the September meeting.

Voted: That the place for the next meeting be referred to the Executive Board.

The annual report of the Altar Society was read by Miss Prindle.

The annual report of the Society for Isolated Churchwomen, written by its chief, Mrs. Philbrook, of Bangor, was read by Miss Clarke.

Voted: That instead of the usual mileage ticket, an appropriation be made sufficient for travelling expenses, for the use of the President.

Voted: That the bill for expenses of the Babies' Branch, now presented, be paid by the Treasurer.

A report of the Church Periodical Club was read by Miss Metcalfe, and the ladies were reminded that any and all freight sent through this Club, can be forwarded free of charge on October 1st.

A brief list of the needs of the House of the Good Shepherd was read by the matron, Mrs. Foye.

Voted: That the Secretary send the thanks of the ladies of the Auxiliary to Miss Emery, for the beautiful and tender greeting from her, received and read at the present meeting.

Meeting adjourned to the next annual meeting.

HARRIET S. MCCOBB, *Rec. Sec.*

May 18, 1909.

Report of Recording Secretary.

The year 1908 has been a distinctly friendly one, which, as one remembers the submissive and half-frightened beginning of the Auxiliary work, and the limited intercourse of the branches with each other, is a pleasure and a triumph to consider.

The first meeting was in September, in Aroostook County, and the forty or fifty delegates who took the long, beautiful journey together, did not wait until the sessions should begin for plans and details of work, and pleasant fellowship.

Presque Isle was the first place for assembling. The hospitality given the delegates who came in force from twenty-one parish branches, was so perfect that no one felt herself a burden to the brave little parish. The meetings were full and enthusiastic. A second meeting was held at Houlton, as the delegates returned, with the same cordial reception. The services were in some respects the same as at Presque Isle, except that in no two places can plans and truths show themselves in exactly the same light. There were the same crowded houses, and an equal readiness to undertake the autumn work, in both towns.

The February meeting was held in Christ Church, Gardiner, in a driving snow storm. It speaks well for the interest of the fifteen branches there represented, that the delegates seemed to pay no attention except a laughing one, to the very bad weather. The beginning, and chief pleasure of the day, was a "Quiet Hour" conducted by the Bishop. His subject was, "God's Will and How To Do It."

An account was given at the business meeting which followed, of the work already accomplished, and the objects for Lenten work were suggested by the President, and accepted.

The amount of the value of the box account is a little more than that of the last year. The Secretary states with pleasure that the largest contribution is from the very last and youngest branch, that of York Harbor.

Following is the box account:

BOX ACCOUNT.		
NAME OF PARISH.	No.	VALUE.
Ashland, Emmanuel,	1	\$ 7.00
Auburn, St. Michael's.		
Augusta, St. Barnabas',	1	10.00
Augusta, St. Mark's,	5	76.40
Bangor, St. John's,	7	200.44
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's,	5	146.35
Bath, Grace,	2	35.00
Biddeford, Christ,	1	16.60
Brunswick, St. Paul's,	1	50.00
Calais, St. Anne's,	1	28.25
Camden, St. Thomas',		
Caribou, St. Luke's,		
Dexter, Church of the Messiah,	1	10.50
Dresden Mills, St. John's,		
Exeter, Holy Trinity,		
Fort Fairfield, St. Paul's,	1	6.00
Gardiner, Christ,	6	79.75
Hallowell, St. Matthew's,	1	10.00
Houlton, Church of the Good Shepherd,	1	15.00
Hull's Cove, Church of Our Father,	2	19.40
Lewiston, Trinity,	1	85.50
Lisbon Falls, St. Matthew's,		
Masardis, All Saints',		
Newcastle and Damariscotta, St. Andrew's,	4	74.32
North East Harbor, St. Mary's-by-the-Sea,	2	35.00
Norway, Christ,		

Pittston, St. Andrew's,	2	23.55
Portland, St. Luke's Cathedral,	5	97.82
Portland, St. Paul's,	2	51.95
Portland, St. Stephen's,	2	34.34
Portland, Trinity Chapel,	2	33.81
Presque Isle, St. John's,	1	5.64
Richmond, St. Matthias',	1	5.25
Rockland, St. Peter's,	1	14.00
Rumford Falls, St. Barnabas',	1	5.00
Saco, Trinity,	1	27.14
Sanford, St. George's,	1	10.00
Thomaston, St. John Baptist,	2	6.95
Waterville, St. Mark's,	1	20.00
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	4	77.15
Wiscasset, Trinity Mission,	5	46.45
York Harbor,	3	281.77
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Receipts in cash,	\$1,822.48	
Receipts in boxes,	1,646.33	
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LIST OF RECIPIENTS.

Missions in Greene County, Virginia,	\$133.45
Oneida Indians, in charge of Rev. W. B. Thorne, Oneida, Wisconsin,	290.64
St. Paul's Normal and Industrial School, Lawrence- ville, Virginia,	325.41
The House of the Good Shepherd, Gardiner, Maine,	135.03
Mission in charge of Rev. W. S. Claiborne, Sewanee, Tennessee,	143.56
Clergyman in Virginia,	139.96
Mrs. Buford's Hospital, Virginia,	16.20

Rectory at Henderson, Maine,	143.52
Missions and Missionaries in Maine,	218.46
Sailors' Haven, Charlestown, Mass.,	10.00
House of Refuge, New York City,	1.10
Church Fund Fair, Belfast, Maine,	16.00
Hospital, } Alaska,	73.00
Christmas gifts, }	
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	\$1,646.33

May 18, 1909.

HARRIET S. MCCOBB, *Rec. Sec.*



Report of Corresponding Secretary

FROM MAY, 1908 TO MAY, 1909.

- 62 miscellaneous letters.
- 43 letters in regard to the United Offering.
- 29 special leaflets sent about the United Offering.
- 42 report blanks.
- 142 postals, notices of meetings.
- 36 written postals.
- 9 express packages sent.

This is the outline covering the year's correspondence, the special object of which has been to spread an interest in the United Offering. We have been so fortunate this year as to have a leaflet written especially for Maine, and this I have sent to every branch secretary and every clergyman in the diocese, besides sending a copy with each mite box, together with the leaflets sent by the Church Missions House. The result has been gratifying in some respects, for in five branches it has meant a special effort to have mite boxes distributed and a United Offering treasurer appointed. In seventeen branches now, there is a United Offering treasurer, and as I have sent this year 438 new boxes, it must mean a very real increase in the offering for 1910. There is only a little more than a year before the next triennial, and there is much to do in that time.

It seems hardly necessary to repeat that the object of the offering for 1910 is the same as in 1904 and 1907, "for woman's work in the mission field, including the training, sending and support of women workers." In 1904 the whole offering was \$150,000. In 1907 it was \$224,251.55, a tremendous increase, but as the amount has grown so has the number of workers.

Maine's share in the offering of 1907 was \$1,186.30, and as this diocese never *goes back* after undertaking a work, so the

offering of 1910 must be at least \$1,200. This can be done by systematic giving by the many. Large sums from a few are not asked, but small sums from every baptized woman in the diocese, makes the real *united* offering. In September last it was announced that 104 missionaries in the domestic field, and 60 in the foreign field were supported by the United Offering, but still the cry goes up for more workers all over the world.

Surely there is not a woman in the Church who does not remember that this is an opportunity for a personal thank-offering, and that her prayers and her offerings go together.

ANNIE M. MERRILL, *Cor. Sec.*



Treasurer's Report.

ANNIE L. SAWYER, Treasurer, in Account with the Maine Branch of the Woman's
Auxiliary, from May 19, 1908, to May 18, 1909.

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Collection at Portland, May 19, 1908,	\$ 65.50
Collection at Presque Isle, Sept. 22, 1908,	41.55
Collection at Houlton, Sept. 23, 1908,	6.91
Collection at Gardiner, Feb. 16, 1909,	29.89
Accrued interest, July 1908, \$1.78; Jan. 1909, \$5.79	7.57
To amounts received, viz.:	
Ashland, Emmanuel,	.50
Auburn, St. Michael's,	7.89
Augusta, St. Mark's,	42.20
Augusta, St. Barnabas',	1.00
Bangor, St. John's,	101.36
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's,	38.50
Bath, Grace Church,	61.70
Belfast,	7.34
Biddeford, Christ Church,	5.00
Brunswick, St. Paul's,	5.00
Calais, St. Anne's,	4.00
Camden, St. Thomas',	16.50
Dexter, Church of the Messiah,	1.00
Exeter, Holy Trinity,	4.25
Gardiner, Christ Church,	122.98
Guilford,	2.00
Hallowell, St. Matthew's,	2.00
Holeb,	1.00
Houlton, Church of the Good Shepherd,	22.76
Lewiston, Trinity,	27.58
Lisbon Falls, St. Matthew's,	2.00
Newcastle, St. Andrew's,	71.39
North East Harbor,	5.00
Norway, Christ Church,	3.16
Pittston, St. Andrew's,	3.00
Portland, Cathedral,	203.00
Portland, St. Paul's,	19.13
Portland, St. Stephen's,	8.00
Portland, Trinity,	41.78
Presque Isle, St. John's,	43.39
Rockland, St. Peter's,	5.00
Rumford Falls,	5.00
Saco, Trinity,	3.00
Sanford, St. George's,	8.00
Searsport,	.50
Thomaston, St. John Baptist,	2.09
Waterville, St. Mark's,	7.00
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	60.85
Wiscasset, Trinity Mission,	9.34
York,	20.23
Junior Auxiliary, for United Offering,	20.00
Babies' Branch, for United Offering,	5.25
Friends, for "Specials,"	617.60
Borrowed to make up Appropriation for General Missions,	32.79
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	\$1,822.48
Balance on hand May 19, 1908,	342.45
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	\$2,164.93

Treasurer's Report.

ANNIE L. SAWYER, Treasurer, in Account with the Maine Branch of the Woman's
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By amounts paid, viz.:

St. Paul School, Lawrenceville,	\$ 50.00
Repairs on Rectory, Thomaston,	25.00
Three Subscriptions, Spirit of Missions,	3.00
Rectory in Wichita, Kansas,	10.00
Southworth Brothers, for Printing Reports,	39.90
Southworth Brothers, for Printing,	1.25
C. M. Rice & Company, Paper,	1.60
Scholarship,	250.00
Rectory at Henderson,	114.35
Diocesan Missions,	83.87
Traveling Expenses, President,	15.70
Traveling Expenses, Clergyman,	10.00
Special for Maine Clergyman,	10.00
Special for Archdeacon Joyner,	365.00
Special for Missionary in Maine,	90.00
Special for Dr. Burke,	100.00
Special for Cross for St. Andrew's Mission, Pittston,	8.00
Special for Boone Library,	5.00
General Missions,	62.79
General Missions, Epiphany Offering,	38.23
General Missions, Designated for Bishop of Alaska,	60.90
General Missions, Designated for St. Paul School,	38.08
Postage,	34.35
Freight and Express,	18.43

Balance on hand May 18, 1909,

\$1,435.45
729.48

\$2,164.93

The Bar Harbor Branch, through the Woman's Auxiliary, gave \$45 for furniture for rectory at Henderson; and \$32.15 to Mr. W. G. Ellis, Treasurer, for Diocesan Missions. This money did not pass through the hands of the diocesan treasurer.

Report of Mission Study.

MISSION STUDY.

This title sounds as if it referred to something difficult—not to be undertaken by the busy woman, the delicate in health, or one not used to long mental exertion. It sounds like a call to return to our school days.

“No, I never wrote a paper in my life; I have no time for reading. Don’t ask me to speak in meeting; I’ll gladly take an apron home to finish, but I really can’t undertake any study.”

This is not what the general officers in New York mean when they urge Mission Study on us. How then shall we define these two words? They mean this: the drawing nearer in loving imagination to the brave workers whom we have sent in all directions to carry Faith, Hope and bodily comfort to those who need. They mean the following of those workers as they fulfill their daily tasks, as they teach the ignorant, nurse the sick, bring hope to the despondent, or lift up the down-trodden. They mean letters of loving sympathy when the work is too hard, the surroundings too lonely or sordid, or when difficult problems must be solved.

We are not asked to use our minds as storehouses for facts about missions, packing them full as we pack camphor-chests in summer, but we are asked to see to it that those minds contain distinct pictures of the various Mission Fields and the workers therein; that we think of those workers as we think of our own family, dear ones who have left us for the difficulties and pleasures of a new home, and that we pray for *them* as we pray for *these*. And more than this, Mission Study means the giving of this clear mental picture to those about us that their interest and prayers may be added to ours. And the word *Missions* includes, not only work in foreign lands, but that in our own country, New England as well as in the West and South, and particularly in Maine, because our State is so largely a Mission Field

that we are bound to help it largely. So howsoever we make ourselves better acquainted with our mission workers, and in whatsoever way we introduce them to our neighbors and friends, we are thereby joining in Mission Study. Perhaps you all realize this and have not been discouraged when sickness or cares have prevented the finished papers and addresses which would read so well in a report.

Before Epiphany, I wrote or spoke to all the branches in the diocese, asking that, at least, some reading from the "Spirit of Missions" might be done among the women who could meet together. I have received reports from several, and I know that there are others present who are ready to tell what they have done. Some met in the fall, some in Epiphany, but the largest number during Lent. Some sent for the books recommended, and prepared papers, or read from them. In some parishes the Rector gave addresses, or a speaker was brought in from outside. China was studied by many, Japan by a few, the Mountaineers of the South, and the Indians of the West. Miss Emery: General Secretary of the Auxiliary, who has been visiting many Mission Stations abroad, sent home most interesting letters, which were read by many branches. In all these meetings faces were turned toward the Mission Fields, and loving hearts beat in sympathy if only for the little time that could be spared from home cares.

In some cities there were large, enthusiastic meetings with business-like reports, followed by tea and cakes. Elsewhere, four or five earnest women met for quiet sewing and a little talk. Wherever and however and how few-so-ever, it was in the Master's service; and if few facts and figures were gained, the missionary prayers were offered—as no doubt they are at every meeting—and if we have a grain of faith we must believe that they will have power for the glory of God.

The reports which I have received came from Bar Harbor, the Cathedral, Camden, Caribou, Lewiston, St. Stephen's, Portland; Rockland, Rumford Falls, Saco, Wiscasset, Trinity Chapel, Portland.

The other branches who gave verbal reports were Presque Isle, Gardiner, Houlton, Bangor.

MARY M. BURGESS,
in charge of Mission Study.

Report of Church Periodical Club.

The first work during the summer of 1908 was the collecting of literature to be sent to the lumber camps. On the first day of October, through the kindness of the General Freight Agent, Mr. W. K. Sanderson, we were able to send, free of expense, seventeen barrels and eight boxes to Ashland and Masardis to be distributed by the Rev. Mr. Burgess, among the men. The gratitude of the recipients was shown by their being willing to walk many miles to receive the reading matter, returning to their camps with it on their backs.

At the beginning of the New Year came the soliciting of magazines and papers to be sent out regularly, and readers were found in all the States, as well as the West Indies and Canada. Some of the letters received are very pathetic, showing how much the papers and books are appreciated, and should inspire us to renewed efforts.

During the coming year I should be very glad if we could send reading matter to the children who work in the sardine factories at Eastport. If any one present has anything of that description to be contributed, I will send the address, if I may be notified, or perhaps we can collect a large box or barrel to be forwarded.

The routine work of the Club is practically the same, increasing a little each year, as letters are required from both the giver and the receiver of the periodicals.

BLANCHE L. METCALFE,

Correspondent for Maine.

May 18, 1909.

Report of Maine Altar Society.

There have been no requests for mission stoles this year, perhaps because most of the missions are now provided for. The only gifts have been a white altar frontal, super-frontal, pulpit fall, and book markers for Emmanuel Church, Ashland, and a set of white book markers for St. Paul's, Portland. A pulpit fall was also made for Rockland, and the materials were paid for.

Four stoles have been ordered, one by a lady in the diocese, who sent it as a gift to Alaska. This is rather a departure from the usual custom, as in the past the work has all been kept in Maine. Besides these, three other stoles, two maniples, and two burses and veils were ordered, the materials of which were paid for, but the work was given. In the linen department one surplice was made, which was an order.

As usual, the workers have been most faithful; the Tuesday mornings have been a pleasure to all concerned.

CLARA A. PRINDLE, *Sec.*

Treasurer's Report.

Cash on hand, 1908,	\$20.79	
Received for material,	48.03	
" for dues,	27.00	
	<hr/>	\$95.82
Paid out for material, postage, etc.,	75.71	
Cash on hand, May, 1909,	20.11	
	<hr/>	\$95.82

LINEN DEPARTMENT.

Received from Mrs. Harry White,	\$.50	
" from Mrs. Shepherd,	7.00	
On hand, May, 1908,	.50	
	<hr/>	\$8.00
Paid out for postage and express,	\$.74	
" for linen,	5.00	
On hand, May, 1909,	2.26	
	<hr/>	\$8.00

CLARA A. PRINDLE, *Treasurer.*

Report of the Correspondent with Isolated Churchwomen.

To the President and Ladies of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Maine:

I have to report that the work in the correspondence with "Isolated Churchwomen" in the diocese has gone on as in previous years; with some matters to encourage, and some to deplore. In the latter case we may mention the want of use of the United Offering boxes, if we may judge by the number, who send in any pennies. Notice is sent to those who hold the boxes each spring and autumn, and the "faithful few" respond, gladly and liberally.

The usual missives were sent Christmas and Lent. At other seasons, leaflets from the Church Missions House, and from other sources were distributed. A small number of annual reports of the Woman's Auxiliary, and of "The House of the Good Shepherd;" the letters sent me stamped, were also sent out. At Easter three dozen very attractive post cards were sent me by two kind friends, and these doubtless made glad as many of the "isolated."

I have called the attention of some of the ladies to a fair to be held in Belfast, for the chapel fund, hoping they might contribute some articles. I also mentioned that Mrs. Geo. Stoddard of Belfast, was cutting the popular picture puzzles; the proceeds of their sale to go to the same fund. Several ladies have subscribed to "Spirit of Missions, and "North East;" all are so advised.

I have received a number of new names of "isolated." Two of my old correspondents have been called to their higher work; two have removed from Maine, and have Church privileges.

As in previous years, the "Correspondent" has to thank kind friends for stamps, and this year for boxes of stationery. It is to be understood that letters are constantly being received and answered; such things would take too much space to particularize.

Respectfully submitted,

ABBY C. PHILBROOK, *Correspondent.*

Junior Auxiliary

Secretary's Report. 1908-1909.

The report of the Junior Department in Maine, from May 14, 1908 to May 14, 1909, shows increased strength and live interest among the branches which have contributed through the year to the work of extending Christ's Kingdom at home and abroad. Six branches have made no report. There are new branches in Brunswick, Calais, Newcastle, and one at St. Saviour's, Bar Harbor, in addition to the G. F. S. Branch, which once a month does good work as a Junior organization. A number of divisions have been started in parishes where strong Junior branches already exist, one of twenty-two boys at St. Mark's, Augusta, one of thirteen young girls at St. Stephen's, Portland, and a Sunday-school division at Houlton, where the boys and girls meet once a month for service, Missionary games and supper. Work has been started at Littleton and at the new Mission in Masardis. The Pauline Austin Osgood Memorial Scholarship at St. Hilda's School, Wuchang, China, is now an accomplished fact. A sum of money has been given for Domestic Missions and the Diocesan Scholarship at the House of Good Shepherd continued. In addition to these, there is opportunity for new work which will surely appeal to everyone. A fund held by Miss Anderson and Miss McCobb, has been transferred by them to the Maine Junior Auxiliary, to be used for work among children, and this sum, \$134.84, has, at the request of the Bishop, started the Macwahoc Church Fund, which will be used to build a small church in an isolated part of southern Aroostook, quite away from the beaten road of travel and where there are many little children. The sale of the Missionary

Games and charts has resulted in only a small sum for Missions this year, but the entire proceeds hereafter, from every Game and Chart, will be given to the good cause. Junior meetings were held in September at Presque Isle and at Houlton, at the time of the Woman's Auxiliary Quarterly Meetings. There was no Junior meeting at Gardiner in February. The year has been a good one for the Maine Juniors, better than ever before, but, as we close the report for 1908-1909, how many of us, leaders, boys and girls, feel that we really have done our very best in the Master's service?

The box account is as follows:

NAME OF PARISH.	No.	VALUE.
Ashland, Emmanuel,	1	\$ 5.00
Augusta, St. Barnabas',	1	8.50
Augusta, St. Mark's,	3	31.50
Bangor, St. John's,	4	37.00
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's,	2	9.50
Bar Harbor, G. F. S. as Juniors,	4	29.65
Bath, Grace,	2	20.00
Biddeford, Christ,	2	3.25
Brunswick, St. Paul's,	1	18.00
Calais, St. Anne's,	1	3.00
Camden, St. Thomas',	1	1.00
Fort Fairfield, St. Paul's,	1	6.45
Gardiner, Christ,	5	20.00
Houlton, Good Shepherd,	2	8.50
Lewiston, Trinity,	1	16.00
Madison,	1	.75
Millinocket, St. Andrew's,	1	15.60
Newcastle, St. Andrew's,	1	2.50
Old Town, St. James',	1	6.00
Portland, Cathedral,	2	21.50
Portland, St. Paul's G. F. S. as Juniors,	1	4.40
Portland, St. Stephen's,	4	38.75
Portland, Trinity Chapel,	1	17.65
Presque Isle, St. John's,	1	11.35
Saco, Trinity,	1	2.89
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	7	70.15
Wiscasset, Trinity Mission,	7	44.75
York Harbor, Woman's Auxiliary Branch,	1	25.00
Missionary Games and Charts,		44.67
	60	\$523.31

RECIPIENTS OF BOXES.

Rev. D. W. Bland, Porto Rico,	\$ 74.00
Deaconess Alexander, Pennick, Ga.,	39.47
Rev. W. B. Thorne, Oneida, Wisconsin,	99.80
Mountain Whites, Blue Ridge and Sewanee,	82.49
Hospital, Springhill, N. S.,	5.45
Sailor's Home, Charlestown, Mass.,	.35
Miss Richmond's Schools, Shanghai, China,	2.25
Cathedral Fund, Havana, Cuba,	4.00
St. Luke's Home, New York,	4.50
House Good Shepherd, Gardiner, Sunday Schools and Isolated Church Children at Holeb, Moose River, Masardis, Wooster Settlement, Winn, Kingman, Macwahoc, Millinocket, Sherman, Littleton, Lisbon Falls, Farmington Falls and other Missions	211.00
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	\$523.31
Contributions in Cash,	\$ 486.46
Contributions in Boxes,	523.31
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	\$1,009.77

F. W. R. NASH, *Secretary.*



Treasurer's Report.

F. W. R. NASH, Treasurer, in Account with the Maine Junior Auxiliary, from May 14,
1908, to May 14, 1909.

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To balance on hand May 14, 1908,	\$ 8.08
To amounts received, viz.:	
Ashland,	4.00
Augusta, St. Barnabas',	4.40
Augusta, St. Mark's,	11.25
Bangor,	16.80
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's,	.37
Bar Harbor, G. F. S.,	14.00
Bath,	8.85
Biddeford,	4.31
Camden,	1.65
Fort Fairfield,	2.00
Guilford,	.40
Gardiner,	14.50
Hallowell,	2.00
Holeb,	1.00
Houlton,	8.50
Lewiston,	4.00
Madison,	.23
Newcastle,	2.23
Portland, Cathedral,	20.94
Portland, St. Paul's G. F. S.,	5.25
Portland, St. Stephen's,	21.40
Portland, Trinity Chapel,	11.80
Presque Isle,	11.70
Sanford, G. F. S.,	2.00
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	19.12
Wiscasset, Trinity Mission,	8.06
Misses Anderson & McCobb, Special for Macwahoc Church Fund,	134.84
St. Philip's Church, Wiscasset, for Macwahoc Church Fund,	13.21
Trinity Mission, Wiscasset, for Macwahoc Church Fund,	3.00
York Harbor, Woman's Auxiliary Branch, for Mac- wahoc Church Fund,	2.00
From Games and Charts, for Macwahoc Church Fund,	10.00
Received from 118 Missionary Games and 22 Mission- ary Charts,	60.20
Received for Missionary Maps, Books, etc.,	4.37
Received for Specials,	50.00
	\$486.46

Treasurer's Report.

F. W. R. NASH, Treasurer, in Account with the Maine Junior Auxiliary, from May 14, 1908, to May 14, 1909.

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By amounts paid, viz.:

To Mr. George C. Thomas, for Pauline Austin Osgood Memorial Scholarship,	\$ 50.00
To Mr. George C. Thomas, for Domestic Missions,	25.00
To Rev. R. W. Plant, for House Good Shepherd,	60.00
To Miss Sawyer, for United Offering 1910,	20.00
Porto Rico Christmas Box,	10.11
Georgia Christmas Box,	17.52
Lisbon Falls Christmas Box,	4.35
Church Missions House for Maps, Leaflets, etc.,	4.90
Express and Postage for Babies' Branch,	3.85
Printing,	5.96
Express,	15.44
Postage,	24.28
To E. Walter Roberts, for Lenten Offering, from Presque Isle Juniors,	4.00
400 Missionary Games and 200 Missionary Charts,	68.00
Macwahoc Church Fund, from Charts and Games,	10.00
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	\$323.41
Balance on hand May 14, 1909, for Macwahoc Church Fund,	163.05
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	\$486.46

Also on hand 234 Missionary Games and 93 Missionary Charts for sale.

F. W. R. NASH, *Treasurer.*

Report of Babies' Branch.

Madam President and Ladies:

A few years ago when we thought of the Babies' Branch—those of us who knew anything about it,—our minds went quickly from Rochester, N. Y., where it had its origin, to Connecticut, which quickly grasped the possibilities of the work; to Central Pennsylvania, where a splendid Branch was also soon established, and then on to Maine, where we found a few straggling boxes here and there in its scattered parishes, placed by the energy and far-sightedness of Mrs. Neely.

Now, when we ask God's blessing on "all the missionaries all over the world, and all the Little Helpers," our minds cannot grasp the area covered, the number of Little Helpers, or the vastness of the work done by the prayers and the pennies of the Babies' Branch. From sixty-one dioceses the pennies go forth (think how many parishes that means!), and can we doubt that they are "blest," that they *do* "bear glad tidings over all the land?" Can we fail to feel that "God's love joined with Baby's" has a wonderful power for the furtherance of His Kingdom, not only in the remote corners of the earth, but here in our own hearts.

It is always with great reluctance that I read numerical statistics in a report. They are often misleading, and rarely truthful! This is especially so in recording Babies' Branch figures. In one parish, where a large number of boxes is in use, many of the children are unable to put in more than a penny a month, but this is done reverently and conscientiously. In another parish the Babies have become Juniors, no Babies have appeared to take their places, and the result would seem to indicate a diminution of interest on the part of the parish treasurer. In some cases the boxes have been in use but a short time, and for that reason have not the full amount. I will not at present comment on the occasional one which con-

tains a fifty-cent piece and two pennies, but am grateful that it is only an occasional one.

During the past year twenty-one boxes were distributed in the Cathedral parish; nine boxes and six books sent to the Treasurer of St. Paul's, Portland; ten boxes, books and leaflets to Presque Isle and Houlton; five hundred leaflets to the Organizing Secretary of the Juniors, who for several months most kindly took charge of the diocesan work of the Babies' Branch, through whom boxes and leaflets were distributed in Bar Harbor, Sanford, Gardiner, Pittston, Houlton, Fort Fairfield, Newcastle, Littleton, Madison, Stillwater. She ordered three hundred boxes from the Church Missions House. The Treasurer of St. Stephen's, Portland, also obtained the extra boxes she needed from New York, but I supplied her with thirty books, and sent eight boxes to the Treasurer of Trinity Chapel, Portland. In December, Mrs. Stuyvesant Jackson was appointed Treasurer for the Cathedral Branch, and boxes, books and leaflets were sent to her.

Although five parishes where boxes have been placed, have not yet responded to the reminder that St. Mark's Day was the date for the collection of the Babies' pennies, those who have replied—thirteen in all—have been much more prompt, explicit and business-like than in the past, and have not forgotten to state the number of boxes represented by the amount of the cheque forwarded me.

RECEIPTS.

From the Cathedral, 23 boxes,		\$12.13
St. Paul's, Portland, 15 boxes and group of children auxiliary to B. B.,		9.75
St. Stephen's, Portland, 24 boxes,		11.00
Trinity Chapel, Portland, 7 "		4.61
St. Saviour's, Bar Harbor, 6 "		1.20
St. Philip's, Wiscasset, 27 "		4.23
Trinity Mission, Wiscasset, 20 "		2.28
St. Andrew's, Newcastle, 3 "		1.55
Christ Church, Gardiner, 1 "		.52
St. Paul's, Fort Fairfield, 5 "		1.07
St. John's, Presque Isle, 5 "		2.27

St. John's, Bangor,	2 boxes,	1.00
St. Mark's, Augusta,	6 "	2.90
13 parishes,	144 boxes,	Amount, \$54.51
Amount from 4 boxes omitted last year,		2.00
		<hr/> \$56.51

DISTRIBUTED.

For United Offering,	\$7.35
House of the Good Shepherd,	5.00
Through Church Missions House, New York,	
For St. Agnes Hospital, Raleigh,	5.00
Children's Ward, Chinese Annex, San Francisco,	5.00
Akita Kindergarten,	5.00
Industrial School, Lawrenceville, Va.,	5.00
Mission Font, Babies' Branch,	2.00
General Missions,	20.16
Reserved for printing Maine Leaflets,	2.00
	<hr/> \$56.51

SALLY CARROLL PAYSON,
Sec. and Treas.

May 18th, 1909.



CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

OF THE

MAINE BRANCH

OF THE

Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

I.

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

II.

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

III.

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

IV.

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 not more than three delegates to the annual and quarterly meetings, one of whom should be preferably an officer. Each parish shall also send not more than two delegates from the Junior Auxiliary.

V.

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

VI.

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

VII.

The Recording Secretary shall give a notice of all meetings, keep a record of the same, and prepare the annual report.

VIII.

The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the society and be responsible for newspaper notices.

IX.

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

X.

Five persons shall form a quorum at all meetings.

XI.

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

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

MAINE BRANCH

Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions

The purpose of this organization is to assist the Board of Missions in its work of evangelization and to promote the Christian faith among the people of Maine.

The organization shall be composed of women who are members of the Episcopal Church and who are interested in the work of missions.

The organization shall have the right to own, hold, and dispose of real and personal property, and to contract with other persons for the purpose of carrying out its objects.

The organization shall have the right to receive and hold gifts and bequests, and to receive and hold contributions for the purpose of carrying out its objects.

The organization shall have the right to sue and be sued, and to enter into legal proceedings for the purpose of carrying out its objects.

The organization shall have the right to make and alter its by-laws.

The organization shall have the right to elect and discontinue its officers and members.

The organization shall have the right to receive and hold contributions for the purpose of carrying out its objects.

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