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"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 reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

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Minutes of the Meeting

The thirty-second annual meeting was held in Portland, Tuesday, May 17th. At the corporate communion in the Cathedral, the Bishop was the celebrant. The business meeting followed in the Parish house, Mrs. Ogden, the President, in the chair. At the calling of the roll, thirty-six branches responded through eighty-one delegates: from Auburn; Augusta, St. Barnabas; Augusta, St. Mark's; Bangor; Bar Harbor; Bath; Biddeford; Brunswick; Calais; Camden; Dennistown; Dresden Mills; Fort Fairfield; Gardiner; Hallowell; Houlton; Hull's Cove; Lewiston; Lisbon Falls; Madison; Newcastle; North East Harbor; Pittston; Portland, Cathedral; Portland, St. Paul's; Portland, St. Stephen's; Portland, Trinity Chapel; Presque Isle; Rockland; Rumford; Saco; Sanford; Waterville; Wiscasset, St. Philip's; Wiscasset, Trinity Mission; York Harbor.

The President spoke a few words of greeting. Miss Mary B. Chadwell was appointed Recording Secretary *pro tem*.

The reading of the minutes of the last annual meeting was omitted by vote.

The minutes of the last quarterly meeting held in Wiscasset were read and approved.

The box account was read and approved. The President made reference to letters received from recipients. The annual report of the Corresponding Secretary was read and approved.

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

The annual report of the Secretary and Treasurer of the Junior Auxiliary was read and approved.

The annual report of the Babies' Branch was read and approved.

The President then read her address in which she reviewed the work done in the past ten years and outlined what might

be done in the future to increase the efficiency of the organization. She stated that her health would not permit her to stand for re-election for the ensuing year. On motion of Mrs. Corning, seconded by Mrs. Blake, the following resolution was offered.

"We accept the resignation of our beloved President, Mrs. Charles T. Ogden, with the deepest regret. For the past ten years, she has not only ably directed the work in this diocese, but she has, by her enthusiastic individual effort, greatly increased the number of parish and mission branches, and shown her personal consecration to the work of our dear Lord and Master and thereby greatly endeared herself to us all.

"Therefore, Be it resolved that as a slight token of our grateful appreciation of her valuable services, we elect her Honorary President for life, of the Maine Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary."

A second resolution was offered by Miss Burgess. Mrs. Shepherd moved that both be accepted. A rising vote was called for by Mrs. Howard Corning of Bangor. Miss Burgess' resolution is as follows:—

"On this tenth anniversary of our President's appointment to office, we, the Woman's Auxiliary of Maine, desire to place on record our deep appreciation of all that this service of ten years has meant in the life and usefulness of our work for missions.

"Our branches throughout the diocese, made up of the strength and weaknesses of womankind, working in varied atmospheres, bound by obstacles, distracted by cares and pleasures, have been restrained, guided and encouraged wisely and untiringly.

"Whatever progress or helpfulness has been ours, whatever spiritual insight we have obtained, we owe to the gentle and firm leadership of Mrs. Ogden, who has ever lifted our thoughts and desires to the highest and best aims in the work.

"May her life and strength be spared to us for many years to come."

The election of Honorary President was accepted by Mrs. Ogden.

The noon prayers for missions were said by Dean Vernon.

A motion was made by Mrs. Pressey that the portion of the President's address in regard to the scholarship be referred to

a committee to be appointed by the chair. This was amended by Mrs. Shepherd to include the whole address. The committee appointed was Mrs. Blake, Mrs. Glidden and Mrs. Weston Lewis.

Moved by Mrs. Howard Corning that Mrs. Ogden be asked to take charge of the meeting during the day, and the motion was approved.

The usual offering was taken.

In regard to the triennial meeting to be held in Cincinnati, in October, the President said that five diocesan officers only could take part in the officers' conference and to all other meetings any member would be welcome, so it was not deemed necessary to elect delegates.

Five minute talks on the United Offering from different points of view were given by Mrs. Nash, Miss Merrill and Miss Degen.

Moved and seconded that money be taken from the general expense fund to make up the apportionment.

The committee on the President's address recommended that the scholarship be continued another three years as before. Also that a diocesan packing committee be appointed by the chair; this committee to attend to the barrels sent at Advent and Easter. Both were approved. The chair appointed as a packing committee, Miss E. H. Smith, chairman; Miss M. B. Chadwell, Mrs. George F. Gould, Mrs. B. B. Foster, Miss Caroline H. Burgess, for the Juniors.

The annual election of officers followed.

Moved by Mrs. Pressey that a nominating committee be appointed by the chair. The committee consisted of Miss Randall, Mrs. Lambard, Miss Eaton.

Pledges were made for general expenses for the coming year.

Pledges were made for the scholarship, 1910-1911.

The nominating committee reported the previous officers with the exception of President Miss Harriet S. McCobb, Recording Secretary Miss Mary B. Chadwell.

It was voted that the Secretary be requested to cast the ballot for the ticket as presented by the nominating committee.

The officers were declared elected.

The meeting adjourned for luncheon, and reassembled at 2 P. M.

Miss Burgess read the report on Mission Study.

An invitation was accepted from St. John's, Bangor, to meet there in September.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Cathedral branch for their kind hospitality.

Meeting adjourned to next annual meeting.

ANNIE M. MERRILL,

Corresponding Secretary.

May 17th, 1910.



President's Address

The last annual meeting took place on May 18th, 1909, to-day we assemble on May 17th, 1910 and your diocesan officers have given you a summary of the year's work as accurate as they were able to gather from the reports of parish branches that you have sent them and from which the annual report is compiled.

On May 26th, 1909, a meeting of the Executive Board was held at Mrs. Glidden's rooms at the Lafayette, to attend to some unfinished business and to consider what changes might be necessary in arranging for the convenience of the increasing numbers at annual meetings. In ten years, we have grown from thirty parish branches to forty-three; from twelve Junior branches to thirty-one; by the constitution, each branch is entitled to three delegates to each meeting, Junior branches to two. It is a matter of importance that these delegates should be present, that they should be carefully chosen by the parish branches—women who can contribute something from their own experience to the value of the meeting and learn something from the experience of others that will benefit their own work. While the hearts of the women of the Cathedral have steadily opened to enlarge their hospitality to delegates, it was thought best this year to accept proffers of assistance in entertaining from the other branches in the city, St. Stephen's, St. Paul's and Trinity Chapel.

Early in September, a few of us had the great pleasure of meeting Dr. Meyer of the Shanghai Mission in China. She was in Maine visiting, first at Newcastle, then in Portland, full of enthusiasm and personal knowledge of the people to whom she is giving her life. Such visits from a missionary in the field are rare and a great privilege.

The second week in September, I was able to accomplish a long desired object, to pay a visit to the church women in Somerset County, going as far east as Rev. Mr. Scott's mission at Brownville Junction. The church women of this lumber region gathered one afternoon at Mrs. Colby's house in Moose River and the next day, Mrs. Wilson's rooms in Dennistown were filled with women, eager to hear of the church, the Auxiliary and anything that I could tell them of missionary work. I found them earnest and well instructed, with fewer church privileges than have many of us in more thickly settled portions of the State, they seemed to have gained a clearer vision of the relative importance of some things. Perhaps it is good for the soul to live where now and then there is silence, where solitude invites to meditation and where there is time to think, where the social atmosphere is clear, where earth's dreary noises have not taken full possession.

I paid a few visits to those who on account of age or illness were confined to their own homes. Rev. Mr. Scott was in Dennistown at the time. There was early celebration of the Holy Communion, evening service, meeting of children on Saturday morning. I was impressed with the good derived from the Periodical Club and the mutual friendliness induced by the sending and receiving of Christmas gifts through Sunday-schools. It is the business of the Woman's Auxiliary everywhere to develop that spirit of mutual love and helpfulness, the germ of which perhaps is in the nature of women but which reaches fair proportions only in the atmosphere of Christianity.

At Henderson, or Brownville Junction as the station is called, we were entertained in the rectory lately purchased, which the Auxiliary helped to furnish. It was a great delight to see just how the rooms looked and how far the furniture sent was appropriate. The house, not large, is sunny and pleasant and well kept, an inviting home for anyone. There is no branch of the Auxiliary organized yet in Henderson, though the blue boxes for the United Offering are making their way.

It would be well worth while for the women of these remote missions to make a greater effort to be present at the annual meeting at least, if not at the quarterly meetings. It is a tremendous help to see that you are not working alone, that there are others who have the same aims, the same ideals, the

same discouragements and the same obstacles to overcome in their attempts to serve God and help their neighbors to be better men and women. Then too, we remind each other that we are not working in our own strength. When a Christian woman strives by her prayers and earnest words to make another woman a Christian, however small the effort, it is not lost. "There shall never be one lost good," it is a deposit in God's hands that is always increasing in value. We remained over Sunday, and on our way southward, reached Augusta on the 20th, for the first quarterly meeting of the year. The cordial, generous hospitality of St. Mark's branch met us as we stepped on the platform at the station and followed us until a curve in the line hid the little city from sight.

We quite appreciated the honor of having the General Secretary with us so soon after her return from her trip around the world and have felt the impulse of her visit through the season. We rejoiced with our friends in their new parish house. The business of the meeting was to look over our resources and arrange the Advent work which was to be for a clergyman in the mountains of Virginia, for an Indian catechist in Dakota and the usual provision for the House of the Good Shepherd. Some of the pledges made in May, were paid, by which we were enabled to start the year fair.

October 13th, Friday evening I met at the rectory a dozen or more young women of St. Stephen's parish, who after a missionary talk, organized as the 2nd chapter of St. Stephen's branch of the Auxiliary and honored the diocesan President by taking her name. Later their generous contribution to the Advent work was specially commended.

October 21st, I was present at the annual meeting of the Cathedral branch. It was suggested that at some time during the week, a half hour for silent prayer for missions should be observed by the members of the Auxiliary in one of the chapels; it was urged that we should not be slow or indifferent in the expression of our gratitude to God for blessings past and we need deeper devotion, more intelligence and greater earnestness in the future.

November 11th, Thursday, an important meeting of the Executive Board was held with Miss Burgess.

November 16th, Tuesday, I went by invitation to Lisbon Falls. It was a most joyful occasion. The church building which the mission had longed for was purchased and paid for by themselves, with the substantial encouragement that Bishop Codman is always ready to furnish when missions in his diocese are doing their best to help themselves. All honor to St. Matthew's branch for their hard work and perseverance.

November 26th, Friday, I went to Wiscasset for a conference with the Secretary of the Juniors.

December 13th, Monday, assisted in packing a valuable missionary box. This Advent work deserves more than a word; the readiness with which the work was taken up in Augusta by the delegates, won the commendation of the General Secretary and it is a pleasure to mention the admirable quality of the articles contributed as we looked them over in the packing. There was a pleasing variety. They were chosen with good taste and in a spirit of loving sympathy.

December 22nd. A visit to St. Stephen's Senior Chapter, where I found a dainty box of infants' clothing ready to be sent to the far West.

About this time, I busied myself in securing some special gifts of money for a stove and fittings for the rectory at Ashland. The need was pressing and as ever, the good women of the Maine Branch had only to know of such a want in the diocese to supply it. Thanks are due to the branch in Bangor for extra service on this occasion, also to the B. & A. R. R. for courtesies.

January 17th. A morning at the Parish house, where was prepared and sent goods to an Indian Catechist, Dakota. On the same date, I shared in the pleasure of a delightful evening with a branch of the Auxiliary, composed of younger women. How good it is to be young! The enthusiasms of a group of young Auxiliary women are enchanting, only the dear things will not realize their charm until the rainbow is behind them.

January 21st. Package sent to clergyman's family in Maine.

Thursday, February 3rd, was the day designated for the corporate communion, when every parish branch should make their Epiphany offering for General Missions.

February 7th. On Monday the usual quarterly meeting was held just before Lent, with St. Philip's Wiscasset. Several things distinguished this meeting. In the first place, it was such

a *brave* thing for the little branch to unite and prepare to entertain thirty or more people in the dead of winter. They were all so friendly and so unselfish. If it "put them out," as the saying is, there was no sign of it. They too, had a new parish house, in which we met. It is not very large but quite equal to the parish needs, fit and convenient. Then the Bishop was present and gave such deep and earnest preparation for Lent as will not soon be forgotten. We were not pressed for time, as is too apt to be the case in our meetings. Also there were present a few women who are rarely able to get to church gatherings and it was such a joy to see them.

February 17th. Met a large gathering of the branch of Trinity Chapel, Woodfords, and on March 21st, the younger women of the same branch. They were most attentive and interested in the subject presented.

In April, five barrels of clothing, only part of the Lent work of the diocese were sent from Portland South, about equally divided between the white people of the mountains and the industrial schools for colored people. Aside from this, the larger branches sent their barrels direct. From Newcastle, one barrel was sent, combining the gifts of the nearest branches. This plan saves freight and divides the labor. It seems to me it is worth trying again. Our Lent work shows more and more as the years go on, that we are gaining a sense that our offering to the Lord should be of our best. It has always been a rule in the Maine diocese that every parish branch maintains its standing in the Auxiliary by contributing annually, something to the general expense fund and doing missionary work outside the diocese during Lent. This grew out of the condition that so many of the women of our parishes and missions are *obliged* to work for self-support, certainly a part of the year; in a sense it is missionary work, when the light is kept burning at home, but surely we would like it to be said of us, "How far that little candle throws its beams," and no one can afford to lose the blessing that comes of doing something absolutely unselfish for Christ's sake only. So we plan this Lenten self-denial. If I remember rightly, twice within the last ten years we have reached our standard, every branch reporting its Lenten work and sums amounting from one dollar to twenty-five. This is good business as well as sound religious teaching.

This brings me to another point which it is found continually necessary to emphasize—what is and what is not strictly Auxiliary work?

"It is a matter of history that the Board of Missions, at its meeting in 1871, created the Auxiliary in order to help forward its own work; but as the years went by, and the number of the Auxiliary branches increased, and their ability to help increased also, this help was often directed to work entirely beyond the responsibilities of the Board. Parish branches not only contributed to the support of their own parishes and missions, but spent time and means on general charitable institutions, within their midst. Diocesan branches not only gave to diocesan missionary objects, but made contributions towards homes and hospitals founded not at all by the missionary boards of their own diocese."

There is a sharp line between religion and philanthropy. One can not be sure that philanthropy is well advised and charitable work well done or even worth doing at all without the guarantee that the religion of Christ furnishes, although the motives of those who are engaged in it may be unquestionable.

"Now the business of the Board of Missions is to discharge, in the name of the whole church, the obligation that rests on all baptized Christians to extend the Kingdom of Christ, to preach the Gospel. The business of the Woman's Auxiliary is to help in all the work of the Board, especially in informing the church people, old and young, about the missionary fields and their needs, in uniting them in daily prayer, in encouraging them in missionary giving, not only money, but themselves, as God calls and as opportunity offers. We hear of a growing and deepening earnestness in the spiritual life of the women of the Auxiliary. It is cause for thankfulness, out of it will grow the hope and courage that we need to meet the problems of the ensuing year."

We have given a little less than last year to Diocesan missions. The appropriation of the Maine Branch for General Missions is \$200; of the Juniors, \$80, and the Babies' Branch, \$60. Last year the income of the Martha Bodge bequest helped out the appropriation. This year, quite incidentally, that money, about \$113 was sent to its destination, without going through the hands of the Diocesan Treasurer. Consequently, according to the rules of the Board, we could not get the benefit of that sum

to reduce our appropriation. There was only left to us to make up \$200 some other way. I am thankful to tell you that if our offering today is as much as it was at the last annual meeting, the sum will be reached, the money for the bequest will be recorded as "specials," \$61.61 to Alaska and \$51.51 to Lawrenceville. The moral of the above is, *Always* pay all Auxiliary money to the diocesan treasurer. We have done some good work for the church within the last few years, but we can do much more. I sometimes feel as if we were haunted by lost opportunities.

The material resources of the State are vastly increased in ten years; people live better, have better food, wear better clothes, have more conveniences and luxuries in their houses and spend far more money for amusement. Shall all this prosperity with which God has blest us, be spent in indulging ourselves in material things? Ought we not to return through the way of his appointment, a portion to Him who has given it all?

I alluded to the increased number of branches. The zeal and enthusiasm of the Secretary of the Juniors has wrought wonders. May I beg the mothers present to lend their aid and to second her efforts to guide and win over our young girls to a gentle, self-sacrificing spirit and a devout mind, that they may grow up fitted to take the places in the Auxiliary of their elders who fall out of line.

The Babies' Branch was microscopic; it is now a sturdy child, strong enough to put out a helping hand to others. Mission study has made creditable advances. The interest has been augmented by personal letters which have been received from time to time from Miss Waterman in the Philippines, Miss Tomlinson and Miss Richmond in China and through Mrs. Plaisted from stations in Alaska.

The beautiful ministry of the Society for Isolated Churchwomen goes on, inspired by the gentle spirit, who by means of letters and carefully chosen printed pages, extends love and sympathy to lonely churchwomen in remote hamlets, reminds them of the important days in the church year that they may not lose such joys as Easter brings, sometimes rouses torpid and discouraged mothers to have their children baptized and themselves to renew the effort of living. The Maine Altar Society was founded to provide things necessary to the sanctuary in our own diocese. The results are surprising, considering how few have

been engaged in the work, different ones from time to time, but always the faithful few. We cannot too much appreciate the free gift of skill, close labor and eyesight necessary to produce the lovely things in silk and linen that adorn our churches. This year, we were able to send some stoles and linen to Virginia. We should have more workers.

The Church Periodical Club goes quietly on doing very well. The correspondent has her trials, chiefly arising from the carelessness of parish secretaries in answering letters. A good motto for the head of her correspondence paper would be the old-fashioned one, "It is always polite to answer a letter."

No work that our branch of the Auxiliary undertakes is nearer our hearts than the Mary Neely scholarship. In the annual meeting, 1902, it was voted that \$250 should be given annually for the next three years for the education of the daughter of a clergyman in the diocese. The money was given cordially, a few personal subscriptions making it not too burdensome for the smaller branches. In 1906, the time for the first beneficiary having expired, a unanimous vote was passed that the scholarship be renewed by pledges for three years, as before; that period expires this year and you will be called on to take some action as to renewing the pledges again. The result of the plan has been perfectly satisfactory so far as I know, both young ladies having made an enviable record for character and scholarship, and promising to be good and useful members of the church and society; they have secured means of self-support in whatever circumstances they may find themselves. Perhaps in the future some one of them may be called to service in the missionary field.

The Bishop proposes a name today for the next three years—a clergyman's daughter who happens to live where educational conditions are not favorable. Like most clergyman's daughters, she should be prepared to earn her own living, educated up to the mark where she will be a controlling influence for good to those around her. Any woman who has much experience of life knows that at the present day the country is filled with half trained, half educated women and girls who are making drudgery out of what should be inspiration. They have vague ambitions beyond the household, mistaken ideas of the dignity of home-making, they may be clerks of indifferent intelligence who cannot reckon, stenographers who cannot spell, teachers who do not know

the A B C principles of a child's mind but who call the catechism "out of date" and patronize the Old Testament. My friends, there is such a thing as integrity of labor, let us see if we cannot help a few young girls to a point where they are trained in mind and heart to do good work, which means God's work.

The event of greatest importance in the coming year will be the triennial meeting, to be held at Cincinnati, in October, when the United Thank Offering of the many women of the church will be laid upon the altar. Three years ago, this offering amounted to nearly a quarter of a million dollars. It will certainly not be less this year.

I want to suggest, if I may, that a further division of labor next year would be desirable; to that end, I shall submit the names of a committee to have in charge the packing and sending of boxes; their duties would come mostly the first week in December and the two weeks succeeding Easter. This would be a diocesan committee.

Today marks the thirty-second year of the Maine Branch. It is a milestone and at milestones one is apt to become reminiscent. It is ten years since you invited me to take over the duties of your chief executive officer. There have been some changes, but on the whole, the current of our Auxiliary life has flowed smoothly. I had been Vice-President under Mrs. Neely the ten years previous and accepted the office with the example of that inimitable woman always before me. The members of the Auxiliary have given me, in unstinted measure, affection, sympathy, co-operation, and above all, their confidence. I have felt that they trusted me and it has been a continual incentive to carefulness in administration, to an effort to avoid worldly standards and to banish double motives. My best is far from my aim but "what I aspired to be, and was not comforts me."

In retiring from the work which has been of absorbing interest so long, I think of many things for which my heart swells with gratitude. First, for the privilege of serving our dear Lord in a branch of the great and splendid organization of churchwomen, the Woman's Auxiliary. Then so far as it is a sample of our members, for the faithfulness and zeal with which many of them who go abroad during the winter have carried the spirit of the home branch with them. From Maine to Honolulu, to the Carolinas, to Florida, to California, I now and then receive no-

tice of the good work of some Maine woman who went away for health or pleasure and inspired a local branch where she happened to be, suggesting mission study or exchanging methods of making pledges or otherwise showing her interest. The friends I have made in the diocese I reckon a rich possession. I have found such fine types of womanhood in every variety of social conditions, such touching instances of sacrifice, such dignity and humility in bearing heavy burdens and such strength in meeting reverses.

What can I say to my co-workers, the diocesan officers who have been so wise in counsel, so patient with my mistakes, so ready to make good my errors and whose love has cheered every step of the way. We would offer thanksgiving today for two of their number who are returned to us, the one from a serious illness, and the other from a long journey. For all our companions who in the last ten years have entered into their rest in faith, we thank God.

One of my ideals has been that a branch of the Auxiliary should be as its name indicates a *real* help to the rector of a parish as the diocesan branch should do loyal service on lines marked out by the Bishop. Probably we have not always succeeded in accomplishing what we had in mind in this regard, but so far as I know our good intentions have been accepted and our failures overlooked.

I have no words to express my regret for the necessity that compels me to retire from active service. My experience, my sympathy and my prayers will always be at the command of the Maine Branch.

May the joy of service be with you all and abide,

ANNA B. OGDEN,

President.

May 17th, 1910.

Report of Recording Secretary

Box ACCOUNT.

NAME OF PARISH.	No.	VALUE.
Ashland, Emmanuel,	1	\$10.00
Auburn, St. Michael's,	1	40.00
Augusta, St. Barnabas',	1	7.00
St. Mark's,	2	36.76
Bangor, St. John's,	2	71.68
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's,	4	90.20
Bath, Grace,	4	45.00
Biddeford, Christ,	1	20.80
Brunswick, St. Paul's,	1	22.10
Calais, St. Anne's,	1	31.75
Camden, St. Thomas',	2	10.00
Dennistown, Emmanuel,	1	6.00
Dexter, Church of the Messiah,	1	10.00
Dresden Mills, St. John's,	1	8.00
Exeter, Holy Trinity,	2	10.00
Fort Fairfield, St. Paul's	1	12.25
Gardiner, Christ,	5	87.45
Hallowell, St. Matthews',		
Houlton, Church of the Good Shepherd,	1	20.00
Lewiston, Trinity,	1	66.80
Lisbon Falls, St. Matthew's,	1	15.00
Newcastle and Damariscotta, St. Andrew's,	4	45.93
N. E. Harbor, St. Mary's-by-the-Sea,	1	40.60
Norway, Christ,	1	3.88
Pittston, St. Andrew's,	2	21.80
Portland, Cathedral,	5	102.86
St. Paul's,	1	30.09
St. Stephen's,	6	64.85
Trinity,	2	34.22
Presque Isle, St. John's,	1	12.00
Richmond, St. Matthew's,	1	5.00
Rockland, St. Peter's,	2	19.00
Rumford, St. Barnabas',	2	13.00
Saco, Trinity,	1	35.00

Sanford, St. George's,	2	15.50
Thomaston, St. John Baptist,	1	4.50
Waterville, St. Mark's,	1	30.00
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	2	67.70
Trinity Mission,	1	12.50
West Eden, St. Paul's,	1	4.00
York, St. George's,	3	359.55
Seal Harbor, St. Jude's, through W. A.,	1	8.00
	<hr/> 75	<hr/> \$1,550.77

Total receipts in cash,	2,578.45
Total value of boxes,	<hr/> 1,550.77
	<hr/> \$4,129.22

LIST OF RECIPIENTS.

Missions in Greene County, Virginia, in charge of Rev. W. M. Cleveland,	\$374.94
Mission in Asheville, N. C., in charge of Rev. G. H. Bell,	40.00
Colored Industrial School, Savannah, Ga., in charge of Rev. Richard Bright,	288.95
House of the Good Shepherd, Maine,	140.75
Missionary in Casanova, Virginia,	126.00
Mission in Charlottesville, Virginia,	32.65
St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville, Virginia,	86.60
Indian Catechist, Dakota,	36.13
Missions and Missionary in Diocese,	224.70
Mission Home, Virginia,	9.89
Morgantown, N. C., in charge of Rev. McNeely Du Bose,	154.35
Hospital supplies,	11.46
Sailors' Haven, Charlestown, Mass.,	12.00
Emergency closet, articles on hand to be sent as needed,	12.35
	<hr/> \$1,550.77

MARY B. CHADWELL,

Recording Secretary, pro tem.

May 17, 1910.

Report of Corresponding Secretary

In the absence of the Recording Secretary, the Corresponding Secretary wishes to put on record her obligations to a devoted member of the Auxiliary, who has given of her time and ability whenever there was anything to be done where she could help, so that the work has gone smoothly in spite of the fact that only one Secretary was available.

The September meeting was held in Augusta, and was notable because we had Miss Emery, the General Secretary, with us. She spoke twice Monday evening, in a general way of what she had seen and heard in visiting the mission stations in China, Japan and the Philippines, and again Tuesday morning, on the United Offering.

The February meeting was held the Monday and Tuesday before Ash Wednesday at St. Philip's, Wiscasset, and if the parish is not large, the hearts of the people are, and the cold weather had no effect on either hosts or visitors. The first business session was held on the arrival of the train, Monday afternoon. Instead of the usual "quiet hour," the Bishop was good enough to give us a "quiet day," beginning Monday evening with an address. On Tuesday, there was a celebration of the Holy Communion early, followed by two more addresses, during the morning. His subjects being "Christ our Prophet," "Christ our Priest and Christ our King." It was a fitting and helpful preparation for the Lenten work so soon to begin.

For these three years past, we have prayed God "to put it into the hearts of many faithful women to give themselves to the work in the mission field, that so the bounds of His blessed kingdom may be enlarged." It may not be possible for us to give ourselves to active service but we can help to send our representatives and because of our prayers and our offerings, women can penetrate into secluded lives and tell the blessed Gospel story, where even ordained Priests may not go.

It is plain to see that this offering of money will be a thousand times more effective, if with it shall be made the willing gift of useful and devoted lives. We have tried to remember that this is a "united *thank* offering" and many during the past year have used the blue boxes as an outward sign of thankfulness.

We have been much helped by increasing use of the "Spirit of Missions," reading what women are doing all over the world. And as we have prayed that God would send the women, we have tried to be ready with our united triennial offering, that they may have the means to go. The general offering in 1907 was a large one, a great increase over 1904, but the necessity grows with knowledge and prayer. In the past three years, through the diocesan representative, about one thousand boxes have been sent out in the Maine branch. This is not an accurate report because some of the parish branches have sent directly to the Church Missions House and your Secretary has no idea how many have been received in that way.

Only three short months are left before the last semi-annual collection must be taken. As we realize the necessity and what our money will do, we must go on daily, weekly or as we can, putting our mite into the little blue box, saying the short prayer for those who in the midst of loneliness and difficulty, labor for the extension of God's kingdom, remembering all the time that though the individual amount may be small, the great number of baptized women in the church will make the aggregate powerful.

ANNIE M. MERRILL,

Corresponding Secretary.



Treasurer's Report.

ANNIE L. SAWYER, Treasurer, in Account with the Maine Branch of the Woman's
Auxiliary, from May 18, 1909, to May 17, 1910.

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Collection at Portland, May 18, 1909,	\$100.02
Collection at Augusta, September 21, 1909,	45.17
Collection at Wiscasset, February 7, 1910,	31.72
Accrued interest, July, 1909, \$9.65; Jan., 1910, \$13.98,	23.63
To amounts received, viz.:	
Ashland, Emmanuel,	\$ 4.00
Auburn, St. Michael's,	3.00
Augusta, St. Barnabas',	1.00
Augusta, St. Mark's,	57.95
Bangor, St. John's,	138.09
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's,	43.85
Bath, Grace,	54.36
Biddeford, Christ,	5.00
Brunswick, St. Paul's,	5.00
Calais, St. Anne's,	2.00
Camden, St. Thomas',	12.00
Dennistown,	4.12
Dexter, Church of the Messiah,	4.00
Dresden Mills, St. John's,	2.00
Exeter, Holy Trinity,	7.00
Fort Fairfield, St. Paul's,	5.00
Freeport,	2.00
Gardiner, Christ,	117.47
Hallowell, St. Matthew's,	2.00
Houlton, Church of the Good Shepherd,	14.46
Lewiston, Trinity,	20.29
Lisbon Falls, St. Matthew's,	9.36
Newcastle, St. Andrew's,	56.11
North East Harbor,	5.00
Norway, Christ,	2.25
Pittston, St. Andrew's,	2.00
Portland, Cathedral,	246.00
Portland, St. Paul's,	17.00
Portland, St. Stephen's,	30.86
Portland, Trinity,	37.25
Presque Isle, St. John's,	17.90
Richmond, St. Matthias',	2.75
Rockland, St. Peter's,	17.50
Rumford, St. Barnabas',	5.00
Saco, Trinity,	5.00
Sanford, St. George's,	11.83
Thomaston, St. John Baptist,	3.20
Waterville, St. Mark's,	7.00
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	54.53
Wiscasset, Trinity Mission,	5.00
York,	20.45
Junior Auxiliary, for United Offering,	45.00
Babies' Branch, for United Offering,	7.35
Isolated Churchwomen, for United Offering,	6.30
Friends, for specials,	529.20
	<hr/> 1,648.43
	<hr/> \$1,848.97
Balance on hand, May 18, 1909,	729.48
	<hr/> \$2,578.45

Treasurer's Report.

ANNIE L. SAWYER, Treasurer, in Account with the Maine Branch of the Woman's
Auxiliary, from May 18, 1909, to May 17, 1910.

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By amounts paid, viz.:

Traveling expenses, Deaconess Goodwin,	\$ 5.00
“ “ Miss Emery,	22.20
“ “ Diocesan Missionary,	10.00
“ “ President,	15.00
Southworth Printing Company,	41.30
Repairs on Sunday-school room, Dexter,	30.00
China for parish house, Waterville,	10.00
Repairs on church, Lisbon Falls,	10.00
Kitchen furniture, Rumford Falls,	50.00
Kitchen furniture, Ashland,	53.57
Rectory furniture, Brownville Junction,	33.35
Easter gift, Brownville Junction,	10.00
Clergyman's box,	56.25
Scholarship,	250.00
Diocesan Missions,	35.00
General Missions,	181.75
General Missions, designated for St. John's College, Shanghai,	20.00
Church Periodical Club,	2.00
Sewing machine for Honolulu, special,	35.00
Missionary in Maine, special,	30.00
Industrial School, Tryon, special,	425.00
Stationery,	4.00
Freight, express and trucking,	15.85
Postage,	33.00
Borrowed from last year,	32.79
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Balance on hand, May 17, 1910,	\$1,411.06
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	1,167.39
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	\$2,578.45

The following amounts did not pass through the hands of the Diocesan Treasurer:—

Bar Harbor—Rectory building fund, Gastonia, N. C.,	\$10.00
Communion set for church in Arkansas,	24.00
Mission, Harvard, Ill.,	1.00
Income from Martha Bodge Fund, for Bishop Rowe,	61.61
“ “ “ “ “ for St. Paul School,	51.51

NOTE.—Of the amount \$1,167.39 carried forward to next year, \$1,132.00 is United Offering, payable at the Triennial Meeting, Cincinnati, October 6, 1910.

Report of Mission Study

It is the duty of those in charge of Mission Study in any diocese to make themselves acquainted each year, with the particular field recommended for the consideration of that season, by the Educational Secretary in the Church Mission house, New York, and to select the text books and leaflets which will give best information. This I did last October.

The field was Japan and the book which seemed best suited to our needs, "The Japan Mission of the American Church," by Robert W. Andrews. I wrote letters to each of our forty-two branches, recommending this field and book, in case they did not strongly incline to any other, and asking for a report before the annual meeting. I received very many cheering and pleasant letters from various branches. A few of them had already elected to take up the study of China, some of them that of general missions; some of those that met only in Lent read up the missions for which they were preparing boxes, the southern mountaineers, the work among colored people or the Indians, but many studied Japan, ordering the books through me.

It is hardly best to mention names, but the reports this year are most encouraging; more branches have taken up mission study and many excellent papers have been written and read. In several parishes, the rector has given regular lectures or readings. The "Spirit of Missions" has been read in almost all the branches. "Torch-bearers on the King's Highway" was used for an afternoon of mission talk in the Normal school at Presque Isle, by one of our younger members. The Missionary Chain was found to be very suggestive. In at least one branch, St. Stephen's, Portland, the fine lantern slides furnished with printed lecture by Mr. John W. Wood, Church Mission House, New York, were used for several evenings of entertainment, while slides from another source illustrated a talk on the Bible at Trinity Chapel, Woodfords. The lantern slides furnished by Mr. Wood require only the price of transportation and the borrowing of a magic lantern, and are most interesting and instructive.

An evening devoted to a journey around the world by map, with a glance at each of our mission stations is a fine way of increasing interest. St. Philip's, Wiscasset, is taking this journey slowly, having begun with Mrs. Ogden's visit last year in the north of Maine, and traveled as far as China, which they have viewed quite thoroughly. They hope next year to continue their travels. The more rapid one-evening journey has been taken in several branches by both seniors and juniors, conducted by those in charge of Mission Study, journeys with Bishop Rowe in Alaska also, and papers written for one branch have been read in others. Mrs. Plaisted of Bangor, now in Florida for her health, has written valuable papers on different branches of mission work, and these have been used in our diocese.

I attended a monthly meeting of the Auxiliary of Boston and vicinity, and found that they divided all the mission work of the church among different members, one taking China, another Alaska, a third Indians, etc., and that each one reported progress in her particular field, each month, so that we had short up-to-date reports from those who were keeping in constant touch with the mission workers. That might be a good plan to follow, as far as we can, in some of our larger branches. Another suggestion is for the last day of our Study Class to have one member sum up, in condensed form, the study of the year.

There is a little danger of our becoming so engrossed with one people that we forget that the "Field is the world," and that the Board of Missions, who see and know all the needs, can best decide where help is most important. How would it do to devote a first meeting in the fall to a glance at the whole world, with its little groups of brave workers, before we look more searchingly at any one mission field. So we may pray with more loving earnestness and give with more wisdom. The branches which have already reported themselves as having done some study or reading are:—Rockland; Dexter; Wiscasset, St. Philip's; Portland, The Cathedral, St. Stephen's, St. Paul's, Trinity; Sanford; Fort Fairfield; Ashland; Lewiston; Bath; Presque Isle; Norway; Auburn; Waterville; Saco; Augusta, St. Mark's; Bar Harbor; Bangor; York Harbor.

MARY M. BURGESS,

In charge of Mission Study.

Report of Altar Society

Owing to unavoidable circumstances, it was late in the season before the work of the Altar Society was started, so the amount accomplished is not as large as usual. However, there were two large orders furnished, one a white set consisting of a frontal and superfrontal, a pulpit and lectern fall and book markers sent to Christ Church, Eastport, and materials paid for; the other, a violet superfrontal for St. John's, Presque Isle. There were two sets of green book markers made and given to Holy Trinity, Exeter, and the materials for a white superfrontal and book markers given to St. Matthew's, Lisbon Falls, which were made up at the mission.

There was an opportunity to do some work outside the diocese and as the calls from within were not very numerous, it was thought possible to help a mission in Virginia, where help was needed and much appreciated. A set of three stoles was given to St. John's, Marlinton, West Virginia. There were also three stoles ordered which were sent to Alaska. For this year, the bounds of the Altar Society have been enlarged, but it may not be possible to carry on outside work in the future.

CLARA A. PRINDLE,

Secretary.

SILK DEPARTMENT.

Cash on hand, May, 1909,	\$20.11	
Received for materials, dues, etc.,	89.67	
Total,	<hr/>	\$109.78
Paid out for material, postage, etc.,	\$79.35	
Cash on hand, May, 1910,	30.43	
Total,	<hr/>	\$109.78

CLARA A. PRINDLE, *Treasurer.*

LINEN DEPARTMENT.

November 12, 1909. One Chalice veil, four purificators for use at Limestone.

March 18. One Fair linen, two corporals, four purificators for St. Andrew's, Millinocket.

February 5, 1910. One Fair linen, one cover cloth, one corporal, four purificators, one Chalice veil, Patten; pall for St. John's, Marlinton, West Virginia. (This work was nearly all done by a member of the Junior Auxiliary of Christ Church, Gardiner.)

Cash on hand, October 13, 1909,	\$2.26	
Received from Miss Prindle, October 17,	3.00	
" " " " October 23,	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$10.26
 Paid out for linen, postage, etc.,	 \$8.02	
Balance on hand, April 9, 1910,	2.24	
	<hr/>	\$10.26

GEORGIANA M. JOHNSON,
Directress of Linen Work.

Report of Church Periodical Club

It is a great pleasure to announce the generous response which met the call of the club for literature of all kinds, to be sent to the lumber camps of northern Maine, early in the year. Nearly every parish and several of the youngest branches in our diocese sent liberal contributions, as did also some summer visitors who come to our State, making in all twenty-three barrels and boxes.

These packages were sent to their destination by courtesy of the Maine Central Railroad, to whom our thanks are cordially extended.

Now that I have told you of the successful part of our work, justice bids me add a bit of information that does not do us quite as much credit, although it will be easily seen how it comes about.

The list of regular distributions of magazines and papers has almost entirely fallen off, only two parishes, the Cathedral and St. John's, Bangor, sending out any reading matter periodically. In order to remedy this, I would suggest that all the church papers be sent to addresses which I will gladly furnish upon application, while those of a secular nature be held for the barrels to be sent on the first day of October. There is great need of church literature in the Middle West, and many clergymen, as well as laymen, are dependent upon being supplied by the club, so it behooves us not to confine our missionary work entirely within our own State.

BLANCHE L. METCALFE,

Correspondent for Maine.

Report of the Society of Isolated Churchwomen

To the President of the Woman's Auxiliary:

I have to report in the work of writing to isolated churchwomen in the diocese, that many names have been added to the list during 1909-10. Ninety names are counted.

The contributions to the United Offerings, while not all we could desire, have increased somewhat.

My correspondents in Guilford have arranged one or two regular services. These ladies were much interested in one of their number, who was sent to the Maine sanatorium at Hebron; they gave an entertainment to raise money, so she might remain longer than the family finances might allow. In this Christian work, they were very successful.

The churchwomen in Madison have a guild called St. Margaret's. They have had two successful sales. I am sure they would be glad if any ladies of the Auxiliary would send them fancy articles for future sales. Rev. Mr. Nicholson has held services in Madison and the work is promising.

The churchwomen in Belfast are making articles for another fair, this summer, for their chapel fund. Matters have so far advanced here, that a lot for the chapel has been purchased.

The churchwomen at Moose River (Dennistown) have organized a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, during Mrs. Ogden's visit.

This year, as last, I have distributed religious books sent me from the library of Miss Anne Williams, late of Augusta. They were received with appreciation.

In June last, the leader of our Juniors gave me three dozen souvenir post-cards, which I sent in as many directions. The same lady furnished enough Christmas cards for all "isolated," and the Junior women of St. John's, Bangor, furnished stamps for same. Our Senior Warden gave me two dollars for the work. With part of this sum I purchased two (2) sets of the missionary post-cards, published by the "Spirit of Missions." I found them very useful in spreading a knowledge of missionary work.

During the year, I sent out reports of the Woman's Auxiliary in Maine, reports of "The House of the Good Shepherd," auxiliary leaflets and prayers. Before Ash Wednesday, I sent letters to every one on the list, with "Rules for Lent," etc.

Again I heartily thank kind friends for stamps and stationery.

Respectfully submitted,

ABBY C. PHILBROOK,

Correspondent.

Junior Auxiliary

Secretary's Report

1909-1910

Once again we are able to report the expansion and growth of the Maine Junior Auxiliary, for the year 1909 - 1910. Of the thirty-two branches, four have made no report and two have been unable to work. The financial gain in the year is not the most encouraging feature for there is sustained interest in most of the branches shown by the fact that pledges have been paid so promptly that our last debt as a diocesan branch, was met on May 2nd.

The Maine Juniors, boys and girls, are cheerful, willing soldiers of the cross, showing what every boy and girl can be, and we ask the co-operation of churchmen and churchwomen in our aim to include all baptized boys and girls in the diocese in the Maine Junior Auxiliary. Within the year, St. Stephen's, Portland, Senior division of Juniors has graduated and St. Margaret's, Madison, gained.

The box account is as follows:—

NAME OF PARISH	No.	VALUE.
Ashland,		
Augusta, St. Barnabas',	1	\$ 5.00
St. Mark's,	3	33.00
Bangor,	3	21.50
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's S. S.,	2	17.30
G. F. S.,	5	47.27
Bath,	2	30.00
Biddeford,	1	3.63
Brunswick,	1	15.80
Calais,	1	4.20
Camden,	1	1.00

Fort Fairfield,	1	6.50
Gardiner,	6	27.00
Houlton,	4	12.50
Lewiston,	1	29.05
Madison,	1	26.90
Millinocket,		
Newcastle,	3	9.80
Old Town,		
Portland, Cathedral,	3	21.50
St. Paul's G. F. S.,		
St. Stephen's,	1	5.00
Trinity Chapel,	1	3.00
Presque Isle,	1	6.00
Rockland, St. Peter's S. S.,		
Saco,		
Sanford,		
Thomaston,		
Waterville,	1	5.00
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	6	73.00
Trinity Mission,	3	14.75
Missionary Charts and games,		11.30
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		\$430.00

RECIPIENTS OF BOXES.

Advent Mission S. S., Columbia, Tenn.,	\$34.35
Colored Industrial School, Savannah, Ga.,	76.08
Mountain Whites,	45.50
Lawrenceville Industrial School, Virginia,	4.20
Mission School, Peake, S. C.,	14.60
Sailors' Home, Charlestown, Mass.,	1.00
Springhill Hospital, Nova Scotia,	5.00
Bangor Hospital, Maine,	4.00
House Good Shepherd, Gardiner, Me.,	49.15
Mission Sunday, Schools in Maine at Henderson, Dennis-	
town, Milo, Moose River, Jackman, Winn, Kingman,	
Macwahoc, Millinocket, Sherman, Ashland, Wooster	
Settlement, Ox Bow, Littleton, Madison, Eastport, Star-	
board,	196.12
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	\$430.00
Contributions in cash,	\$654.42
Contributions in boxes,	430.00
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	\$1,084.00

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

Treasurer's Report

F. W. R. NASH, Treasurer, in Account with the Maine Junior Auxiliary, from May 14,
1909 to May 14, 1910

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To balance on hand May 14, 1909, for Macwahoc Church Fund,	\$163.05
To amounts received, viz:—	
Ashland,	
Augusta, St. Barnabas',	.50
St. Mark's,	14.82
Bangor,	21.00
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's S. S.,	40.00
G. F. S.,	19.00
Bath,	4.12
Biddeford,	4.50
Brunswick,	3.00
Calais,	1.00
Camden,	3.40
Fort Fairfield,	
Gardiner,	10.90
Hallowell, St. Matthew's S. S.,	1.00
Houlton,	7.00
Lewiston,	3.50
Madison,	3.47
Millinocket,	
Newcastle,	62.00
Old Town,	
Portland, Cathedral,	27.27
St. Paul's G. F. S.,	3.50
St. Stephen's,	24.50
Trinity Chapel,	11.00
Presque Isle,	30.31
Rockland, St. Peter's S. S.,	1.00
Saco,	3.00
Sanford,	11.31
Sanford, St. George G. F. S.,	4.25
Waterville,	
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	133.01
Trinity Mission,	4.16
Missionary Charts and games,	8.00
Specials,	30.85
	\$654.42

Treasurer's Report

F. W. R. NASH, Treasurer, in Account with the Maine Junior Auxiliary, from May 14, 1909 to May 14, 1910

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By amounts paid, viz:—

To Mr. George Gordon King for Pauline Austin Osgood Memorial Scholarship,	\$50.00
To Mr. George Gordon King for Domestic Missions,	10.00
To Rev. R. W. Plant for House Good Shepherd,	60.00
To Miss Sawyer for United Offering, 1910,	45.00
To Miss Sawyer for Junior Apportionment to Board of Missions,	30.00
To Miss Lindley towards Bishop Lloyd's episcopal ring,	5.00
To Mr. George Gordon King for S. S. Lenten Offering from Madison,	3.22
To Macwahoc Church Fund from charts and games,	8.00
Pauline Austin Osgood memorial tablet,	50.00
Columbia, Tenn., Christmas box,	22.95
Printing,	11.89
Express,	8.14
Postage,	6.89
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	\$311.09
Balance on hand May 14, 1910 for Macwahoc Church Fund,	343.33
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	\$654.42

Also on hand 93 missionary games and 73 charts for sale.

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

Report of Babies' Branch

Madam President and Ladies:

This year, the tenth anniversary of the consecration of our Bishop, and also the tenth year in office of our much loved President, must naturally be one of retrospection in all branches of the Auxiliary work in the diocese of Maine, and in looking over the records of the past decade, I am surprised at the change of figures in the Babies' Branch.

In January, 1901, I sent to the Church Missions House for the two years ending December 28, 1900, \$15.85. Last year the pennies of the Babies' Branch in our diocese amounted to \$56.51. After this sum was sent, I received from three more boxes, \$1.36, making a total of \$57.87, representing 150 boxes in use, in fifteen parishes or missions.

Since the last annual meeting, 12 boxes, books and leaflets have been sent by me to St. John's, Presque Isle; 6 boxes, books and leaflets to St. Barnabas', Rumford; 37 boxes to the Cathedral, Portland; 1 box to Dexter and 12 boxes by Mrs. Nash of the Juniors, to St. Peter's, Rockland. St. George's, Sanford; St. Peter's Rockland; Christ Church, Gardiner, have nothing to report this year. Houlton and Rumford reported inability to start a Babies' Branch; St. Paul's, Fort Fairfield, has promised to send the money as soon as it can be collected.

The expenses of the Babies' Branch are not heavy. One dollar for the "distribution statements," eighty-one cents for postage, are all of which I have any record. Two dollars was reserved for printing the Maine leaflets but I have not yet received the bill for them nor for the two hundred new boxes ordered.

Early in June, I sent typewritten statements of the distribution of the money to each parish secretary and hope to do the same this year, so that all may see that even in the midst of discouragements God's work surely progresses and our efforts, often times to us, apparently futile, if made with faith, zeal and

continued perseverance, will in time accomplish in part that which we so earnestly desire.

One Secretary writes me:—"I have found three new babies in the parish and there are two others who ought to have boxes. . . . I am going to try and make the branch more successful here and am sure I can by giving a little more time to it." The splendid work done in the Cathedral Parish this year by the new Secretary, proves how much truth there is in that belief. With another box comes the message: "This little girl, now in her fifth year, was the first baby in northern Aroostook to contribute. We call her the 'Baby Pioneer.'"

From another Secretary I hear:—"I found many of the mothers preferring to see me in their homes for a quiet, helpful talk . . . and besides, I do enjoy talking over the little ones and trying in an humble way to sow a seed for the Master." Needless to say that branch is already showing its strength and power for good.

I quote also from the letter of one who has done more for me than she knows: "Many prayers go with them (the pennies from her grandchild's box) for a blessing to the missionaries and the strength and prosperity of the Missions." Let us add: "and a blessing to the little helpers of the Babies' Branch, that through their boxes and their pennies understanding and enthusiasm may come to their mothers. And in closing, let us pray, as did Moses in the 90th Psalm:—

"Show thy servants thy work and their children thy glory. And the glorious majesty—or as the St. James version has it—the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us: prosper thou the work of our hands upon us; O prosper thou our handy work." Amen.

RECEIVED.

St. Luke's, Caribou, 1 box, "The Baby Pioneer" of North Aroostook,	\$ 1.72
St. Stephen's, Portland, 19 boxes,	10.00
Trinity, Portland, 10 boxes,	4.78
1 box,	.54
St. Philip's, Wiscasset, 43 boxes,	6.83
Trinity Mission, Wiscasset, 20 boxes (one cent per month basis),	2.40
St. Paul's, Portland, 15 boxes and Waccamuc Group,	11.85
St. Mark's, Augusta, 22 boxes,	15.00

St. John's, Presque Isle, 17 boxes,	3.03
Advent, Limestone, number of boxes not stated,	1.70
St. Saviour's, Bar Harbor, 15 boxes,	2.85
Church of the Messiah, Dexter, 1 box,	.52
St. Luke's Cathedral, Portland, 33 boxes,	18.57
St. John's, Bangor, 2 boxes,	1.00
St. Andrew's, Newcastle, 4 boxes,	1.60
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213 boxes in use in 15 parishes or missions,	\$82.39

DISTRIBUTED.

For the United Offering, five cents from each box,	\$10.15
House of the Good Shepherd,	5.00
Macwahoc building fund,	15.00
Through Church Missions House, New York,	
For St. Agnes Hospital, Raleigh, Little Helpers' Cot,	5.00
Akita kindergarten,	5.00
St. Paul's Industrial School, Lawrenceville,	5.00
Children's Ward, Chinese Annex St. Luke's Hospital, San Francisco,	5.00
Mission Font, Babies' Branch,	5.00
General Missions,	22.24
Reserved for Mite Boxes,	5.00
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	\$82.39

SALLY CARROLL PAYSON,

Secretary and Treasurer.



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.

