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WOMAN'S AUXILIARY



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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 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-sixth annual meeting was held in Portland, Thursday, May 15th. The corporate communion was made at half past nine in the Cathedral, the bishop the celebrant, assisted by two priests. After the service the delegates repaired to the Parish House for the business meeting. The president, Miss McCobb, was in the chair and bade all a cordial welcome. The following thirty-two branches were represented by seventy-six delegates; one new branch was formed before Lent. Auburn; Augusta, St. Mark's; Bangor; Bar Harbor; Bath; Biddeford; Brunswick; Camden; Caribou; Dennistown; Dresden Mills; Fort Fairfield; Gardiner; Houlton; Hull's Cove; Lewiston; Lisbon Falls; Newcastle; Northeast Harbor; Old Town; Pittston; Cathedral; St. Paul's; St. Stephen's; Trinity; St. Peter's; Rumford; Saco; Sanford; Waterville; Wiscasset, St. Philip's, Trinity Mission.

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

Report of the Recording Secretary, including box account, was read and accepted. The Corresponding Secretary reported the number of letters written and notices sent out during the year. The report was accepted. A letter was read from Rev. E. Thomas Demby, in which was gratefully acknowledged the sum of \$25 sent to St. Mary's School, Keeling, Tenn.

Pledges were made for the year for general expenses and for the memorial scholarship.

At the request of the bishop it was voted that the scholarship always given to the daughter of a clergyman should be given for the present year to a clergyman's son.

Mrs. Nash read the report of the work done by the Juniors

and the report was accepted. Mrs. Payson read that of the Little Helpers and the report was accepted.

In accordance with the desire of the General Secretary, an Educational Secretary and a Diocesan Treasurer for the United Offering were appointed by vote.

It was voted that the Nominating Committee for the annual election of officers be appointed by the chair. The committee consisted of Mrs. Pressey of Portland, Mrs. Crawshaw of Lewiston and Mrs. Wadleigh of Old Town. During their conference the offering was received. It amounted to \$46.31, which with that at the communion service of \$20.45 made a total of \$66.76.

Mrs. Shepherd asked to have read Miss Emery's letter, relative to changes in offices in Junior work. Mrs. Nash read the letter which explained proposed changes and granted permission to the Maine Branch to continue for the present along the former lines.

The Nominating Committee brought in a report and read the list as it stood before except for such changes as were necessary. Mrs. C. S. Hichborn of Augusta was chosen on the Advisory Committee in place of Mrs. Thomas Lambard, deceased.

Miss M. M. Burgess was nominated for Educational Secretary and Mrs. Edwin Lucas of Gardiner for Treasurer of United Offering.

It was voted to accept the list and that the Secretary be instructed to cast the vote. The President declared the officers elected.

Miss Mary Burgess gave the report of the Mission Study class and the report was accepted.

Mrs. Moulton of Trinity Church, Portland, was then called upon to give a brief account of methods used in conducting a study class. Her three rules for conducting a mission class were clear and good, viz: a good text book; plenty of material and congenial hearers.

Noonday prayers were read by Rev. Mr. Davenport, Secretary of the Province of New England, who afterwards made an address. He made various plans of work and urged more extensive reading of the Spirit of Missions. The meeting was concluded by a short address by the bishop, which was welcome and profitable as always.

Luncheon was served at one o'clock and at 2.15, many came back for the adjourned meeting. At this meeting, reports were read from the Junior Mission study classes, the Altar Society and the Church Periodical Club, all of which were accepted.

The report of the Society for Isolated Churchwomen was read and accepted with thanks.

Sister Margaret Mary, in a very graceful manner, thanked the ladies for the generous boxes sent to the House of the Good Shepherd, and gave many pleasing details of the daily life of the children.

A vote of thanks was given the Cathedral branch for their generous hospitality.

The meeting adjourned.

MARY B. CHADWELL,
Recording Secretary.

President's Address

It is a pleasure today to welcome this gathering of willing and devout and eager members of the Auxiliary. And what a welcome has just come to us all from the feast where "Our Lord is Host."

We are in a very social age. We know well, even in our small communities, the power which sends us reluctantly to one house, and draws us irresistibly to another; it is the *heart* of the host. And now, and here, all the care, tenderness, insight of One who knows His own guests, are in the sweet atmosphere with which Our Lord has just surrounded us. It is His work that we meet today to learn and to do.

It is not a new work, but we are beginning to understand it better. The classes for mission study tell us, as never before, that we must make contented and comfortable the people we wish to help to a better life.

We are to hear today the record of the year. We listen with heart and mind. It is not the boxes and barrels and packages of which we think, neither is it the dollars and cents of the Treasurer's account — it is the year's offering, and I am sure that we may dare to believe that in our Lord's love, that offering may be changed into the gold and frankincense which we joyfully lay at His feet.

HARRIET S. MCCOBB.

May 14, 1914.

Report of Recording Secretary

The Secretary's report begins with a part of Maine's share in the great Triennial of 1913. In June, a meeting of the Executive Board was held for the purpose of selecting representatives to the October meeting in New York. Five delegates and five alternates were elected and five women who hold very dear the work of the Maine Branch went to New York and were counted with the Auxiliary workers from all over the world. All returned with fresh courage and greater zeal.

A combination of circumstances called the Secretary out of the diocese for a few months, but the work was ably carried on by other officers.

In June, four additional boxes were sent, one to Corbin, Ky.; one to the House of the Good Shepherd, Gardiner, and two to diocesan missionaries.

The quarterly meeting was held at Bar Harbor, September 8-9. Monday evening September 8th, there was a service followed by an address by Bishop Huntington of Anking. Tuesday morning the business meeting was preceded by the corporate communion. At the meeting eleven branches were represented. Reports were given from Juniors and Babies' branch and from the Church Periodical Club. Miss Burgess aroused interest in the mission study work. It was voted to send twenty-five dollars to the Industrial School at Tryon, N. C. Letters were read from a missionary in Dodge City, Kansas, and from an Indian priest in Crow Creek, South Dakota. Boxes were promised to both these clergymen.

Directions were given about the badges to be worn at the Triennial in New York. The business being finished Bishop Huntington gave an address, after which the ladies were privi-

leged to ask questions and thereby gained much information about Chinese girls and women.

The February meeting was held with the Auburn branch, February 9-10. A missionary service was held in the church Monday evening, the 9th, with an address by the bishop of the diocese who also gave a series of meditations after the corporate communion, Tuesday morning. The business meeting was held Tuesday afternoon in the parish house, Miss McCobb, the president, in the chair. At this meeting there were thirty delegates from twelve branches, and six diocesan officers. The corresponding Secretary read letters expressing gratitude for the boxes sent in December to the missionaries at Dodge City, Kansas, and Crow Creek, South Dakota. The treasurer made her report,—after which appropriations were made to needs outside the diocese. It was also voted to purchase communion silver to be used in missions near Bar Harbor. The selection of this silver was left to the executive committee. This service consists of two glass cruets, silver pattern, chalice and ciborium all neatly boxed and the silver is marked Maine Branch of Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions. A part of the cost of this service was defrayed by gifts of family silver.

The report of Junior work was read by Mrs. Payson.

The president outlined conditions and needs in China and her strong appeal for help along educational lines called forth a gift of money to St. Mary's Hall, Shanghai.

The needs of the House of the Good Shepherd were given by Sister Margaret Mary and several branches made pledges of boxes for the Home. The Lent work was also directed to the mission for Indians at Oneida, Wis., and to an industrial school for colored girls at Keeling, Tenn. The box account will show the extent of the work.

Early in Lent, the Recording Secretary was invited to meet with the newly formed branch of St. Peter's Mission, Portland, to give some details of the Oneida mission. We gladly welcome this branch into the Auxiliary and trust it may add strength to strength. On one other occasion we were asked to tell the story of the Oneida Mission. This invitation came from a group of young matrons from the Cathedral, who during Lent gave

their work to the Oneida Mission. We hope this season's work is only the beginning and that the young married women will give more of their time and thought to Auxiliary work.

We record with sorrow the death of Mrs. Thomas Lambard of Augusta. For many years, she was a member of the Executive Board and during that time gave liberally of interest and of money.

We also note the loss of a valuable member of Trinity branch, Lewiston, Mrs. Albert Stewart, whose sudden death came the day previous to this very meeting.

The following is the box account.

NAME OF PARISH	No.	VALUE
Ashland, Emmanuel,	1	\$ 5.65
Auburn, St. Michael's,	4	47.00
Augusta, St. Barnabas', St. Mark's,	3	55.31
Bangor, St. John's,	2	83.05
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's,	3	142.31
Bath, Grace,	2	27.25
Biddeford, Christ,	1	19.25
Brunswick, St. Paul's,	2	25.29
Calais, St. Anne's,	2	49.50
Camden, St. Thomas',	1	5.00
Caribou, St. Luke's,	1	14.50
Dennistown, Emmanuel,	1	4.00
Dexter, Church of the Messiah,	1	5.00
Dresden Mills, St. John's,	1	14.00
Exeter, Holy Trinity,	1	17.00
Fort Fairfield, St. Paul's,	1	7.70
Gardiner, Christ,	4	87.65
Guilford Mission,		
Hallowell, St. Matthew's,	1	5.00
Houlton, Church of the Good Shepherd,	1	3.10
Hull's Cove, Church of Our Father,	2	27.10
Lewiston, Trinity,	3	43.88
Lisbon Falls, St. Matthew's,	3	22.45
Madison, St. Margaret's,	1	1.00
Masardis, All Saints,		
Newcastle and Damariscotta, St. Andrew's,	2	42.12
North East Harbor, St. Mary's-by-the-Sea,	2	47.10
Norway, Christ,		
Old Orchard, St. John's,	1	1.00
Old Town, St. James',	1	1.00
Pittston, St. Andrew's,	1	12.05
Portland, Cathedral,	4	58.63
St. Paul's,	2	26.00
St. Stephen's,	4	35.94
Trinity,	4	39.25
St. Peter's Mission,	1	7.00
St. Albans' Mission C. E.,*	1	21.75

Ladies' Sewing Club of Cathedral,*	1	12.00
Group of young girls of Cathedral,*	1	7.75
Presque Isle, St. John's,	2	33.71
Richmond, St. Matthias',		
Rockland, St. Peter's,	1	14.60
Rumford, St. Barnabas',	1	7.00
Saco, Trinity,	1	22.55
Sanford, St. George's,	1	7.39
Thomaston, St. John Baptist,	1	6.83
Waterville, St. Mark's,	1	25.00
West Eden, St. Paul's,		
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	1	33.00
Trinity Mission,	1	3.00
York Harbor, St. George's,	2	90.65
	79	\$1,267.31
Receipts in cash,		\$1,597.42
Receipts in boxes,		1,267.31
		\$2,864.73

LIST OF RECIPIENTS.

Missionary in Dodge City, Kansas,	\$124.28
Missionary in Crow Creek, So. Dakota,	116.24
Mission at Oneida, Wis., in charge of Rev. W. B. Thorn,	418.89
St. Mary's Industrial School for Colored Girls, Keeling, Tenn.,	282.80
House of the Good Shepherd, Gardiner, Maine,	272.23
Mission at Monterey, Tenn.,	30.00
Hospital at Lawrenceville, Va.,	10.68
Mission at Nashville, Tenn., in charge of Rev. Thos. Windiate,	12.19
	\$1,267.31

Receipts from Treasurer M. B. W. A. for freight, \$14.06

*Through the Woman's Auxiliary.

MARY B. CHADWELL,
Recording Secretary.

Report of Corresponding Secretary

- 195 notices of meetings.
- 60 Epiphany letters.
- 49 blanks for annual reports.
- 47 annual reports.
- 57 letters.
- 59 postals.
- 94 United Offering boxes and leaflets.

ANNIE M. MERRILL,
Corresponding Secretary.

Report of Mission Study, 1913-1914

Ten years ago, when we of the Woman's Auxiliary met to prepare boxes for mission stations, our minds were stirred to know more, not only of the work to which our box was going, but of other places, far distant, to which boxes could not be sent but where were faithful workers who needed our sympathy and financial support. It was difficult to get in touch with these, we were obliged to search with all diligence for any kind of news concerning them.

Later, these distant workers began to send letters which were published in the "Spirit of Missions," and as amateur photography grew in excellence, letters and articles in missionary magazines increased in interest, one felt a personal acquaintance with workers and stations.

The idea of mission study among our home branches gradually developed but a would-be leader had a hard task before she could lead for she must collect information from all sources within her reach, must boil down, classify and divide into topics. In 1906, when we would learn of missions in Alaska, we were greatly helped by groups of leaflets which had been issued and books about the different mission fields were recommended and used as each branch wished, with little effort for concerted action.

In 1910, there was sent out from the Church Missions House, New York, a text-book, "The Upward Path," for the study of work among the Negroes of the South, with the desire expressed that it be used by all Branches. Then an Educational Secretary appeared as a centre of information and also a reference library to be loaned and lists of helpful books were distributed.

1911 saw almost all branches of the Auxiliary, who studied at all, considering the history of missions in our own country by the help of the text-book, "The Conquest of the Continent." "Japan Advancing — Whither?" followed as a text-book in 1912 and 1913 gave us "The Emergency in China." This year, although we have sewed for the Oneida Indians or the Negroes, our minds have been often occupied with China and her needs and throughout the United States, China has been the subject for study.

For next Fall, the Educational Secretary promises a text-book on "The Social Results of Missions," their influence on civilization, with an extra book about our own church missions which he will prepare himself during the visits which he is now making among our stations abroad and at home. This bids fair to be a very interesting subject for study. The Junior book will bear the title, "What Missions have done for the Homes of the World." These books will be ready for sale by next October.

When the General Convention met in New York, last October, the Woman's Auxiliary also met and arrangements were made for fifteen or more normal classes which were very helpful. Maine furnished five pupils for these, who brought home, as they were able, knowledge and inspiration to impart to others.

This winter, I wrote to all our branches, recommending the Senior and Junior books and have had reports of classes or reading, or talks from several: Augusta, Bangor, Bar Harbor, Gardiner, the Cathedral, St. Stephen's and Trinity in Portland, Saco, Bath, Lisbon Falls and Presque Isle. I hope others will give a verbal report here. We all realize that the success of a class or regular talks depends on a good leader, good health among the members and weather which permits of frequent meeting. Sometimes we must take for our motto "Despise not the Day of Small Things." If two meet to read and pray, if the book is loaned to a neighbor something is accomplished.

It may help in the forming of other classes to hear of the methods used in the two that have come under my observation. The one in Portland was normal for many of its members gave talks or conducted classes among Seniors, Juniors and in the Girls' Friendly Society. Miss McCobb required each member to own the book and to read the chapter before coming to the class.

She drew out information by questions and one day arranged for a discussion, members appointed beforehand to take sides. The short reading from the Bible and the prayers were carefully selected and appropriate. These meetings were held each week between Christmas and Lent.

Trinity Branch, Woodfords, met in Lent. Their leader, Mrs. Seth Moulton is present and will tell us something of her way of conducting the study.

MARY M. BURGESS,
Educational Secretary for Maine.

Treasurer's Report

ANNIE L. SAWYER, Treasurer, in Account with the Maine Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, from May 20, 1913, to May 14, 1914.

DR.	
Collection at Portland, May 20, 1913,	\$ 58.86
Collection at Bar Harbor, September 9, 1913,	48.50
Collection at Auburn, February 10, 1914,	19.06
Accrued interest,	24.46
To amounts received, viz.:	
Ashland, Emmanuel,	2.00
Auburn, St. Michael's,	10.24
Augusta, St. Mark's,	50.81
Bangor, St. John's,	95.00
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's,	31.41
Bath, Grace,	66.00
Biddeford, Christ,	5.00
Brunswick, St. Paul's,	14.17
Calais, St. Anne's,	2.00
Camden, St. Thomas',	8.00
Dennistown, Emmanuel,	6.03
Dexter, Church of the Messiah,	1.00
Dresden Mills, St. John's,	2.00
Fort Fairfield, St. Paul's,	9.40
Gardiner, Christ,	217.33
Guilford, Mission,	2.00
Hallowell, St. Matthew's,	3.00
Houlton, Church of the Good Shepherd,	1.55
Hull's Cove, Church of Our Father,	4.00
Lewiston, Trinity,	8.00
Lisbon Falls, St. Matthew's,	4.00
Madison, St. Margaret's,	1.00
Newcastle, St. Andrew's,	58.43
Northeast Harbor,	15.27
Old Orchard, St. John's,	2.00
Old Town, St. James',	2.00
Portland, Cathedral,	255.05
St. Paul's,	13.60
St. Paul's, G. F. S.,	5.00
St. Stephen's,	28.30
Trinity,	47.00
Presque Isle, St. John's,	13.00
Rockland, St. Peter's,	6.00
Rumford, St. Barnabas',	5.00
Saco, Trinity,	8.25
Sanford, St. George's,	5.00
Waterville, St. Mark's,	7.00
West Eden, St. Paul's,	2.00
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	39.73
Trinity Mission,	9.57
Isolated Churchwomen for United Offering,	15.00
Junior Auxiliary for United Offering,	10.00
Little Helpers for United Offering,	5.40
Friends, for Specials,	100.00
Specials for Industrial School, Tryon,	250.00
	\$1,597.42
Balance on hand May 20, 1913,	1,362.62
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Treasurer's Report

ANNIE L. SAWYER, Treasurer, in Account with the Maine Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, from May 20, 1913, to May 14, 1914.

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By amounts paid, viz.:

Traveling expenses of speakers,	\$ 14.50
Southworth Printing Company,	42.50
Typewriting machine for missionary,	50.90
Communion set and marking,	68.50
less allowance for old silver,	27.41
	41.09
Diocesan Missions,	35.00
Church Periodical Club, New York,	5.00
Scholarship,	270.57
Industrial School, Tryon,	50.00
St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokyo,	50.00
Land and Building Fund of St. Mary's Hall, Shanghai,	27.00
Special for St. Paul's School, Lawrenceville,	40.87
" Bishop of Alaska,	77.33
" Industrial School, Tryon,	250.00
United Offering,	1,558.00
Freight, express and trucking,	16.60
Postage,	26.65
	\$2,556.01
Balance on hand May 14, 1914,	404.03
	\$2,960.04

Treasurer's Report

Contributions from the Woman's Auxiliary of Maine, towards the United Offering of 1913

Auburn, St. Michael's,	\$ 24.30
Augusta, St. Barnabas',	3.03
St. Mark's,	98.75
Bangor, St. John's,	212.85
Bar Harbor, St. Saviour's,	73.44
Bath, Grace,	154.72
Brunswick, St. Paul's,	9.17
Camden, St. Thomas',	8.60
Dennistown, Emmanuel,	9.03
Freeport,	2.00
Gardiner, Christ,	112.37
Houlton, Church of the Good Shepherd,	6.33
Lewiston, Trinity,	17.00
Lisbon Falls, St. Matthew's,	8.00
Millinocket, St. Andrew's,	1.00
Newcastle, St. Andrew's,	126.90
Northeast Harbor, St. Mary's-by-the-Sea,	15.26
Norway, Christ,	2.45
Portland, Cathedral,	235.68
St. Paul's,	24.42
St. Stephen's,	37.59
Trinity,	98.22
Presque Isle, St. John's,	5.00
Rockland, St. Peter's,	10.76
Saco, Trinity,	3.25
Sanford, St. George's,	8.72
Thomaston, St. John Baptist,	1.37
Wiscasset, St. Philip's,	116.60
Trinity Mission,	11.00
Isolated Churchwomen,	30.31
Juniors,	6.23
Little Helpers,	22.45
Dividends,	61.20

	\$1,558.00

Given at the Triennial Convention in New York, October 8, 1913.

ANNIE L. SAWYER, *Treasurer.*

Report of Altar Society

The list of work done from May, 1913 to May, 1914, is as follows:

One violet stole, an order; one violet super-frontal for St. Paul's Church, Fort Fairfield; one red pulpit-fall, and red bookmarks for St. Stephen's Church, Portland; the materials were paid for while the work was given.

The following gifts were made to the Cathedral, and the work was done in the Altar Society: a white eucharistic stole and maniple; a violet burse and veil, and a baptismal stole.

CLARA A. PRINDLE,
Secretary.

SILK DEPARTMENT.

Cash on hand May, 1913,	\$21.42
Received for work,	31.05
Received for dues,	12.50
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	\$64.97
Paid out for material, postage, etc.,	\$33.44
Cash on hand May, 1914,	31.53
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	\$64.97

CLARA A. PRINDLE,
Treasurer.

LINEN DEPARTMENT.

Fair linen cloth made and sent to Guilford, Maine; burse, pall, two corporals, chalice veil and six purificators given to the bishop to be used by the missionary on Mt. Desert Island. Surplice cut and basted for Richmond Mission, as a gift to Rev. Mr. Treen.

CASH REPORT.

Cash on hand May, 1913,	\$ 9.00
Received from Mrs. White, associate member,	.50
Received from Miss Jane Howard, Richmond, for surplice,	6.00
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	\$15.50
Paid out for postage,	\$.80
Paid out for linen,	9.70
Cash on hand, May, 1914,	5.00
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	\$15.50

GEORGIANNA M. JOHNSON,
Directress of Linen Work.

Report of the Society of Isolated Churchwomen

To the President of the Maine Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary:

I have to report in the work of corresponding with "Isolated Churchwomen," that the year's work has been nearly as in the past.

Some names have been dropped from the list and a few added. I am always glad to receive new names of "isolated." One of my most valued correspondents has been called to her higher work; many mourn her absence in this life. At my request, some of my correspondents sent articles for Miss Langdon's bazaar at Tanana, Alaska. When the buildings there were burned the past winter, the proceeds of the successful bazaar, which were on deposit, were of great help. Miss Langdon has her "year out" and is striving to create more interest in Alaskan work.

In July last, I sent out annual reports of the Maine Woman's Auxiliary. After the Triennial in October, leaflets were distributed, then came the United Offering, prayer and statement for 1916. Christmas cards or carols were sent to all on the list, seventy-five in number. In January, I ordered some few copies of February "Spirit of Missions" to be sent to addresses given. February 17, I sent out Lenten letters, seventy in number, with United Offering leaflets. Later I sent post cards to a number of my ladies, asking for help in the Lenten work. I am sorry to say the response was not what was desired, nor was it in regard to the United Offering.

In March, I took advantage of the offer of the educational department of Church Missions House, and purchased two of their sets of missionary literature. After reading the books during Lent, I forwarded to those who I thought would profit by them.

The past was the twelfth year of my connection with this work. In several of the towns, regular services are now held, so I do not feel they belong to the "isolated" class, but I feel a deep interest in them all.

As I have written in past reports, many letters are being written, and papers sent which it would take too much space to mention.

I would thank the kind friends who have contributed to the work by their encouragement.

May God prosper the work.

(MRS.) ABBY C. PHILBROOK,
Bangor, Maine.

Report of Church Periodical Club

It seems to me at this time it is most fitting for us to pay our tribute of respect to the memory of Mrs. Augusta Chapin, the Executive Secretary, who since the inception of the Church Periodical Club, gave so liberally of her time, strength and means to further its work. When in the early winter she was called to her higher labors, she still remembered us here with a generous bequest, and almost her last thought was for the good of the club. Let us trust that her good example will remain with us, and that we may be inspired to renewed efforts.

As usual, the first work of the past year was collecting and sending the barrels of reading matter to the Aroostook lumber camps, where they are so gladly welcomed. The number sent out was 22 barrels and 5 boxes, each averaging between 300 and 350 magazines. Also four barrels have recently been forwarded to the Sailors' Haven, Charlestown, Mass., by one of our most efficient members, who feels a deep interest in the work. The matter of travelling libraries has again been taken up with renewed vigor by the appointment of a new director, who is showing great enthusiasm in her work. Two have recently been placed in one diocese, where they will do much good, and I will be glad to know of others who would like the use of them for six months.

The financial question is one which is causing much discussion among the managers of the club, and many ways are suggested to increase the supply. As the work has grown and it has more than doubled in the past few years, the expenses have gone up proportionally, and much more money is needed to continue the work, so the general officers in New York have issued an urgent appeal to any one interested to contribute even a small amount.

The routine business of our branch is about the same, a little increase if anything, some new names coming in, while we miss others who have withdrawn.

During the summer which is before us, let me urge you to be instrumental in collecting all the reading matter you can, so that when the first day of October comes—the free day, kindly granted us by the Maine Central R. R.—there will be a goodly consignment to be forwarded to those who are in need and glad to receive it.

BLANCHE L. METCALFE,
Cor. for Maine C. P. C.

The Junior Auxiliary

Madam President and Ladies:—

At the Triennial last October in New York, a new plan was suggested for the organization of Junior branches but, with Miss Emery's sanction, it has been decided not to change that of the present Maine Branch, trying within the next year to at least begin the suggested line of work. This will be done at once by changing the Babies' Branch into the Little Helpers' section of the Junior Department, Mrs. Payson still having charge, as Diocesan Leader of this, the most important part of Auxiliary work, the beginning.

The Maine Juniors have again worked and studied faithfully but owing to unavoidable conditions and the struggle in many of the parishes and missions to meet increased apportionment, Junior reports have been delayed and it is quite impossible to tell just what the Maine Junior Auxiliary really has been doing this past working year. We hope and pray that while we are not able to report much money given through the Auxiliary, the church's mission has not suffered and that the children have given in other ways even more than in years past they have contributed through the Maine Junior Auxiliary for the Master's work. The Box Account is as follows:—

NAME OF PARISH	No.	VALUE
Ashland,	1	\$ 1.60
Augusta, St. Mark's,	3	25.00
Bath,	2	9.00
Caribou,	1	5.50
Fort Fairfield,	1	2.45
Gardiner,	1	5.00
Lewiston,	2	30.00
North Pittston,	1	6.50
Portland, St. Paul's,	1	2.80

Trinity,	2	10.35
Presque Isle,	1	10.50
Wiscasset,	2	13.00
The Girls' Sewing Class, Portland,	1	5.00
	19	\$126.70

RECIPIENTS OF BOXES.

Rev. W. S. Thorn, Oneida, Wis.,	\$ 58.60
St. Mary's School, Keeling, Tenn.,	2.45
Miss Waterman, Bontoc, P. I.,	7.35
House Good Shepherd, Gardiner,	15.00
Christmas boxes for Mission S. S.'s. in Maine at Ashland, Masardis, Littleton, Sherman and Chambers' Settlement,	43.30
	\$126.70
Christmas boxes were also sent by the Cathedral S. S. to the Rev. Mr. Scott's Missions, 147 gifts; and St. Saviour's S. S., Bar Harbor, sent Christmas boxes to Winn, Kingman and Macwahoc. These have not been reported and the value is not known.	
Total cash receipts,	\$ 81.31
Total box receipts,	\$126.70
	\$208.01

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

Treasurer's Report

F. W. R. NASH, Treasurer, in Account with Maine Junior Auxiliary, from May 15, 1913, to May 14, 1914.

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To balance on hand, May 15, 1913,	\$.66
To amounts received, viz.:	
Ashland,	1.00
Augusta, St. Mark's,	3.50
Bath,	10.00
Brunswick,	1.38
Fort Fairfield,	6.71
Gardiner,	4.00
Lewiston,	10.00
Newcastle,	2.00
North Pittston,	1.00
Portland, St. Paul's,	4.50
St. Stephen's,	4.50
Trinity,	8.00
Rockland,	2.00
Wiscasset,	9.63
Specials,	12.43
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	\$81.31

Treasurer's Report

F. W. R. NASH, Treasurer, in Account with Maine Junior Auxiliary from May 15, 1913, to May 14, 1914.

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By amounts paid, viz.:	
To Mr. George Gordon King for General Missions,	\$12.50
Rev. R. W. Plant for House Good Shepherd,	4.50
Miss Sawyer, for United Offering, 1916,	10.00
Maine Christmas boxes,	15.00
Macwahoc Church fund,	2.43
Printing,	5.50
Freight and express,	2.10
Postage,	2.50
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Cash on hand, May 14, 1914,	\$54.53
	26.78
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	\$81.31

F. W. R. NASH,
Treasurer.

In Savings Bank for Macwahoc Church Fund, May 14, 1914, \$461.21.

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

Report of Junior Mission Study

This year the Juniors, like the Woman's Auxiliary, have been learning about China. The book recommended by the Educational Secretary, Chin Hsing, *Forward March in China*, is exceedingly interesting. Before Lent, I wrote to all the Junior Branches in the State, recommending this book, and the *Flowering of the Flowery Kingdom*. Those who responded, and read or studied, learned much about the life of boys and girls in China, of the many strange customs by which they are bound and the great need of Christianity to uplift their souls and minds and bodies.

It gave me great pleasure to meet and talk to the Branch at Trinity, Woodfords. A special report will be heard later from them. I was also glad to be asked to speak on "Missions in China" to the Cathederal Girls' Friendly, who worked well for missions during Lent. They learned also about the Oneida Indians and the Southern Whites. I can speak from knowledge of an enthusiastic Junior Branch in Ashland, and that the Sunday School at Rockland became Junior Auxiliary during Lent, and had Chin Hsing read to them, by their rector, Saturday afternoons.

Word reached me yesterday from Oldtown, of very successful stereopticon lectures given twice a week through Lent, by Dr. Colloque, lantern slides from the Church Missions House being used. The interest was great.

Wiscasset reports instruction every Wednesday during Lent, and every day in Holy Week. The attendance was large and the children showed much interest.

A class of eight girls of the Cathederal, not yet formally Juniors, but we hope soon to be, met during Lent and sewed for the Oneida Indians, learning about them by a talk from Miss Burgess, and reading with great interest, "Chin Hsing."

St. Paul's, Portland, did not neglect Mission Study, but used the Junior book with pleasure and profit.

I strongly urged the constant use of the "Spirit of Missions" in all the branches, and know that those who followed my advice will find it an inspiration all the year round.

I have here several copies of "Chin Hsing" to lend to any who would like to read the book themselves, or to their Juniors, during the summer.

All who have read "Chin Hsing" will be glad to hear that the Juniors of the Diocese of Pennsylvania have published a play called "A Choice of Evils," dramatizing the book. I wish the play might be given by more than one Maine Branch. I should be very glad to get it for any who wish it.

The study for next year will be on "What Missions have done for the Homes of the World," and the Junior book will soon be ready.

May the young people of Maine, during the coming year, so learn of the need of all humanity that they may work and pray and give, with all their hearts, to help carry the good news of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth.

And I pray that more and more may be moved to give themselves. That is the great gift which only the young have the privilege of offering to our Master.

CAROLINE H. BURGESS,

Assistant Secretary,
in charge of Junior Mission Study.

Report of “The Little Helpers.”

Madame President and Ladies:—

The “Little Helpers” division of the Junior Auxiliary,—as our “Babies Branch” is henceforth to be called,—has begun to march again after a halt of two years which at one time looked like the beginning of a retreat. They have not marched far during the past twelve months, but had their leader been more faithful in mustering in the recruits which presented themselves, the increase and progress of the little band would have been far greater.

We have three “Little Helpers” parties to report again this year and I feel convinced that it is worth while to try to make the presentation of the pennies by the children a festival occasion where mothers may meet, may learn what can be accomplished by children’s prayers and offerings and appreciate the beauty of united work, even of babies.

In one parish, the leader, mothers and children met in the Chapel, where the Rector held a short service, gave a brief address and then all marched to the Parish hall for refreshments and a frolic.

Some leaders have felt discouraged that the duplex envelope has in so many instances superseded the Junior mite box, but if the envelope promotes systematic giving, increases interest in general missions, and makes the boy or girl who uses one feel a sense of pride that he or she is in no less degree doing just what father and mother do towards the extension of Christ’s Kingdom, then the envelope has accomplished to some extent what we want to teach our “Helpers”—but not all. Last year the “Babies’ Branch” sent \$5,886.80 to the Board of Missions and the largest portion, almost all, went for the benefit of children. One might

almost call it a children's United Offering, for children in the mission field. A kindergarten, a scholarship, a hospital cot, a baptismal font were among the various interests. Therefore let those who can afford to do so, use both the "Little Helpers" mite box and the duplex envelope, each carrying its own particular message of love and usefulness. To those unable to give through both channels should be given the choice as to which is best in their own case, to use the more personal mite box, or to assist the parish in meeting its apportionment for general missions by the use of the duplex envelope.

CASH RECEIVED AND DISTRIBUTED, 1914.

RECEIVED.

St. Luke's Cathedral, Portland, from 20 boxes,	\$10.07
St. Paul's, Portland, from 16 boxes Waccabuc group,	14.84
St. Stephen's, Portland, from 22 boxes,	9.66
Trinity Church, Woodfords, from boxes,	3.26
St. Philip's, Wiscasset, from 15 boxes,	3.00
St. Saviour's, Bar Harbor,	2.25
St. Paul's, Brunswick, from 4 boxes,	1.88
St. Mark's, Augusta,	10.18
St. Michael's, Auburn, 1 box,	.48
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	\$55.62

DISTRIBUTED.

For the United Offering, 5 cents from each box,	\$ 5.50
House of the Good Shepherd, Gardiner, Maine,	5.00
Kindergarten at Akita, Japan,	5.00
Little Helpers' Cot, St. Agnes Hospital, Raleigh, N. C.,	5.00
Mission Font, Little Helpers' Gift,	5.00
St. Paul's Industrial School, Lawrenceville, Va.	5.00
Church Institute for Negroes,	2.50
General Missions,	22.62
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	\$55.62

Respectfully submitted,

SALLY CARROLL PAYSON,
Secretary and Treasurer Little Helpers.

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, two Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, Educational Secretary, a Treasurer, an United Offering 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.

One of the Vice-Presidents 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.

