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Maryland Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.



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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

The meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary held in Grace Church Chapel, November 3rd, 12 M., was one of grateful record.

After opening prayer by the President, Miss Snowden, Assistant Secretary, read the minutes.

Any report of the working year 1892-1893, would be incomplete without some mention of the Triennial Meeting held in Baltimore in October last. The afternoon of the first day of the General Convention, October 5th, the Diocesan officers partook of luncheon at Hazzer's Hall, prior to a meeting at 2 P. M., which lasted till night-fall.

The President of the Maryland Branch was called to the chair. After animated discussion upon further organization, the question was left open for consideration at the adjourned meeting the fourth day.

Finding their views did not meet general acceptance, the minority graciously yielded to wise and gentle words of counsel from the Hon. Secretary, Mrs. Twing, seconded by Mrs. Boalt of Ohio, and unanimously adopted the following resolution :

"We record our acceptance and satisfaction with the present organization, as being all that is necessary for the hopeful continuance of the work of the past twenty-one years."

Thursday, October 6th, 9 A. M., there was held at St. Paul's, a long-to-be-remembered service, 1250 women knelt at one altar, cementing the tie that bound our hearts in Christian love. Their united offering, over \$18,200, was in a few days increased to \$20,911, for the Missionary Enrollment Fund.

Bishop Paret delivered a forcible address, said he had been asked to speak for inspiration ; but had himself been inspired by the presence of that band of devoted workers. With confi-

dence in our simple and efficient method of organization, he emphasized the fallacy of attempting to be other than auxiliary in our work, and prophesied better and even more promising results, opening to consecrated effort and oneness of purpose.

Adjourning to the hall, Rev. Dr. Langford, General Secretary to the Board of Missions, made the opening address. Our President, Mrs. Sioussat, gave the address of welcome, of which, the wish expressed by others, voices our own, that, "a copy should be in the hands of every church woman, both for its beauty and instruction."

After the introduction of missionaries, Miss Emery, General Secretary, presented her report.

Luncheon was served to over a thousand women, an hour of delightful social intercourse, which some of our visitors have been pleased to term "royal hospitality."

At the afternoon session, addresses were made. First by Mrs. Brewer of Montana, then Mrs. Pott of China, in native dress, read a bright paper, and brought \$100 from Chinese women to the United Offering. She was followed, by Mrs. Gardner, a teacher in Japan, with two little girls in Japanese dress, attended by Japanese nurse. Miss Sybil Carter presented samples of lace work made by Indian women, saying, "*Work* is the solution of the Indian problem and let us all work to win the Kingdom for Him." Miss Mailles of Japan read a letter from one of her pupils, appealing "Help us brothers and sisters, let us progress this projection." Mrs. Buford presented colored work of the South. Mrs. Lawver of California asked for deepening of spiritual life, elevation of standard, by rising to our privileges as church women.

Enthusiasm and unflagging interest animated the meeting.

The great feature of the General Convention was its missionary spirit, creating five new missionary jurisdictions and electing seven men Missionary Bishops.

Looking back upon this time of gracious privilege, our President in her address, would have us question the meaning of this service to us? Surely, to take up the work more

faithfully, each realizing a personal responsibility to extend her knowledge and usefulness, at the same time striving to incite others to the same love and interest in the great missionary cause. She tendered special thanks to all who aided to make that notable day, October 6th, a glorious success.

The gratification of visting delegates found expression in a collection of \$100, made by Miss Jarvis of Conn., and presented to Bishop Paret for his colored work.

As a slight token of appreciation of the courtesy extended by the rector and vestry of St. Paul's, a thank offering was sent to their offertory.

The following resolution was presented and accepted by rising vote: "Emmanuel Branch of Woman's Auxiliary propose to the Diocesan Branch of Md., that their grateful thanks should be offered to their President, Mrs. Sioussat, thanking her for the womanly grace, and tact, and talent, with which she presided under trying circumstances, at the Triennial Meeting of the Auxilliary. The meeting adjourned with the singing of the Doxology.

The regular spring meeting was held Wednesday, May 30th, 3 P. M., in Christ Church Chapel.

The opening address by Rev. Dr. Currie was followed by words of welcome from the President. The roll call noted seventy members present. The minutes and Secretary's report were read by the Assistant Secretary. The Treasurer gave a report of the year's receipts.

Interesting reports were read from the Indian Aid, and Indian Right's Association.

The report of the Church Periodical Club showed a growing work in the diocese.

The President's report told of increased interest and activity, welcoming several new branches: The Mother Church, St. Paul's; St. John's, Ellicot City; St. John's, Mt. Washington; Christ Church, Calvert Co., one of the old colonial parishes, and St. Leonard's, St. Mary's Co.

Resolutions of sympathy were passed with St. Barnabas, in the loss of their beautiful church by fire.

The President presented several appeals from different sources, after which it was decided to send surplus in the treasury, to Rev. Maurice Vaughan, St. George's Island, Wm. and Mary Parish.

In response to Rev. Chas. Stroh's request for aid in entertaining 1000 Indians at Santee Agency, Nebraska, it was proposed to send a box from the Auxiliary.

A letter from Miss Emery urged preparation for the united offering at the next Triennial Meeting.

A resolution was passed urging each branch to adopt some feasible plan, that we do our utmost and help to raise \$50,000 for the endowment of the Episcopate in a missionary jurisdiction

The President questioned the mode of systematic giving, proving its encouraging showing, wherever adopted.

The meeting closed with the Doxology, after which an invitation to afternoon tea at Christ Church rectory was extended to all, Mrs. Currie graciously making it an enjoyable occasion.

The General Secretary requests that applications be made to the Diocesan Secretaries, to whom she sends the necessary intelligence, and whose business it is to know where supplies have already been sent, and what work is most pressing. She urges that every branch subscribe to the "Spirit of Missions," that if not individually, that at least one copy be taken, from which selections can be read at the meetings.

As the heart-to-heart touch of co-workers with our dear Lord has sent us forth with renewed zeal, let us ask more earnestly that the touch of His power impel others to unite with us in larger opportunities and added blessing upon the extension of His work.

Respectfully submitted,

REBECCA D. DAVIS,

Secretary.

REPORT

— OF —

PARISH BRANCHES OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, BALTIMORE.

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ASCENSION.

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MRS. M. A. HAMILTON,	<i>Treasurer.</i>
Foreign Missions	\$ 21.88
Domestic Missions	163.93
{ Diocesan Missions	42.00
{ S. C. Fund	25.00
{ Central Fund	5.00
Enrolment Fund	100.00
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	\$ 357.81
Boxes, Dakota 1, Maryland 1	58.00
Total	<hr/>
	\$ 415.81

ST. BARNABAS.

REV. JOSEPH FLETCHER,	<i>President.</i>
MISS HILLIARY,	<i>Secretary.</i>
MISS BOEHM,	<i>Treasurer.</i>
Enrolment Fund	\$ 25.00
S. C. Fund	10.00
Central Fund	3.00
Special	5.00
Indian Aid	15.00
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	\$ 58.00
Box to Iowa	30.00
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Total	<hr/>
	\$ 88.00

ST. BARTHOLOMEW.

MRS. EDWARD H. INGLE, *President.*
 MRS. M. E. ENGLAND, *Secretary.*
 MISS W. BURNS TRUNDLE, *Treasurer.*

Enrolment Fund.....	\$	9.19
Box to Maryland...		63.21
Total.....	\$	72.40

MT. CALVARY.

Box, Illinois.....	\$	92.00
Enrolment Fund.....		5.00
Total.....	\$	97.00

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 MISS MARIA D. WILLIAMS, *Treasurer.*

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

India.....	\$	25.74
Japan.....		125.00
China		85.00
McAll.....		39.00
	\$	274.74
Central Fund.....		5.90
Kindergarten		3.00
Bishop's Guild.....		7.00
Indians.....		150.00
	\$	439.74
Boxes, Indians 2, Maryland 1, Virginia 1.....		598.00
Total.....	\$	1037.74

EMMANUEL.

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EMMANUEL.—CONTINUED.

{ Foreign Missions	\$ 246.00	
{ France.....	91.00	
{ Mexico.....	167.50	
{ Domestic Missions.....	331.50	
{ Indian Missions.....	160.00	
S. C. Fund	\$ 25.00	50.00
From Needle Work Guild.....		
Central Fund.....	5.00	
		<u>\$1051.00</u>
Boxes, Indians 4, Maryland 4, Virginia 3, Japan 1, New York 1.		
From Needle Work Guild.....	\$ 755.24	
From St. Phoebe's Guild.....	132.65	
From Fragment Society.....	90.00	
From King's Daughters.....	71.10	
From Sunday School.....	68.41	
		<u>\$1117.40</u>
Total.....		\$2168.40
(Balance on hand, \$268.40.)		

GRACE.

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SCHOLARSHIPS.

Wm. V. Clark.....	\$ 25.00	
Sophia Hutchinson.....	25.00	
M. L. Baldwin, (for two years).....	50.00	
E. S. Hall	60.00	
{ Indian Missions.....	26.00	
{ Domestic Missions.....	80.00	
{ Diocesan Missions.....	15.00	
{ S. C. Fund	50.00	
including \$13.41 from Mother's Mission.		
{ Central Fund.....	5.81	
{ Periodical Club.....	5.00	
Special.....	30.00	
		<u>\$ 371.81</u>
Boxes, Maryland 1, Virginia 1	83.75	
Total.....		<u>\$ 455.56</u>

HOLY INNOCENTS'.REV. JOHN LOZIE, *President.*MISS LIDA E. ECKEL, *Secretary.*

General Missions	\$ 38.00
Central Fund	4.00
Endowment	3.00
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	\$ 45.00
Box, Maryland	106.19
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Total	\$ 151.19

ST. LUKE'S.MRS. M. GANTT, *President.*MRS. M. I. DES FORGES, *Vice-President.*MISS MARY R. SNOWDEN, *Secretary.*MRS. CHARLES MILLER, *Treasurer.*

Scholarships under Bishop Talbot	\$ 50.00
Church Home	5.00
Colored Work	5.00
S. C. Fund	50.00
Central Fund	5.00
Endowment Fund	50.00
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	\$ 165.00
Boxes, Virginia 2, Dakota 1. From St. Mary's Guild, for	
Dakota 1	180.00
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Total	\$ 345.00

ST. MICHAELS' AND ALL ANGELS'.REV. C. ERNEST SMITH, *President.*MRS. LAV *Vice-President.*MRS. SADTLER, *Treasurer.*MISS BEACHAM, *Secretary.*

General Missions	\$ 137.14
Scholarships under Bishop Talbot	40.00
S. C. Fund	39.00
Central Fund	15.00
St. Andrews Hall, Texas	38.00
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	\$ 269.14
Boxes, Texas 1, Maryland 1	249.64
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Total	\$ 518.78

MEMORIAL.

REV. WM. M. DAME,	<i>President.</i>
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MRS. SOMERVELL SOLLERS,	<i>Treasurer.</i>
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{ Indian Missions	\$ 35.00
{ From Mothers' Mission	10.00
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	\$ 45.00
S. C. Fund.	25.00
Central Fund.	5.00
Sundries	21.00
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	\$ 96.00
Boxes, Indians 2, Maryland 1, North Carolina 1	204.00
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Total	\$ 300.00

ST. ANNE'S, ANNAPOLIS.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

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One Box for Maryland	\$ 150.00

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Scholarship under Bishop Talbot	\$ 40.00
Work among Colored People	25.00
Central Fund.	5.00
Theological Student	38.74
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	\$ 108.74
Boxes, Maryland 1, Illinois 1	130.00
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Total	\$ 238.74

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Central Fund.....	\$	7.75
From Junior Guild Easter Offering.....		9.04
Parish Mission.....		5.00
	\$	21.79
Boxes, Maryland 2.....		118.68
Total	\$	140.47

TRINITY, TOWSON.

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MRS. JACKSON PIPER,.....	<i>Secretary.</i>	
MRS. FRED. VON KAPFF,.....	<i>Treasurer.</i>	
Miss Carter for Indians.....	\$	5.00
Colored People		106.76
Enrolment Fund.....		25.00
Central Fund.....		5.00
S. C. Fund		10.00
From Junior Missionary Society for Bishop Talbot.		20.00
Total.....	\$	171.76

TRINITY, DORSEY.

MISS MACKINTOSH,.....	<i>President.</i>	
MRS. WM. F. GARDNER,.....	<i>Secretary.</i>	
Central Fund.....	\$	5.00
Boxes North Carolina 1, Virginia 1, Maryland 1, (including \$20.00) from Junior Auxiliary.....		
		125.24
Total.....	\$	130.24

ST. TIMOTHY'S, CATONSVILLE.

For United Offering.....	\$ 5.00
Central Fund.....	1.00
Total.....	\$ 6.00

ALL SAINTS, FREDERICK.

REV. OSBORNE INGLE,.....	<i>President.</i>
MRS. A. G. ROSS,.....	<i>Secretary.</i>
Foreign Missions.....	\$ 292.25
Indian Missions.....	51.25
Total.....	\$ 343.50

ST. JOHNS', MONTGOMERY.

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MISS R. D. DAVIS,	<i>Secretary.</i>
MRS. THOMAS HOLLAND,.....	<i>Treasurer.</i>
Domestic Missions.....	\$ 34.00
Foreign Missions.....	10.00
St. Barnabas.....	5.00
Enrolment Fund.....	15.50
A. B. D. Memorial for S. C. Fund	25.00
Contingent Fund.....	5.00
	\$ 94.50
Boxes, Maryland 1, Wyoming 1.....	24.00
Total.....	\$ 118.50

ST. JOHN'S, HAGERSTOWN.

MRS. D. M. FAIRFAX,.....	<i>President.</i>
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MRS. M. F. LUCAS,.....	<i>Secretary.</i>
Enrolment Fund....	\$ 8.00
Boxes, Maryland 3, Georgia 1, Dakota 1.....	368.35
Total.....	\$ 376.35

EMMANUEL, CUMBERLAND.

Central Fund.....	\$ 5.00
Box.....	40.00
Total.....	\$ 45.00

CHRIST, WEST RIVER.

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Enrolment Fund	\$ 56.00
Central Fund.....	1.00
Brazil.....	100.00
Total.....	\$ 157.00

ST. MARY'S, CHARLOTTE HALL.

General Mission.....	\$ 3.00
Box.....	5.60
Total	\$ 8.60

HANNAH MORE ACADEMY.

MISS RICH,.....	<i>Treasurer.</i>
Scholarship at Cape Palmas.....	\$ 50.00

SCHOOL GIRL'S MISSIONARY CHAIN.

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MISS N. MERRITT, }	
MISS A. M. D. SMITH, {	<i>Treasurers.</i>
MISS ELEANOR TURNBULL, }	
S. C. Fund.....	\$ 1.00
Box for Indians	125.00
Total.....	\$ 126.00

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MRS. N. D. S. PARRAN,.....	<i>Secretary.</i>
Box for Nebraska.....	\$ 25.00

SUMMARY.

Value in Boxes.....	\$3,894.06
Amount in Cash	3,842.98
Total.....	\$7,737.04

Mrs. John Stewart, Diocesan Treasurer, in account with the Woman's Auxiliary,
 DR. CR.
for the year ending May 15th, 1893.

To Cash on hand.....	\$ 14 76	By Amt. for Enrolment Fund.....	\$ 233 00
“ “ from Ascension, Baltimore.....	30 00	“ “ Silent Church Fund.. ..	300 00
“ “ “ St. Barnabas, “	13 00	“ “ Theological Students.....	62 50
“ “ “ St. Bartholomew's “	9 19	“ “ Printing Report.....	18 00
“ “ “ Christ, “	105 00	“ “ Mite Chests.....	6 00
“ “ “ Mt. Calvary, “	5 00	“ “ Postage and Stationery	6 00
“ “ “ Emmanuel, “	65 00	“ “ Miss Carter, for Indians.....	5 00
“ “ “ Grace, “	59 06	“ Balance on hand.....	50 52
“ “ “ Holy Innocents, “	4 00		
“ “ “ St. Luke's, “	55 00		
“ “ “ Memorial, “	45 25		
“ “ “ St. Michael's, “	54 00		
“ “ “ St. Paul's, “	43 74		
“ “ “ Emmanuel, Cumberland.....	5 00		
“ “ “ St. John's, Hagerstown.	8 00		
“ “ “ St. John's, Montgomery	40 50		
“ “ “ St. Bartholomew's, “	2 35		
“ “ “ Christ, West River.	51 00		
“ “ “ All Saints, Frederick.....	5 00		
“ “ “ Trinity, Towson.....	45 00		
“ “ “ Trinity, Dorsey	5 00		
“ “ “ St. Timothy's, Catonsville.....	6 00		
“ “ “ St. John's, Howard Co.....	7 75		
“ “ “ School Girls' Missionary Chain..	1 00		
“ “ “ Cash.	1 42		
Total	\$ 681 02	Total.....	\$ 681 02

ADDRESS OF WELCOME TO THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.*

By MRS. A. L. SIOUSSAT, President of the Maryland Branch.

For my fellow-officers, and in the name of the Churchwomen of Maryland, it affords me great pleasure to welcome you, women of the Auxiliary, to our diocese and city.

I welcome you to a region which has been hallowed from the first hour of its exploration by the blessed heritage of the ministrations of our mother Church, where before the seventeenth century had measured its first decade the wooded shores of the Chesapeake had resounded to the echoes of praise and prayer in the daily service rendered from the barque of the first English adventurers—"at which solemnity," says the old chronicle, "the poor savages greatly wondered"—and the missionary efforts of the first colonists to reveal to the Indian owners of the soil the Lord who had given Himself for them bore fruit substantial in that remarkable scene in the woodland village near the site upon which the Capitol of our vast nation now stands, when Chilomaine, emperor of the Piscataways and chief of many of the aboriginal peoples, received, with his consort and heir, the sign of the cross, and was made an inheritor of the everlasting kingdom, a sacrament rendered with as much of the

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pomp and ceremonial of the Church of Rome as it was possible to reproduce in that back wigwam, and at which the official dignity of the colony was represented by the governor, Leonard Calvert, and Mistress Mary Brent as sponsors.

While our sister communion was more fortunate in her equipment, there being no Church of England clergyman with the first immigration, yet no intermission was made in their services, and under the greatest discouragements in a new and untried country they maintained the assembling of themselves together, and drew comfort, in their longing for the dear old homes across the sea, from the chants and litanies of the Book of Common Prayer, with a sermon from some of the old divines who enriched the treasury of the ages, read by the younger son of knight or squire who had served his apprenticeship in the halls of his fathers. It was long ere a clergyman came, but the Church and her welfare were never lost sight of, and among the very first bequests or endowments, as the colonist saw the dawn of that fortune the loss of which had necessitated his expatriation, was one for the benefit and maintenance of the first clergyman who should arrive, and to-day the glebe lands of one of our oldest parishes owes its existence to such a loyal son.

It is well to note that the state craft which framed the charter for Maryland, while it provided for the erection and consecration of churches and chapels, according to the ecclesiastical laws of our kingdom of England, made no provision for the bishop who alone could give such consecration or the priest who could therein administer the sacraments, and if this should seem great oversight, we must recall the political situation and realize that, in the life and death struggle that occupied the first years of the settlement of these western shores, there was little room for spiritual care of the colonies, and that for eleven years the only place in the old world where the English service was permitted to be read was in the Chapel of the Embassy at Paris. Here, however, the sturdy spirit of the English Churchmen lived and thrived, and there truly missionary services were held until a clergyman came out. Time fails us to note the

perils which beset these gatherings. The orders given by the council that "noe man able to bear arms might goe to church or chappell without fixed gunn and one charge at least of powder and shot," might have been issued within the limits of our Indian field not so very long ago.

We cannot follow the few shepherds who baptized the children, carried comfort to the dying, and fed the flock with the Bread of Life, traversing tracts of country well-nigh pathless, save for the Indian trail or the blazed road of the ranger. But the missionary flame burned brightly, small though it was, in the 200 odd years ago, and when it wavered, and the Church's children hungered for more than could be supplied to them, a daughter of the Maryland Church found time and courage, amid official and family cares, to send this Macedonian cry across the water to the Archbishop of Canterbury:

"May it please your Grace, I am now to repeat my request to your Grace for a church, in the place of Maryland where I live. Our want of a minister and the many blessings our Saviour designed us by them is a misery which I and a numerous family and many others in Maryland have groaned under. We do not question God's care of us, but think your Grace and the Rt. Rev. your bishops, the proper instrument of so great a blessing to us. We are not, I hope, so foreign to your jurisdiction but we may be owned your stray flock, however the commission to 'Go and baptize all nations' is large enough. But I am sure we are, by a late custom on tobacco, sufficiently acknowledged subjects of the King of England and therefore, by his protection, not only our persons and estates, but of what is far more dear to us, our religion. I question not but that your Grace is sensible that without a temple it will be impracticable. Neither can we expect a minister to hold out; to ride ten miles in a morning and before he can dine ten more, and from house to house in hot weather, will dishearten a minister, if not kill him.

"Your Grace is so sensible of our sad condition and for your peace and piety's sake have so great an influence on our most religious and gracious King, that if I had not your Grace's

promise to depend on, I could not question your Grace's intercession. £500 or £600 for a church, with some small encouragement for a minister, will be extremely less charge than honor to his Majesty. One church settled according to the Church of England, which is the sum of our request, will prove a nursery of religion and loyalty through the whole Province. But your Grace needs no argument from me, but only this: it is in your power to give us many opportunities to praise God for this and innumerable mercies, and to importune His goodness to bless his Majesty with a long and prosperous reign over us, and long continue to your Grace the great blessing of being an instrument of good to His Church: and now that I may be no more troublesome I humbly entreat your pardon to the well meant zeal of your Grace's most obedient servant,

MARY TANNEY."

The help came; the grand old missionary Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts was not far behind it; and after another weary season of delay and discouragement, the blessing of the episcopate at last reached America, and in this year, as you know, we commemorate the centennial of the consecration of the first bishop on this side of the water, Thomas John Claggett, of Croome, Prince George's County, Maryland, who came with the endowment of true missionary zeal and among whose first acts had been a commission to the Rev. William Duke to go out as a missionary to the country beyond the Appalachian mountains.

We stand to-day on an elevation of successions of privilege. The little one has become a thousand; the isolated Female Bible Society, or missionary organization in the parish, is replaced by the organization whose throng of representatives have to-day knelt side by side uniting the whole of this goodly heritage of our country, guarded by two oceans, and could there be a standpoint from whence we could draw more inspiration? Can we, dare we, miss the grace of opportunity? Nay, women of the auxiliary, let us be up and doing! The song of the bard who

rehearses the prowess of his ancestors is of no avail unless it rouses the consecrated personal devotion of each individual to deeds of valor and magnificent achievements.

We welcome you, therefore, to the home of the first woman who ever sent a missionary leaflet from America ; we welcome you to the diocese of the first American consecration ; to the starting point of the first Western missionary ; and, most harmonious strain of all our greeting, we welcome you to the birth-place of the Woman's Auxiliary.



