

Minnesota Branch

Woman's Auxiliary

Thirty-Fourth

Annual Report

1914-1915



Motto:

"Where there is no vision, the people perish."

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THIRTY-FOURTH
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MINNESOTA BRANCH
OF THE
Woman's Auxiliary
TO THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS



1914-1915

Prayers for Use in Auxiliary Meetings

O God who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send Thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh: Grant that all men everywhere may seek after Thee and find Thee. Bring the nations into Thy fold, and add the heathen to Thine inheritance. And we pray Thee shortly to accomplish the number of Thine elect, and to hasten Thy kingdom, through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Almighty God, Lord of the harvest, we humbly beseech Thee to send forth more labourers into Thy harvest, and especially to put it into the hearts of many faithful women to give themselves to Thy work in the Mission field; that so the bounds of Thy blessed kingdom may be enlarged; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

O Lord Jesus Christ, who didst charge Thine Apostles that they should preach the gospel to every nation; Make us to show our gratitude for Thy benefits by earnestness in fulfilling Thy command. Prosper all missions, both at home and abroad, with an increase of sanctity, that they may win many to the acknowledgment of Thy truth (especially those in.....), and give them all things needful for their work, making them to be centers of spiritual life, to the quickening of many souls and to the glory of Thy Holy Name, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

Heavenly Father, we pray Thee to bless us and all members of the Junior Auxiliary, with wisdom, zeal and constancy, in our work for Thee. Prosper the Missions of Thy Holy Church, and strengthen with the Holy Spirit all who are engaged in missionary work; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings with Thy most gracious favour, and further us with Thy continued help that in our works begun, continued and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy Holy Name, and finally by Thy mercy obtain everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

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President's Report

The year now drawing to its close has been a year of such uncertainty everywhere that it is with a feeling almost of surprise, that we find ourselves meeting again in the normal and familiar way. In the Woman's Auxiliary it has been, as elsewhere in Woman's World, a year of conscious groping for better methods and more correlated results, for stronger purpose and for larger vision.

In our own Diocesan Branch, thanks to the momentum given by years of careful guidance and intelligent direction, the work has moved smoothly on, in all its varied phases. Mrs. Stevens reports this as the best year financially that we have ever had, and the Red Mite Box returns of the last Annual Meeting the largest in the history of the organization. Mrs. Spies finds increased willingness to assume larger responsibilities in the Parish Branches. Mrs. Bass announces that the United Offering is somewhat larger than it was in the second year of the last Triennium. The Educational Secretary, the Presidents of the Junior Auxiliary and the Little Helpers, and the Secretary of the Church Periodical Club, all report well sustained efforts in their various departments. The two preceding large general meetings of the year have been full of inspiration and of practical value. At the Mid-Winter Meeting we were singularly fortunate in having as our speaker, Dr. W. H. Jefferys, of St. Luke's Hospital, Shanghai, whose vivid personality, as much as his finished address, roused to higher effort. At the Semi-Annual Meeting in May we were given an outline of world conditions in the Mission Field by our own Educational Secretary, and a more concrete personal illustration of those conditions in one particular field, "Red Man's Land," by Mrs. Sherman Coolidge. Today we have heard directly from one of our Missionary Jurisdictions, Eastern Oklahoma, and from the "Gateway of the Pacific" in Japan. It would thus seem as though, during the year, we had looked down, as from an aeroplane, upon a large section of the earth's surface in dire need of both material and spiritual help.

The promotion and attendance at the Inter-denominational School of Missions in Merriam Park during the month of June has been one of our year's achievements. This Summer School, which used to be held at Lake Minnetonka, with somewhat slender encouragement, from Church people at least, has grown and developed until now it ranks high amongst the various schools of this class, and can be heartily recommended in the interest of Unity. This year, for the first time, it resulted in our being able to send one of our girls to the Missionary Conference at Lake Geneva, whence she has returned full of new ideals

and fresh enthusiasm. The enlarging of the spiritual horizon at these Missionary Conferences is not to be underestimated or despised. As President, I have made a number of visits to Parish Branches, finding in some of the struggling Missions, women who are doing just as faithful Missionary work as any in China or Japan, but a work to which, in our eyes, distance has lent no enchantment. I have also attended three Deanery meetings; a meeting of the Faribault Deanery, at Austin; of the Mankato Deanery, at Mankato; and of the Winona Deanery, at Red Wing. These three Deaneries are now organized with officers and brief constitutions of their own, and will, it is hoped, work as "units" of efficiency in the Diocesan Organization. In Chicago, New York, and some of the other Eastern Dioceses, great stress is being laid on Neighborhood Meetings. Adjacent branches meet together occasionally for program or conference, thus cementing their fellowship and creating a community of aims and of interests. The plan is said to be not only very helpful, but very delightful. Our Deanery meetings already fulfill much the same purpose and I earnestly hope that the City parishes will make use of the Neighborhood meetings this winter.

Today we are to pass upon a new constitution. May I urge the need for this upon your notice for a moment? We have, of course, always had a simple constitution, and as need arose through the years, precedents for various acts became established, and these precedents charted the seas for those who were familiar with them, but to new and inexperienced officers the need of definite rules and instructions is a very real one. The new constitution, while it embodies one or two new ideas, is as a whole only a collection of these precedents reduced to a working basis. Many of the Diocesan Branches have adopted mottoes or watchwords; for the human soul, even the gentle soul of women seems to need a battle cry. May we not have one for Minnesota? For example, that most stirring of Solomon's proverbs, "Where there is no vision, the people perish." Our vision for the coming year includes many plans, which we hope will seem good to you. One is the establishment of an Auxiliary Reciprocity Bureau, of which our alert Educational Secretary will be the head. All branches which have new schemes of usefulness, schedules of work, and, in particular, good missionary programs, will please send copies to her. Other branches, perhaps not quite so fertile of resource, may apply to her for this help in planning their own work.

From the Church Missions House comes the suggestion that every Diocesan Branch adopt a policy for the year, a definite aim which we shall all strive to attain. At our next Annual Meeting we are to take inventory, so to speak, and see how well we have carried out our policy. Instead of setting ourselves new tasks, would it not be well to take as our aim for the coming year "redoubled efforts" in our old ones? By "redoubled efforts" as an aim, I mean setting ourselves a standard so high that this year we almost think we can not attain to it. "A man's

reach should exceed his grasp, or what's a heaven for?" Resolved again into Parish Branches, let us double our membership. We could so easily do that, if we would make a little extra exertion. Let us double our knowledge of Missions and proportionately our interest in them. Let us double our offering for Diocesan and General Missions, and last, but not least, let us double and then redouble our efforts to raise (this last year of the Triennium) our United Offering far beyond what it has ever been.

One of the beauties of this plan is that it works automatically. If every woman takes, as her own private and individual aim, the honest purpose to redouble her Auxiliary efforts, her Parish Branch will automatically double its results, and the Diocesan Branch will have achieved its aim. We all know well the old cry, "Nobody will do it but the faithful few," but, as one discerning woman asks, "If so faithful, why so few?" Please listen carefully to the reports of your officers today, take note of them, and see if next fall we cannot show this increase in every department, increase in knowledge, in membership, in enthusiasm, in gifts, material perhaps to others, spiritual for ourselves.

I cannot close without a word of appreciation to the Executive Board of officers who welcomed me cordially and have worked with me loyally; and above all to Mrs. Baxter, who with utmost patience, forbearance, and generosity of her time, her strength and her experience, has lent me every possible assistance. In so doing, while apparently relieved from duty, she has really added yet another to her many years of service for the Minnesota Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNA L. THEOPOLD.

Minutes of Annual Meeting

The Minnesota Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions convened for the thirty-fourth Annual Meeting in St. Paul's Church, Minneapolis, Thursday, October 14th, 1915.

The meeting opened at ten o'clock A. M., with celebration of Holy Communion, Rt. Rev. S. C. Edsall, Rt. Rev. Theodore P. Thurston and Rev. Wm. P. Remington, celebrants.

Bishop Edsall gave a meditation on "The Reflex Power of Spiritual and Moral Effort." He said: "In proportion as we give we receive—our lives becoming enriched with joyous contentment, hope and optimism. A life which fills itself with thankfulness will be lifted up toward communion with the Infinite. Gratitude to God is the key to spiritual communion with God; inspiring willingness of service and spiritual enthusiasm."

At the close of this most helpful service Rev. Wm. P. Remington extended greetings to the Auxiliary and introduced Bishop Thurston, who spoke of the progress of the Church in Eastern Oklahoma—it having grown in the last few years from twenty-nine missions to forty-five missions, with seven churches with 2,000 communicants, the result of earnest men preaching the gospel in truth and love.

Offering was taken, followed by noon-tide prayer and the presentation of the Red Mitè Box Offering.

Adjourned for luncheon hour.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 1:45 P. M. the meeting convened in the Parish House, with prayers read by Bishop Edsall. Roll call showed thirty-eight Branches represented—St. Mark's, Minneapolis, leading with twenty-nine members present. Committee on Credentials reported 102 delegates present.

Minutes of last Annual Meeting were read and approved.

Mrs. Chas. R. Pancoast, of Philadelphia, was introduced and gave a most stirring address. She said: "In missionary work is necessary Vision, Appeal, Response. At the Edinburgh Conference it was affirmed the next ten years would decide the spiritual destiny of the times. If wasted, havoc would reign throughout the world."

Her appeal for St. Luke's International Hospital, Tokyo, Japan, and for Dr. Teusler's work there was most impressive, imparting new inspiration and zeal for this much needed missionary enterprise.

Mrs. E. L. Forepaugh, of Christ Church, St. Paul, gave a short address upon the work, opportunities and needs of the Church Home, and extended an invitation to the annual reception and donation given for the Home, Tuesday afternoon, November 16th.

Bishop Edsall announced the Church Club banquet, inviting women of the Auxiliary to be present, as there would be women speakers for the various institutions—namely, St. Mary's Hall, Sheltering Arms and the Church Home.

The President's address was read, followed by reports of Secretaries. Mrs. O. A. Spies said all missionary letters had received prompt attention and the year had been one of encouragement. Mrs. H. F. Stevens, Treasurer, reported \$1,964.93 received and disbursed during the year.

Mrs. F. B. Bass said the United Offering exceeded by \$200.00 the sum on hand at the end of corresponding two years of last triennium.

Miss Mary C. Smith, Educational Secretary, reported increased interest in mission study, due largely to enthusiasm urged by the Rectors who value and appreciate its help and to the inspiration of Deanery meetings.

Miss Yardley, President of Juniors, said a new Branch would soon be organized at Winona and that \$609.00 had been given during the year.

Mrs. Perry Norris, President Little Helpers, reported 103 new members and two new Branches.

Mrs. E. B. Woodruff requested magazines and periodicals to be sent to needy places. Her report showed marked increase in this work.

Mrs. Hovey Clarke, chairman of Finance Committee, reported Red Mite Box Fund to be \$1,387.18 and recommended that two-thirds of said amount be given to Bishop Edsall for Diocesan needs and one-sixth be divided equally between the three memorial scholarships—namely, Bishop Whipple, Cora R. Brunson and Bishop Gilbert; that \$25.00 be given to Sybil Carter Memorial Fund and the remainder sent to Church Mission's House undesignated. Suggestion was made that the sum given to Bishop Edsall for Diocesan needs be limited to \$1,000.00 when two-thirds of Red Mite Box Fund should exceed that amount. Discussion postponed.

Chairman of Committee on Constitution, Mrs. R. Williams, read revised Constitution, which was amended and adopted article by article as read.

Tellers were appointed and ballots distributed for the election of officers, which resulted in two changes—that of a Diocesan Vice-President, Mrs. Robert Williams, and the election of Mrs. H. A. Tomlinson, Vice-President St. Paul Deanery. Delegates to Provincial Synod were: Mrs. Hector Baxter, Minneapolis; Mrs. C. J. Shutt, Mankato; Mrs. W. R. Terry, Wells; Mrs. E. B. Woodruff, St. Paul; Mrs. A. E. Knickerbocker, Red Wing.

Invitation for mid-winter meeting was extended by Rector and ladies of St. Paul's on-the-Hill, St. Paul, which was accepted.

Resolution adopted thanking the Rector and women of St. Paul's Church for their cordial welcome and delightful hospitality.

Meeting closed with prayers read by Rev. Wm. P. Remington.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE MORRISON,
Recording Secretary.

Annual Report of the Treasurer

From September 1st, 1914, to September 1st, 1915.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand September 1st, 1914.....	\$195.18
Annual Dues	44.00
Offering Mid-Winter Meeting	33.00
Offering Semi-Annual Meeting	40.00
Junior Auxiliary, Printing Reports	5.00
Red Mite Chest Returns	1,516.38
Donations	49.45
Offering Quiet Day at St. Matthew's, for Emergency Fund	
General Missions	13.85
Cash for Missionary Council	5.00
Lunches and Registrations, Miss. Council.....	47.50
Offering, Miss. Council	14.24
Rebate, Mrs. Baxter	1.23

\$1,964.83

DISBURSEMENTS.

Printing and Stationery	\$71.75
Telegrams .....	.61
Postage	23.38
Mrs. Baxter, Postage Missionary Council.....	7.00
Traveling Expenses, Officers	16.19
Traveling Expenses, Delegates	5.32
Lunches at Institute	26.50
Janitor at Institute	2.00
Miss Clarkson	17.62
Miss Lindley	2.10
Miss Tillotson	20.00
Check to Mrs. A. K. Gault, Treasurer.....	32.75
Dues, English Society	1.32
Red Mite Chest Distribution:	
Diocesan Two-thirds	1,010.92
General Missions, One-third	505.46
Emergency Fund General Missions	13.85
United Offering	40.00
Dr. Jeffreys, China	25.00
Cash on hand September 1st, 1915.....	143.06

\$1,964.83

Respectfully submitted,

LAURA C. STEVENS,
Treasurer.

United Offering Report

From September 1st, 1914, to September 1st, 1915.

Cash on hand September 1st, 1914.....	\$1,056.77
Collections to date	1,123.67
Interest	36.21

Total \$2,216.65

Respectfully submitted,

LYDIA H. BASS,
Treasurer.

TABULATED REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

From September 1st, 1914, to September 1st, 1915

Parish Branches	President or Parish Correspondent	Membership	Annual Dues	Red Mite Boxes		Missionary Boxes		Money Sent Direct to Mission Field			Money Sent Through Church Missions House			
						Domestic	Diocesan	Domestic	Diocesan	Foreign	Domestic	Diocesan	General	Foreign
		No.	Amt.	N.	Amt.	No.	N.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.
1. Deanery of Faribault—														
Albert Lea	Mrs. Eaton Robbins	10	\$1.00	21	\$4.55	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Austin	Mrs. M. J. Sorflaten	18	1.00	..	19.19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Dundas	Mrs. Lenis Peake	15	1.00	15	20.50	..	1	\$20.00	..	..	..	..	..	..
Faribault	Mrs. Fred Kramer	..	1.00	..	44.90	4	..	138.47	\$13.00	\$10.00	\$60.45	..	..	..
Janesville	Mrs. J. A. Willis	25	1.00	10	10.00	..	2	18.00	..	..	..	..	..	..
Le Sueur Centre	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Northfield	Mrs. A. L. Keith	..	1.00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Owatonna	Mrs. M. A. Whitney	23	1.00	23	27.50	..	1	10.00	1.00	..	..	..	..	..
Waseca	Mrs. Daniel Dodge	..	..	..	7.30	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Waterville	Mrs. P. C. Bailey	..	..	..	1.05	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
2. Deanery of Mankato—														
Blue Earth	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Fairmount	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jackson	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Luverne	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Mankato	Mrs. F. D. Packard	50	1.00	..	13.19	..	1	50.00	4.80	34.00	..	..	..	..
Sleepy Eye	Mrs. R. A. Palmer	8	1.00	8	4.00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Peter	Mrs. R. W. Lamberton	27	1.00	7	12.74	2	..	31.00	..	5.00	..	..	\$5.00	..
Wells	Mrs. W. R. Terry	8	1.00	..	2.28	..	1	5.00	..	..	..	..	5.00	..
3. Deanery of Minneapolis—														
All Saints	Mrs. Robt. Williams	25	1.00	25	38.00	1	1	54.50	..	13.00	..	..	25.00	..
Gethsemane	Mrs. E. S. Gaylord	100	1.00	..	45.05	1	..	125.00	..	..	..	..	..	..
Holy Trinity	Mrs. Abbie Pearce	103	1.00	100	100.00	..	1	19.00	3.00	..	..	..	10.00	..
St. John the Baptist	Mrs. C. C. Rollit	..	1.00	..	17.75	1	..	50.00	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Matthew's	Mrs. H. M. Housen	30	1.00	30	30.00	..	..	..	..	1.00	..	..	..	..
St. Mark's	Mrs. S. L. Fraser	129	1.00	54	200.00	3	2	256.45	..	10.00	..	..	..	..
St. Mark's Even'g Brch.	Deaconess Barlowe	25	1.00	25	35.24	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Young Woman's Branch of St. Mark's	Mrs. David Woodcock	..	..	..	..	..	..	*65.00	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Paul's	Mrs. J. W. Morrison	35	1.00	35	58.83	4	4	456.64	9.50	5.00	..	..	25.00	..
Young Woman's Branch of St. Paul's Church	Miss Bess Healey	16	..	..	..	1	..	*49.46	..	..	..	..	..	..
St. Thomas'	Mrs. J. E. Newcomb	..	1.00	..	6.00	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

Original document located in The Archives of the Episcopal Church.

4. Deanery of St. Paul—

Miss C. A. Norrish

18

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\$10.00

of St. Paul's Church	Miss Bess Healey	16				1		49.46							
St. Thomas'	Mrs. J. E. Newcomb	1.00			6.00										

4. Deanery of St. Paul—

Hastings	Miss G. A. Norrish	18	1.00	18	20.42	1	1	9.45		30.00				10.00	\$10.00
St. Paul—															
Ascension	Mrs. F. E. Turner	24	1.00	15	8.00										
Christ	Mrs. A. Cathcart	43	1.00	43	78.34	1	2	187.00		11.00					
Epiphany	Mrs. J. H. Blaylock		1.00		6.00										
Good Shepherd	Mrs. James Boxell	9	1.00	8		1		10.00							
Messiah	Mrs. H. C. Sachse	35	1.00	35	23.40	1		105.00							
St. Clement's	Mrs. C. E. Elmquist	74	1.00	74	127.25	1	1	340.48							
St. James'	Miss M. A. Bryant		1.00		7.13										
St. John the Evange-															
list	Mrs. S. M. Cary	235	1.00	235	200.00	1	1	481.52							
St. Matthew's	Mrs. Wm. Plant	50	1.00	23	20.60				1.00	5.00				5.00	
St. Mary's	Mrs. T. Bowman	43	1.00	35	19.53	1	1	89.25							
St. Mark's Highwood	Mrs. H. A. Montgomery	15	1.00	9	2.10					13.50					
St. Paul's	Mrs. F. O. Osborne	9	1.00	9	13.30	2	1	62.75				\$15.05		3.00	
St. Peter's	Mrs. Frank Gadbois	25	1.00	25	25.50		1	27.95						3.00	
St. Philip's	Mrs. Susan Johnson	16	1.00		8.00				5.00						
Stillwater	Mrs. T. R. Converse	60	1.00	44	58.01	1		92.26	33.00						
White Bear	Mrs. J. A. Haussner	17	1.00		15.00										

5. Deanery of Willmar—

Benson	Mrs. S. H. Hudson	14	1.00	10	11.00										
Birch Coolee															
Lake Benton															
Litchfield	Mrs. Henry Strobeck		1.00		11.80										
Olivia															
Redwood Falls															
Willmar	Mrs. W. D. Wiggins		1.00		1.00										

6. Deanery of Winona—

Belle Creek	Mrs. G. F. Wolfe	7	1.00	7	8.71		2	10.00							
Frontenac															
Kenyon															
Lake City	Mrs. C. H. Plummer	26	1.00	19	24.61		2	16.00	2.00					5.00	
Mantorville															
Pine Island															
Red Wing	Mrs. S. E. Noble	90	1.00		50.00		2	100.00							25.00
Rochester	Mrs. W. G. Scott				12.51										
Wabasha															
West Concord															
Winona	Mrs. B. A. Leland	52	1.00	52	44.00										
	Open Offering				22.10										

Totals	1493	\$44.00	1014	\$1,516.38	2628	\$2,765.72	\$72.30	\$137.50	\$60.45	\$15.05		\$96.00	\$35.00
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* Sent directly and not included in Report.

Annual Report of the Junior Auxiliary

September 1st, 1914, to September 1st, 1915.

As my first year as Junior President is over and a report of some kind must be made, I realize how little I have accomplished.

It is a difficult matter to take the lead of an organization as large as our Minnesota Junior Auxiliary has become, and do all that is really necessary to be done. I have made mistakes, I know, but all have been so kind and patient with me that I have enjoyed the year more than I can tell. My whole soul is in the work for missions, and if that counts I most surely expect to be able to do something for the Juniors, even though I am but a feeble successor to our former president.

At first I felt greatly disturbed by the falling off of two or three of our important branches, but the distress has been offset by the revival of a number of others whose enthusiasm is most encouraging.

Too much can not be said of the splendid directresses throughout the state. Their conscientious and enthusiastic support has made it possible to do the great amount of work that has been done during the year. The offerings have been generous and the articles sent to the mission field would be an honor to any one.

As I have said so many times, and say again, the children of the Junior Auxiliary are our future women of the Woman's Auxiliary, and the more children we can interest in Missions the stronger will be the senior organization in later years, so it is my desire that the women encourage the children to belong and help them in every way they can.

ELIZABETH E. YARDLEY,

Junior President.

Financial Statement of the Junior Auxiliary

September 1st, 1914, to September 1st, 1915.

City or Town	Parish or Mission	Value of Articles Sent	Amount of money Sent	Totals
Minneapolis ..	St. Andrew's	\$45.00	\$23.00	\$68.00
	Christ Church	6.60	1.50	8.10
	Holy Trinity	5.20	6.75	11.95
	St. Paul's	42.00	33.00	75.00
St. Paul	St. John's (Linden Hills)	6.00	5.75	11.75
	St. Clement's	114.00	68.10	182.10
	Good Shepherd	2.00	.25	2.25
	Messiah	14.00	3.00	17.00
	St. Peter's	17.35	4.20	21.55
	St. Paul's	28.55	53.00	81.55
	St. Philip's	11.00	6.10	17.10
	St. John's	60.00	14.00	74.00
	St. Mary's, Merriam Pk..	33.50	14.00	47.50
	St. Matthew's	8.50	1.30	9.80
	St. Barnabas (Lilydale).	6.58	3.50	10.08
Austin	Christ Church	20.00	.50	20.50
Lake City	St. Mark's	14.66	3.00	17.66
Windom	Good Shepherd	9.50	16.00	25.50
Red Wing....	Christ Church	4.50	6.00	10.50
White Bear...	St. John's	10.00	3.00	13.00
Mankato	St. John's	2.00	7.05	9.05
Hastings	St. Luke's .....	.....	5.00	5.00
Janesville ...	St. John's	5.00	.50	5.50
Waterville ...	.....	.....	2.00	2.00
Waseca	Calvary Church	5.00	1.00	6.00
Faribault	St. Mary's Hall	65.00	544.00	609.00
Offerings, Semi-Annual, Minneapolis....		.....	.86	.....
Offerings, Semi-Annual, St. Paul .....		.....	7.43	.....
Offerings, Annual .....		.....	5.10	13.39
		\$535.94	\$838.89	\$1,374.83

Of the above amount the sum of \$161.39 passed through the hands of the Junior President and was expended as directed for United Offering, general apportionment, postage, freightage and literature.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH E. YARDLEY,

Junior President.

The Little Helpers

TEXT—"Little Children, Love One Another."

The Little Helpers' Society is embodied in Six Rules:

First—That every child by baptism becomes a member of the missionary, and the missionary society is the Church.

Second—The first day of *each* week is the time to lay apart for the Lord, as the Apostles did, forming this habit in the child life.

Third—The Little Helper must pray for missionaries as well as give to their work. We may "plant and water, but it is God who giveth the increase."

Fourth—This cannot be a Parish society—it is to teach something broader. The child is not a member of the Parish but the whole body of Christ—the Church.

Fifth—The gifts from the box are to be divided between the Foreign, Domestic and Diocesan work.

Sixth—Should God call the little ones to Paradise they have not ceased to be members of the Church; so, neither need their work cease. Those who love them can still keep boxes and each Sunday put in a gift, and ask God's blessing on His little ones who believe in Him, binding together the church militant and expectant.

A MEMORIAL CIRCLE OF LITTLE HELPERS

"A Child Shall Lead Them."

AUSTIN.

Helen M. Terry

Albert W. Terry

Arnold E. Umhoefer

BIRCH COULEE.

Ollie Bluestone

Albert George Lawrence

Leona Bluestone

Irene Mitchell

John Bluestone

Evangeline Whipple St. Claire

Sybil Columbus

Toby Benedict St. Claire

Moses Albert Columbus

Lizzie Wells

Albert George Campbell

Lena Wells

Dora Goodthunder

Lillie May Wells

Susan Jones

Victoria Wells

Margaret Jones

Amos Wells

Lucy Jones

Laura Walker

George St. Claire James

Levi Robert Leith

Dora Florence Leith

Clarence Lawrence

Eliza Lawrence

BELLE CREEK.

William Scott Schweiger

Margaret James

Charles Penn Schweiger

MINNEAPOLIS.

John Abrams

Charlotte Christian

Helen Hewitt

Bettie Roberts

NORTHFIELD.

Nellie Elizabeth Everson

ST. PAUL.

James DeKoven Pope

William C. Pope

Eleanor Barnacle

Virginia Countryman

Charlotte T. Deitz

Gordon Frances Phillips

Helen Whitehead

Walter Allan Gadboise

George Howard Rolfer

Gustave Charles Muessel

Maurice Farmer

Blanch Sanders

Whitsuntide, 1915

Received from Little Helpers 1914-1915.

DISBURSEMENTS.

GENERAL.

For Expenses, 1915-1916.....	\$20.00	
United Offering	10.00	
		\$30.00

FOREIGN.

Bishop Edsall Scholarship, Liberia.....	\$25.00	
China, Shanghai, Little Helpers Day School.....	7.00	
China, Wuchang, Angelica Church Hart Day School...	8.00	
Japan, Akita Kindergarten, in Memory of Gaylord Hart Mitchell	10.00	
Japan, for Alteration Fund of Akita Kindergarten, Memory of Gaylord Hart Mitchell.....	50.00	
		\$100.00

DOMESTIC.

Grace Harmon Edsall Memorial, Birch Coulee.....	\$39.00	
Raleigh, N. C., Little Helpers Cot, St. Agnes Hospital..	5.00	
Missionary Font Fund	1.00	
Children in Utah	5.00	
		\$50.00

DIOCESAN.

Little Helpers' Cot, Sheltering Arms.....	\$5.00	
Undersigned to Bishop's Emergency Fund.....	34.47	
		\$39.47

Church Periodical Club

ANNUAL REPORT OF LIBRARIAN.

April 1, 1914, to April 1, 1915.

Current Periodicals Sent Regularly	136
Contributors of Current Periodicals	60
Bibles, Testaments, Etc.....	2
Prayer Books and Hymnals	16
Books—Theological and Secular	353
Tracts and Catechisms	312
Odd Magazines and Papers	2,010
Christmas and Easter Cards	670
Picture Cards and Calendars.....	238
Carols and Music in Books or Sheets.....	22
Pictures, Games, Scrap Books and Miscellaneous.....	279
Boxes, Etc., Contents Not Noted.....	8
Letters and Postals Written.....	49

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Postage and Stationery	\$1.04
Freight and Express	16.90
General Office Sundries.....	4.50
Balance on Hand .....	.70
Total	\$23.14

Respectfully submitted,

ELLEN B. WOODRUFF.

Constitution

ARTICLE I.

NAME.

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

ARTICLE II.

OBJECT.

The object of this organization is to carry out, in the Diocese of Minnesota, by united and systematic efforts the purposes and work of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, viz.: Prayer for Missions, the Study of Missions, Systematic Giving for Missions.

ARTICLE III.

MEMBERSHIP.

Its membership shall be composed of the Parish Branches within the Diocese. Where no Parish organization exists, all women who desire may become individual members.

ARTICLE IV.

OFFICERS.

The officers shall be a President, a Vice President, a Vice President in each Deanery, a Corresponding Secretary, a Recording Secretary, a Treasurer, a Treasurer of the United Offering, an Educational Secretary, a President of the Junior Auxiliary, and a President of the Little Helpers. These officers shall form the Executive Board. Six members shall constitute a quorum.

Section 1. The Executive Board shall (subject to the organization) direct the active work of the organization.

Sec. 2. The President shall call meetings and preside over them, arrange for the Organization of Parochial Branches and exercise a general supervision of the work.

Sec. 3. The Vice President shall assume the duties of the President in her absence.

Sec. 4. The duty of the Deanery Vice Presidents shall be to assist the President in organizing and superintending the work in their Deaneries.

Sec. 5. The Corresponding Secretary shall conduct the correspondence of the organization, receive and distribute all information relating to Missionary boxes, send out notices, and report annually to the General Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary in New York. She shall report in full at the Annual Meeting.

Sec. 6. The Recording Secretary shall keep a correct record of all meetings, both of the organization and of the Executive Board, and shall compile the year book.

Sec. 7. The Treasurer shall receive and keep account of all money distributed and pay such bills as are endorsed by the President and Recording Secretary. She shall give out Mite Chests for General Missions. She shall receive from the Parish Branches, reports of money given by them, through the Treasurers of their parishes or sent direct to the Church Missions House, and she shall report in full at the Annual Meeting.

Sec. 8. The Treasurer of the United Offering shall (under the direction of the Executive Board) promote this interest locally by correspondence or visitation. She shall keep a list of contributors, make semi-annual collection, and put these amounts at interest. She shall make an annual report of the progress of this offering and each third year make it ready, with its accumulated interest, for presentation at the Triennial Service of the W. A.

Sec. 9. The duties of the Educational Secretary shall be to have a general supervision of all Missionary Educational Work of the Diocese, carried on under the auspices of the W. A.

Sec. 10. The President of the Junior Auxiliary shall direct the work of that organization and shall report in full at the Annual Meeting of the W. A.

Sec. 11. The President of the Little Helpers shall direct the work of that organization and shall report in full at the Annual Meeting of the W. A.

ARTICLE V.

MEETINGS.

There shall be an Annual Meeting of this organization in the Autumn, a Semi-Annual Meeting in the Spring, and a Mid-Winter Meeting.

ARTICLE VI.

ELECTIONS.

All elections must be by ballot. A majority of delegates present and voting shall constitute an election. All officers except President and Treasurer of the United Offering shall be elected annually. The President and United Offering Treasurer shall be elected at the Annual Meeting next after the General Triennial Meeting to serve for three years. The President may be eligible for two consecutive full terms, but no more. The U. O. Treasurer shall hold office until her successor is elected and installed. The Deanery Vice-Presidents shall be elected at their respective Deanery meetings.

ARTICLE VII.

AMENDMENT.

This Constitution may be altered or amended at any Annual Meeting by a two-thirds vote of the whole number of delegates present, and voting, notice of such proposed amendment having been given at the previous meeting.

By-Laws

I.

The Semi-Annual Meeting shall be held, if practicable, on the same day and in the same town as the Annual Convention of the Diocese.

II.

Special Meetings may be called by the President at such times and places as she may designate, for the purpose of stimulating interest in the work. Each Regular Meeting shall be preceded by a conference of the Diocesan Officers.

III.

Each parochial branch may be represented at the annual meeting by four delegates who shall be entitled to vote. In the absence of a delegate her alternate shall cast her vote.

IV.

Diocesan officers, active and honorary, shall be entitled to vote.

V.

Delegates to the Triennial and Provincial Synod shall be elected from the active membership at the preceding Semi-Annual Meeting.

VI.

A nominating committee of three members shall be appointed annually by the Executive Board at the semi-annual meeting. This committee shall receive nominations and prepare the ballots for the Annual Meeting.

VII.

In case of a vacancy in the office of a Deanery Vice-President, such vacancy shall be filled by appointment of the President until a Deanery Meeting is called and a new Deanery Vice-President is elected.

VIII.

In case of a vacancy in the office of a Diocesan officer, other than President or Deanery Vice President, the unexpired term shall be filled by appointment of the Executive Board.

IX.

The annual dues shall be \$2.00 for each parish branch.

X.

The account of the Treasurer and of the Treasurer of the United Offering shall be audited and certified in the printed annual report of the organization.

XI.

These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting by a vote of a majority of the delegates present and voting.

