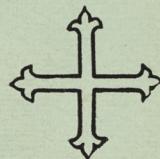


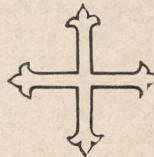
Minnesota Branch
Woman's Auxiliary

Thirty-Fifth
Annual Report
1915-1916



Motto:
"Where there is no vision, the people perish."
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THIRTY-FIFTH
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MINNESOTA BRANCH
OF THE
Woman's Auxiliary
TO THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS



1915-1916

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 acknowledgement 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 35th year of the Woman's Auxiliary in Minnesota has passed amidst world conditions which have imposed great responsibilities upon us, and which, it seems to me, we have met with good courage and no lessening of achievement. At our last Annual Meeting we asked that our aim for the year just completed might be "redoubled efforts in all our various activities." Until we have heard from the different branches today, it would not be possible to say whether or no we have attained to our high standard, but judging from the reports that have already come in, we have at least pressed towards it. I may not steal the thunder of my fellow officers, but I cannot refrain from speaking of the splendid work which each has done in her respective department, and particularly of the untiring efforts of our United Offering Treasurer, which were crowned with such success that Minnesota's increase was favorably commented upon by the Secretary of the Board of Missions. The work of the Educational Secretary has been lightened by the appointment of an assistant, Mrs. F. E. Olney, who will attend to Miss Smith's official correspondence, leaving her free to direct the constantly increasing number of study classes. The Deanery Vice-Presidents have all made valuable contributions in creating interest and co-ordinating the work in our six Deaneries. I have participated in three splendidly planned and very enthusiastic meetings this year, besides a number of parish meetings; one of the Willmar Deanery at Willmar; one of the Mankato at Fairmount; and one of the Faribault Deanery at Waseca. The meetings of the Winona Deanery at Lake City, and the St. Paul and Minneapolis Deaneries I was unfortunately unable to attend, as they all came so near the date of the General Convention in St. Louis.

The Auxiliary has enjoyed great privileges this year in having heard Mrs. Pancoast's beautiful illustrated lecture on the Orient, and in being able to respond in a small way to her appeal for St. Luke's Hospital; in having had Miss Lindley to conduct that wonderfully helpful and inspiring Conference in the Spring, and today in having with us Bishop Kinsolving of Brazil, who has helped us to understand, and we hope at a future time to assist in solving, some of the terrible problems of Latin-America. It is also a privilege and a pleasure to have Mrs. Evans of Akita to tell us of woman's work in Japan.

We owe much to the clergy, who have co-operated with the Woman's Auxiliary in so many ways, and especially to the Reverend Mr. Remington for the spiritual uplift he has given to us in his brief but revealing addresses on Personal Religion. Besides our Red Mite Box Offerings for General and Diocesan Missions, our United Offering and our Box Work, many of our Auxiliary members have given largely and engaged actively in European hospital and war-relief work, so that our gifts for the year have been large, both of money and self.

Our Auxiliary Women have also tried to avail themselves of the many opportunities for increased inspiration and efficiency. The study classes have been overtaxing for our little band of trained leaders. Many attended the sessions of the Summer School of Missions at Merriam Park; two of your officers represented Minnesota at the Cambridge Conference of Churchworkers; one at the M. E. M. Conference at Lake Geneva; and five at the General Convention at St. Louis, as well as three alternates.

So much for the past. Now let us turn to the future. Once more we stand at the beginning of a Triennium, during which the women of the Church are to raise a United Thank Offering for the purpose of training, sending and supporting women workers in the Mission field. It is to be offered at the Triennial in Detroit in 1919.

The Woman's Auxiliary as a whole has set a half million dollars as its mark. Can we not set Minnesota's share at \$5,000? We are also asked to pledge \$25.00 towards repairing the half-ruined mission buildings at Anvik, Alaska, and \$200.00 towards St. Agnes School, Kyoto, Japan. This, together with our Red Mite Box Offering, which must not suffer diminution, would seem, perhaps, to set a limit to our gifts in money. But we are also asked that every woman should make it her own individual responsibility to *see* that her parish apportionment is paid. This does not mean that we are to assume this as an added financial burden; only that we are to make it part of our parish auxiliary work to assist our Rectors in seeing that the apportionment is paid.

In closing may I commend to your attention the "Pilgrimage of Prayer" which Miss Sleppy will explain to you later, and say that the beautiful classes and conferences on Prayer—hard, dry words to express anything so delicately and exquisitely spiritual as they were—were the fine flowers of the Auxiliary program in St. Louis. Can we not transplant and bring to blossom that lovely plant in the Woman's Auxiliary in Minnesota?

ANNA L. THEOPOLD,
President.

Minutes of Annual Meeting

The 35th annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held in St. Clement's Church, St. Paul, Tuesday, October 31st, 1916.

The morning services opened with celebration of corporate communion. The celebrants were Rt. Rev. S. C. Edsall, Rt. Rev. L. L. Kinsolving and Rev. E. B. Woodruff.

At the close of the service a cordial greeting was extended to the women of the Auxiliary by the Rector of St. Clement's church, Rev. Mr. Woodruff.

Bishop Edsall addressed the Convention, speaking of the encouraging missionary outlook of the Church and bringing to us most interesting notes of the Triennial. He emphasized the beauty of the spirit which prevailed there, which was that of Prayer, Christian Fellowship and Unity. He congratulated the Auxiliary upon the splendid United Offering, which amounted to \$352,000 and hoped the one day's wage would be continued for general Missionary expenses. He gave a word picture of the Church Pageant presented there and spoke of the unusual interest it aroused.

Bishop Edsall then introduced Rt. Rev. L. L. Kinsolving of Brazil, who gave the principal address of the day—"Problems of Latin America."

The Red Mite Box offering was presented during the singing of Hymn 478.

Noon-day prayers were read and adjournment announced for luncheon hour.

At 1:45 p. m. the Business Session convened, Bishop Edsall reading the opening prayers.

Roll call showed 341 representatives in attendance.

Minutes of last annual meeting were read and approved.

The President's address followed, which was most encouraging.

Mrs. Robert Williams spoke of the M'p'l's Deanery meeting held in St. John's Church, Linden Hills, in October, at which time Mrs. Hovey Clark was re-elected President and Mrs. Baker of Christ Church, Recording Secretary.

Miss Kathrene Sleppy made mention of the profitable meeting of St. Paul Deanery.

There were 150 women in attendance and a substantial collection taken, which augmented funds in hand to a total of \$160.00.

Mrs. Conant, Mankato Deanery, reported one new Branch organized and most helpful meetings held.

The Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. O. A. Spies, said 73 boxes had been sent out during the year, amounting to \$3,326.92. She said: "The growing prosperity of the parochial branches attests the fact that the giver receives blessings greater than the receiver."

Mrs. H. F. Stevens, Treasurer, reported \$69.00 in treasury and 218 Red Mite chests distributed during the year.

Mrs. F. B. Bass, U. O. Treasurer, reported \$4,110.00 received during the last Triennium.

Miss Yardley, President of Juniors, gave an interesting report of their work and one new branch at Winona.

Mrs. Perry Norris, President Little Helpers, gave a brief report and conducted a most commendable exhibit, which elicited much interest and attention, showing the work of the Little Helpers in all its varied phases and far-reaching effort. She reported three new branches: Holy Trinity, St. Matthew's and St. Thomas.

Miss Mary Smith said the Educational work had been stimulated by the co-operation of the Clergy and requested prayer for more workers "who would study to know God's will and be willing to give their service." She wished the sentiment of "Neighborliness" carried into the Educational work.

Bishop Thomas of Wyoming spoke briefly of the needs of his Diocese and of his plan for establishing at St. Michael's Mission a Family Unit Cottage School for the Indians—all adjacent to an Industrial Building where thorough instruction should be given. For this work \$30.00 was pledged.

Mrs. Hovey Clark, Chairman of Finance Committee, reported Red Mite Box offering to be \$1,489.29 and recommended two-thirds of said amount be given Bishop Edsall for Diocesan needs, one-sixth be equally divided between the three memorial scholarships—namely: Bishop Whipple, Cora R. Bronson and Bishop Gilbert; that \$25.00 be given Sybil Carter Memorial Fund and the remainder be sent to Church Missions House undesignated.

Mrs. Cary, Chairman of Committee on Resolutions, expressed regret at the absence of Mrs. Hector Baxter, who was detained at home on account of illness, and requested the Corresponding Secretary to send her a message of sympathy.

Mrs. C. H. Evans of Akita, Japan, addressed the convention, telling of her mission school for girls. She said: "The child is the

entering wedge; many families having been brought into the Church through one little child. The great need now is consecrated teachers to sow the seed, and the best way to help is to send more workers, which we should all feel it our privilege to do." She asked assistance to secure a piano for the kindergarten.

Mrs. Theopold said she hoped \$200 might be pledged for St. Agnes school, Kyoto, and suggested subscriptions be taken, whereupon the desired amount was immediately subscribed by various branches.

Mrs. Evans also received \$25.00 for the piano fund, and \$32.00 was pledged for Alaska.

Election of officers followed, resulting in change of Treasurer, since, greatly to the regret of all, Mrs. Hiram Stevens had resigned. To this office Mrs. R. B. Ballard was unanimously elected.

The meeting was then merged into a quiet hour, while Miss Sleppy brought to us many beautiful thoughts and helpful notes from the Triennial and closed with a meditation on the value and power of prayer, touching all hearts in her earnest appeal for greater faith and fervor. She said two new workers had gone out from this Diocese this year, Miss Marie Spies and Miss Hewitt, and that we all should be willing to give the gift of Life to His service.

Resolutions were adopted, thanking the ladies and Rector of St. Clement's Church for their hospitality.

Bishop Edsall closed the meeting with prayer and benediction.

Respectfully submitted,

ALICE MORRISON,
Recording Secretary.

Annual Report of the Treasurer

From September 1st, 1915, to September 1st, 1916.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand September 1st, 1915.....	\$143.06
Offering Annual Meeting:	
In the morning.....	38.00
In the evening.....	76.00
St. John's Church (Mrs. Pancoast).....	11.00
Faribault (Mrs. Pancoast).....	12.50
From the Deanery for current expenses.....	7.35
From Christ Church, St. Paul.....	5.00
From Mrs. Fraser, St. Mark's.....	5.00
Annual dues.....	41.00
Offering Mid-Winter Meeting.....	22.55
Offering Semi-Annual Meeting.....	30.46
Junior Auxiliary for Year Book.....	5.00
Red Mite Chest Returns.....	1,484.08
Donations	1.00
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	\$1,882.00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Printing and Stationery.....	\$81.38
Postage	14.39
Red Mite Chest Distribution:	
Diocesan Two-thirds	983.56
General Mission One-third.....	491.86
United Offering	30.46
Rev. C. E. Haupt.....	3.76
Mrs. Chas. Pancoast, St. Luke's, Tokio.....	135.78
Use of Lantern.....	6.00
Dues Provincial Synod.....	5.00
Central Missionary Society, England.....	1.35
Express	1.40
Miss Lindley, Expenses Semi-annual Meeting.....	20.00
St. Mary's School, Shanghai.....	11.27
Mrs. Olney's Expenses.....	2.30
Mrs. H. C. Theopold, Traveling Expenses Mrs. Olney.....	20.00
(This check not presented for payment. Will show credit in next report.)	
Literature, Mrs. Spies.....	1.00
Cash on hand September 1st, 1916.....	72.49
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	\$1,882.00

Compiled from Treasurer's Book of Mrs. Laura C. Stevens, retiring
Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
SARAH G. H. BALLARD,
Treasurer.

FINANCIAL REPORT

From September 1st, 1916, to November 15th, 1916.

RECEIPTS.

Cash on hand September 1st, 1916.....	\$72.49
Offering at Annual Meeting.....	77.35
Annual Dues	90.00
Red Mite Chest Returns.....	1,497.90
	\$1,737.74

DISBURSEMENTS.

Cash paid out by Mrs. Stevens.....	\$3.00
Cash on hand November 15th, 1916.....	1,734.74
	\$1,737.74

Respectfully submitted,

SARAH G. H. BALLARD,
Treasurer.

Red Mite Chest Returns

For the Years 1915 and 1916.

	Whole Amount.	Diocesan 2/3	General Missions 1/3
Deanery of Faribault:			
Albert Lea .....	.....	.....	.....
Austin	\$21.81	\$14.54	\$7.27
Dundas	27.07	18.04	9.02
Faribault	35.00	23.34	11.67
Janesville	10.00	6.66	3.33
LeSueur Center .....	.....	.....	.....
Northfield	10.40	6.94	3.47
Owatonna	25.00	16.66	8.33
Waseca	7.50	5.00	2.50
Waterville	1.00	.66	.33
Henderson	4.75	3.16	1.58
Deanery of Mankato:			
Blue Earth .....	.....	.....	.....
Fairmont	8.51	5.67	2.84
Jackson .....	.....	.....	.....
Luverne .....	.....	.....	.....
Mankato	22.50	15.00	7.50
Sleepy Eye	2.00	1.34	.67
St. Peter	18.54	12.36	6.18
Wells	5.00	3.34	1.67

Deanery of Minneapolis:

All Saints	62.50	41.66	20.83
Holy Trinity	81.25	54.16	27.09
Gethsemane	73.05	48.70	24.35
St. John's (Linden Hills) .....	.....	.....	.....
St. Matthew's	31.07	20.72	10.36
St. Mark's	200.00	133.34	66.67
Christ Church	4.16	2.78	1.39
St. Paul's	60.94	40.62	20.31
St. Paul's Young Woman's Branch .....	.....	.....	.....
St. Thomas	5.95	3.96	1.98

Deanery of St. Paul:

Hastings	24.01	16.02	8.01
Ascension	6.05	4.04	2.02
Christ Church	55.25	36.82	18.41
Epiphany	5.30	3.54	1.77
Good Shepherd	5.00	3.34	1.67
Messiah	36.84	24.56	12.28
St. Clement's	131.00	87.34	43.67
St. James .....	.....	.....	.....
St. John the Evangelist	210.00	140.00	70.00
St. Matthew's	30.00	20.00	10.00
St. Mary's	24.38	16.24	8.12
St. Mark's (Highwood)	4.00	2.68	1.34
St. Paul's	17.00	11.34	5.67
St. Peter's	19.46	12.98	6.49
St. Philip's	8.00	5.32	2.66
Stillwater	49.15	32.76	16.38
White Bear	14.70	9.80	4.90

Deanery of Willmar:

Benson	9.00	6.00	3.00
Birch Coulee .....	.....	.....	.....
Lake Benton .....	.....	.....	.....
Litchfield	9.41	6.26	3.13
Olivia .....	.....	.....	.....
Redwood Falls .....	.....	.....	.....
Willmar	8.76	5.84	2.92

Deanery of Winona:

Belle Creek	8.00	5.34	2.67
Frontenac .....	.....	.....	.....
Kenyon .....	.....	.....	.....
Lake City	18.93	12.62	6.31
Mantorville .....	.....	.....	.....
Pine Island .....	.....	.....	.....
Red Wing	36.15	24.10	12.05
Rochester	3.90	2.60	1.30
Wabasha .....	.....	.....	.....
West Concord .....	.....	.....	.....
Winona	45.61	30.40	15.20
 Total Amount	\$1,497.90	\$998.59	\$499.31

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. ROLLIN B. BALLARD,

2124 Dupont Avenue South,

Minneapolis.

United Offering Report

UNITED OFFERING FOR 1916.
Presented at St. Louis, Mo.

Balance on hand, January 1, 1914.....	\$9.42
Collections to October 10, 1916.....	4,108.17
Received at St. Louis.....	10.00
 Total	\$4,127.59
Expense—Postage and Printing.....	17.59
 United Offering for Minnesota.....	\$4,110.00

Respectfully submitted,

LYDIA H. BASS,
Treasurer.

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Corresponding Secretary's Report

October 31st, 1916.

Madam President and Members of the Auxiliary:—

During the past year, 73 missionary boxes were sent out, to the value of \$3,142.09.

Money reported sent amounted to \$524.44, making a total of \$3,666.53.

The box sent last spring to the Rev. Guy H. Madara, for St. Timothy's Mission, Alaska, was participated in by 14 Diocesan branches and the total value was \$326.92. This appears in our report as so many separate boxes, but in Miss Emery's report as one box.

I hope you have all received acknowledgment from Mr. Madara or Mr. Deane.

In my own parish, three letters of appreciation were received—two by myself—one when the letter was received by Mr. Madara, and one when the box arrived, and one by our Auxiliary President.

The branches that have furnished boxes for the families of missionaries have done splendid work and Miss Emery writes that she has had "the warmest commendation for the Minnesota boxes the past year."

It may be of interest to know that while we have been working for others, branches in other Dioceses have been working for us, and that boxes to the value of very nearly \$2,000 were sent to Minnesota from branches outside the Diocese during the past year.

For this year the personal boxes have all been taken. I have a few requests for Mission stations remaining. This is something that small branches might participate in without very great expense.

And if there is one suggestion that I would make it would be that more of our small branches would try to do *something*, if only a little. Every little counts, and though you may feel that your own parish needs all your effort, it will be but "casting your bread upon the waters" and the blessing will come so quickly sometimes that you will be surprised.

Remember that the Missionary box is twice blessed—it blesses the giver as much, perhaps more, than the receiver.

The correspondence of the year was as follows:

Letters	126
Notices	245
Packages of Literature sent.....	6
Report Blanks and Reports.....	80
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Total	457

I thank you all for your help and generous response, and feel assured that the boxes now in preparation will come up to the past high standard of excellence.

Respectfully submitted,
MARTHA F. SPIES,
Corresponding Secretary.

TABULATED REPORT OF CORRESPONDING SECRETARY
 From October 14th, 1916, to October 31st, 1916

Parish Branches.	President or Parish Correspondent 1916-1917	Annual Dues		Red Mite Boxes		Missionary Boxes		Money Sent to Mission Field			Money Sent Through Church Missions House			
		1915 1916		1915 1916		Domestic Diocesan		Domestic	Diocesan	Foreign	Domestic	Diocesan	General	Foreign
		Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	No. No.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.	Amt.
1. Deanery of Faribault—														
Albert Lea														
Austin	Mrs. J. W. Hare	\$1.00	\$2.00	\$20.25	\$21.81	1 1	\$58.50		\$14.00					\$7.00
Dundas	Mrs. L. Peake	1.00	1.00	16.85	27.07				\$1.00					
Faribault	Mrs. A. H. Bill	1.00	2.00	35.00	35.00	3 2	178.18		4.00					35.00
Henderson	Miss Violet Guilbert	1.00	2.00	10.00	10.00	1 1	50.25	14.70						\$30.00
Janesville	Mrs. W. W. Savage				4.75									
LeSueur Centre														
Northfield	Mrs. A. L. Keith	1.00	2.00	10.50	10.40	1 1	27.00	1.00						
Owatonna	Mrs. M. A. Whitney	1.00	1.00	25.00	25.00	1 1	40.00							
Waseca	Mrs. D. J. Dodge		2.00	8.00	7.50									
Waterville	Mrs. P. C. Bailey				1.00									
2. Deanery of Mankato—														
Blue Earth	Miss Garrison													
Fairmont	Mrs. A. E. Fillmore		1.00		8.51									
Jackson														
Luverne														
Mankato	Mrs. F. J. Packard	1.00	2.00	25.66	22.50	.. 1	60.00	1.00	16.00					
Sleepy Eye	Mrs. R. A. Palmer	1.00	2.00	2.00	2.00									
St. Peter	Mrs. R. W. Lamberton	1.00	2.00	8.50	18.54	1 1	30.67							
Wells	Mrs. John Bush	1.00	2.00	5.10	5.00									
3. Deanery of Minneapolis—														
All Saints	Mrs. Robt. Williams	1.00	2.00	57.00	62.50	3 2	98.75	15.00	8.00					25.00
Gethsemane	Mrs. E. S. Gaylord	1.00	2.00	67.40	73.05	1 ..	90.00							
Holy Trinity	Mrs. W. H. J. Pearce	1.00	2.00	100.00	81.25	3 ..	50.63	10.00						
St. John's (Linden Hills)	Mrs. A. F. Burdoin	1.00	1.00	12.00		1 ..	5.00							
St. Matthew's	Mrs. F. Pincoe	1.00	2.00	30.00	31.07	.. 1	25.00							
St. Mark's	Mrs. S. L. Fraser	1.00	2.00	200.00	200.00	2 2	370.50	21.00						
St. Mark's Even'g Brch.	Deaconess Barlow			18.00										
Young Woman's Branch of St. Mark's	Mrs. Perry L. Norris		2.00			1 3	189.00		6.18					
St. Paul's	Mrs. Ida L. Pike	1.00	2.00	71.45	60.94	3 2	412.12	4.00	5.00	25.00				
Young Woman's Branch of St. Paul's	Miss Jose. Higgins					1 3	129.75	70.00	5.00	20.00				
Bishop Thurston Branch of St. Paul's	Miss Gertrude Gunn		2.00											
St. Thomas	Mrs. Van Hook	1.00	2.00	6.00	5.95									
Christ Church	Mrs. G. W. Terry		2.00		4.16									
Excelsior	Mrs. W. Webster													

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA F. SPIES, Cor. Secretary.

Annual Report of the Junior Auxiliary

Sept. 1, 1915—Sept. 1, 1916.

Another year has passed and what has been accomplished? How I wish that I could report a wonderful growth, but I have no startling figures to quote, either in numbers of new branches organized or in amount of money collected. But this does not mean that we are standing still, or that we have been going backward, for such is not the case.

The branches at All Saint's, Minneapolis, St. Matthew's, Christ Church and Messiah, St. Paul, have become most active the last year. When I say active I do not necessarily mean they have given more money, and prepared more gifts for our boxes, but I mean the children have become more intelligently interested in Missions and that the Directors have become keenly interested also. My idea of what the Junior Auxiliary is really for is the arousing and retaining the missionary interest in the young people.

The number of branches taking up the Mission study is gradually increasing and the lovely part about this is that the children do not realize that it is study, but think it quite the most interesting part of the work.

There are changes that I wish to make this coming year, one of which is having more officers and thereby letting others share with me the joy of really knowing about, and being part of this great organization.

There are also changes contemplated at the Church Missions House for the whole of the Junior Auxiliary, but I shall say nothing about this now for it will be time enough next year when plans are more definite.

I trust that in the next year we may greatly increase the number of branches in the Diocese, but more than this I hope and pray that we may grow spiritually stronger, and hear the voice of the Master calling us to greater service.

ELIZABETH E. YARDLEY,
Junior President.

Financial Statement of the Junior Auxiliary

Sept. 1, 1914, to August 1, 1915.

City or Town	Parish or Mission	Value of Articles Sent	Amount of money Sent	Totals
Minneapolis ..	St. Andrew's	\$33.50	\$25.00	\$58.50
	All Saint's	16.00	3.00	19.00
	Holy Trinity	8.75	6.00	14.75
	St. Mark's	10.00	13.00	23.00
	St. John's	14.00	13.00	27.00
	St. Paul's	28.50	26.00	54.50
St. Paul.....	Christ Church	15.00	1.75	16.75
	St. Clement's	94.74	65.10	159.84
	St. John's	60.00	3.00	63.00
	St. Matthew's	8.25	4.75	13.00
	St. Mary's	34.25	16.50	50.75
	Messiah	12.80	7.75	20.55
	St. Paul's	18.70	2.25	20.95
	St. Peter's	17.05	3.00	20.05
	St. Philip's	6.00	1.50	7.50
	St. Barnabas	6.70	3.25	9.95
Appleton	Gethsemane	5.00	2.23	7.23
Austin	Christ Church.....	13.75	3.00	16.75
Janesville	St. John's	6.00	....	6.00
Lake City	St. Mark's	12.10	3.00	15.10
Red Wing	Christ Church	6.65	1.00	7.65
Mankato	St. John's	4.00	7.55	11.55
Waseca	Calvary	3.00	3.00	6.00
White Bear	St. John's	9.00	2.50	11.50
Willmar	St. Luke's	14.00	5.10	19.10
Windom	Good Shepherd	8.68	5.75	14.43
Faribault	St. Mary's Hall.....	70.00	348.00	418.00
Offerings, Semi-Annual, Minneapolis.....	....	....	3.46	3.46
Offerings, Semi-Annual, St. Paul.....	....	....	1.46	1.46
Offerings, Annual Meeting .....	....	....	4.25	4.25
		\$536.42	\$585.15	\$1,121.57

Of the above amount the sum of \$183.96 passed through the hands of the Junior President and was expended as directed for United Offering, general apportionment, postage, freightage, carfare and literature.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH E. YARDLEY,
Junior President.

Report of the Educational Secretary

October, 1915—October, 1916.

This has been a year of journeys for your Educational Secretary. In October of last year it was my privilege to attend the Provincial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Northwest, held in Omaha, and there to present the subject of "Missionary Education." Early in the autumn, I attended Deanery meetings of the Woman's Auxiliary at Red Wing, Willmar and Waseca. In January, at a Mission Study Institute for the Diocese of Milwaukee, I taught a class for leaders, using the "Why and How of Foreign Missions." In May, I was a guest at the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Iowa, which was held in Sioux City. "Missionary Education" was my topic there. The last week of June and the first of July were spent at Cambridge, Mass., at the Conference for Church Work. I was a member of a normal study class on "The New World," led by Miss Eva Corey, Educational Secretary of Massachusetts, also of a class, using the same text-book, taught by Mrs. H. A. Pillsbury, Educational Secretary of Pennsylvania, and a class on "The Missionary Education of the Child," conducted by Miss Frances Barney of New Haven. From these leaders, I gained new visions, clearer judgments and broader sympathies.

My most thrilling experience was at Lake Geneva, Wis., the last ten days of August, at the Young Woman's Christian Association's Student Conference of the Middle-West. Having had a class on "Mexico" at the University, during the winter, and thus knowing some of the Minnesota girls, I went with their delegation. I attended the conference as a proxy for Deaconess Goodwin, so was recognized in camp as the "Representative of the Board of Missions." We had thirty-seven girls present, from schools, colleges and universities in eight states. Our one evening meeting was attended by twenty-five girls, who filled out blanks in answer to a questionnaire and afterwards came to me for a visit, concerning their individual problems and hopes. Seeing those girls and talking with them, I felt the great responsibility as well as the opportunity laid before the Church to foster these young women and to open opportunities before them, for them to give themselves in service to Christ and His world.

The pleasure of being in St. Louis during the General Convention, was doubled for me, by the joy of service. I led a class on "The New World." Such classes are their own reward.

In Minnesota, our advance has been in co-operation. Last December, the Presidents of branches in St. Paul met with me and after arranging for two classes for leaders, undertook to promote for both leaders and classes. As a result St. Paul had twenty-four classes in Lent or as many as the first total for all of the Diocese. In Minneapolis and the other deaneries, better programs were presented, which have paved the way to an earnest interest in more classes.

At last your Educational Secretary may say "we," as Mrs. F. E. Olney has been appointed and is acting as an Assistant, primarily to attend to the clerical work of the Secretary, by answering letters and attending to reports and statistics. With her help and that of the Presidents of the branches in Minneapolis and St. Paul, we have undertaken both to extend and to intensify information concerning Missions. As a means toward extending the work of the Auxiliary, we had planned for deanery meetings to be held monthly in the Minneapolis deanery, at which meetings a program, which aims to be both informational and inspirational, will be given. For our intensive efforts we have already organized our normal classes, that the leaders of classes to be conducted in Lent may be prepared. The courses chosen by the Presidents and Leaders for 1916-1917 are "The New World" and the "Studies in the Acts."

We wish to record our appreciation and thanks to the Clergy of Minnesota for their helpful co-operation during the past year, and to Father Howard in particular for the service and meditation preceding the classes of last Lent.

Our need today is prayer. We ask the Woman's Auxiliary of Minnesota to intercede earnestly and often this year for the educational work in our diocese. Let us pray for more co-workers, that they will come, with pure intentions, prepared by prayer and study to know God's will and to do it willingly.

Respectfully submitted,

October 31, 1916.

MARY C. SMITH.

The Little Helpers

God make my life a little light.
Within the world to glow;
A tiny flame that burneth bright
Wherever I may go.

The Little Helpers' Society is embodied in Six Rules:

First—That every Child by baptism becomes a member of the missionary society, 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.

REPORT OF WORK DONE BY LITTLE HELPERS.

1915-1916.

Minneapolis—

Holy Trinity—Scrap books, envelopes of fancy wall paper filled with cut-out paper dolls.

St. Andrew's—Scrap books, paper dolls and carpet rags for rugs. Also helped in Christmas Sunday School entertainment by giving a little play, "Gifts of the King."

St. John the Baptist—Scrap books, bonnet babies, teddy bears.

St. Mark's—Missionary scrap books.

St. Paul's—Scrap book which were sent in box of French Relief work for France.

LITTLE HELPERS OFFERING REPORTED 1914-1915 \$220.47

*Three new branches organized this year—namely, at St. Matthew's, St. Thomas and Holy Trinity.

Whitsuntide, 1916

DISTRIBUTING OF OFFERING

General.

For Expenses, 1916-1917.....	\$25.00
United Offering	20.00
	\$45.00

Foreign.

Bishop Edsall Scholarship, Liberia.....	\$25.00
China, Shanghai, Little Helpers Day School.....	2.50
China, Wuchang, Angelica Church Hart Day School.....	2.50
Japan, Akita Kindergarten in Memory of Gaylord Hart Mitchell	5.00
Japan, Akita Kindergarten, Alteration Fund.....	25.00

Domestic.

Grace Harmon Edsall Memorial, Birch Coulee.....	\$45.00
Raleigh, N. C., Little Helpers Cot, St. Agnes Hospital.....	5.00
Missionary Font Fund	1.00
Indian Children of Utah.....	5.00

Diseases

Little Helpers Crib, Sheltering Arms \$ 5.00
Trinity Church, Granite Falls, Improvement Fund 62.00

Respectfully submitted. \$67.00
CARRIE H. NORRIS,
President, L. H.

Church Periodical Club

ANNUAL REPORT OF CORRESPONDENT.

April 1, 1915, to April 1, 1916.

Current Periodicals Sent Regularly	161
Contributors of Current Periodicals	90
Books—Theological and Secular	404
Odd Magazines and Papers	2,379
Christmas and Easter Cards	772
Picture Cards and Calendars	230
Pictures, Games, Scrap Books and Miscellaneous	300
Boxes, Etc., Contents Not Noted	10
Letters and Postals Written	48
Annual Reports Mailed	17
Active Librarians	4

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts	\$ 9.64
Disbursements	9.64

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, 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 of the year 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.

