

Diocese of Mississippi



Sixteenth Annual Report

OF THE

Woman's Auxiliary

TO THE

Board of Missions.

1906-1907

MAY SEVENTH, NINETEEN HUNDRED AND SEVEN

Tucker Printing House, Jackson, Miss.

Noonday Prayer for Missions

Blessed Saviour, Who at this hour didst hang upon the Cross, stretching forth Thy loving arms, grant that all mankind may look unto Thee and be saved through Thy mercy and merits, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end. Amen.

O Lord, Who didst come to seek and to save the lost, and to Whom all power is given in Heaven and on earth, hear, we beseech Thee, the prayers of Thy Church for those who, at Thy command, go forth to preach the Gospel to every creature. Preserve them from all dangers to which they may be exposed; from perils by land and perils by water; from the deadly pestilence; from the violence of the persecutor; from doubt and impatience; from discouragement and discord; and from all the devices of the powers of darkness. And while they plant and water, send thou, O Lord, the increase; gather in the multitude of the heathen; convert in Christian lands such as neglect so great salvation; so that Thy Name may be glorified and Thy Kingdom come, O gracious Saviour of the world; to Whom, with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

O Lord, Jesus Christ, Who in the days of Thy flesh didst accept the services of faithful women who administered unto Thee of their substance; be pleased, we humbly ask, to bless our endeavors to aid and encourage missionaries. Put into our hearts the things we should do and say to promote Thy glory. Grant that we may never be discouraged under difficulties, but go forward in faith and hope, looking unto Thee. Have pity on those who know Thee not, on those who are far from the Church of their fathers in a strange land; visit them with Thy salvation, and grant that all may be speedily brought to acknowledge Thee as their Lord and Master. Christ, hear us, and answer this our prayer, for Thine own Name's sake. Amen.

Officers 1907-'08

PRESIDENT

MRS. THEODORE DUBOSE BRATTON

Battle Hill, Jackson.

VICE PRESIDENT

MRS. VIRGINIA T. PHELPS

Greenville.

SECRETARY

MRS. J. F. GRAVES

419 N. State Street, Jackson.

TREASURER

MISS ELIZA W. FOX

714 South Cherry Street, Vicksburg

CUSTODIAN FOR UNITED OFFERING

MISS ELIZA W. FOX

Junior Department

SECRETARY

MISS FLORA WALTHALL

648 North State Street, Jackson.

Babies Branch

SECRETARY

MRS. W. BALFOUR KLEIN

Vicksburg.

Proceedings.

THE SIXTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in Trinity Church, Yazoo City on May 7th and 8th, 1907.

FIRST DAY—May 7, 3:30 P. M.

Meeting opened with devotional service, a shorter form of Evening Prayer being used.

Rev. R. W. Patton, Secretary of the Fourth Missionary District, gave a forceful address on Missionary Work in general and of the work of the Woman's Auxiliary.

At 4:30 P. M., the meeting was called to order by the Bishop.

Secretary's report read.

Report of the Junior Department read by Miss Walthall, Secretary.

Report of Babies' Branch sent by Mrs. Carter, Secretary, who on account of ill health, could not attend meeting. Rev. Mr. Carter, of Woodville, read report. Mr. Carter then tendered the resignation of Mrs. Carter, which the Bishop accepted with reluctance and profound regret. The Babies' Branch in the Diocese owes its origin and success to this noble woman, who with untiring energy and tender love has enrolled a long list of babies who are taught in infancy to give their prayers and pennies for Missions.

Mrs. W. Balfour Klein, of Vicksburg, was appointed to succeed Mrs. Carter.

Miss Flora Walthall, of Jackson, was re-appointed Secretary of the Junior Department.

Discussion of difficulty experienced in securing from time to time information as to current progress of local branches. Mr. Carter suggested that blank forms be drafted and sent out to the separate branches, to be filled out quarterly and returned to Diocesan Secretaries.

Motion was made by Miss Maganos, of Vicksburg, to pro-rate apportionment among different branches. After some discussion, action was postponed.

Evening Session, 8 O'clock.

Evening Prayer read by Rev. Albert Martin, of Yazoo City.

Address by Rev. L. W. Rose, of Laurel; Subject: "The Origin and History of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions."

Address by Rev. William Mercer Green, of Meridian. Subject: "The Woman's Auxiliary in the Parish."

Address by Rev. J. R. Carter, of Woodville. Subject: "The Junior and Babies' Branches."

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SECOND DAY—9:30 A. M.

On account of the Council being in session in Trinity Church, the Woman's Auxiliary met in the Presbyterian Church.

Morning session opened by saying of Creed. Bishop presiding.

Letter read from Miss Emery announcing the Triennial Convention would meet in Richmond, Va., in October, 1907, and that St. Mathew's Day, September 21 would be a special day for the intercession for Missions.

Miss Emery stated that last year the Auxiliary of the Diocese of Mississippi gave \$240 toward the United Offering, and she desired to know what we were doing towards the amount for this year.

She urged an increase of Branches and an increase of membership.

A communication from Rev. Everett P. Smith, Educational Secretary, stated that the study this year would be on China.

The discussion of the pro-rating of apportionment was renewed. Motion was made and carried that the parochial branches pay to the apportionment 50 cents per member.

The Bishop explained that the apportionment is that part of the \$100,000.00, pledged annually by the Woman's Auxiliary for General Missions which the Diocesan branch is assessed for.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

PRESIDENT—MRS. THEODORE DUEBOSE BRATTON, Jackson.

VICE PRESIDENT—MRS. VIRGINIA T. PHELPS, Greenville.

SECRETARY—MRS. J. F. GRAVES, Jackson.

TREASURER—MISS ELIZA W. FOX, Vicksburg.

A Committee appointed to tabulate reports at annual meeting, 1908: Mrs. R. E. L. Craig, Jackson; Miss Marshall, Vicksburg; Miss Annie Jones, Port Gibson.

Mrs. Phelps, Miss Fox and Mrs. Graves were appointed a Committee on Memorials.

Motion by Mrs. Phelps that the Woman's Auxiliary express to Mrs. Carter their sincere regret that illness compels her to resign the important position of the Babies' Branch, and that she may soon be restored to good health. Carried.

Mrs. Phelps, in the name of the Woman's Auxiliary, thanked the Bishop for the assistance and co-operation he has given us this past year.

Bishop retiring, the President, Mrs. Bratton took the chair. In assuming the Chair, Mrs. Bratton expressed her appreciation of the office conferred upon her, saying she considered it a most high honor and hesitated in assuming it on account of feeling her unworthiness.

She desired to be a President worthy of the Branch, and to represent them creditably in Council.

Treasurer's report.

Recess to attend opening of Episcopal Council.

Afternoon Session, 4:30 O'clock.

Meeting called to order by the President.

Reports from the different branches read.

Motion by Mrs. Phelps: That election of officers be made on the first meeting of the parochial branches after the Annual Diocesan Meeting, and on election of new officers the Diocesan Secretary be sent result of election at once. Carried.

Discussion in regard to delegates to Triennial Convention at Richmond, Va. Delegates to be appointed later.

Secretary was directed to write a letter of thanks to the President of Woman's Guild, of Trinity Church, for hospitality and courtesy extended the Woman's Auxiliary while in session in Yazoo City, and to the ladies of the Presbyterian Church for the use of their handsome edifice.

St. Andrew's, Jackson, was selected as place for next Annual Meeting.

Delegates to Annual Meeting in Yazoo City, May 7 and 8, 1907.

JACKSON—Mrs. T. D. Bratton, Miss Flora Walthall, Miss Hinsdale, Mrs. Halsey Werlein, Mrs. J. F. Graves.

GREENVILLE—Mrs. V. T. Phelps, Mrs. Whitney.

VICKSBURG—Miss Eliza W. Fox, Holy Trinity; Miss Maganos, Christ Church.

WINONA—Mrs. E. Stirling Gunn.

VAIDEN—Mrs. McConnico.

CARROLLTON—Miss Flora Nelson.

GULFPORT—Mrs. Sneed.

ABERDEEN—Miss Julia Eckford.

Resolutions



Since the Annual Meeting of the Auxiliary in 1906, this branch has met with a great loss in the death of Mrs. Keyes, of Oxford, who has been called from her work to her reward.

Mrs. Keyes was one of those who first began the work of the Woman's Auxiliary in this Diocese, and from the time of her enlistment in its ranks, until her death, was always present at its annual meetings, if possible.

Bright, hopeful and earnest, she was always helpful, and her presence added to the pleasure of all.

In her death we have lost a good helper and a cheerful worker; therefore, be it

RESOLVED. 1. That in the death of Mrs. Keyes, the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of Mississippi has lost a good officer and an earnest worker, and we mourn her loss and tender to her family our sincere sympathy.

RESOLVED, 2. That the Secretary be instructed to spread these resolutions upon the minutes of this meeting, and that a copy of them be sent to her bereaved family, and to the branch of the Auxiliary in Oxford, of which she was a member.

ELIZA W. FOX,

V. T. PHELPS,

MALVINA W. GRAVES.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY.

It is said that nothing stands still—so at this, the Sixteenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, it is most gratifying to find that the work has gone forward.

With few exceptions each Branch shows an increase of work accomplished.

When true knowledge of Missions has quickened our minds, our eyes and ears will be opened; our hearts will be touched; then we will take up the battle cry and shout it from end to end of the Diocese until every woman is awakened to the serious need of the Woman's Auxiliary.

St. Paul says: "Whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved. How then shall they call upon Him in Whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of Whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? And how shall they preach unless they be sent?" On whom does this grave responsibility lie?

This year the Woman's Auxiliary has given about \$1422.68 to Missions. Have sent 12 boxes to different Mission Stations. One Branch supports a Bible woman in Hankow, China. Another Branch has a Church Periodical Club which sends literature, such as books and magazines, together with Easter and Christmas cards to different Mission Schools and Hospitals. This is a most interesting and noble work. If each Branch would send their share of literature to this Club after they have enjoyed it, it would aid the Club in doing a greater work.

There are 480 members of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese. Six new Branches have been organized this year: Biloxi, Moss Point, Lexington, Raymond, Laurel and Scranton. We extend to them a warm welcome, and assure them that we need their prayers and co-operation in this great and noble work for Missions.

The Master has called one of our number to join the Saints in Life everlasting—Mrs. Keyes was for many years the efficient Treasurer of St. Peter's Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, Oxford. While she has passed on to the joys of Paradise, she has left us a sweet and noble example of a Christian life.

For all the saints who from their labors rest,
Who, Thee by faith, before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blest.

Our first duty in the work of the Woman's Auxiliary is prayer. Our hearts should be so full of Christ's great love that we stretch out our arms to take the whole world as our kinsmen.

The second thing necessary is knowledge of Missions. Our Bishop will plan a study course for the year. With these leaflets and the "Spirit of Missions" we should be so enlightened as to become enthusiastic over our work.

A most important part of our work is the sending of boxes to Missionaries, schools and hospitals. The labor and little self-denials necessary to fit out these boxes are most insignificant when compared to the comfort, joy and happiness they carry to those to whom they are sent.

During the year I have enjoyed the correspondence with the Secretaries of the different branches. It is a pleasure to feel the warm clasp of a tender hand even through the mail, and often when discouraged some of these delightful letters have been an inspiration to me. I have written 242 letters and 22 postals.

There is much to do in this noble work of the Woman's Auxiliary. Discouragements seem mountain high, but we are soldiers of Christ. When we awaken to the realization of the battles to be fought, we women of the Church will polish up the armor, bring forth the sword and shield and follow the banner to the foot of the Cross.

"God will not look us over for medals, degrees or diplomas, but for scars."

MRS. J. F. GRAVES, Secretary.



Reports of Parish Branches.

Biloxi—Church of the Redeemer.

Ten Members.

MISS MARIETTA SANTINI, President. MISS COWAN, Secretary.

MRS. D. W. HARPER, Treasurer.

To San Francisco Mission	\$21.00
Box of Aprons Wichita, Kansas	1.25
For Diocesan Missions	10.00
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	\$22.25

Bovina—St. Albans.

Six Members.

MRS. MORRIS, President.

MRS. CHILD, Secretary.

MRS. MERCHANT, Treasurer.

For Personal Use	\$.75
For Mission School25
Apportionment	4.00
Diocesan Missions75
Sunday Auxiliary	6.00
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	\$11.75

Canton—Grace.

Twenty-three Members.

MRS. A. N. PARKER, President.

MRS. A. K. FOOT, Sec. and Treas

Box for Sunday School, Beaver Creek, N. C.	\$60.00
For Diocesan Missions	10.00
Contingent Fund	2.20
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	\$72.20

Carrolton—Grace.

Twelve Members.

MISS H. E. MEADE, President.

MISS FLORA NELSON, Secretary.

MRS. S. A. EGGLESTON, Vice Pres.

MRS. W. H. HAFNER, Treasurer.

For General Missions \$5.00 |

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Columbus—St. Paul's.
Sixteen Members.

Mrs. A. B. YOUNG, President.	Mrs. J. W. WEBB, Sec. and Treas.
Box to St. Mary's on the Mountain.....	\$100.00
Diocesan Missions.....	10.00
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\$110.00	

Greenville—St. James.
Thirty Members.

Mrs. A. T. PAYNE, President.	Mrs. WHITNEY, Secretary.
Mrs. B. V. SHAW, Treasurer.	
For Mission at Low Gap, Ark.....	\$10.00
Contingent Fund	3.10
Offering at Advent	12.00
Diocesan Pledge	5.00
United Offering	20.00
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\$50.10	

Grenada—All Saints.
Ten Members.

Mrs. JONES, President.	MISS LYDIA PRONDFIT, Sec. and Treas.
Money to Mr. McCracken.....	\$40.00
United Offering	4.65
Contingent Fund	1.00
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\$45.65	

Gulfport—St. Peter's-by-the-Sea.
Nineteen Members.

Mrs. F. D. GATCHELL, President.	Mrs. RUCKS YERGER, Secretary.
Mrs. HENRY RICHARDSON, Treasurer.	
Diocesan Missions	\$5.50
Contingent Fund	1.90
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\$7.40	

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Hattiesburg—Trinity.

Seven Members.

MRS. SCHUCH, President.

MRS. MASSEY, Secretary.

MRS. McINNIS, Treasurer.

For Dioceasn Missions	\$5.00

	\$5.00

Holly Springs—Not reported.

Jackson—St. Andrews.

Sixty nine Members.

MRS. C. J. v. SEUTTER, President. MRS. DAVID ELLISON, Secretary.

MRS. JULIUS CRISLER, Treasurer.

Box to Rev. Walter Hughson, Morganton, N. C.....	\$122.75
Apportionment	15.00
United Offering	26.00
Bible Women in China.....	25.00
Diocesan Pledge	75.00
Archeacon	20.00
Church at Lumberton.....	15.00
Church at Senatobia.....	10.00
Contingent Fund	6.50

	\$315.30

Laurel—St. Johns.

Fifteen Members.

Organized May 5, 1907.

MRS. F. G. WISNER, President. MRS. J. F. O'Ferrall, Vice Pres.

MRS. L. W. ROSE, Secretary and Treasurer.

For Dioceasn Missions.....	\$5.00

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Lexington—St. Mary's.

Eighteen Members.

MRS. EGGLESTON, President. MRS. J. H. MCBEE, Vice Pres.

MRS. A. M. PEPPER, Secretary and Treasurer.

Organized May 6, 1907.

Moss Point—St. Albans.

Seven Members.

MRS. E. D. BLOOMFIELD, Pres. MRS. BESSIE B. ALGER, Sec.-Treas.

Diocesan Missions	\$2.50
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Natchez-Trinity.

Thirty Members.

MRS. V. B. GAITHER, Pres. MRS. A. G. CAMPBELL, Sec. and Treas.

Box to Rev. Oscar Lindstrom, Covington, Tenn	\$25.00
For Japanese Mission	50.00
Contingent Fund	2.30
For Diocesan Missions	25.00
Apportionment	15.00
Contents of Mite Boxes	25.50
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.....	\$142.80

Oxford—St. Peters.

Twelve members.

MRS. GREY, President. MISS KATE SKIPWITH, Sec.

MRS. J. PEGUES, Treasurer.

Box to St. Mary's Orphanage, Memphis, Tenn	\$15.00
For Missions	10.00
Building Parsonage	2.00
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Pass Christian—Trinity.

Nineteen Members.

MRS. J. M. FINLEY, President. MISS KATE LOGAN, Secretary.

MRS. J. MILTENBERGER, Treasurer.

For Jacksonville Rectory	\$ 2.00
Diocesan School	5.00
General Missions	3.00
Diocesan Missions	25.00
Apportionment	5.00
Contingent Fund	2.00
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	\$42.00

Port Gibson,—St. James.

Twenty-one Members.

MRS. P. W. JONES, President. MRS. J. M. JONES, Secretary.

Miss M. L. JONES, Treasurer.

Box to Rev. W. C. Claiborne, Mountain School.....	\$40.00
For Woman's Auxiliary San Francisco Relief Fund.....	5.00
Apportionment.....	7.00
United Offering	22.94
Diocesan Missions	10.00
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	\$84.94

Raymond—St. Marks.

Nine Members.

MRS. C. J. NORTH, President. MISS RUTH NEAL, Secretary.

Mrs. JAMES JOLLY, Treasurer.

For Diocesan Missions \$10.00 |

Scranton—St. John's.

MRS. A. I. DELMAR, President MRS. N. ALLEY, Secretary.

MRS. ROBT. FARMSWORTH, V. Pres. MISS JENNIE NORTHROP, Treas.

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Vicksburg—Christ Church.

Fifty-seven Members.

MRS. GEO. W. CROCK, President. MISS HOLLER, Secretary.

MRS. HUNT COOK, Vice President. MISS MAGANOS, Treasurer.

Apportionment.....	\$ 23.45
Diocesan Missions	50.00
Diocesan School	10.00
United Offering	9.18
General Missions	16.75
Contingent Fund	5.00

	\$114.38

Vicksburg—Holy Trinity.

Thirty-five Members.

MISS E. W. FOX, President. MRS. T. G. BIRCHETT, Secretary.

MRS. W. B. KLEIN, Vice Pres. MRS. C. G. WRIGHT, Treasurer.

Diocesan Missions	\$26.00
Apportionment	16.00
Contingent Fund	3.56
School in Saluda, N. C.	13.30
Box to same school	40.00

	\$98.80

Vaiden—St. Clement's.

Nine Members.

MRS. S. E. McCONNICO, President. MRS. E. L. NYE, Secretary.

MISS ALICE TALBERT, Treasurer.

Box to St. Mary's on the Mountain.....	\$ 75.00
For Diocesan Missions.....	5.00
United Offering	11.05
Contingent Fund65
General Missions	10.20

	\$101.90

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Winona—Immanuel.

Twenty-one Members.

MISS LELIA JESTY, President.

MRS. E. S. GUNN, Secretary.

MISS MARY JESTY, Treasurer.

Box to St. Mary's on the Mountain.....	\$ 75.00
Express on same.....	2.20
United Offering	6.61
General Missions	21.00
Diocesan Missions	5.25
Contingent Fund.....	2.10

	\$109.96

T A B U L A T E D R E P O R T

	Gen'al Mis'ns	For. Mis'ns	Dom. Mis'ns	Dioc'an Mis'ns	Boxes	United Offering	Dioc'an School	Cont'g't Fund	Mem- bers	Total
Biloxi, Redeemer				\$10 00	\$22 30				10	\$ 32 30
Bovina, St. Alban's	\$4 00			6 75	1 00				6	11 75
Canton, Grace				10 00	60 00			2 20	23	72 20
Carrollton, Grace Church	5 00		2 76						12	7 76
Columbus, St. Paul's				10 00	100 00	17 54		1 60	16	129 14
Greenville, St. James				10 00	17 00	20 00		3 10	31	50 10
Grenada, All Saints				40 00		4 65		1 00	10	45 65
Gulfport, St. Peter's by-the-Sea					5 50			1 90	19	7 40
Hattiesburg, Trinity					5 00				8	5 00
Holly Springs, Christ Church			2 50					1 10	15	3 60
Jackson, St. Andrew's	15 00	25 00		120 00	122 75	26 05		6 50	69	315 30
Laurel, St. John's					5 00				15	5 00
Lexington, St. Mary's									18	
Moss Point, St. Alban's					2 50				7	2 50
Natchez, Trinity	15 00	50 00		25 00	25 00	25 00		2 30	30	142 85
Oxford, St. Peter's					27 00			1 10	12	28 10
Pass Christian, Trinity	8 00			25 00	2 00		5 00	2 00	19	42 00
Port Gibson, St. James'	7 00		5 00	10 00	40 00	23 94		2 10	21	87 04
Raymond, St. Mark's			10 00						9	10 00
Scranton, St. John's									10	
Vicksburg, Christ Church	40 20			50 00		9 18	10 00	5 00	57	114 38
Vicksburg, Holy Trinity	16 00		13 30	26 00	40 00			3 50	34	98 80
Vaiden, St. Clements	10 20			5 00	75 00	11 05		65	9	101 90
Winona, Immanuel	21 00			5 25	75 00	6 61		2 10	21	109 96
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REPORT OF TREASURER.

1906.

Receipts.

May	8—In hand, balance from year preceding	\$ 29 14
May	9—From Greenville W. A., for Apportionment.....	8 00
May	9—Received from Mrs. Thompson for Dues to Diocesan Branch	25
May	9—Received from Miss Hinsdale, Dues to Diocesan Branch	25
	Offering at morning session of Auxiliary meeting....	7 60
June	2—From Holy Trinity Br. W. Aux., Vicksburg, Dues to Diocesan Branch.....	3 50
June	2—From Holy Trinity Br. W. Aux., Vickspurg, Diocesan Missions	10 00
June	14—From Holy Trinity, Br. W. Aux., Vicksburg, Apportionment	16 00
June	14—From Greenville for Apportionment.....	2 00
June	14—From Winona for United Offering.....	6 61
June	14—From Holy Trinity, Vicksburg, for U. O.(Mite bxs)	1 57
June	18—From Pass Christian for Apportionment.....	5 00
June	18—From Port Gibson for Apportionment.....	7 00
June	18—Port Gibson, Dues to Diocesan Branch.....	2 10
Aug.	4—From Miss Walthall for Apportionment from Diocesan Branch Junior Auxiliary.....	15 00
Aug.	15—From Christ Church, Br. W. A., for Apportionment	23 50
Aug.	15—From Christ Church, Br.W. A., Diocesan Dues....	5 00
Aug.	15—From W. A. St. James, Port Gibson, Dioc. Miss'ns	10 00
Aug.	28—From W. A. St. Andrews', Jackson, for Apportionment	10 00
Aug.	28—From Mrs. Graves from Offering of evening session, Auxiliary meeting.....	1 38
Oct.	2—From Port Gibson W. A. for United Offering.....	22 94
Oct.	23—From St. Andrews W. A. for Apportionment.....	5 00
Dec.	3—From St. Andrews W. A. for Diocesan Missions	10 00
Dec.	3—From St. Andrews W. A. United Offering.....	26 05
1907.		
Jan.	8—From St. Andrews W. A. for Dues to Dic. Br....	6 50
Jan.	11—From W. A., Pass Christian, Dues to Dioc. Br....	2 00
Jan.	13—From W. A., Vaiden, Dues to Dioc. Br.....	60
Jan.	13—From W. A., St. Andrews, Jackson, for Dioc. Mis.	10 00
Jan.	14—From W. A., Holly Trinity, Vicksburg, for Diocesan Missions	16 00
Jan.	14—From W. A., Grace Church, Carrollton, for Dues	90
Jan.	17—From W. A., Trinity Church, Natchez, for Dues....	2 30

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Jan.	17—From W. A., St. Peter's, Oxford, for Dues.....	1 10
Jan.	17—From Canton for Dues.....	2 20
Jan.	17—From W. A., Holly Springs, for Dues.....	1 10
Jan.	17—From W. A., Grenada, for Dues.....	1 00
Jan.	17—From W. A., Gulfport, for Dues.....	1 90
Jan.	17—From W. A., Jackson, St. Andrews', for Diocesan Missions	35 00
Jan.	17—From W. A., Columbus, for United Offering.....	17 54
Jan.	17—From W. A., Grenada, for United Offering.....	4 65
Feb.	7—From W. A., Gulfport, for Dioc. Missions.....	\$ 5 50
Feb.	7—From W. A., of Canton, for Diocesan Missions....	10 00
Feb.	7—From Jun. Aux., Holy Trinity, Vicksburg, for Apportionment	1 75
Feb.	29—From Woman's Aux., Greenville, Dues to Diocesan Branch	3 10
Feb.	29—From W. A., Jackson, Diocesan Mission.....	10 00
Feb.	29—From W. A., Natchez, United Offering.....	25 50
April	15—From W. A., Natchez, for Diocesan Missions.....	25 00
April	15—From W. A., Natchez, Apportionment.....	15 00
April	17—From Ladies' Guild of Immanuel Church, Winona	2 10
April	17—From W. A., Jackson for Bible Women in Hankow	25 00
April	15—From W. A., Christ Church, Vicksburg, for U. O....	9 18
April	17—From Pass Christian Jun. Aux. for Dues.....	1 00
April	22—Woman's Aux., Greenville for Apportionment....	12 00
April	22—From W. A., St. Alban's, Bovina, for U. O.....	1 50
April	22—From W. A., Vaiden, for United Offering.....	11 45
April	22—From W. A., Holy Trinity, Vicksburg, U. O.....	1 26
April	27—St. John's, Jun. Aux., Aberdeen for Dues.....	1 00
April	27—From W. A., Biloxi, for Diocesan Missions.....	10 00
May	6—From Jun. Aux., Jackson, for Dues.....	1 50
May	6—From Jun. Aux., Pass Christian, for U. O.....	2 50
May	6—From W. A., Holly Springs, for Apportionment....	10 00
	Contributed	10 75
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		\$496 63
May	8—Balance from 1906	29 14
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		\$525 77
	Disbursements	\$322 70
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	Of this United Offering in Bank (Received since May, 1906)....	\$128 25
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		\$79 82

1906.

Disbursements.

May 21	—By cash to Geo. C. Thomas for Apportionment from W. A., Greenville.....	\$ 8 00
June 2	—By cash to Dr. Howard for Diocesan Missions from W. A., Holy Trinity, Vicksburg.....	10 00
June 2	—By cash to Geo. C. Thomas, for Apportionment from W. A., Holy Trinity, Vicksburg.....	16 00
June 15	—By cash to Geo. C. Thomas for Apportionment from Woman's Auxiliary of Greenville.....	2 00
June 19	—By cash to Geo. T. Thomas, Apportionment from Woman's Auxiliary, Pass Christian.....	5 00
June 19	—By cash to Geo. C. Thomas for Apportionment from Woman's Auxiliary, Port Gibson.....	7 00
June 19	—By cash to Tucker Printing House, Jackson, for printing Report of Annual Aux. Meeting....	31 50
Aug. 4	—By cash to Geo. C. Thomas for Apportionment from the Junior Auxiliary in Mississippi.....	15 00
Aug. 15	—By cash to Geo. C. Thomas for Apportionment from W. A., Christ Church, Vicksburg.....	23 50
Aug. 16	—By cash to Dr. Howard for Diocesan Missions from W. A., of St. James, Port Gibson.....	10 00
Aug. 28	—By cash to Geo. C. Thomas for Apportionment from W. A., St. Andrews, Jackson.....	10 00
Oct. 24	—By cash to Geo. C. Thomas for Apportionment from W. A., St. Andrews', Jackson.....	5 00
Dec. 3	—By cash to Dr. E. F. Howard for Diocesan Missions from W. A., St. Andrews, Jackson....	10 00
Dec. 20	—By check to Miss Walthall for stationery for use in Junior Branch	4 45
Dec. 20	—By cash to Dr. Howard for Diocesan Missions from W. A., Holy Trinity, Vicksburg.....	16 00

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Jan.	—By check to Dr. Howard for Diocesan Missions from W. A., St. Andrews, Jackson.....	35 00
January	—By check to Dr. Howard for Diocesan Missions from W. A., Gulfport.....	5 50
January	—By check to Dr. Howard for Diocesan Missions from W. A., Canton.....	10 00
January	—To Geo. C. Thomas for Apportionment from Jun. Aux. of Holy Trinity, Vicksburg.....	1 75
January	—By check to Dr. E. F. Howard for Diocesan Missions from W. A., Jackson	10 00

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April 17—By check to Dr. Howard for Diocesan Missions from Woman's Auxiliary, Natchez.....	25 00
April 17—By check to Geo. C. Thomas for Apportionment from W. A. Natchez,	15 00
April 12—By check to Miss Julia C. Emery for Bible Women in Haukow, from W. A., Jackson.....	25 00
April 27—By check to Geo. C. Thomas for Apportionment from W. A., St. James, Greenville.....	12 00
April 12—By check to Dr. Howard for Diocesan Missions from W. A., Biloxi.....	10 00

	\$322.70

SUMMARY.

Mississippi Branch Organized June, 1891.

1891-92	.....	\$ 302 50
1892-93	.....	291 50
1893-94	.....	304 52
1894-95	.....	374 50
1895-96	.....	396 30
1896-97	.....	233 75
1897-98	.....	127 40
1898-99	.....	405 20
1899-1900	.....	399 75
1900-1901	.....	222 00
1901-1902	.....	486 86
1902-1903	.....	526 25
1903-1904	.....	644 63
1904-1905	.....	869 50
1905-1906	".....	1300 39
1906-1907	.....	1422 65
		\$8307 70

Junior Department

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY

To the Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Mississippi, held at Yazoo City, Miss., May 7 and 8, 1907.

MISS FLORA WALTHALL, Secretary.

At the time of the last Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Mississippi, there were five parochial branches of the Junior Auxiliary in the Diocese. I have to report today the existence of twelve, located at Aberdeen, Biloxi, Columbus, Greenville, Gulfport, Jackson, Meridian, Natchez, Pass Christian, Vicksburg, Winona and Woodville. Of these the branches at Biloxi, Gulfport, Winona and Woodville are too recently organized to be able to report to this meeting any actual work done. I append hereto the reports received from other branches. Complete reports have not been received from Meridian or Vicksburg. I also append tabulated statement of all work done by the Juniors during the year, so far as reported to me, showing a total of \$258.90 contributed, in money and boxes; also statement as to all money which has passed through my hands.

At the begining of the year, the Mississippi Juniors were asked by the Bishop to undertake the suppprt of a scholarship at St. Mary's on the Mountain, near Sewanee. Only \$50 is needed to pay the expenses of a child at this mission training school for the eight-months' school term. The sisters expressed much gratification at the idea of the Mississippi Juniors supporting a scholarship, and asked that we take upon us the charge of a girl of thirteen, whose father had recently died, and whose mother was ill with an incurable disease. The Junior branches were all communicated with, and from some of them a hearty response was received. Some of them have given liberally towards this scholarship over and above the other work which they have done. Some have not responded, and I regret to state that the amount needed is not yet complete, only \$37.50 having been given. I urge the Juniors who have not helped with this fund to consider the matter carefully, and let us have the deficit made up as quickly as possible. The whole amount should be paid at once.

Our apportionment for General Missions this year is \$20. Of this the Juniors have paid \$15.65. It is very much to be desired that the remaining sum should be paid within the next ten days. The report of work done in this Diocese during the year must be forwarded very soon to the Church Mission House for incorporation

in the general report of the whole Auxiliary. This report must be in the hands of the printers nearly a month earlier than usual, this year, in order to be ready for the General Convention in October. I do not think our Juniors want to fall short of the amount asked of them by the representatives of the Board of Missions. It will be remembered that at the time of the last Annual meeting it was found that the whole amount of the apportionment had not been paid. The amount was collected and reported in time to appear in the yearly report of the Auxiliary. I hope this may be the case this year. It would be better, however, to dispose of this matter earlier in the year. The apportionment is, and should be regarded as a first obligation—a duty which must be discharged before we consult our own pleasure as to working for the individual objects which especially appeal to us personally. I would recommend that as soon as each branch gets together in the fall and prepares for the year's work that the secretary of each branch write the Diocesan Secretary advising her of the exact number of members in the branch, and that the Diocesan Secretary being thus supplied with the necessary data shall then pro-rate the apportionment for the year among the branches, according to their membership. Then let each branch see to it that the amount of this apportionment and of the annual dues (for contingent fund) to the Diocesan Auxiliary shall be paid as soon as possible, so that our hands may be free for other work, and that the other work may be performed without the hampering sense of obligations unfulfilled. Let us remember, also, that the amount of the apportionment is a minimum and not a maximum standard for our gifts to General Missions.

I would call the attention of the Juniors to the United Offering. Only one branch, so far, has reported any contribution to this great tri-ennial offering. This is the first time that there has been opportunity offered to the Juniors of Mississippi to share in such an offering, as at the time of the last General Convention there were no Junior branches in existence in our Diocese. Only a few months remain before the offering will be presented in Richmond, and if we would share it, we must take advantage of the opportunity at once.

I have again been asked, by those having the matter in charge, to call the attention of the Junior Auxiliary to the work for the new class-rooms at St. Paul's College, Tokyo. The Juniors undertook last year as united work, to raise the \$2,000 necessary to cover the cost of building two class-rooms. About \$1500 was given; so the Juniors were asked to give another \$1500 this year, and furnish three rooms instead of the original two. This is united work for the Juniors all over the country.

I do not know that any of the Mississippi Juniors or their leaders will be present at the tri-ennial meeting at Richmond next October. The Richmond Juniors have written me, stating that they want to have an exhibit of Junior work from all over the country, at the meeting, and requesting that Mississippi be represented by an exhibit showing what the Juniors are doing in the way of work for Christmas and other boxes; also suggestions, etc., as to educational and other work. Anything sent should be in Richmond by September 10.

It does not seem well to let any opportunity go by without saying a word as to the value and necessity of educational work. Lack of knowledge is almost invariably the prime cause of lack of interest; and if we are to be truly "auxiliary" to the Board of Missions, we ought to regard ourselves as bound to use every effort to learn all we can of that Board's work, and to diffuse such knowledge as widely as we can. This department of the work is especially important among the Juniors. So much excellent material and so many effective aids are to be secured, for such work, that no one ought to be at a loss as to how to conduct it. I would again urge each branch to take at least one copy of the weekly edition of the *Young Christian Soldier*; after once using it, you will find it hard to realize how you ever got along without it.

I believe that the Juniors generally appreciate something of the importance of the great mission-field within the borders of our own Diocese. Every branch, no matter how weak in point of numbers, may help the Bishop and the Missionary Committee in at least some small degree; and should think it a privilege to do so.

In closing, I would like to ask the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese to consider carefully the importance and the effectiveness of the Junior work; to remember that the children and young people of the Church have a right to share the privilege of helping in the Church's work; to remember that in helping them to realize their right and their privilege and teaching them to claim it, they are helping the Woman's Auxiliary and the Missionary work of the near future; and, therefore, I would ask the older members of the Auxiliary to interest themselves in this Junior work, and to help as fully as they can in its organization and development.

To the Juniors who have worked faithfully and courageously and enthusiastically I can say nothing which can add to the joy which the work must bring. It does not matter if our work is small, if it be sincere—if it be the very best that we can do. We are laying the foundations now, here in Mississippi; let us lay them aright. The Junior Auxiliary has not been in the Diocese long; it has not

accomplished a great deal; its membership is not large. But we must not think that for that reason it amounts to little. Let us each do our part with faithful and true and willing service, remembering that though the work seems small, it is a part of the great work of the Church of God.

“All we can do is nothing worth, unless God blesses the deed;
Vainly we hope for the harvest, till God gives life to the seed;
Yet nearer and nearer draws the time, the time that shall surely be,
When the earth shall be full of the glory of God, as the waters cover
the sea.”

MISS FLORA WALTHALL.

TABULATED RERORT OF JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

BRANCHES AND NUMBER OF MEMBERS	DOMESTIC MISSIONS			GENERAL MISSIONS				Total
	Dioc'an Miss'ns	Ann'l Dues	Schol. Fund	Boxes Etc.	App'm't 1906-'07	United Off'ng	App'm't 1905-'06	
Aberdeen—9	* \$37 50	\$1 00	\$10 00	\$10 00	† \$8 90	—	—	\$67 40
Biloxi	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Columbus—6	—	—	3 50	15 00	—	—	—	18 50
Greenville	—	—	10 00	‡ 15 00	2 00	—	** 2 00	29 00
Jackson—15	—	—	1.50	5 50	13 00	—	** 2 40	22 40
Meridian	—	—	—	5 00	—	—	—	5 00
Natchez—16	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Pass Christian—10	—	—	—	5 00	13 00	1 00	** 5 00	24 00
Vicksburg (Holy Trinity)	—	—	51 75	6 00	32 50	2 00	2 50	44 00
Winona—18	—	—	—	—	—	1 75	** 2.60	56 10
Woodville—4	—	—	—	5 00	—	—	—	5 00
Total .	\$89 25	\$3 50	\$50 00	\$98 50	\$15 65	\$2 50	\$12 00	\$271 40

* \$7.50 through Parish Treasurer.

† \$7.50 through Sunday School.

‡ Special for California.

** Paid after the annual meeting of May, 1906, and not included in last report.

**Report of the Parish Branches of
the Junior Auxiliary**

Aberdeen—St. Johns.

Nine Members.

MISS JULIA ECKFORD, President, MISS HARRIET STARK, Secretary
MISS LUCILE HATCH, Treasurer.

Box to Bellevue, Mississippi.....	\$10 00
For General Missions	1 40
For General Missions, Easter Offering.....	7 50
Mary Morris Scholarship	10 00
Diocesan Pledge	30 00
Diocesan Missions—Easter Offering.....	7 50
Contingent Fund	1 00
	\$67 40

Greenville—St. James.

(Officers not given.)

For Church in California.....	\$15 00
For Mary Morris Scholarship	10 00
Apportionment	2 00
	\$27 00

Columbus—St. Paul's.

Six Members.

MISS LEONORE HARDY, Pres. MISS RACHEL NEWBY, Sec. and Treas.
MRS. LEDYARD VAUGHN, Leader.

Box to St. Mary's on the Mountain.....	\$10 00
Contribution to box sent by Woman's Auxiliary.....	5 00
Mary Morris Scholarship	3 50
	\$18 50

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Jackson—St. Andrews?

Fifteen Members.

MISS MARY PAINE SANDERS, Pres. MISS MAUD HARRIS, Secretary.
 MISS COURTNEY CLINGAN, Vice President.

Box to Alaska	\$8 00
Box to St. Mary's on the Mountain.....	5 00
Mary Morris Scholarship	3 00
Apportionment	2 40
Annual Dues	1 50
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	\$19 90

Natchez—Trinity.

Sixteen Members.

MISS EMILY K. PERRY, President. MISS MARGARET MARTIN, Sec.
 MISS BESSIE MILES, Treasurer.

Christmas Tree for sick child.....	\$ 5 00
Sstockings for poor children.....	3 00
Baby's trousseau	3 00
Mary Morris Scholarship	5 00
Apportionment	1 00
General Missions	5 00
Day uursery	2 00
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	\$24 00

Pass Christian—Trinity.

Ten Members.

MISS MONICA DEMPFF, Pres. MISS GEORGIE MAY McGLATHERY, Sec.
 MISS JOSEPHINE AMIEL, V. Pres. MRS. KATE F. MATTHEWS, Treas.

Barrel of Clothing and toys to St. Mary's on the Mountain	\$30 00
Dress and Aprons to little girl at St. Mary's on the Mountain....	2 50
Scholarship for Mary Morris.....	6 00
Apportionment	2 00
United Offering	2 50
Annual dues	1 00
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	\$44 00

THE BABIES' BRANCH PRAYER.

Heavenly Father, Who unto babes hast revealed what is hidden from the wise and prudent, without Whom our labor is but lost, and with whom Thy little ones go forth as the mighty; bless, we beseech Thee, all "Little Helpers" and officers of the Babies' Branch of the Junior Auxiliary, especially in the Diocese of Mississippi. Accept the service and offerings of the Lambs of Thy flock. And fill the officers with wisdom, zeal and discretion in their work. Kindle in all hearts a zeal for Missions, and bless all Missions and missionaries throughout the world. In the Name of Thy Holy Child Jesus. Amen.

Report of Babies' Branch

MRS. HATTIE CARTER, Secretary.

The circle of another year has been completed, and while we may say we have done our best, there follows always the wish that our record had been better; so it is with regret that this report of The "Babies' Branch" in the Diocese does not show the progress we wish. Many letters have been written explaining the object and purpose for which this work stands, and mite boxes sent to those requesting them, and had they been used for what they were intended, the effect would have been blessed, and results followed.

The purpose and ideal of this Society of "Little Helpers" is educational. Knowledge is power, and if children from babyhood, and, through them their parents, are taught to know what the great cause means, and that the responsibility for its support rests upon each one of them individually, the work for God in this present generation will show His glory to a future one, and make His power known. Hence, the teaching of the Babies' Branch is embodied in six rules: That every child in baptism becomes a member of the Missionary Society and the Missionary Society is the Church. This truth cannot be emphasized too often. The Church of Christ is put in trust with the Gospel and every member of the same, from the infant at the font to the aged man upon the threshold of eternity, is more or less responsible according to the opportunities for the fulfillment of that tremendous trust, in making it known to all mankind. To be a member means to be a living, active worker. In the baby's name something must be done to make him a living active member of Christ Church. The first day of the week is the

time to lay apart for the Lord, as the Apostles did, forming this habit in the child's life. Habit is a strong thing, and that learned in infancy and childhood is not easily forgotten. These little human flowers of ours, writes the Michigan secretary, "should be trained in their infancy to do good deeds, and when they get older, because of this training they will blossom forth of their own strength. And who dares say that this blossom will not bear fruit an hundred fold, not only in the child's life, but in our own? The Babies' Branch teaches the consecration of every penny to God. A penny a week may seem small, but a penny a week with a prayer has a value, and does a work that those only know who have tried it and proved its influence."

Each secretary should consider it her duty to interest all parents of her parish in the Babies' Branch and get any and every baptized child under eight or ten years to become a "Little Helper." It has been suggested that the bringing of the offering each year be made a beautiful time to both mothers and children—a red letter day in the parish each year. The Woman's Auxiliary giving their time and care to the young plants. The Rector receiving their gifts with the prayer of the little ones.

Minnesota and Western New York, and many other Dioceses have adopted this method of gathering in the boxes. The Secretary of Western New York writes: "We found this meeting of the Little Helpers in each parish for the purpose of bringing in the pennies saved so lovingly for the dear Lord's work of the greatest inspiration to the children, the mothers, and to the secretaries. It was always announced before-hand in Church and in Sunday School, and all were asked to come. Often we had many of the older children as well as the grown people, but the Little Helpers were made to feel it was especially their service. Never shall I forget hearing one wee mite after another, the face radiantly lighted up, lisp the prayer for God's blessing upon the Missionaries, as the pennies were placed on the alms basin."

Every year the parish secretary should see that the contents of all mite boxes in the parish are returned to her, and forwarded as promptly as possible, the full amount of the Offering to the Diocesan Secretary. At the same time the Diocesan secretary would like to know the names of the babies composing the "Memorial Circle," only that they may be printed in the report and thus kept in constant remembrance, as an influence in the work. When the Little Helpers leave the Babies' Branch the Secretary should personally see that they become active members of the Junior Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF BABIES' BRANCH.

Receipts.

Christ Church, Vicksburg	\$35 06
Holy Trinity, Vicksburg	20 15
Trinity Church, Natchez.....	15 75
St. John's, Laurel.....	5 00
St. John's, Aberdeen.....	1 00
Mrs. S. P. North, Bond.....	1 00
Miss M. Wood, Meridian.....	44
Carried over from last year.....	3 35

	\$81 75

Disbursement.

United Offering.....	\$10 00
Diocesan Missions.....	28 71
General Missions	35 04
Kindergarten, Akita, Japan.....	5 00
Expenses, postage and express.....	3 00

	\$81 75

Check for \$23.69 handed new secretary to be sent for Diocesan Missions, and balance above.

Those who have failed to send their offering up to the close of this report:

St. Andrew's, Jackson; Grace Church, Carrollton; St. Peters', Gulfport; St. Paul's, Meridian; St. James' Church, Greenville; Church of the Mediator, Meridian.

Respectfully submitted,

HATTIE CARTER,
Diocesan Secretary and Treasurer.

Memorial Circle.



GEORGE W. WRIGHT—Born 1883; Died 1889. Holy Trinity Church
Parish, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

LOUIS GULDE WEINER—Born August 16, 1886; Died April 12, 1893.
Christ Church, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

CHARLES FIDNEY BUSAC—Born February 13, 1906; Died August 31,
1906. Trinity Church, Natchez, Mississippi.

MARY LAMKIN, Vicksburg, Mississippi.

MAGGIE READING NELSON—Born March 28, 1894; Died June 24, 1900.
Vicksburg, Mississippi.

