

Proceedings of the
**WOMANS'
PAROCHIAL and MISSIONARY
SOCIETY**



Held in
ST. MARK'S CHURCH, ANACONDA
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Proceedings of the Woman's Parochial and Missionary Society

(In its missionary capacity the Montana branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions).

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The ninth annual meeting of the Woman's Parochial and Missionary Society of the Diocese of Montana was held in St. Mark's Church, Anaconda, opening at 9:30 a. m. The Holy Communion was celebrated by the Bishop assisted by the Rev. J. L. Craig, rector of St. Mark's parish and the Rev. C. H. Linley of Kalispell, who also delivered an address. After the service the business meeting was called to order by the Vice President, Mrs. J. L. Craig. The chair appointed as committee on credentials, the Secretary, Miss Withers and Miss Baldwin. The committee reported a quorum present and the Secretary called the roll of delegates showing the following representation: Belt, 1; St. John's, Butte, 3; Helena, 3; Deer Lodge, 2; Virginia City, 2; Missoula, 1; Bozeman, 3; Anaconda, 3; Lewistown, 1; Buffalo, 1; St. Paul's, Butte, 1; Townsend, 1; Red Lodge, 1; Virginia City, 1; Great Falls, 3; total, 27.

A resolution was offered that all Church women present be given the privileges of the floor, which resolution prevailed.

Mrs. J. B. Lockwood of Helena moved the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, That the members of the Woman's Parochial and Missionary Society of the Diocese of Montana express their sincere regret at the absence of their esteemed President; their gratification that she continues to improve in health and the hope that she may be able to meet with them in the future. They also desire to send her greetings on this day accompanied with flowers, a small amount of the offerings of the day being used to defray the necessary expense and that a committee be appointed to attend to the matter."

This resolution was unanimously adopted by a rising vote and the chair appointed as committee, Mrs. Lockwood, Miss Rumsey and Miss Withers.

The annual report of the Secretary was read showing \$11,100.22 raised for parochial purposes and \$919.63 for missionary purposes, the grand total for woman's work for 1912 being \$13,019.85.

Mrs. Moore then reported on the Alaska box. The report showed increasing interest in this work.

The Secretary read a communication from Bishop Rowe at the close of which Mrs. Messias offered the following resolution:

"Whereas, the Rt. Rev. Peter T. Rowe, Missionary Bishop of Alaska has solicited the aid and support of the Woman's Auxiliary of this Diocese on behalf of a bill which he expects to be introduced into Congress for the medical and sanitary relief of the natives of Alaska;

"Be it therefore resolved, We give our hearty approval of the Bishop's laudable purpose and do sincerely hope the bill will become a law.

Resolved, That our Secretary be instructed to write to the Senators and Congressmen representing Montana, requesting them to support the said bill in the most effective way in their power.

"Resolved, the Secretary's letter be signed in the name of all the baptized women, members of the Episcopal Church, in this Diocese."

Mrs. Lillian B. Cain, Diocesan Secretary of the Daughters of the King made the annual report of the Order.

The Diocesan Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary and the Babies' Branch, told of the growth of this work in Montana and the excellent work done during the year by these organizations.

Mrs. J. L. Craig, gave an account of the year's progress in the work of the United Offering.

Mrs. Lockwood of Helena reported on the work of St. Peter's hospital.

Noonday prayers were read by the Rev. A. E. Macnamara.

Recess was taken until 2 o'clock.

Afternoon Session.

After the singing of hymn 672 the Secretary read a letter from Miss Julia C. Emery, General Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary. Miss Withers moved that a copy of Miss Emery's letter be sent to every guild in the Diocese after the summer holiday season.

The Vice President then read her address as follows:

I am sorry that it has become my duty to address you this afternoon and I am sure that Mrs. Hooker has our most sincere sympathy. We earnestly hope that she may be well enough to be with us at another Convention time. Today we know that her heart is with us and that she is praying that we may have guidance to do our work in the best possible way to set forward the kingdom of Christ in the world.

Mrs. Hooker has always been able to bring us news of woman's work in other dioceses, but I have no knowledge of that other than appears in the books and magazines you can all read.

I wish today to speak of the work which we women of Montana are doing and hope to do. We have but to look over the lists of our clergy and communicants to realize how many of our people are not in organized parishes but in mission stations. In these small places, where only occasional services are held, and where work is often so discouraging, we sometimes find our most unselfish workers. Surely there can be no better missionary work that these women are doing in carrying on Sunday Schools and keeping up the services of the Church. Because we can never know of all the work of this kind that is being done throughout the Diocese, it is never set forth in our reports. And when we urge the organization of the Auxiliary, it is with no lack of appreciation of what these women are doing in their own communities.

You have heard the reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer and know the amounts in money which have been raised for parochial and diocesan missionary purposes. You have also heard the report of the splendid box sent to the Reverend Mr. Chapman of Anvik, Alaska, and of the Bishop Brewer scholarship at a Girls' School in

Liberia, Africa, paid by the parishes of Helena, Dillon, Bozeman, Missoula and Butte. We feel that an increased interest is being manifested in the United Offerings and I am sure that the help and support of the women have done much to enable us to have more new parishes formed and thus to have fewer places dependent on the Diocesan missionary funds. These things we are all proud of and it is right that we should be.

Another encouraging feature in the past year's work has been the fact that several branches of the Auxiliary devoted their Lenten meetings to missionary reading and study. I learned of one guild in a place where they have as yet no church building and only occasional services, who, at their work meetings each week, had the collects for missions read and some articles of interest from the *Spirit of Missions*.

We feel very often that we cannot respond to calls for more money, but surely we can give our interest and sympathy. In fact, I sometimes feel that we give too often without knowing what is done with the money, simply because we are too indifferent to ask. An intelligent giving must certainly be more welcome in God's sight than a careless giving, just to get it over with.

Now we usually all go home from these Conventions full of enthusiasm. We want to organize a branch of the Auxiliary. We say "Why don't we have a Chapter of the Daughters of the King?" and "We certainly can have a Junior Auxiliary in our town." The trouble often is that we cannot get others to share in our enthusiasm because they have no foundation for it. This year how would it be to make a real definite effort to increase the circulation of the *Spirit of Missions* throughout the State? If we would each take up the matter in our own parish or mission, I think that it would pave the way for more aggressive work next year. We are proud of our record as a Diocese in always having our Missionary apportionment paid, but so few know of all the various ways in which that money is used. Then, if we have the *Spirit of Missions*, we can read of, and feel a fellowship for many of the mission fields that are having the same discouragements as our own. We have the privilege of reading of this or that good work and saying, "The missionary apportionment that our Church paid, helped to make it possible to build that hospital or that orphanage."

Do you all know that at the House of Missions there is an Educational Secretary whose time is given to the preparation of outlines of study for Mission Study classes? It need not take more than three or four women or girls to organize a study class during the winter months, or through Lent. We don't wish to be content with doing over again just what we did last year and the study classes would afford an opportunity for making progress.

I want to say one more word about our parish and mission work. Sometimes I feel that we do not value it as we should and therefore do not get all the happiness out of that we might. Because there is always something to be done and we have done it so often, we go at it from a cold sense of duty and miss the joy we ought to have. Surely if we had things done for us in the indifferent spirit that we often do them for God and His Church, we would not be at all grateful. Let us have the spirit of joy and gladness in all our work, and let us not forget our corporate communion on St. Michael and All Angel's Day—September 29th.

BERTHA M. CRAIG, Vice President.

Mrs. C. H. Moore read a letter from Mr. John W. Wood in reply to an enquiry from her concerning the use of our African scholarship.

The amount of the morning offering was reported as \$25.90.

A report from Lewistown was made by special request.

Pledges to the Bishop's Missionary were given as follows:

Anaconda, \$35; Belt, \$10; Bozeman, \$60; Belgrade, \$2.50; Deer Lodge, \$15; Dillon, \$40; Great Falls, \$100; Helena, \$200; Kalispell, \$15; Livingston, \$35; Jeffers, \$35; MacDonald Creek, \$5; Missoula, \$50; Townsend, \$25; Virginia, \$15.

An interesting and much appreciated paper was read by Mrs. William W. Conner on the Religious Crisis in China. A musical number followed by Miss Neli of Anaconda. The Rev. F. J. Mynard made an address on The Auxiliary, A Factor in the Parish. The Bishop then made the closing address. Mrs. B. A. Conrad presented a resolution extending a vote of thanks to the members and friends of St. Mark's parish for their generous hospitality in the entertainment of our delegates. This was adopted by a rising vote.

Mrs. Gatley offered the following resolution:

"RESOLVED, that the Chair appoint a committee to induce, if possible Miss Grace Lindley, or some other trained leader of Missionary Study Classes, to be present at our Diocesan Convention of 1913 to give our delegates some real training in conducting Missionary Study Classes among our women and young people."

The resolution prevailed and the Chair appointed Mrs. Gatley and Mrs. Jackson as a committee. The meeting closed with the singing of the Doxology.

BERTHA M. CRAIG, Vice President, Presiding.

SARAH N. MYNARD, Secretary.

**TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT OF THE WOMAN'S
PAROCHIAL AND MISSIONARY SOCIETY.**

The following amounts have been contributed for Parochial purposes:

PARISHES—

St. Mark's Anaconda.

St. Mark's Guild

Interest on rectory debt	.....	\$ 23.05
Insurance and sidewalk	140.00
Church repairs	20.00
Rectory debt	95.00
Episcopate Fund	21.00
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		\$299.05

St. Agnes' Guild

To St. Mark's Guild	\$ 50.00
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Total for Anaconda	\$349.05
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St. Luke's Billings.

Young Woman's Chancel Guild			
Church Debt, Sinking Fund	\$ 15.00		
Organ Fund	115.00	\$130.00	
Junior Auxiliary			
Church Debt, Sinking Fund	10.00	10.00	
Total for Billings			\$140.00

St. James', Bozeman.

St. James' Guild			
Organist	45.00		
Parish Expenses	195.04	\$240.04	

Total for St. James, Bozeman			\$240.04
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St. John's, Butte.

St. John's Guild			
Altar Flowers	54.75		
Church Washing	28.45		
Christmas Tree	100.00		
Electric Fixtures and Wiring	283.99		
Repairing Carpet	18.55		
Painting, etc.	17.25		
Altar Hangings	126.25		
Payments on sewing machine	9.00		
Linen for Cottas	5.00	\$643.24	

The Mother's Guild			
Easter Offering	15.00	15.00	
Senior Chapter, Daughters of the King			
Present to Rector	15.00	15.00	
Junior Chapter, Daughters of the King			
Easter Offering	15.00	7.00	
Rector's Aid			
Electric Lights, etc.	110.00		
Flowers for Easter	2.00		
Magazine for Rector, Christmas	3.00	115.00	

Total for St. John's Butte			\$785.24
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St. James', Dillon.

St. James' Guild			
Lights	\$ 44.80		
Insurance	72.00		
Organish	36.00		
Sexton	70.90		
Coal	81.84		
Cleaning and Tinting the Church	133.65		
Carpet for the Church	252.43		
Miscellaneous	28.15		
Aid to poor	5.00		

Total for St. James, Dillon			\$724.77
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Church of the Incarnation, Great Falls.

Woman's Guild and Auxiliary			
Church debt, Sinking Fund	\$100.00	\$100.00	
Parish Work Chapter			
Church debt, Sinking Fund	86.75	86.75	
Choir Chapter			
Choir Expenses	442.22	442.22	
St. Margaret's Chapter			
To Choir Fund	6.00		
Interest on Church debt	240.00	246.00	
Chancel Chapter			
Flowers for Altar and Christmas greens.	108.00	108.00	
Total for Great Falls			\$982.97

Christ Church, Kalispell.

Christ Church Guild			
Church debt	\$150.00		
Parish house repairs	72.65		
Sunday school	25.00	\$247.65	
Total for Kalispell			\$247.65

St. Peter's, Helena. . .

Woman's Auxiliary			
Parish work	\$212.65		
Memorial fund	152.37		
Christmas Charity (church window)	126.00	534.47	
Other organizations		883.55	
Total for Helena.....			\$1418.02

St. Andrew's, Livingston.

St. Andrew's Guild			
Improvements and repairs	\$ 70.50		
Current expenses	257.54		
Insurance	48.00		
Sundries	50.00	426.04	
St. Margaret's Guild			
Music	43.50		
Episcopate fund	15.00		
Church fund	20.00		
Easter flowers	5.00	83.50	
Dorcas Society. (charity)		158.48	
Total for Livingston			\$668.02

Church of the Holy Spirit, Missoula.

Woman's Parochial and Missionary Society			
Parochial Work	\$155.55	\$155.55	
Ladies' Guild			
Parochial work	413.01	413.01	
Altar, Guild			
Flowers and linen.....	14.00	14.00	

Junior Guild			
Parish work	27.80	27.80	
Total for Missoula			\$601.36

MISSIONS—

Church of the Ascension, Belgrade.

Ascension Guild			
Stipend	\$ 10.00		
Easter flowers	2.20		
Use of Baptist church	1.00	\$ 13.20	
Total for Belgrade			\$ 13.20

St. Luke's, Belt.

St. Luke's Guild			
Interest	\$135.00		
Hall rent	10.00		
Insurance	18.75		
Paid on note	100.00		
Janitor work.....	7.50	\$271.25	
Total for Belt			\$271.25

St. Mark's, Big Timber.

St. Mark's Guild			
Parish expenses	\$ 61.68		
Organ fund	20.00	\$ 81.68	
Total for Big Timber			\$81.68

Good Shepherd, Bridger.

Guild of the Good Shepherd			
Clergyman's salary	\$ 14.00		
Painting and cleaning church	18.00		
Interest on church loan	60.00		
Running expenses	40.00	\$132.00	
Total for Bridger			\$132.00

St. Thomas, Boulder.

St. Thomas' Guild			
Light and janitor	\$ 16.00		
Episcopate fund	20.50		
Lay Reader	25.00		
Taxes and Insurance	37.92		
Convention fund	6.50		
Work on rectory	81.25		
Miscellaneous	19.75	\$206.92	
Total for Boulder			\$206.92

St. Paul's, Butte.

St. Paul's Guild			
Insurance	\$ 88.50		
On rectory debt	70.00	\$158.50	
Total for Butte			\$158.50

St. Stephen's, Chouteau.

St. Stephen's Guild	
Miscellaneous expenses	\$ 23.73
Principal of note	375.50
Interest on notes	172.50
Episcopate fund	20.00
Sunday School papers	11.10
Minister's salary	44.65
	<u>\$647.48</u>

Total for Chouteau	\$647.48
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St. Paul's, Columbus.

St. Cecelia's Guild	
Purchase of lots	\$100.00
Parochial expenses	50.00
	<u>\$150.00</u>

Total for Columbus	\$150.00
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St. James', Deer Lodge.

St. James' Guild	
Current expenses, including salaries	\$782.05
Repairs and improvements	343.05
Convention fund	14.30
	<u>\$1139.40</u>
St. Margaret's Guild	
Current expenses	\$ 28.40
Repairs and improvements	10.90
	<u>39.30</u>

Total for Deer Lodge	\$1178.70
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St. Paul's, McDonald Creek.

St. Paul's Missionary Bureau	
Expense of putting up bell and fence	\$ 3.50
Altar cloth and finishings	1.00
Traveling expenses for clergyman	5.50
Lights	.25
Flowers	13.50
	<u>\$ 23.75</u>

Total for McDonald Creek	\$ 23.75
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St. Paul's, Fort Benton

Ladies' Auxiliary	
Insurance	\$ 31.00
Lights and fuel	40.90
Choir caps	5.00
Organist	32.00
Cleaning church	5.00
Repairing rectory	22.20
	<u>\$136.10</u>

Total for Fort Benton	\$136.10
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St. Matthew's, Glendive.

St. Matthew's Guild	
Parish expenses	\$ 37.60
Rectorry Improvements	210.25
Street tax for curbing	65.20

Loan paid	164.70	
Laundry	2.80	\$489.55
St. Margaret's Society		
Alm's Basin and altar desk, etc.....	30.60	30.60
Total for Glendive		\$511.15

St. Paul's Hamilton.

St. Paul's Guild		
Choir director	\$125.00	
Screens for choir	9.20	
Bishop Brewer, to repay loan	54.00	
Repairs on rectory	9.00	
Choir cassocks	21.34	
Episcopate fund	9.20	\$227.74

Total for Hamilton\$227.74

Church of Our Saviour, Joliet.

Episcopal Guild		
Church debt	\$220.00	
Repairs to church	33.90	\$253.90

Total for Joliet\$253.90

Trinity, Madison Valley.

Trinity Guild		
Christmas tree	\$ 6.95	
Lights	35.70	
Insurance	56.00	
Interest on church debt for two years...	20.75	
Traveling expenses of Missionary	27.00	
Wood and janitor	18.00	
Expenses of Missionary at hotel	7.00	\$171.40

Total for Madison Valley\$171.40

St. Andrew's, Philipsburg.

St. Mary's Guild		
Current expenses, including salary	\$312.20	
Repairs and improvements	31.15	\$343.35

Total for Philipsburg\$343.35

Calvary, Red Lodge.

Calvary Guild		
Church improvements	\$ 80.00	
Care of church	13.00	
Flowers	8.00	
Tracts	1.20	\$112.20

Total for Red Lodge\$112.20

St. Luke's, Sun River.

Ladies' Guild		
Lumber and fixtures	\$ 15.30	\$ 15.30

Total for Sun River\$ 15.30

St. Paul's Virginia City.

St. Paul's Guild			
Stove for parish room	\$ 23.00		
Repairs on church	9.90		
Repairs on rectory	6.05		
Water for church lawn	4.00		
Rector's traveling expenses	26.00		
Fuel	64.35		
Interest on rectory debt	13.40		
Rectory debt	152.30	\$ 298.00	
St. Mary's guild			
On rector's salary	5.00		
Fuel and lights	1.25		
Hotel bill	4.00	\$ 10.25	
Total for Virginia City		\$309.25	
Total for parochial work		\$11100.22	

The following amounts have been contributed during the year for Missionary purposes:

St. Mark's, Anaconda.

St. Mark's Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	\$ 25.00		
St. Agnes' Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	\$ 10.00		
Alaska Box	20.00	\$ 30.00	
Total for Anaconda		\$ 55.00	

St. James, Bozeman.

St. James' Guild			
St. Peter's Hospital	\$ 10.00		
Bishop's Missionary	60.00		
Alaska Box	10.00		
Bishop Brewer Scholarship	5.00	\$ 85.00	
Total for Bozeman		\$ 85.00	

St. John's, Butte.

Woman's Auxiliary			
Honolulu	\$ 10.00		
United Offering	8.00		
Bishop Brewer Scholarship	5.00		
Alaska box	20.10	\$ 43.10	
Senior Chapter Daughters of the King			
Self Denial Fund for support of our Missionary in China	5.00	5.00	
Rector's Aid			
Bishop's Missionary	10.00		
United offering	1.00	11.00	
Total for Butte		\$ 59.10	

St. James', Dillon.

Woman's Auxiliary				
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 35.00		
Honolulu	.....	10.00		
Dillon scholarship in Africa	.....	25.00		
Bishop Brewer scholarship	.....	5.00		
United Offering for 1913	.....	20.50		
Rectory building fund in Kansas	.....	1.00		
Alaska box	.....	17.10	\$113.60	
	Total for Dillon	.....		\$113.60

Church of the Incarnation, Great Falls.

Woman's Guild and Auxiliary				
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 60.00	\$ 60.00	
St. Agnes' Guild				
Bishop's Missionary	.....	40.00	40.00	
Sunday School Junior Auxiliary				
Alaska box	.....	25.00	25.00	
	Total Great Falls	.....		\$125.00

Christ Church, Kalispell.

Christ Church Guild				
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 15.00		
Domestic Missions	.....	3.50	\$ 18.50	
	Total Kalispell	.....		\$ 18.50

St. Peter's, Helena.

Woman's Auxiliary				
Bisnop's Missionary	.....	\$200.00		
Hospital	.....	45.00		
General Missions	.....	100.00		
Honolulu	.....	80.00		
Bishop Brewer scholarship	.....	5.00		
United Offering in Bank	.....	2.50		
Alaska box	.....	125.00		
Memorial to Hospital	.....	184.66		
Apron to Lockport, Ill.	.....	2.60	\$744.76	
	Total for Helena	.....		\$744.86

St. Andrew's, Livingston.

St. Andrew's Guild				
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00	
	Total for Livingston	.....		\$ 35.00

The Church of the Holy Spirit, Missoula.

Woman's Parochial and Missionary Society				
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 50.00		
General Missions	.....	25.00		
Alaska box	.....	40.00	\$115.00	
	Junior Guild	.....	14.00	14.00
	Total for Missoula	.....		\$129.00

MISSIONS—

Church of the Ascension, Belgrade.

Ascension Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 2.50	
St. Peter's Hospital	.....	12.50	
General Missions	.....	6.37	
Alaska box	.....	7.25	\$ 28.62
Total for Belgrade			\$ 28.62

St. Mark's, Big Timber.

St. Mark's Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 15.00	
General Missions	.....	7.00	\$ 22.00
Total for Big Timber			\$ 22.00

St. Thomas', Boulder.

St. Thomas' Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 35.00	\$ 35.00
Total Boulder			\$ 35.00

St. Paul's Butte.

St. Paul's Guild			
Bishop's Mission	.....	\$ 10.00	\$ 10.00
Total Butte			\$ 10.00

St. Andrew's Centerville.

St. Andrew's Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 25.00	
General Missions	.....	10.00	\$ 35.00
Total Centerville			\$ 35.00

St. James, Deer Lodge.

St. James' Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 49.95	
General Missions	.....	30.00	\$ 79.95
Total, Deer Lodge			\$ 79.95

St. Paul's McDonald Creek.

St. Paul's Missionary Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 5.00	
Chair for H. Brewer Hospital	.....	17.00	
St. Peter's Hospital	.....	5.00	
United Offering	.....	5.00	
Alaska box	.....	28.30	\$ 60.30
Total for McDonald Creek			\$ 60.30

St. Paul's, Fort Benton.

Ladies' Auxiliary			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 25.00	
General Missions	.....	25.00	\$ 40.00
Total, Fort Benton		.....	\$ 40.00

St. Paul's, Hamilton.

St. Paul's Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 25.0	
Rectory fund, Lamar, Missouri	.....	1.45	26.45
Total for Hamilton		.....	\$ 26.45

Trinity, Madison Valley.

Trinity Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 15.00	
General Missions	.....	9.00	\$ 24.00
Total, Madison Valley		.....	\$ 24.00

Calvary, Red Lodge.

Calvary Guild			
General Missions	.....	\$ 20.00	\$ 20.00
Total Red Lodge		.....	\$ 20.00

St. Andrew's, Philipsburg.

St. Mary's Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 12.50	\$ 12.50
Total, Philipsburg		.....	\$ 12.50

St. Paul's, Virginia City.

St. Paul's Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	\$ 34.80	
General Missions	.....	22.00	
Alaska box	.....	55.30	\$112.10
St. Mary's Guild			
Bishop's Missionary	.....	10.00	10.00
Girl's Guild			
Alaska box	.....	13.65	13.65
Total, Virginia City		.....	\$135.75

Recapitulation.

Cash, Diocesan	.....	\$1088.91	
Cash, General	.....	405.02	
Total Cash for Missions	.....		\$1543.93
Boxes for Missions	.....		375.70
Total for Missions	.....		\$ 1919.63
Total for Parochial	.....	
Grand total for woman's work..		.....	\$13019.85

