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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

In reporting the ninth year of the Nebraska Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, I have the consciousness of a certain monotony of routine in our work that is difficult to avoid in these yearly reports, and yet must be avoided, for where the spirit of true enthusiasm is there can be no monotony, however often the story of work begun in faith and finished in love may be repeated. As there is no monotony to us in the order of the universe, the natural succession of days and nights, so there should be none in the spiritual order, the reasonable service of men and women in the household of God. Every day and every year may have its same succession of duties and accomplishment, but, with an interest that never flags, a zeal that increases rather than grows threadbare, should we pursue the course marked out for us among the constellations of the heavenly world.

This year has not been one of any very marked advance with us, so far as we can see. We have no new Branches to report, and one formed last year has dissolved, making us a total of twenty-three. There are a number of places where we ought to have Branches, notably in Columbus, where one is much needed to consolidate and direct the work in the western part of the Diocese, but until our clergy and our women come to understand that they can never do

their best work in their own parish until they have stretched out their hands to the larger interests of the Church outside, never in real conflict with, though often over reaching and changing the direction of the parish work, we shall be hampered by the narrow spirit of parochialism that cannot look higher than its own church spire and so fails to see the others.

The quarterly meetings were of great interest. The first was held November 14th. Mrs. Worthington, who had been at the Missionary Council, returned full of enthusiasm for foreign missions and gave a more distinctly foreign direction to our work than ever before, in the two objects of Miss Crummer's support and the pledge to the Deaconess Home in Shanghai, both of which, undertaken with some misgiving, have been successfully carried through. It was at this meeting we had the interesting talk on India, by Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, natives of Bombay, who have worked as missionaries there, and besides giving an interesting account of native life and character, illustrated what they said by showing the costumes and rendering several very sweet native hymns. Mr. Johnson also addressed the members on how the caste system exists not only in India but also in America. At the quarterly meeting held February 19th, we had the privilege of hearing Bishop Tuttle on the scope and power of the Woman's Auxiliary. He gave us a valuable and much needed lesson on woman's place and privilege in the Church of God, and made us justly proud of our name, "Auxiliaries" in such a service. He conducted a retreat for the women of the Auxiliary on the following day, and many found it a preparation for the Lent that followed. Our thanks are due the Dean and the Trinity Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary for their kind hospitality on that day.

There were four meetings of the Missions class

during the winter, the first one being held December 13th. The work began with a study of the growth of the English Church from earliest ages down to the Missionary movement of the Nineteenth Century. This was followed, in the second class held January 16th, by a series of papers on the development and history of the American Church. On March 13th, Indian Missions were taken up, and the class on April 17th, made a study of Foreign Missions, their history and the present work of our Church in China and Africa. There was a great deal of time and labor spent in the preparation of these papers, and all who have attended these classes have felt the benefit of a wider knowledge of the work. We must know about things before we can be interested in them, and the learning about missions is one of the prime objects of our organization. Our president is very anxious that the Branches outside of Omaha should have some benefit from this class, and will send any of the papers desired at the request of any Branch. Our country Branches sometimes complain that they have so little to acquaint them with and interest them in the general work of the Church, but is it altogether the fault of the officers? Do they not realize that it is hardly possible for the general officers to go into a parish and hold a meeting with missionary talks without invitation from either the rector or the president of the Branch. I think if a few more such definite invitations were sent to our president, they would meet with a hearty response, for there is nothing she is more deeply interested in than the development and sustaining of our weaker and more distant Branches.

In the latter part of December, the president and secretary held a special meeting in Beatrice. About twenty-five ladies were present and a good deal of enthusiasm was manifested. It was a very pleasant experience to the visitors who met many members of the

Branch and learned much about the local conditions of the work that they could not otherwise have known.

The Branch of the Good Shepherd has had two meetings for studying Missionary work. The Advent meeting, which the vice-president and the secretary were invited to attend, had China for its subject, one of especial interest to us now that we have a personal interest in Miss Crummer, who is working there

It is rather for the treasurer than the secretary to speak of the hard times. One word, perhaps, I may say. Man's necessity is God's opportunity, and while our harvests lie blighted upon our parched fields, His harvests may be springing up abundantly in our stricken and softened hearts. Certainly the list of boxes sent out would seem to confirm this hope. They are treble in number and nearly double in value those prepared and sent last year. Of course a few of these were June boxes, really prepared last year, but sent too late to be reported at the Annual meeting. There are twenty-nine boxes in all, with a valuation approximating \$675.00. Just one word about the valuation of boxes. It has to be expressed approximately in figures. Those who make up boxes can best do this. As a general rule, with new material, the work doubles the value of material; of course this is not the case in household linen where there is very little work. Then one half cost of material counted for the work would be fair, unless the Branch has a regular scale of prices for such work. With second hand garments those who look over them can tell about what they are worth, and it is very difficult for the general secretary to set a value on boxes she has never seen, even when list of contents is given. Not knowing cost of material she may easily over estimate or under estimate, and it would be of great assistance to her to have the different Branches set a value upon their box as they send it out. Of these boxes here

noted, four were sent by our Junior Auxiliaries. It is very much to be desired that the work and interest of our young people should be fostered and encouraged by every means in our power. Every Branch that has a Junior department should show some interest in it, members meeting with it from time to time, telling them missionary stories, trying to win their interest—it is easy to do it with children—to the great work of the church at home and abroad. And what is the duty of those Branches that have no Junior Auxiliaries? Of course if there are absolutely no children in a parish, they may hold themselves excused. A childless church has no future and dying with the present generation how can it work for that in which it can have no part? Let each be her own judge in this matter. Alas, how many of us are self condemned!

I come now to the hardest part of all—the good-byes. My work in this Branch of the Auxiliary has been a great pleasure to me, and while I have to regret many mistakes, much waste that I might have saved, I have to thank you for an unwavering patience and a faith in me that has often been a sustaining power to me. It is you who have taught me about the missionary work of our dear Church, receiving me into your number when I came here a stranger and ignorant of so many things that a born daughter of the Church knows by instinct, ignorant most of all of the Woman's Auxiliary and its work for God. I shall not soon forget either the lessons or my teachers and guides, and praying God's Holy Spirit may ever guide us all into a wider knowledge, a fuller light, a richer life, I give up my work among you to better hands than mine, perhaps more zealous ones. Let us hope so, and the consuming fire of a zeal for God's house render our souls and bodies a living sacrifice, which is after all only our reasonable service.

Respectfully Submitted.

EV A LEE MATTHEWS.

DIOCESAN OFFICERS, 1895-1896.

THE RT. REV. GEORGE WORTHINGTON, S. T. D., LL D.
 President MRS. GEO. WORTHINGTON, Omaha
 Vice President MRS. PHILIP POTTER, Omaha
 Rural Vice Presidents

Secretary, MRS. F. B. TRACY, 2203 Howard St. Omaha
 Treas., MRS. R. R. RINGWALT, 38 Barker Blk, Omaha

PAROCHIAL BRANCHES.

St. John's, Albion.

ORGANIZED DEC. 11, 1893.

REV. DAVID C. PATTEE, Missionary.

President Mrs. Gates
 Vice president Mrs. Loughran
 Secretary, Mrs. Howard W. Hamilton
 Treasurer, Mrs. Quackenbush
 Members 13; meetings fortnightly; average attendance 8.

Work: underwear and house linen, for poor of Boone county, value, \$10.

St. Stephen's, Ashland.

ORGANIZED MAY 28, 1886.

REV. A. GRANT MUSSON, Rector

President Mrs. S. S. Fales
 Secretary Mrs. E. F. Abbott
 Treasurer Miss E. Wiggenhorn
 Directresses Mrs. A. G. Musson, Mrs. Lamoreaux

Members, 16; meetings for work, weekly excepting in summer; for business, monthly; average attendance, 8.

Work: Box to St. Luke's Hospital, \$62.50; box to St. John's Mission, (Indian school) Ft. Bennett, S. D., \$45.00; set of altar linen to Holy Cross House, Westminster, Md., \$45.00. The first named box was nearly completed before the meeting in 1894.

Junior Auxiliary.

ORGANIZED MARCH, 1894.

No Report.

Ascension, Auburn.

ORGANIZED JUNE 25, 1891.

President Mrs. F. A. Welton
 Vice President Mrs. Robert Teare
 Secretary and Treasurer
 Meetings fortnightly
 Work; for Clarkson Hospital, value \$8.15.

Junior Auxiliary.

ORGANIZED FEB. 10, 1894.

No Report.

Christ Church, Beatrice.

ORGANIZED APRIL 25, 1888.

REV. J. O. DAVIS, Rector.

President Mrs. H. P. Dix
 Secretary Miss Eugenie Lee Gregory
 Treasurer Mrs. J. C. Parker
 Members, 52; meetings subject to call; average attendance, 16.

Trinity, Cedar Rapids

ORGANIZED, JAN., 1894.

REV. DAVID C. PATTEE, Rector.

President	Mrs. A. B. Benham
Vice President	Mrs A. C. Stowell
Secretary	Mrs. Lewis Leslie
Treasurer	Mrs. S. S. Hadley
Members, 11; meetings fortnightly; average attendance, 6.	
Work; for Clarkson Hospital	Not valued.

Christ Church, Central City

ORGANIZED FEB. 20, 1890.

REV. A. E. MARSH, Rector.

President	Mrs. Sellman
Secretary and Treasurer	Mrs. A. E. Marsh
Members, 14; meetings fortnightly, except during Lent; average attendance, 6.	

St. Augustine's, DeWitt

ORGANIZED APRIL, 1894.

REV. G. BERNARD CLARKE, Rector

President	Mrs. Harry Millie
Secretary	Miss Mabel Doering
Treasurer	Mrs. Walter Haitman

St. Thomas', Falls City

ORGANIZED APRIL 4, 1894.

REV. IRVING E. BAXTER, Rector.

President	Mrs. Herbst
Vice President	Mrs. Wylie
Secretary	Mrs. Kate E. Thomas
Treasurer	Mrs. Jusson
Members, 15; meetings, monthly; during Lent, weekly; average attendance, 8.	
Work: Box to western Nebraska, value, \$30.00, and relief to local poor.	

St. James', Fremont

ORGANIZED, MAY 13, 1889.

No Report.

Holy Trinity, Lincoln

ORGANIZED JUNE 28, 1886.

REV. JOHN HEWITT, Rector.

President Mrs. J. C. Kier
 Secretary Mrs. C. C. Waldo
 Treasurer Mrs. A. Pickup
 Members, 70; meetings, monthly; average attendance, 12.

Work. Box to Home of the Friendless, value, \$10.

St. Mary's, Nebraska City

REV. W. H. SPARLING, Rector.

President Mrs. E. Wolfe
 Vice President Miss Stafford
 Secretary and Treasurer Mrs. H. Wodehouse
 Members, 26; meetings, first Wednesday in each month; average attendance, 10.

All Saints', Omaha

ORGANIZED NOVEMBER 1, 1889.

REV. T. J. MAKAY, Rector.

President Mrs. G. C. Cockrell
 Secretary and Treasurer Mrs. Charles Tatum
 Members, 30; average attendance, 18.

Associate Mission, Omaha

ORGANIZED MAY, 1892

The REVS. SAMUEL G. WELLES, IRVING JOHNSON,
 H. PERCY SILVER, CHAS. HUBBARD YOUNG
 AND S. A. W. PRAY, Priests in Charge.
 President Mrs. Montmorency
 Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Bertha Ruf.

Members, 13; meetings monthly; average attendance, 8.

Work: Box for Rev. Mr. Johnson, South Omaha, \$45.00; box to Rev. J. H. Morris, Grand Mound, Washington, \$25.00; box to the Mission of Our Merciful Saviour, \$14.00. Each member is pledged to make one garment each month at home.

Brownell Hall, Omaha.

ORGANIZED MAY, 1886.

Rev. ROBERT DOHERTY, S. T. D., Rector.
 President Miss Davenport
 Secretary Miss Laura Meade
 Treasurer Miss Diebold
 Members, 30; meetings weekly during school year; average attendance, 20.

Good Shepherd, Omaha

ORGANIZED, MAY, 1888.

REV. J. P. D. LLWYD, Rector.
 President, Mrs. D. L. Thomas
 Vice-President, Mrs. Pardee
 Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. George Lourie
 Members, 15; meetings held, 15; average attendance, 8.

Work: Two missionary teas, proceeds of one for Miss Crummer, of the other for drouth sufferers in the Diocese of the Platte; collection of 75,000 canceled stamps.

St. Barnabas, Omaha.

ORGANIZED, MAY 2nd, 1886.

REV. JOHN WILLIAMS, Rector.
 President, Mrs. Churchill Parker
 Vice-President, Mrs. James Van Nostrand

Secretary, Mrs. C. W. Lyman
 Treasurer, Mrs. John Field
 Directress, Mrs. W. A. Atwood
 Members, 41; meetings, weekly; average attendance, 7.

Work: Box sent to Hayes Center, Nebraska, and other sewing.

St. John's, Omaha

ORGANIZED, MAY 24, 1886.

REV. CHAS. HUBBARD YOUNG, Missionary.
 President, Mrs. F. B. Thomas
 Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. R. E. McKelvy
 Members, 18; meetings, weekly; average attendance, 6.

Work; Sewing school conducted from October to June.

Junior Auxiliary.

No Report.

St. Matthias', Omaha

ORGANIZED NOV., 1890.

REV. D. A. BONNER, Missionary.
 President, Mrs. J. M. Edwards
 Vice President, Mrs. J. N. Cornish
 Secretary, Mrs. George Smith
 Treasurer, Mrs. E. J. Davis
 Directresses, Mrs. E. E. Bruce, Mrs. R. L. Buchanan
 Members, 24; meetings held 22, average attendance, 11.

Box to Mission of Our Merciful Saviour, \$6.00; two boxes to Rev. Mr. Knox of the Diocese of the Platte, \$162.10; box to Clarkson Hospital, \$10.50; cake sale, parlor entertainment and banquet prepared for a masonic society, to raise funds.

Junior Auxiliary.

ORGANIZED, FEB. 2, 1894.

Directress, Mrs. E. Elmer
 President, Mrs. Truax
 Secretary, Miss Louise Edwards
 Treasurer, Miss Nancy Dorsey
 Meetings held 22; average attendance, 12.

Outfits for two children of a missionary in the
 Diocese of the Platte; box for Clarkson Hospital; tea
 festival to raise funds.

St. Philip's, Omaha

ORGANIZED, JAN. 7, 1892.

REV. JOHN ALBERT WILLIAMS, Missionary,
 President, Mrs. Jessie Neuman
 Secretary, Mrs. Maynard L. Wilson
 Treasurer, Mrs. Albert N. Wade
 Members, 12; meetings held, 40.

Work for Clarkson Hospital; social and apron
 sale to raise funds.

Trinity Cathedral, Omaha

ORGANIZED MAY 24, 1886.

VERY REV. CHAS. H. GARDNER, Dean.
 President, Mrs. M. L. Wolfe
 Secretary, Mrs. R. D. Stearns
 Treasurer, Mrs. Heth
 Directress, Mrs. W. W. Williams
 Members, 36; meetings, weekly; average attendance, 10.

Box to Mission of our Merciful Saviour, \$14.00;
 box to Clarkson Hospital, \$12.00; box for Rev. Mr.
 Hines of Elk Point, S. D., \$50.00; Christmas box to
 Arapahoe Sunday school, \$2.00; bed linen to King's
 Daughters, \$5.00

St. Luke's, Plattsmouth

ORGANIZED MAY 27, 1886.

REV. H. B. BURGESS, Rector

President, Miss Alice Eaton
 Vice President, Mrs. A. W. White
 Secretary and Treasurer, Miss Dora Herold
 Members, 26; meetings semi-monthly; average
 attendance, 8.

Box to Clarkson Hospital and parochial work.

St. Martin's, South Omaha

ORGANIZED, MAY, 1890.

REV. IRVING P. JOHNSON, Missionary

President, Mrs. A. L. Lott
 Secretary, Mrs. John B. Watkins
 Treasurer, Mrs. A. F. Gooch
 Corresponding Secretary Mrs. E. J. Seykora
 Members, 14; meetings fortnightly or oftener;
 average attendance, 5.

St. Paul's, Wilber

ORGANIZED, MAY, 1894

REV. G. BERNARD CLARKE, Missionary.

President, Mrs. John Barton
 Secretary, Miss Jessie Goodell
 Treasurer Miss Adelaide Suiter
 No stated meetings or membership.
 One entertainment to raise funds.

St. Luke's, Wymore

ORGANIZED, MAR. 8, 1894.

REV. IRVING E. BAXTER, Missionary

No Report.

Junior Auxiliary

President, Mrs. L. Mitchell
 Vice President, Miss Carrie Philbrick

Secretary, Miss Christie Philbrick
Treasurer, Miss Kathleen McGuire
Secretary of Chinese work, Miss Pearl Given
Members, 40; meetings, weekly; average attendance, 28.

Christ Church, Wyoming

ORGANIZED, FEB., 1894.

President, Mrs. E. Woolsey
Secretary, Miss Della West
Treasurer, Miss Ida Gregg
Members, 8; meetings held, 11; average attendance, 6.
Two entertainments to raise funds.
Branch suspended.

**TREASURER'S REPORT NEBRASKA BRANCH,
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, 1894-95.**

May 25, 1894, Balance in bank.....	\$ 97 92
Nov. 14, Offering Quarterly Meeting,	5 00
Feb. 19, 1895, " " " A. M.	5 97
" " " P. M.	9 80

DIOCESAN FEES PAID.

Auburn, Ascension	\$1 00
Beatrice, Christ Church	1 00
Central City, Christ Church	1 00
Lincoln, Holy Trinity	1 00
Omaha, All Saints	1 00
Good Shepherd	1 00
S. Barnabas	1 00
S. John	1 00
S. Matthias	1 00
Trinity Cathedral	1 00
South Omaha, S. Martin	1 00
	\$ 11 00
	\$ 129 69

CREDIT

June 5, 1894, Printing for Annual Meeting ..	\$ 3 00
Nov. 14 Postage Stamps	1 00
Expressage	75
26, Diocesan Branch to Rev. Irving Johnson for Mission at So. Omaha	25 00
Feb. 19, 1895, Expenses Rt. Rev. D. S. Tuttle for quarterly meeting	16 00
Diocesan Branch to Deaconess Home, China	15 00

May 27, Postage Stamps.....	1 00
28, Balance in bank to credit Diocesan	
Branch.....	67 94
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	\$ 129 69

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

Ashland, St. Stephen.....	\$ 5 00
Beatrice, Christ Church.....	22 00
Central City, Christ Church.....	5 25
Lincoln, Holy Trinity.....	50 00
" " Special for S. Andrew	50 00
Omaha, All Saints.....	50 00
Associate Mission.....	10 00
Brownell Hall.....	20 00
Good Shepherd.....	25 00
St. Barnabas—Special for Merciful	
Saviour.....	50 00
St. John.....	15 00
St. Matthias.....	55 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	100 00
Papillion, St Margaret, 1893-1894 Pledge.....	5 00
Plattsmouth, St. Luke.....	10 00
South Omaha, St. Martin.....	10 00
Wyoming, Christ Church.....	1 65
Mrs. O. M. Carter, 1893-1894, pledge.....	25 00
Mrs. S. H. Windsor.....	10 00
In Memory, Miss Worthington.....	25 00
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	\$543 90

CREDIT.

Mr. C. W. Lyman, Diocesan Treasurer.....	\$ 418 90
Rev. John Williams, Treasurer Mission Our	
Merciful Saviour.....	37 00
Rev. John Hewitt, for St. Andrew Mission,	
Lincoln.....	50 00
Paid to Mr. C. W. Lyman by treas-	

urer Trinity Cathedral Branch	\$ 25 00
Paid to Rev. Jno. Williams by treas-	
urer S. Barnabas' Branch	12 50

	\$ 543 90

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

Beatrice, Christ Church	\$ 3 50
Falls City, S. Thomas	5 00
Lincoln, Holy Trinity	15 00
" " " " For Mrs. Buford	1 00
Omaha, All Saints	25 00
Associate Mission	5 00
Good Shepherd	2 50
S. Matthias	5 00
Trinity Cathedral	10 00
Wilber, S. Paul	2 50
From a member of the Diocesan	
Branch for Bishop Graves	
Missionary Jurisdiction Platte	200 00

	\$ 274 50

CREDIT.

Paid Miss Julia C. Emery, Gen. Sec	\$ 74 50
Paid direct to Bishop Graves	200 00

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Ashland, S. Stephen	5 00
Beatrice, Christ Churc...	3 50
Lincolu, Holy Trinity	10 00
Omaha, Good Shepherd	2 50
S. Barnabas	5 00
S. John	5 00
S. Matthias	5 00
Trinity Cathedral	10 00
Wilber, S. Paul	2 50
Wyoming, Christ Church	1 65

	\$50 15

CREDIT.

Paid Miss Julia C. Emery, Gen. Sec. \$ 50 15
 MISS CRUMMER FUND.

Ashland, S. Stephen.....	\$ 10 00
Central City, Christ Church.....	5 00
Omaha, All Saints.....	5 00
Good Shepherd.....	4 00
S. Barnabas.....	5 00
Trinity Cathedral.....	10 00
Mrs. George Worthington.....	50 00
Miss E. L. Matthews.....	10 00
Mrs. Philip Potter.....	5 00
Mrs. R. R. Ringwalt.....	12 00

CREDIT.

Paid Mrs. Geo. Worthington for Miss Crummer.....	\$ 100 00
Paid Miss Julia C. Emery for Miss Crummer.....	5 00
Balance in Bank for Miss C.....	11 00
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	\$116 00

DEACONESS' HOME, CHINA.

Beatrice, Christ Church.....	\$ 7 00
Omaha, Trinity Cathedral.....	5 00
Miss E. L. Matthews.....	10 00
Mrs. Geo. Worthington.....	5 40
Mrs. W. T. Whitmarsh.....	5 00
Mrs. Philip Potter.....	1 00
Mrs. R. R. Ringwalt.....	1 00
Mrs. A. W. Macnab.....	50
A Member.....	10
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	\$35 09

Voted by Diocesan Branch at Quarterly

Meeting, Feb. 19, 1895. \$ 15 00

..... \$50 00

CREDIT.

Paid Mrs. Geo. Worthington for Deaconess' Home \$50 00
FOR THE UNITED OFFERING.
DeWitt, S. Augustine \$ 3 00

CREDIT.

Balance in bank to credit this fund \$ 3 00

RECAPITULATION.

Diocesan Missions	.....	\$ 543 90
Domestic Missions	.....	274 50
Foreign Missions	.....	50 15
Miss Crummer Fund	.....	116 00
Deaconess' Home, China	.....	50 00
United Offering	.....	3 00
Diocesan Fees	.....	11 00
Offertories	.....	20 77

Cash	.....	\$ 1,069 32
Cash Value of Missionary Boxes sent	.....	772 35

Grand Total. \$ 1,841 67

PLEDGES FOR DIOCESAN MISSIONS, 1895-1896.

Central City, Christ Church	.....	\$ 6 00
Lincoln, Holy Trinity	.....	50 00
Lincoln, Holy Trinity (special for S. Andrew)	.....	50 00
Nebraska City, S. Mary	.....	5 00
Omaha, All Saints	.....	50 00
" Associate Mission	.....	10 00
" Good Shepherd	.....	25 00

"	S. Barnabas.....	50 00
"	S. John.....	15 00
"	S. Matthias.....	50 00
"	S. Philip.....	25 00
"	Trinity Cathedral.....	100 00
	Plattsmouth, S. Luke.....	10 00
	In memory of Miss Worthington .	25 00

		\$ 471 00

KATHRYN A. RINGWALT, Treasurer.



