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Constitution.

I.

NAME.

The name of this Society shall be, "THE NEW JERSEY BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS."

II.

OBJECT.

The object of this Society is to interest all women in the general Missionary Work of the Church, to communicate Missionary intelligence, and to secure increased contributions and prayers for the spread of the Gospel of Christ.

III.

OFFICERS.

The officers of this Society shall consist of a President, five Vice-Presidents, and a Secretary and Treasurer, to be chosen by the delegates from Parish Societies, at the Annual Meeting, and approved by the Bishop.

IV.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS.

The President shall preside at all meetings, and perform such duties as usually appertain to that office. The President and Vice-Presidents shall have charge and oversight of the several branches of mission work respectively—one for Domestic, one for Indian, one for Freedman, one for Foreign, one for Mexico, and one for Diocesan Missions.

V.

REPRESENTATION.

Any Parish may become a member of this Society, by appointing a Secretary and notifying the President. The Secretary of the Parish Society is expected to correspond with the Diocesan Officers, and they

alone correspond with the Secretaries in New York, and transmit to them all moneys.

Each Parish shall send to the Annual and Semi-Annual Meetings, two or more delegates.

VI.

VOTES.

Two votes are allowed from each Parish. (If delegates disagree, the votes are lost.)

VII.

MEETINGS.

Two meetings will be held, Annual and Semi-Annual, and Special Meetings may be appointed by the President, at the call of four or more Parishes.

VIII.

AMENDMENTS.

The Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote at any Annual Meeting.

Report of the Secretary and Treasurer.

The Thirteenth Annual Meeting of the New Jersey Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held at St. Michael's Church, Trenton, on Wednesday, April 25th. The meeting was a large and interesting one, and was attended by delegates from thirty-eight parishes.

The opening services consisted of the celebration of the Holy Communion and an address from the Bishop, in which he spoke of the work and needs of the Auxiliary.

At the close of the service the business meeting was organized, Mrs. Clark presiding. The elections for the ensuing year resulted in the reinstatement of the officers then serving. The reports of the Secretaries of the Divisions were read, and showed especially in the Upper and Lower Branches most encouraging signs of interest and growth.

The reports from the Vice-Presidents of money and boxes sent to the different departments of the Mission field, were as follows:

For Domestic Missions .....	.....	.....	\$8,146 18
“ Diocesan “ .....	.....	.....	820 79
“ Indian “ .....	.....	.....	603 99
“ Foreign “ .....	.....	.....	756 42
“ Freedmen “ .....	.....	.....	282 65
“ Mexican “ (under Rev. Mr Gordon). ....	.....	.....	102 00
Total .....	.....	.....	\$5,712 03

The President read her annual report, and interesting addresses were given by different members of the Auxiliary.

From the "Ten Cent Missionary Fund," which is raised by an assessment of ten cents upon each member of the Auxiliary, the following appropriations were made: For Scholarship in a preparatory school at Osaka, Japan, \$25.00; for Domestic Contingent Fund, \$25.00.

Two Scholarships have been established in the Japanese Theological School, to be called, respectively, the "Bishop

Scarborough" Scholarship, supported by St. Paul's, Camden, and the "Bishop Odenheimer" (in memoriam) Scholarship, supported by nine parishes of the Lower Division. The Auxiliary is also pledged for the support of a Japanese boy in a preparatory school at Osaka, Japan.

Since last May, six parishes have been added to our list: Grace Church, Crosswicks; St. Paul's, Camden; Grace Church, Westfield; St. John's, Chew's Landing; Christ Church, Middletown; and Church of the Ascension, Atlantic City.

We need the co-operation of *every* parish to respond to the earnest calls for help which come from all parts of the mission-field. In the opening of the new year, may we not hope that many more parish branches may be formed, and that *all* may realize how essential they are to the growth and prosperity of the entire work?

The Treasurer's Report is as follows:

RECEIPTS.	
Collections at Meetings.	\$45 99
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Paid for printing reports.	\$25 00
" " stationery, postage, etc.	4 75
Total.	\$29 75
Balance on hand.	16 24
	-\$45 99

TEN CENT MISSIONARY ASSESSMENT FUND.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance on hand April 25, 1888.	\$ 7 38
Annual dues.	84 15
Total.	\$91 53
DISBURSEMENTS.	
Paid for Scholarship, Osaka, Japan.	\$25 00
" " Domestic Contingent Fund.	25 00
Total.	\$50 00
Balance on hand.	41 53
	-\$91 53

SUMMARY.

Money and boxes sent from different departments.....	\$5,712 03
Collections at Meetings.....	45 99
Domestic Contingent Fund.....	25 00
Grand Total.....	\$5,783 02

Respectfully submitted,

ISABEL TWEEDY,

Secretary and Treasurer.

Domestic Missions.

Report for the Year 1887—1888.

BEVERLY—ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.

A box for a Missionary in Minnesota. Value..... \$113 50

BURLINGTON—ST. MARY'S CHURCH.

A box for Missionary in Kentucky. Value..... 169 85
Second box for the same..... 23 95

CAMDEN—ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

Two barrels of clothing, etc., for Grace Hospital, Seattle,
Washington Territory 45 00
Brick for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado..... 1 00

CAMDEN—ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

Brick for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado..... 1 00

CHEW'S LANDING—ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado..... 2 00

CROSSWICKS—GRACE CHURCH.

Domestic Missions..... 11 50

ELIZABETH—CHRIST CHURCH.

For Bishop Talbot's work..... 100 00
Brick for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado..... 1 00

ELIZABETH—TRINITY CHURCH.

Brick for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado..... 1 00
Box for a Mission in Virginia..... 50 00
Box for Pere Villatte's work in Fond du Lac. Value..... 168 00
For Bishop Talbot..... 50 00

ELIZABETH—ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.		
Box for a Missionary in Minnesota. Value.....	.....	\$403 52
Furniture and bedding for a room in Bishop Payne's Divinity School, Petersburg, Va., contributed by the Mothers' Missions .....	.....	45 00
Box by the Twenty Minute Society, for Virginia.....	.....	65 00
A communicant, for Bishop Talbot's work.....	.....	50 00
Brick for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	.....	1 00
FLORENCE—ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.		
Ulster sent to the son of a Missionary in Nebraska .....	.....	12 00
Overcoat sent to son of a Missionary in Mississippi.....	.....	9 00
Fancy articles for a sale for Mission in Ohio.....	.....	3 00
Fancy articles for a sale for Church in Pennsylvania.....	.....	10 00
Package for Nashotah.....	.....	20 00
Package for Hospital in Washington Territory.....	.....	6 00
Bricks from St. Anne's Guild, for St. Luke's Hospital, Col..	.....	4 00
FAIR HAVEN—CHAPEL OF HOLY COMMUNION.		
Two boxes for Domestic Missions .....	.....	30 00
FREEHOLD—ST. PETER'S CHURCH.		
Box for a Missionary in Texas.....	.....	53 00
Brick for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	.....	1 00
HADDONFIELD—GRACE CHURCH.		
Box for Hospital at Charlotte, N. C.....	.....	25 60
Towards Building Fund.....	.....	2 00
MERCHANTVILLE—GRACE CHURCH.		
Ladies' Aid Society, for Seattle, W. T. ....	.....	14 00
St. Agnes' Guild, for same .....	.....	8 00
Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	.....	4 00
MOORESTOWN—TRINITY CHURCH.		
Box for family of a Missionary in Dakota .....	.....	45 00
Brick for Hospital in Colorado .....	.....	1 00
MIDDLETOWN—CHRIST CHURCH.		
Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	.....	10 00
MOUNT HOLLY—TRINITY CHURCH.		
Lenten work for Hospital .....	.....	9 55
MOUNT HOLLY—ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.		
Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	.....	2 00
Box for Missionary in Minnesota .....	.....	170 00
NEW BRUNSWICK—CHRIST AND ST. JOHN'S CHURCHES.		
Box for Missionary in Illinois .....	.....	28 00
Suit for Missionary in Dakota.....	.....	23 00
Box for Missionary in Maryland.....	.....	113 75

PLAINFIELD—GRACE CHURCH.

Box for a Missionary in Wisconsin.....	\$293 00
Two boxes sent to Sisters of St. John the Baptist in New	
York, by "Ministering Children's League".....	45 00
Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	2 00

PLAINFIELD—HOLY CROSS CHURCH.

Box sent to St. Monica's School, Fond du Lac.....	342 42
Box sent to Church in Wyoming Territory.....	10 00
Cash for Missions.....	23 43
Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	3 00

RIVERTON—CHRIST CHURCH.

Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	2 00
Box sent to Grace Hospital, Wyoming Territory.....	27 85
Box sent to St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	32 95
Box for Hospital in Pennsylvania.....	44 35
Box for Mount Holly Home	8 00
Papers and books for Sunday School in Kentucky.....	5 00
Box for a Mission in Virginia, sent by "Twenty Minute So-	
ciety".....	35 00
Donations for teachers' salary, Utah.....	15 00

PRINCETON—TRINITY CHURCH.

Cash to Bishop Peterkin.....	10 00
Box to same.....	10 00

ROSELLE—ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

For a Mission in Virginia.....	20 00
Flower Mission in New York	12 00
Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	3 00

SALEM—ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

Box for a Missionary in Indiana.....	60 84
Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	5 00

SHREWSBURY—CHRIST CHURCH.

Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	13 00
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SOUTH AMBOY—CHRIST CHURCH.

Box for a Missionary in Florida.....	80 00
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SWEDESBORO—TRINITY CHURCH.

Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	9 00
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TRENTON—ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH.

Bricks for St. Luke's Hospital, Colorado.....	2 00
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WOODBRIDGE—TRINITY CHURCH.

Box for Domestic Missions.....	40 00
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WOODBURY—CHRIST CHURCH.

Two boxes for Domestic Missions.....	40 00
Cash.....	13 40

THE UPPER DIVISION.		
For Domestic Missions.....		\$27 70
RAHWAY—CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMFORTER.		
Box for Hospital.....		5 00
Total.....		\$.8,146 18

The year's report for Domestic Missions has been summed up. It compares most favorably with former work, as only one year in the ten, during which we have worked together, has yielded a larger amount. About \$28,000 in boxes and money have been contributed by the New Jersey Branch in those years. We would recount the work, not in a spirit of pride or satisfaction, but with gratitude to God, who has permitted us to labor in His service.

The work of providing missionary boxes was the first effort in the cause of missions entered into by the women of our Church. As children we needed then the stimulus of seeing results. Now the outlook shows that an era of more noble self-denying work is fast approaching. Our annual meetings with reports are cheering and healthful; but the missionary spirit in our women is fostered and strengthened by the hours passed at our Division Associations. There we meet to inquire about our personal duty in the cause of missions; there we see and hear the missionaries who are doing the work we can only share. Our prayers and praises are offered with theirs to the Lord of the whole earth; we are led to ask most earnestly whether we are doing all in our power for God's glory; and we return to our homes with hearty desires to do more for that Master who accepts even our feeblest efforts in His name.

Among the different reports of mission and parochial work sent in by women during the past year, we note with pleasure a most cheering feature. This is the growing interest shown in the formation of children's societies. Every mother before me knows full well what pleasure the little ones take in helping her in all she does. How happy they are

to work as *mother* does; how glad to add their mite to the interest manifested in all they see at home. A *Boys' Guild* was mentioned in a report from one of our noblest working parishes; and why may we not have one in every church? It appears to me that were all our boys and girls interested in missionary work this year, in ten years' time our Rectors might never have to plead for missions at home or abroad. This education of the young would result in such a love for others—such delight in doing their Master's will—that we might see many offering even their own lives to the glory of God and the interests of His cause in foreign lands. Let us work for this end. No labor is too great in connection with the youth of our parishes. "Give me the children," once said a valued Rector, "and I care not who has the hearts of the men and women." No child old enough to attend church services but can be led to an ardent love for missions, if the mother loves the cause also.

To-day we have garnered the sheaves of our year of work and presented them to the Lord of the harvest, who alone seeth the motives and knoweth full well if each worker "hath done what she could." To Him be all the praise, and from Him we must await our reward.

One who labored in earnestness with us has been called to her rest. Our friend and associate, Mrs. Elvin K. Smith, has joined the company of the redeemed, and hers is now the glad refrain of the Harvest Home. May her example prove an incentive to fuller growth in grace and the love of good works, through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

S. H. CLARK,

President.

Diocesan Report.

MAY 1888.

Trinity Church, Red Bank.....	\$ 5 00
Trinity Church, Princeton.....	12 00
Grace Church, Haddonfield.....	6 00
Christ Church, Shrewsbury.....	5 00
Trinity Church, Moorestown.....	18 00
Christ Church, Riverton.....	45 00
St. John's Church, Chew's Landing.....	5 00
St. Stephen's Church, Beverly.....	15 00
St. John's Church, Camden.....	6 00
Grace Church, Merchantville.....	12 04
Grace Church, Plainfield.....	20 00
Christ Church, Allentown.....	5 00
Trinity Church, Mount Holly.....	5 00
St. John's Church, Salem.....	10 00
Church of the Holy Comforter, Rahway.....	1 00
St. Andrew's Church, Mount Holly.....	5 00
Church of the Holy Cross, Plainfield.....	40 00
Christ Church, Florence.....	6 00
Trinity Church, Swedesboro.....	6 00
Christ Church, Woodbury.....	5 00
St. Paul's Church, Camden.....	2 00
Trinity Church, Elizabeth.....	3 25
Christ Church, Middletown.....	5 00
St. Mary's Church, Burlington.....	15 00
St. Paul's Camden, Mission in Florence.....	2 50
Altar Linen for St. Stephen's, from Florence.....	20 00
Christ Church, Elizabeth, 1 box to cranberry pickers at Tom's River.....	350 00
St. John's Church, Elizabeth—Twenty Minute Society.....	25 00
Trinity Church, Princeton, 1 box.....	5 00
Christ Church, Woodbury, cash.....	8 00
St. Mary's Church, Burlington, 1 box for Clergy in Diocese.....	80 00
St. John's Church, Salem, for Chambersburg Mission, fancy articles.....	18 00
St. John's Church, Chew's Landing, for Chambersburg Mission.....	10 00
A Friend.....	55 00
Total.....	\$820 79

Respectfully submitted,

E. E. WILLIAMSON,

Vice-President.

Report of Indian Missions.

BEVERLY—ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.

Part of Christmas box to St. Mary's School, Rosebud Agency Dakota. Value.....	\$27 50
Bundle of clothing for St. Mary's.....	7 00

BURLINGTON—ST. MARY'S CHURCH.

Part of Christmas box for Pine Ridge Agency, Dakota, Value.....	10 00
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CAMDEN—ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

For Sufferers from grasshoppers.....	6 50
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FAIRVIEW—TRINITY CHURCH.

Part of box for St. Mary's. Value	5 00
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MERCHANTVILLE—GRACE CHURCH.

General Indian Work.	2 50
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MIDDLETOWN—CHRIST CHURCH.

Part of box for Pine Ridge. Value.....	3 00
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MOORESTOWN—TRINITY CHURCH.

Part of box for Pine Ridge. Value.....	10 00
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NEW BRUNSWICK—CHRIST CHURCH.

Box of clothing for St. Mary's. Value.....	15 00
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SYSTEMATIC OFFERING FROM UPPER DIVISION.....

25 00

PLAINFIELD—GRACE CHURCH.

Part of Christmas box for Pine Ridge.....	9 00
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PRINCETON—TRINITY CHURCH.

General Indian Missions.....	10 00
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RANCOCAS—ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

Part of Christmas box for St. Mary's.....	7 65
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RIVERSIDE—MEMORIAL CHAPEL.

Part of box for St. Mary's. Value.....	8 00
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RIVERTON—CHRIST CHURCH.

Box for St. Mary's.....	42 50
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RIVERTON—CHRIST CHURCH.

From Girls's Friendly Society, for furnishing alcove at St. Mary's Rosebud Agency	15 00
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SALEM—ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

Indian Missions	5 00
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Part of box to Pine Ridge.....	13 00
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SWEDESBORO—TRINITY CHURCH.	
A box of clothing and groceries to the Indian Mission at Linnell's, Minnesota. Value.....	45 00
SHEDAKER'S MISSION.	
Part of box for St. Mary's.....	6 90
WOODBURY—CHRIST CHURCH.	
A bundle for Christmas tree at Pine Ridge. Value.....	9 00
Total.....	\$282 65

This report is numerically smaller than usual, but it represents the work of more parishes than ever before, since the year 1883. There have been twelve and thirteen working for this branch; this year there are twenty.

Some preparing boxes for the far-off field could not report just now, and others sent packages after full work for other branches and naturally they could not be large, but assisted in filling boxes which have carried pleasure to many Indian children. Mr. Cook writes from Pine Ridge, thanking all who enabled him to fill so generously seven Christmas trees, one at each camp and mission station in his Agency. He says: "At each tree service, I endeavor to impress on their minds, as a consequence of God's loving Gift of His Son, these good things are sent to His children, and that the tree with its abundance is an effort to show us and help us to gain some idea of His inexhaustible blessings to usward, especially in the Gift of His only begotten Son."

If our work (small though it has been) has helped to carry home this lesson to the hearts of these people, shall we not thank God for such a privilege and continue to scatter the seeds, praying Him for the increase?

Respectfully submitted,

ISABELLA P. THOMPSON,

Vice-President.

Report of Freedmen Missions.

We have been working as laborers together with God for the elevation of the colored race, by means of a Scholarship in the Divinity School at Petersburg, Va., and also to assist in paying the salary of a teacher in the same, thereby to help the Board of Missions. Money received as follows:

Miss Sybil Carter	\$ 1 00
The Systematic Offering—Upper Division.....	25 00
TRENTON—St. Michael's—Miss E. A. Smith	10 00
MIDDLETOWN—Mrs. J. D. Taylor, of Christ Church.....	5 00
PRINCETON—Trinity Church.....	5 00
BURLINGTON—St. Mary's Church	10 00
St. Mary's Sunday School Easter Offering.....	50 00
RIVERTON—Christ Church	11 50
MOUNT HOLLY—St. Andrew's Church—Mrs. Ewan Merritt.....	5 00
CAMDEN—St. Paul's Church.....	5 00
St. John's Church—Girls' Friendly Society.....	3 00
SALEM—St. John's Church	5 00
FLORENCE—St. Stephen's Church.....	5 00
SWEDESBORO—Trinity Church—Miss Mary E. Newell.....	5 00
MOORESTOWN—Trinity Church.....	3 00
WOODBURY—Christ Church Guild.....	6 00
CROSSWICKS—Grace Church—from Mrs. Braceland's S. S. class..	1 00
MERCHANTVILLE—Grace Church.....	3 50
Money received.....	\$159 00

\$63.00 for Scholarship, pledged by the Lower Division.

\$93.00 remaining for a salary.

Value of boxes sent, viz:

PRINCETON—Trinity.	
A box for Rev. Mr. Middleton, of Natchez, Miss. Value.....	\$20 00
LONG BRANCH—St James.	
A box for Mrs. Buford and Carrollton, Miss. Value.....	77 00
CAMDEN—St. Paul's.	
A package of clothing for Divinity School, Petersburg, Va.,	
Value	15 00
WOODBURY—Christ Church Guild.	
Two boxes of clothing for Mrs. Mary E. Miles, Clover De-	
pot, Va. Value.....	40 00

MOUNT HOLLY—Trinity.		
A box for Miss Mary Burgwin, Aspenwall, Va.	Value.....	\$113 58
FLORENCE—St. Stephen's.		
A barrel of clothing for the Mission Church of the Good		
Shepherd, Mobile, Ala.	Value.....	40 00
SALEM—St. John's.		
A box of clothing for Mrs. Jennings, Virginia.	Value.....	19 41
SWEDESBORO—Trinity.		
A box of clothing for Rev. Mr. Russell, of Lawrenceville,		
Va.	Value.....	25 00
BEVERLY—St. Stephen's; working in connection with the follow-		
ing stations, viz:		
St. Stephen's.....		39 75
Memorial Chapel, Riverside.....		18 75
Trinity, Fairview.....		12 00
St. Peter's, Rancocas.....		2 75
Shedaker's Station.....		1 75
	(Value of box, \$75.00)	
SCOTCH PLAINS—All Saints.		
Box for Mrs. Brent, Gordonsville.	Value.....	20 00
NEW BRUNSWICK—Christ Church.		
Two boxes for Rev. Mr. Webb, of Virginia; also a box from		
St. John's Church, New Brunswick, value not given.		
	Value of boxes given.....	\$444 99
	Money received	159 00
	Total.....	\$603 99

ELIZABETH K. HALE,

Vice-President of the Freedmen Department.

Burlington, N. J., April, 1888.

Mexican Report.

Since the annual meeting in May, 1887, I have received for Scholarships in Mexico supported by Women's Auxiliary:

From Churches of New Brunswick.....	\$ 3 00
" Mrs. Gill, Allentown.....	1 00
" Upper Division—Systematic Giving.....	18 00
" St. Mary's Burlington.....	5 00
" St. Stephen's Guild, Beverly.....	5 00
" St. Stephen's, Florence.....	5 00
" Christ Church, Riverton.....	5 00
" St. John's, Camden.....	2 00
" St. John's, Salem.....	3 00
" Trinity, Moorestown.....	2 00
" Trinity, Elizaheth.....	15 00
" St. Michael's, Trenton.....	10 00
" St. John's, Elizabeth.....	10 00
" Mrs. Hall, Merchantville.....	1 00
" Miss Newell, Swedesboro.....	5 00
" Mrs. Ewan Merritt, Mount Holly.....	10 00
 Total.....	<hr/> \$102 00

Respectfully submitted,

M. L. CLARKSON,

Vice-President.

Report for Foreign Missions.

From New Jersey Branch W. A. B. M., for Scholarship in Pre-	
paratory School, Japan.....	\$ 25 00
	3 00
ALLENTEOWN—CHRIST CHURCH.....	
	5 00
BEVERLY—ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.	
For Divinity Scholarship, Japan.....	
BURLINGTON—ST. MARY'S CHURCH.	
For Divinity Scholarship, Japan.....	5 00
For rebuilding Church at Wuchang	6 00
CAMDEN—ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.	
Divinity Scholarship at Japan.....	70 00
Church at Wuchang	13 00
CAMDEN—ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.	
Divinity Scholarship, Japan.....	2 00
CAMDEN—GIRL'S FRIENDLY SOCIETY.	
Church at Wuchang.....	2 00
ELIZABETH—ST. JOHN'S CHURCH—Young Ladies' Foreign Aid.	
For salary of teacher, Athens, Greece.....	95 00
Towards salary of Mrs. Brierly.....	50 00
For redemption of girl in Mrs. Brierly's School.....	25 00
Towards organ for Mrs. McKim.....	35 00
ELIZABETH CHURCH LEAGUE.	
For Scholarship in Africa.....	25 00
ELIZABETH BRANCH AUXILIARY.	
For Chinese School under Mrs. Thompson	70 00
ELIZABETH—TWENTY MINUTE WORKERS.	
For Scholarship in India.....	30 00
Value of dolls sent to India.....	10 00
[By mistake last year, \$50.00 for Mrs. Brierly's salary was credited to Church League instead of Young Ladies' Foreign Aid.]	
FLORENCE—ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.	
For rebuilding Church at Wuchang.....	1 00
Divinity Scholarship, Japan.....	2 00
Rev. Mr. McKim's Church, Osaka.....	3 00
FREEHOLD—ST. PETER'S CHURCH.....	3 90

GIBBSBORO—ST. JOHN'S IN THE WILDERNESS.	
For Divinity Scholarship, Japan	\$10 00
HADDONFIELD—GRACE CHURCH.	
For Divinity Scholarship, Japan	3 00
Rebuilding Church at Wuchang	3 25
MERCHANTVILLE—GRACE CHURCH.	
For Divinity Scholarship, Japan	15 00
For Church at Wuchang	2 00
MOORESTOWN—TRINITY CHURCH.	
For Japanese Scholarship.....	2 00
MOUNT HOLLY—ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH.	
For rebuilding Church at Wuchang.....	10 00
NEW BRUNSWICK—CHURCH OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST—Woman's Guild.	
For China.....	15 00
PLAINFIELD—	
From Systematic Offerings of Upper Division	40 00
PRINCETON—TRINITY CHURCH.	
For L. C. Tuthill's Scholarship, Bridgman Girls' School, China.....	40 00
RIVERTON—CHRIST CHURCH.	
For Divinity Scholarship, Japan	23 00
Rebuilding Church at Wuchang.....	20 00
Rev. Mr. McKim's Church, Osaka.....	3 00
SALEM—ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.	
For Divinity Scholarship, Japan	3 00
Rebuilding Church at Wuchang	10 00
SHREWSBURY—CHRIST CHURCH.....	5 00
SWEDESBORO—TRINITY CHURCH.	
For rebuilding Church at Wuchang	2 00
TRENTON—ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH.	
For R. B. Doane Scholarship, Africa.....	25 00
WOODBURY—CHRIST CHURCH.	
Systematic Giving Fund	14 77
LOWER DIVISION—	
Through Miss Emery, for Wuchang	4 50
For Church at Wuchang	25 00
Total	\$756 42

APPROPRIATIONS.

For Africa.....	\$125 00
“ China.....	221 75
“ Greece.....	95 00
“ India.....	40 00
“ Japan.....	208 00
“ General Foreign Missions.....	66 07
Total.....	\$756 42

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. TUTHILL.

Report of Upper Division.

The work of the Upper Division during the past year presents to the interested observer many signs of growth and progress.

The experiment of "All Day" meetings has been tried successfully. The first one at Roselle in November was marked by an earnest, genial atmosphere, quickened interest in all subjects discussed, and good attendance.

Even the great blizzard of '88 could not prevent forty faithful women of the Upper Division from gathering in Plainfield on the 16th of March and holding a successful meeting; our only regret being the absence of our friends from New Brunswick, Rahway and Woodbridge, who could not reach Plainfield—because of the blockade of snow on the roads—from those points.

Several new subscribers to the Spirit of Missions have been obtained in various parishes which will yield good results in the future.

The plan of Systematic Offerings to Missions has been urged earnestly, and five parishes have responded, as follows:

Contributions for the year—

From Grace Church, Plainfield	\$102 27
" Church of the Holy Cross, Plainfield.....	34 43
" St. Luke's, Roselle.....	13 00
" Trinity, Woodbridge	5 00
" Heavenly Rest, Evona.....	3 00
Total.....	\$157 70

This sum has been divided between the various departments of our work: Foreign, Domestic, Diocesan, Freedmen, Indian, and work in Mexico, under Rev. Mr. Gordon.

In Plainfield, a society of young ladies called the "Helping Hand," has been formed, some of whom have contributed to the Systematic Offerings, besides taking up the preparation of a box for Bishop Talbot's Indians. Other parishes not represented in this particular way, have still been doing good work.

The Elizabeth Branch has been active, as usual, supporting a girl's school in China under Miss Thompson, and contributing also toward the "Scarborough" and "Anna Bowne" Scholarships in Mexico. The "Church League," composed of young ladies from three parishes in Elizabeth, contribute a scholarship in Mrs. Brierly's school in Africa, and are also preparing a box for the Indians in Bishop Hare's Diocese.

We hope to secure a larger representation of parishes at our meetings next year, and also to induce women to admit the duty of giving regularly to the Board of Missions through our treasury each year by means of the Systematic Offerings. If each Church-woman in our Diocese could be led to give at least one or two dollars a year as a matter of course, what a cheering result we would find!

We all know that many important elements in our work cannot be reported. The interest awakened in individual hearts, the quiet prayers offered, the sympathy developed by the reading of missionary items, the inspiration gained by meeting with those of "kindred minds" whose hearts are alive to the importance of the work of missions—all these things cannot be reported, but are nevertheless essential to success and growth.

“Missionary work,” as remarked by an able writer recently, “is sowing, not reaping; and the sowing of a plant that is slow to bear.” Another writer in the Nineteenth Century, in quoting this remark, adds: “At times the difficulties and discouragements may daunt the stoniest heart and the most living faith. But God is greater than our hearts, and wider than our thoughts; and if we are able to believe in him at all, we must also believe that the ultimate triumph of Christianity is not problematical, but certain, and in His good time, across the lapse of ages, will prove to be, not local, but universal; not partial, but complete; not evanescent, but eternal.”

KATHLEEN RYDER,

April 25, 1888.

Cor. Sec'y Upper Division.

Report of Middle Division.

The report of the Middle Division is rather meagre, as owing to various causes but one meeting has been held this year. That was at South Amboy in October. Five or six parishes were represented, and all seemed stirred up to fresh interest in the mission work. Many of the parishes of this Division are small and scattered, and it is difficult to bring them together. It is proposed to hold some meetings this summer, which, I hope, will be better attended. The work for Mrs. Spalding’s Hospital, in Denver, has excited the greatest interest and several donations have been sent to me for that purpose.

HELEN F. CONOVER,

Cor. Sec'y Middle Division.

Report of Lower Division.

Three "All-Day" meetings of the Lower Division were held during the year: At Trinity Church, Swedesboro, October 13, 1887; at St. Paul's, Camden, January 25, 1888; at Christ Church, Riverton, March 7, 1888. Eighteen parishes and three missions were represented by an average attendance of over one hundred. The Rector of each entertaining parish received the delegates with cordial words of welcome. Missionary addresses were made by Rev. John McKim, Mrs. Schereschewsky, Miss Emery, Miss Sybil Carter, Mrs. B. Williamson, Jr., Mrs. Thomas Neilson and Mrs. Samuel Clements.

The offertories amounted to \$85.55. From parishes unfamiliar with routine methods of the New Jersey Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, the Corresponding Secretary has received \$278.50; all transmitted to the Vice-Presidents of the various departments.

St. Paul's, Camden, is pledged for a Scholarship, to educate a native clergyman in Japan, to be called the "Bishop Scarborough" Scholarship.

Nine parishes of the Lower Division have made up the amount necessary for another Scholarship in the Japanese Theological School, to be called the "Bishop Odenheimer" (in memoriam) Scholarship.

The Division also supports a Scholarship in the Bishop Payne School, Petersburg, Va.

The detailed results of the year's work will be found in the Department reports. "By their fruits ye shall know them."

E. H. ROBERTS,

Cor. Sec'y Lower Division.

