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Special Notices.

Meetings will be held at the Parish House of the Church of Zion and St. Timothy, 333 West 56th Street, the last Tuesday in October and the first Tuesday of January, February, March, April and May at 10.30 A. M.

The May Meeting is the Annual Meeting. These meetings are public. All Churchwomen are cordially invited to attend them.

All money for Missions or for the general expenses of the Diocesan Branch should be sent to

**Miss Annie Clarkson, Treasurer,
585 West End Avenue.**

Any money not sent directly to the Treasurer will not be reported in the Green Book.

At the Annual Meeting of 1918 the fiscal year was changed. Heretofore it has extended from May 1st to May 1st. Hereafter it will begin January 1st and end December 31st.

All money for the United Offering to be made at the Triennial Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in October, 1919, should be sent to the Treasurer for the United Offering, MRS. WALTER ALEXANDER, 133 East 54th Street.

Prayers.

CONFESSION.

O MOST Merciful Father, we confess before Thee, that we have done little to forward Thy Kingdom in the world, and to advance Thy glory. We would humble ourselves before Thee for our past neglects, and seek for mercy and forgiveness. Pardon our shortcomings. Give us greater zeal for Thy glory. Make us more ready and more diligent, by our prayers, by our alms, and by our examples, to spread abroad the knowledge of Thy truth, and to enlarge the boundaries of Thy Kingdom. May the love of Christ constrain us, and may we do all to Thy glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. *Amen.*

FOR THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

O LORD, without whom our labor is but lost, and with whom Thy little ones go forth as the mighty; we humbly beseech Thee to prosper all works in Thy Church undertaken according to Thy holy will (especially the work of the Woman's Auxiliary), and grant to Thy laborers a pure intention, patient faith, sufficient success upon earth, and the blessedness of serving Thee in Heaven; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR MISSIONS.

ALMIGHTY GOD, who, by Thy Son Jesus Christ, didst give commandment to the holy Apostles, that they should go into all the world, and preach the Gospel to every creature; grant to us whom Thou hast called into Thy Church a ready will to obey Thy Word, and fill us with a hearty desire to make Thy way known upon earth, Thy saving health among all nations. Look with compassion upon the heathen that have not known Thee, and on the multitudes in our own land that are scattered abroad as sheep having no shepherd. O Heavenly Father, Lord of the harvest, have respect, we beseech Thee, to our prayers, and send forth laborers into Thy harvest. Fit and prepare them by Thy grace for the work of their ministry; give them the spirit of power, and of love, and of a sound mind; strengthen them to endure hardness; and grant that both by their life and doctrine they may show forth Thy glory, and set forward the salvation of all men; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR MISSIONARIES.

O LORD, who didst come to seek and to save the lost, and to whom all power is given in heaven and in 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.*

Prayers.

AT NOON-DAY.

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 mercies and merits, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost ever one God, world without end. *Amen.*

FOR THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

O GOD, our Heavenly Father, we thank Thee for the gift of Thy dear Son. Grant that we who have received him in our hearts may joyfully go forth with Him on many errands. Bless those who toil for Thee in far off places; comfort them in their loneliness; and unite our work to theirs. Accept our gifts; receive our prayers; and use us for the sake of Thy Son Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

FOR THE UNITED OFFERING.

Almighty God, Lord of the harvest, we humbly beseech Thee to send forth more labourers into Thy harvest and especially to put it into the hearts of many faithful women to give themselves to Thy work in the Mission Field; or, if they cannot go themselves, to give of their substance gladly, as Thou hast prospered them. And so may the bounds of Thy blessed Kingdom be enlarged; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVING.

ALMIGHTY GOD, whose compassions fail not, and whose loving kindness reacheth unto the world's end; we give Thee humble thanks for all the great things Thou hast done and art doing for the children of men, for the opening of heathen lands to the light of Thy truth, for making paths in the deep waters and highways in the desert, for knitting nation to nation in the bonds of fellowship, and for the planting of Thy Church in all the earth. O merciful Father, in whom the whole family is named, fill full our hearts with grateful love for this Thy goodness, granting us grace henceforth to serve Thee better and more perfectly to know Thee; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

THANKSGIVING FOR VICTORY.

Almighty and Everlasting God, we praise and magnify Thy Holy Name for all Thy goodness and protecting care during the late war and especially for victory which Thou hast given us power to achieve. And we pray Thee among all nations to give wisdom and strength to those in authority, and goodwill to the people, that everywhere peace, justice and righteousness may be established. And we beseech Thee to give us grace that we, having in grateful remembrance those who have laid down their lives that the nations might live, may employ our lives that they may live more abundantly. Let no root of bitterness remain in our hearts; fill us with humility and gratitude that we may work with love and zeal for the advancement of Thy kingdom throughout the earth, through Jesus Christ, our Lord. *Amen.*

In Memoriam

EDITH STEWART WALKER

Died March 16, 1918.

Minute adopted by the
Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions
Diocese of New York
April 2, 1918.

The death of Edith Stewart Walker, the Educational Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of New York, has brought a deep sense of sorrow to all who knew her. Her example of a consecrated life, her deep spiritual insight, her ready sympathy with every form of suffering, endeared her to all who were intimately associated with her; while her strong faith, her intense belief in the value and power of intercessory prayer, gave her personality a strength which influenced all those whose lives were touched by hers.

To the members of her study classes, encouraged by her example, she has left as a precious heritage the desire for more earnest and consecrated work.

Therefore be it resolved:—That the Woman's Auxiliary, in recognition of its deep sense of the loss which it has sustained, extend to her family its sincerest sympathy, and

Be it further resolved:—That a copy of the foregoing be placed upon the minutes.

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THE UNITED OFFERING OF 1919.

Resolution Adopted in St. Louis, October 16, 1916.

RESOLVED: That the United Offering of 1919 be given to the Board of Missions, to be devoted to the training, sending and support of women for mission work at home and abroad and to the care of such workers when sick or disabled—provided that at least \$10,000 be expended for the erection, completion or renewal of a building or buildings in the mission field, approved by the Board of Missions on the recommendation of a committee composed of the President of the Board of Missions, the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary and the members of the Conference Committee of the Woman's Auxiliary.

ALSO, RESOLVED: That to our united gifts shall be added our united and earnest prayers that God will put it into the hearts of many faithful women to give themselves or of their substance to the work of the Master in the mission field.

Mrs. Walter Alexander, Treasurer for the United Offering, visited thirty-nine parishes during the year in the interest of the United Offering.

Annual Report of the President.

MAY, 1918.

You can imagine the satisfaction it gives me to report continued progress again this year, and I do so with the profoundest gratitude to those whose hard work and generosity have made such a report possible, in this our first year of war. In spite of the many demands on time and strength our Meetings have been excellent, and the attendance at the Parish Officers' Training Institutes was really remarkable. These Institutes were a new departure, and I want to take this opportunity to thank the Committee that planned them, the leaders who taught the classes and the parishes and hostesses that gave us hospitality. The definite, practical instruction of the parish officers in their duties was so eagerly welcomed that it evidently met a long felt want, and for myself as President the opportunity of meeting almost every parish officer in the diocese was of the greatest value. I had the pleasure of being at ten of the eleven Institutes, and I am sure they helped us to make our good record of this Winter. The Missions House has paid us the compliment of printing for general distribution the notes used as a basis of instruction for the classes.

At the Advent Meeting we had the great pleasure of having our Bishop with us all day. The Bishop of Duluth preached the sermon, and in the afternoon the Secretaries of the Board of Missions, Dr. Wood, Dr. Gray, Dr. Sturgis and Mr. Betticher gave us most interesting accounts of their various departments of work. It was a great disappointment that the President of the Board was not present, but he had already started on his perilous voyage to Liberia. He has set an example of heroism and self-abnegation to the Church; a neglected mission has been given striking proof that it was not really forgotten, and I know our Auxiliary will do everything in its power to forward Bishop Lloyd's plans for the development of Liberia, for he is full of enthusiasm for its people and their future.

The Quiet Day was conducted by the Rev. Frank Heartfield and I am sure I express the opinion of all who were there when I say that never was that annual day of devotion more helpful, nor the consciousness of the power and presence of the Holy Spirit more real. The Diocesan Branches in this Province have formed a Provincial Branch

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of the Auxiliary which will meet at the time and place of the Synod. By-laws have been adopted and provincial officers will be elected at Syracuse in November. While provincial organization may not seem as necessary for our diocese as for some others, in view of our numerous opportunities for Meetings and for hearing missionaries, the fact that it is an essential preliminary to the National Organization that will be formed at Detroit makes it incumbent on us heartily to support and endorse it.

As you all know, I feel very strongly that our war-work should be added to, not substituted for our work in the Auxiliary—on this account I have waited till our Auxiliary year was over to accept the position I have been offered in Paris by the Committee on Devastated France; I have only taken it for six months in order that I may do my work here again next Winter and the Executive Board has granted me a six months' leave of absence. My one regret is that I shall miss the opportunity of helping in the inspiring plan you have had presented to you this morning by Miss Lindley. It is the biggest thing the Auxiliary has ever been asked to undertake and I hope this Branch will go into it heart and soul. I shall be praying for it very earnestly, and may I ask you all to think of me sometimes this Summer in the new work I am undertaking? I want so keenly to be of some use "over there", and not to prove a disappointment to those who have chosen me—it would be a tremendous help to feel that you, with whom I have worked so happily for years, were standing behind me with your friendship and intercessions. May I have them?

ELISABETH RAY DELAFIELD.

Annual Report of the General Service Committee.

1917-1918.

The Missionary Guest Committee has the assistance of thirty-two Hostesses and has extended twenty-five invitations to Missionaries and also to the Delegates of the Provincial Synod. Sixteen of this number gratefully accepted the hospitality offered. The visits varied in length from three to ten days. A gift of \$25 paid the expenses of a Colored Missionary.

The Choir Committee sang at the Advent Day Meeting in Synod Hall and at the Quiet Day at the Church of Zion and St. Timothy.

The Secretarial Committee has not been called upon this year.

Annual Report of the General Service Committee

The Records Committee has worked over its books and, although the material is difficult to obtain, the books are fuller than a year ago.

The Hospitality Committee served a luncheon to 420 people at the Advent Day Meeting and to 110 at the Quiet Day. Through hard work and careful management the cost of these luncheons has been kept as low as possible.

The Speakers Committee has provided Speakers for 26 Auxiliary Branch Meetings, two of the speakers being Missionaries. This report is not what we wish it to be, and we intend to work harder this coming year, realizing that the need of the world has never been greater than now for the knowledge of the love of Christ.

Respectfully submitted,

HELEN VAN BOKKELEN,
Vice-President at Large.

Annual Report of the Domestic Committee.

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The request having been made that all reports should be as short as possible for the sake of economy, only the more important parts of the work of the Domestic Committee can here be recorded.

Mrs. Seth Low, Chairman of the Committee for Indian work, reports that meetings (Teas) have been held in the interest of the work under Bishop Burleson and Bishop Thomas; and that of the Three Thousand Dollars promised to Bishop Thomas for the "New York House" in his model "Indian Village," less than One Thousand Dollars remains to be raised. Mrs. Low also reports that Two Hundred and Eighty-five dollars were given in response to an appeal to make more habitable the house of Miss Pauline Colby, the faithful worker at Onigum, Minn.

Mrs. James B. Van Woert, a member of the Committee for Indian Work, and President of the "Indian Lenten League", reports that the League celebrated the completion of its 34th year by buying a One Hundred Dollar Liberty Bond and presenting it towards the endowment of an Indian Scholarship; that it continued to support its "Graduating" and "Augusta Astor" Scholarships; and that it gave Seventy-five dollars to an Indian Catechist, as well as sending a Christmas Box.

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Mrs. John Farr, Chairman of the Committee for Colored Work, reports that Drawing-room meetings have been held for Archdeacons Baskerville and Russell, and she states that the former received Three Hundred and Sixty-five dollars as a result of the aforementioned and other meetings and appeals; also that as a result of his address at the Church of the Ascension he was given the salary for a "Rural Nurse" (Two Hundred and Fifty Dollars). Special efforts were made to interest Parish Branches and individuals in the Fiftieth Anniversary of the Founding of St. Augustine's School, Raleigh, N. C.; and in April "Hand-bills" were printed and distributed, pleading for "Liberty Bonds" to be bought and donated for this purpose.

Mrs. Arthur Gray, Chairman of the Committee for Work Among the Southern Mountaineers, reports that the members of the committee have again given One Thousand Dollars for the "Helen Dunlop School" in Arkansas. Seven Hundred and Eighty Dollars of the amount raised for the salary of a trained nurse who was to work among the mill-hands in Gastonia, N. C., has, with the approval of the donors (to whom the reasons have been fully explained) been transferred to similar work under Father Lobdell, in the Rutherfordton Associate Mission, N. C. The appeal of the Rev. George Hilton for a Furnace (cost Two Hundred Dollars) in St. Margaret's Church, Morganton, N. C., was responded to with prompt generosity, more than half the amount being immediately promised in "Ten Dollar Gifts," whilst the remainder was given by the Woman's Auxiliary of St. George's Church. The money for the Pews in this Church was also given to Father Hilton by a member of the Committee. One other Special must here be mentioned, that of the chapel in South San Antonio, Texas: this chapel was needed urgently for the immediate use of the men in the Camps which the Government had placed around a "lot" of ground which was fortunately already in the Bishop's possession. After the war it will be of permanent value as it is in close proximity to railway "shops". The "Women of New York" were glad to be able thus to combine Woman's Auxiliary and War Work", and the Three Thousand Dollars needed was comparatively quickly given (the last sum of over Two Hundred Dollars to complete the amount being sent by the Woman's Auxiliary of the Church of the Heavenly Rest).

Mrs. E. Van Zandt Lane, Chairman of the Committee for Work in Alaska, reports that the Five Hundred Dollars asked for the engine of the Hospital Boat at Tanana was raised (over Four Hundred Dollars of this amount was given from the "Summer Fund"),—Two Hundred Dollars of it by one Church, St. John's, Yonkers).

Mrs. H. Rawlins Baker, Chairman of the Islands' Committee reports that "Sales" of Philippine and Porto Rican work were held by

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the "Groups" in charge respectively of work for the Philippines and Porto Rico; and the money for seven scholarships in St. James' School, Besao, P. I., was raised by Miss Fowler at an Entertainment given by her "Group". A "Memorial Scholarship" has also been promised (and given for the first time this year), in memory of two of our faithful workers in the District of Orange. One Hundred Dollars towards the "Building Fund" at Mayaguez was raised by Mrs. T. Bache Bleecker and her Porto Rican Group.

Mrs. C. Chauncey Stillman, Chairman of the Committee for Western Work, reports "Lunches", "Teas", and special Meetings on behalf of Western dioceses. To Bishop Thurston has been sent over Twelve Hundred Dollars for All Saints' Hospital, McAlester, Eastern Oklahoma; and an appeal for one "Fur-coat", brought two! so that two of our Western missionaries will for some years find the hard winter journeys and consequent exposure to severe cold less trying! The money for the "Ford" for Bishop Touret was raised, and gifts were given directly to him and others of our Western missionaries. It is very difficult for the committees in charge of the Domestic work to discover the full result of their efforts; for so many gifts are given to Bishops and missionaries at the close of meetings, luncheons, etc., that those who are working hardest to arouse interest and raise money for the work have little of the satisfaction of being able to "tabulate results"; but without that satisfaction the committees continue to work on faithfully and with faith; possessing with gladness *"the Faith which makes faithful"*. One special feature of the work of the Committee for Western Work has been the securing of "Associate members" who contribute annually towards the "Special" undertaken by the Committee.

Mrs. Charles de Rham, Chairman of the "Churchill Satterlee Memorial House Committee", received word in the early Spring that there was sufficient money in hand for the immediate needs of the Settlement work. A letter was therefore sent to those who had promised to "subscribe annually for three years" towards this work suggesting that all who, on account of the urgent needs of to-day would prefer to do so, should withhold their second subscription until next year. However, Mrs. de Rham has aroused so great an interest in this much needed work in Olympia (Columbia, S. C.), that she reports sending Four Hundred and Eighty Dollars to the Treasurer of the "Memorial House" (not reported in our Treasurer's report for this year), besides the One Hundred sent (and reported) by Mrs. Herbert Satterlee.

It is gratifying to be able to state that every one of the "Domestic Pledges" has been more than "met" this year, and that the money for them was sent in earlier than usual. The Church of Zion and St. Timothy was the largest contributor, and stands in a class by itself;

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several Churches contributed over One Hundred Dollars, and a large number of the smaller parish Branches were most generous and conscientious in sending a share towards these "pledged" or promised gifts, in which every Branch should have a part. We cannot close this "Report" without mentioning the generous (anonymous) gift of Five Thousand Dollars from two Members of this Diocese: the money has been sent (through the Treasurer of the Auxiliary) to those fortunate enough to have been selected for shares of this big gift: would that everyone might be privileged to read the grateful and enthusiastic letters written by the Bishops and clergy whose hearts were gladdened and burdens lightened by the noble generosity of these women!

A great many subscriptions have reached our Diocesan Treasurer as the result of personal appeals and letters from individual members of the Domestic Committee; and this we mention as it shows how great is the responsibility of those who know them, to tell those who do not know, of the "special" and definite needs in the Mission Field.

The above "Report" has been much condensed for the reason stated at the beginning; but the Chairmen and members of committees will not mind it if much of their work is not here recorded and if the names of those who have generously given "Teas" or "Luncheons" (and subscriptions!) are not mentioned: rather will they gladly seize upon the words of the first great missionary:—

"Forgetting those things that are behind" we "press on, etc."

Respectfully submitted,

AGNES EMILY WARREN,

Vice-Pres. in charge of Domestic Work.

May, 1918.

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During the summer of 1917 the several sub-committees collected the life insurance premiums of the Bishops of Cuba, Hankow, Kyoto and Mexico, and of the Rev. W. M. M. Thomas of Brazil, and also the partial support of a Liberian boy at Tuskegee.

Since last October the Foreign Committee has held seven regular meetings at which the speakers were Dr. W. C. Sturgis, Educational

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Secretary of the Board of Missions, Miss Emery who spoke about St. Agnes School, Kyoto, Mrs. E. P. Miller of China, Rev. W. M. M. Thomas, Rev. W. H. Ramsaur, a volunteer for Liberia, and Rev. William Watson of Cuba.

The CHINA Committee contributed generously to our pledge, \$2,500 for a Club House in Ichang.

The JAPAN Committee had the difficult task of working for a special object carried over from last year. Including one gift of \$2,000, there have been given since May, 1917, for St. Agnes School, Kyoto, \$5,144.20, which makes the total sum contributed for that school by the Auxiliary of this diocese \$9,467.20.

Besides sending drugs and supplies costing \$205.68 to St. Timothy's Hospital at Cape Mount, a few school books that Miss Ridgely needed, a special gift for Mrs. Ferguson and three scholarships, the Committee for LIBERIA has raised \$529.90. On the advice of Bishop Lloyd, this money is to be given to provide a roof for St. Mark's Church, Cape Palmas. The congregation have built the walls and are unable to do any more.

In addition to raising the money for the Memorial furniture for the Chapel at Cespedes and \$75 for Mr. Watson's work at Guantanamo, the Committee for CUBA and HAITI has provided a Scholarship for the education of a Haitian boy, and \$500 for land for the Mission at Port-au-Prince.

The Committee for MEXICO has raised \$632 for the greatly needed equipment for the House of Hope, our Mission Hospital at Nopala, and a special gift for Deaconess Whitaker's work.

I wish particularly to express my appreciation of the work accomplished by Mrs. Blanchard and her Committee for BRAZIL. They have sent \$2,077 for the repairs of the Headmaster's house of the Southern Cross School, Porto Alegre, a rug for that house, Communion Silver and Altar Linen for the Chapel of the School, 19 stoles and 2 dozen clerical collars for the Brazilian clergy.

Two members of the New York Auxiliary expressed their thankfulness to God for a great mercy received from Him, by giving \$5,000 to Foreign (as well as the same amount to Domestic) Missions, which was divided thus: \$2,000 for the gymnasium of St. Agnes School, \$2,000 to complete the Church at Kumagaya, Japan, and \$1,000 towards the purchase of land in the city of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, on which are to be erected a Church and other buildings for the American and Haitian congregations.

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I thank the 15 parish branches that have invited me to their meetings, for the opportunity to tell them about the work of the Foreign Committee.

We are all very thankful that in spite of many obstacles, the Committees have accomplished more than they expected to this past winter, and we hope that continuing "fervent in spirit, instant in prayer" and "not slothful in" the "King's business" we may be privileged next year to do as much if not more for the "other sheep" of our Good Shepherd "who are not of this fold."

Respectfully submitted,

S. F. ZABRISKIE,

Vice-President in Charge of Foreign Work.

May 2, 1918.

Annual Report of the District of Dutchess.

1917-1918.

Number of Branches, 1917—20.

Number of New Branches—0.

Number of Branches, 1918—20.

The Annual Meeting of the District of Dutchess was held on May 24th at Christ Church, Red Hook, commencing with a Celebration of the Holy Communion. The speakers were the Reverend Mr. Madara of Alaska and Mrs. Alexander, Treasurer of the United Offering.

The meeting was very well attended. Seventeen parishes out of nineteen being represented.

On October 3rd a Teachers' Institute was held at Christ Church, Poughkeepsie, the classes being led by Diocesan Officers. There were about 50 delegates present, one good result being that nearly every Parish this year has contributed to the Pledges.

On October 25th a Neighborhood meeting of the Northern Division of Dutchess District was held in Trinity Church, Madalin, with 50 delegates present.

A Quiet Day was held in the Church of the Holy Comforter, Poughkeepsie, the first part of January. The service was conducted by Rev. Father Huntington of the Holy Cross Mission, West Park. Mrs. James Kidd, Manager of Northern Division reported it as a very wonderful day and that the services were well attended. It is with great regret that I am resigning as Vice-President of District of Dutchess. I have

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held the position for many years, and feel that I can no longer do it, in the way the work should be carried on. Owing to illness in my family I have missed many meetings and have not been able to go about the District as in former years. I am very happy that Miss Reese has consented to take my place, and feel that she will fill it in a most capable manner.

The boxes reported from Dutchess District, with two Parishes not heard from are:

Number of boxes, 18.

Amount of value, \$1,121.38.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY OTIS CLARKSON,
Vice-President of the District of Dutchess.

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1917-1918.

Number of Branches in 1917, 75.

Number of New Branches, 3.

Number of Branches lapsed, 4.

Total, 1918, 74.

In the Autumn of 1917 there were held four institutes for the training of parish branch officers. One at the Bronx Church House, one for the officers of evening branches at the Chapel of the Intercession, and one at the home of Mrs. Devoe, with a final one at the parish house of the Church of the Heavenly Rest. Reports from presidents of parish branches which come from time to time rarely fail to acknowledge help in their work from these classes.

In January the Bronx mid-winter meeting was held at St. James' Parish House, Fordham, where in spite of one of the season's most severe snow storms, 30 representatives of 7 parishes were present. Miss Lawrence of the Liberia Committee and the Reverend Arthur Gray, Secretary of the Board for Latin America were heard with deep interest. The offering amounted to \$10.75.

On February 21st, at the parish house of Zion and St. Timothy an evening meeting was held. Miss Berry, the chairman in charge of the Evening Branches had planned well and more than 110 persons were present, representing 15 parish branches. Miss Delafield presided

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and reports were made by Miss Clarkson, Mrs. Alexander and Mrs. Zabriskie. The absence of Miss Warren who was ill was spoken of with regret. Miss Cady of the hospital of the Good Shepherd, Fort Defiance, Arizona, was the speaker. The offering which amounted to \$115 was sent to the hospital. I have visited 12 parish branches during the winter, one a newly organized branch and 3 evening meetings. Several of our branches are awaiting reorganization and the death of three parish presidents has left branches without leaders. 45 branches report having sent boxes, to the number of 143 with a total value of \$12,330.05. Many branches report increased membership, one with 20 new members and another with 13 recruits from the Section "B". 11 study classes are reported, to date, and many new plans have been adopted, some of them resulting from suggestions made at the institutes.

Meetings have been held of all the organizations of a parish, with reports from the Chairman of each, joint meetings with neighboring parishes and Missionary talks in the Red Cross work-rooms. The attendance of members of the Vestry, the Senior Warden and indeed by the men of the parish generally *by special invitation*, particularly at the Annual Meeting when reports show what is being accomplished. Parish meetings, or a luncheon or dinner, when both men and women speakers discuss such questions as "The Apportionment" or "Our Missionary Pledges" and at one such function held early in the Winter the entire parish apportionment was pledged leaving opportunity for the presentation of special appeals, pledges, etc., later. Various plans have been tried for the stimulating of Missionary gifts during the summer months, the continuance during the whole summer of the regular monthly gifts of one branch is specially fine! The forming of a group of intercessors made up of the women who were always prevented by duties or illness from attending the regular meetings, was at the very characteristic suggestion of Miss Edith Walker, and prayers before the meeting by a little group of officers in another room, and around a completed box have become customary in many branches. One parish had a Day of Intercession for Missions, commencing with the Holy Communion and closing with Evening Prayer at 5, there was some group of women praying in the Church all the day. These are some of the evidences of vitality in the branches, we covet for every branch the Life that is Abundant.

Respectfully submitted,

MARIAN B. ELLIOTT,
Vice-President for the District of New York.

May 7th, 1918.

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1917-1918.

Number of Branches, 1917, 28.

Number of New Branches, 1918, 1.

Number of Branches lapsed or combined, 2.

Total, 1918, 27.

The Annual Meeting of Orange District for 1917 was held in St. Paul's Church, at Newburgh, on Thursday, May ninth, beginning with a celebration of the Holy Communion, at eleven. The Rev. Thomas Davies of Christ Church, Marlborough, preached. A short business meeting was held before the one o'clock luncheon.

Mrs. Rushmore, the retiring Vice-President, was unable to be present owing to a death in the family connection. After opening prayer, by your present officer, a motion made by Mrs. Boak, our late treasurer, was carried by a rising vote of thanks and appreciation to Mrs. Rushmore, for her long and devoted service.

At the afternoon meeting Mrs. Alexander spoke earnestly for the United Offering. Mr. Connolly, of Valle Crucis, made an appealing address, resulting in several pledges for his work. Over one hundred were present.

In October, the working-season began busily. Two Institutes for the Training of Officers were held; in Newburgh, on the fifth, with an attendance of sixty; in Middletown on the sixteenth, with an attendance of thirty. With an able corps of teachers, helpful parish workers and pleasant and convenient class-rooms, both Institutes were made effective and delightful. The whole atmosphere of both was freely interspersed with prayer.

On the twenty-fifth of the same month the Church of the Holy Spirit in Kingston, entertained the autumn meeting. About ninety were present. The address in the morning was by the Reverend E. P. Newman, on coast-work in Alaska. The speakers in the afternoon were our late Diocesan Educational Secretary, Miss Walker, and Miss Hammond, of the Shanghai Mission, at Wusih. Both addresses gave a spiritual tone to the afternoon.

During the meeting Mrs. Rushmore presented resolutions of appreciation and regret at the passing away of "one of our most faithful members", Mrs. A. V. Boak of Middletown. Mrs. Rushmore also proposed an additional scholarship to be undertaken by the District, in St. James' School, in the Philippines, to be known as the "Orange District Scholarship in Memory of Mrs. Board and Mrs. Boak", these two valued members having passed from this life within a year.

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Despite the severe winter, which necessitated some serious interruption of parish meetings, various union-meetings have been held in different parts of the District; at Kingston, Middletown, Newburgh and Tuxedo. All these were parish enterprises; not the official Division meetings. Last month two Union meetings happened to be held on the same day, April the eleventh. In St. George's at Newburgh, Miss Emery gave a charmingly clear account of the development of the Woman's Auxiliary in its various phases, concluding with an appealing plea to the Auxiliary to supplement the work of the Red Cross with prayer for our soldiers' welfare in soul as well as in body.

The neighborhood meeting at St. Mary's, Tuxedo, was remarkable; including five parishes, with an attendance of about one hundred and forty. Mr. John W. Wood, of the Missions House Staff, gave an illustrated lecture on Alaska. The meeting created much enthusiasm, and produced immediate results in gifts and pledges.

Amid all the press and stress of work for War Relief it is most gratifying to report fully as many missionary boxes as at this time, last year. Thirty have been reported, about seventeen evidently the result of Lenten work. A rough estimate of my own makes the total valuation in the neighborhood of \$1,400.

The concluding week of the Pilgrimage of Prayer was kept by several parishes. Not as many as I could wish. Indeed, owing to pre-occupation with other matters it was not pressed as it deserved by the Vice-President.

The District is interested in Educational work in a receptive way, but is not, as yet, ready to take the initiative. The Normal class reported by the Educational Secretary was much appreciated.

The District pledges are all paid, including the new Memorial Scholarship.

We have one new branch to report: Christ Church at Marlborough. This is a revival of an old branch, whose name, by the way, has never been removed from the Diocesan Auxiliary list.

From the other branches, forty-five new members have been reported in the District: St. George's, at Newburgh, leading, again, with sixteen.

Respectfully submitted,

LEILA R. RAMSDELL,
Vice-President for the District of Orange.

Annual Report of the District of Staten Island.

1917-1918.

Number of Branches, 1917, 5.

Number of New Branches, 1918, 0.

Number of Branches, lapsed or combined, 3.

Total, 1918, 8.

Our two meetings, spring and fall, were held, during the past year as usual, the one in the spring, at Christ Church, where we had the opportunity of hearing Miss Delafield as well as Deaconess Hargreaves, and where the offering was taken for the Philippine work.

The Fall Meeting was held at the Church of the Ascension, Dr. Wood, telling us of his trip to Alaska, the collection from this meeting being given to one of the missionaries at Cordova.

Both meetings were full of interest and well attended, almost every-one remaining to the supper served afterwards by the ladies of the parish, and followed by the Archdeaconry meeting.

The winter's work has been one of unity and helpfulness—everyone has tried to do more than her share—the interest being remarkable, and the loyal cooperation very worthy of note.

Out of seven parishes having Auxiliaries, two—St. Andrew's and the Holy Comforter—have had no rectors for a year. The Rector of Trinity has been away all winter—doing war service—the Rector of Christ Church has been at Camp Upton and is now safely in France with the 310th Infantry. The Rector of St. John's has been absent three months, doing Y. M. C. A. work in France, and the Rector of St. Mary's has just left for the other side—leaving just one Rector out of seven, that of the Church of the Ascension.

Is this not a remarkable patriotic showing for so small a district? The branches are doing their best under the circumstances.

During such a cold severe winter, with fuel unobtainable to heat our Parish Houses, monthly meetings were held at private homes, and, in many ways reached those who might not have been interested otherwise.

One branch has been unable to send any box at all—but all the others have sent fine ones. Money instead of boxes was sent from at least one parish, St. Mary's having sent \$70.00 in gifts direct, through the Treasurer to different missions. This difference makes the amount of the Box total less than other years.

Total being 9 Boxes, valued at \$588.00.

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All the branches contributed to the pledges as well as the specials, and United Offering,—and sent to still more specials smaller sums.

One interest of our winter was the Institute for the training of Officers which was held on November at the residence of Mrs. A. R. Mansfield. The inspiration derived from this Institute has been a propelling force in the year's results and our thanks are due to the leaders who gave their day, and came all the way down to the Island to make it a success.

One result of a meeting held at my house was the coming into the Auxiliary of ten of the older members of the Juniors of Christ Church. We are delighted to welcome them and are looking forward to working with them during the coming year. Three of them are going to be next year's delegates and one of them the Educational Secretary of our District. We hope that in all our branches the older Juniors will follow suit hereafter and join with the Woman's Auxiliary.

The district box for summer work is to be for St. Michael's School, Wind River, Wyoming. There is a great deal more asked for in this list than we have ever undertaken for summer work, but we are hoping to be able to provide a good many of the requirements if not all of them, and have decided to undertake this big work where there is so much need.

Two deaths in our district cannot remain unmentioned—those of our Secretary Miss Walker and of Mrs. George D. Johnson, both so much beloved by all who came in contact with them.

Spiritual helpfulness has been deepened by the corporate communions and intercessory prayers held in some of the parishes oftener this year than ever before.

Respectfully submitted,

EMILY P. HACKER,
Vice-President for the District of Staten Island

Annual Report of the District of Westchester.

1917-1918.

Number of Branches, 1917, 48.

New Branches, 1918, 0.

Lapsed, 0.

Total, 48.

Our 1917 Annual Meeting in memory of Miss Schuyler was held May 15th, at Trinity Church, Ossining. Who can forget Bishop Lloyd as preacher, Miss Ridgeley and Dr. Kumm as speakers in behalf of Liberia's need for the Schuyler Memorial, the throng of reverent worshippers and eager listeners honoring her whose memory is so precious to all Westchester, and pledging at once the full sum needed for the Memorial? The Auxiliaries of Ossining united in providing a wonderfully well ordered luncheon for the 320 delegates representing 43 parishes. It was the largest meeting in our history. Supplies for Miss Conway's Hospital in Liberia were brought to fill the district box, and this reached its destination in the summer to the relief of her pressing needs.

A distinguishing feature of our year's work, was the Training Institutes for Parish Officers held June 12th at Mt. Kisco, June 14 at New Rochelle, and November 22nd at Yonkers, with a total attendance of some 167 persons. Each Institute was held at the home of a division manager, and each seemed to fill a clearly realized need. They have been of vital help in our year's work, I am convinced.

Another new venture was the publication of a "Suggested Programme for Parish Meetings", which has been fruitful and very welcome. For this, our district and the diocesan branch which adopted a similar plan, are deeply indebted to the Committee having the matter in charge.

For the Schuyler Memorial, twenty-two branches and one Sunday-school made pledges. Of these, seventeen have been paid to date, and one of them has been paid in full. Our total receipts including interest have been \$2,318.59. Our district has sent fifty-three boxes at a total value of \$3,636.68, we have taken an enthusiastic share in diocesan specials, increasing our old interest in the Navajo work and in Liberia. Miss Cady, the nurse with Miss Thackara at Fort Defiance, was in the East in Lent and made new friends for the Hospital, acquainting old ones with new needs. A drawing-room meeting for Westchester women in New York, to hear her, was held at Mrs. Winthrop Cowdin's and resulted in generous gifts. Miss Cady also spoke at one District Repre-

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sentative meeting held at Trinity, New Rochelle, when Mrs. Zabriskie reviewed the situation in Liberia.

Among the speakers at the various Neighborhood Meetings, none has done more to rouse and inspire us than the Board's new Educational Secretary, Dr. Sturgis, to whom, as to all our speakers, our thanks are due.

We have gained ninety-four new members, some of whom we have welcomed from Section 2 of the Junior Auxiliary. The co-operation of the younger women in our work is one of the greatest encouragements, and suggests the need of more systematic plans to conserve for the Auxiliary when peace shall have come, the splendid devotion of our girls and young women in war work.

On the whole, our year has been aglow with encouragement. In spite of weather and fuel conditions which necessitated fewer meetings, in spite of the pressure of war work, our district specials have been met and the work of all our larger branches most faithfully carried out. Our leaders have shown by their determination and devotion that they felt no doubt of the vital necessity to press on and win for the Master this world so riven by human combat.

Respectfully submitted,

ETHEL M. CHENEY THORNE,
Vice-President for the District of Westchester.

Annual Report of the Educational Secretary.

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I little thought when I went out of office last May that I would be called upon to write the annual report of the educational work this year.

Because of the resignation of Miss Walker, our educational secretary, and her subsequent death, I was appointed by the Executive Board to fill out her term of office, and since the middle of February I have tried to carry out, so far as I knew them, her ideas for the work. The work of the early winter I can give only in a fragmentary way, Miss Walker being too ill when I undertook the office to give me any details concerning it. Three normal classes were planned to be held in New York during Advent, the subjects being "The Why and How of Missions", "The Lure of Africa", and "Missions According to the Bible";

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it was her hope that there would be a sufficient number desiring normal training to make these three classes possible. The registration for the first two being small she decided to consolidate the three classes with "Missions According to the Bible" as the subject, under the leadership of Mrs. Haff. During Epiphany I led a normal class in New York on "The Lure of Africa".

Through the efforts of Mrs. Sedgwick a large class of men and women was organized at Calvary parish, which Miss Walker was to lead, but she was taken ill and resigned her office before its first meeting, and it being impossible to find a substitute it was unfortunately necessary to give up the class.

A normal class which she had planned to hold in Newburgh during Lent, for the District of Orange, was led by Mrs. Haff. Five parishes were represented at this class. I want to express my appreciation to Mrs. Haff who has given herself unsparingly to the educational work this winter, without her generous help it would have been difficult to meet some of the requests for leaders.

The Diocesan Class under the leadership of Miss Warren, studied the following subjects, "Missions According to the Bible", and "Simon Peter-Rock". The third division was given up because of Miss Warren's illness. Owing to illness and Red Cross work she reports about a third the usual attendance.

There have been twenty-five parish classes studying "The Lure of Africa", "Missions According to the Bible", and "Simon Peter-Rock", the average attendance at these classes was 240, of these 60 had never been in a class before. This makes a total of twenty-nine classes for the year. There have been program meetings, reading circles, and Bible classes in some parishes where it seemed impossible to attempt a regular discussion class.

To the 125 questionnaires which I sent out in March I received 75 replies, the highest percentage of answers which in my experience has been received.

It is not easy nor is it any part of my purpose to try to give a complete report of the educational work this year, the most that I can hope or expect to do is to try to tell you in a few words what has been the effect, so far as I am able to judge, of having the work touched by a life of such consecration and beauty as Miss Walker's even for the short time she was our Educational Secretary. Scarcely a day passes that I do not have some appreciative message telling me what she has meant to this or that member of the Auxiliary. Wherever she went she left a blessing. She brought to the work a wide experience and the

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devotion of faithful and loving service. The educational work was very near her heart, she was always eager for any detail of the study classes even during her weeks of illness; one very beautiful evidence of her love for the work was her request, even when she was so ill, that she might act as intercessor for my classes. The formation of a Guild of Intercessors was one of her cherished plans, so great was her belief in intercessory prayer.

The annual service for the study classes which was held in St. a part in this beautiful service. Dr. Sturgis gave a very wonderful will long be remembered in the hearts of those who were able to have Saviour's Chapel, on the 20th of April, as a memorial to Miss Walker, address on "Prayer", which I wish might have been heard by every member of the Auxiliary. Whenever we think of Miss Walker we know that life is the one thing to remember and death is the one thing we must forget; we know instinctively that her great faith, and courage and love, and unselfishness simply cannot vanish, but must be living on in some way.

May I quote in closing a sentence from a letter which I received yesterday from Miss Forbes, written from Japan, she said, "We can only give thanks for her friendship and splendid example for she was a wholly beautiful person within and without".

Respectfully submitted,

ELLEN I. FLANDERS,
Educational Secretary.

Annual Report of the Prayer and Service Union.

MAY, 1918.

More than ever in the lives of most of us has been felt this year the need for prayer. Even those whose souls have been satisfied, or at least soothed by the set formulas have broken the bounds of conservatism and convention and have poured out their hearts to God.

The Prayer and Service Union has held its regular meetings every third Wednesday at the Church Club, excepting the Annual Service and Business Meeting which took place on Wednesday, January 16, at Old Synod Hall. The Very Reverend Dr. Howard Chandler Robbins, Dean of the Cathedral, preached the sermon and celebrated the Holy Communion.

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The business meeting followed immediately after the service, Miss Elisabeth R. Delafield presiding.

Several changes were made in the plan of the organization.

A resolution was adopted discontinuing the membership cards; It was also decided that the Prayer League Leaflets should be subscribed for through the branch secretaries, instead of through the General Secretary.

The President was asked to appoint a committee to re-word the resolutions, casting them instead into a statement of the purpose of the Prayer and Service Union. This was done and at the February meeting the committee presented the following revision which was unanimously approved and adopted.

THE PURPOSE OF THE PRAYER AND SERVICE UNION.

The purpose of the Prayer and Service Union is to deepen the spiritual life of the members of the Woman's Auxiliary and, by more fervent and effective intercession to hasten the coming of the Kingdom of God.

To accomplish this the members of the Prayer and Service Union are asked to study more deeply the Bible; to pray daily for Missions; and to meet regularly and at specified times for united prayer and supplication.

On account of the extreme cold the Annual Meeting at the Old Synod Hall was small. The offering of \$7.50 was sent to Miss Annie Clarkson for General Missions.

The resignation of Miss Augusta A. Smith, General Secretary, was accepted with much regret, and Mrs. J. W. Harrington was elected to succeed her.

The Speakers at the other meetings were as follows:

November: Deaconess Henrietta R. Goodwin.

December: The Very Reverend H. E. W. Fosbroke, Dean of the General Theological Seminary.

February: Mr. Ernest Hargrove, of the Chapel of the Comforter.

March: The Reverend Harry Barrett, Chaplain of the Seamen's Church Institute.

April: The Reverend Father Officer, Holy Cross House, West Park.

We deeply appreciate the quick and sympathetic readiness of these very busy and very-much-in-demand workers in the Church to come to speak to us and their messages of encouragement and comfort.

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At the April meeting action was taken providing for the organization of a series of Preparatory Classes for the help of branch secretaries with the hope that out of these classes will come new branch secretaries who will feel a call to organize and conduct parish branches where there are none.

It is our earnest belief that only through more fervent and more united prayer shall we be enabled to accomplish the great task which is set before us this year. We are being put to the test as never before and we cannot afford to neglect any opportunity to equip ourselves for the fight.

Can we not lift up our hearts more than we have been doing, and come together more of us, for united prayer and supplication; that the bond between us may be strengthened; our capacity for service enlarged; the sincerity of our purpose tested; and our love deepened?

Respectfully submitted,

MAY LEWIS HARRINGTON,

General Secretary.

May 7, 1918.

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Treasurer's Report.

For Year Ending May 1, 1918.

RECEIPTS.

May 1, 1917. Balance Nenana Scholarship	\$10.00
Balance Nurse at Gastonia....	382.00
Balance Liberia Committee....	421.50
Balance Dunlap School.....	69.00
Interest Eliza M. S. Perkins' Fund	691.56
Offerings and Plate Collections	905.15
Designated Gifts	8,135.06
General Missions	3,023.23
Specials including Pledges....	54,534.22
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	\$68,171.72

PAYMENTS.

Paid to George Gordon King, Treasurer	\$63,240.12
Paid to Miss Houghteling....	1,580.45
Paid to Van Horne and Sawtell	337.46
Paid to Missionaries	1,579.69
Paid to William Fellowes Morgan	315.00
Liberty Bonds	1,100.00
Balance Nenana Scholarship..	19.00
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	\$68,171.72

GENERAL EXPENSE FUND.

RECEIPTS.

May 1, 1917. Balance.....	\$947.35
Interest	61.91
Rebate Expenses	43.41
Received from Parishes and Individuals	1,075.57
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	\$2,128.24

PAYMENTS.

Printing	\$824.11
General Expenses	296.64
Officers Expenses	353.80
Balance on hand.....	653.69
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	\$2,128.24

War Fund \$62.20

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE CLARKSON, Treasurer.

May 20, 1918. I have examined the accounts of the Treasurer and found them correct, and Bank balances as stated.

JAS. W. HENRY,

Auditor appointed by the President of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of New York.

SUMMARY.

Total for Districts.....	\$36,483.43
Balance May 1, 1917.....	1,829.85
Interest Eliza M. S. Perkins' Fund	691.56
Lenten Indian League.....	195.00
Interest Farmers Loan & Trust Co.	61.91
Received from Individuals....	23,084.77
Received from Committees and Drawing Room Meetings....	6,904.20
Received from Study Classes.	80.68
Received from Prayer and Service Union	7.50
Rebate Officers' Expenses.....	43.41
Offering Advent Meeting and Sale of Calendars.....	386.14
Offering Quiet Day.....	62.28

May 1. Plate Collection, Victoria Gonzales	50.02
Oct. 30. Plate Collection, Bp. Colmore	35.35
Jan. 3 Plate Collection, N. Y. House, Wyo.	133.45
Feb. 3. Plate Collection, Bp. Tourets Ford Car.....	43.80
Feb. 21. Plate Collection, Evening Branches, Hospital Good Shepherd	115.00
Mar. 5. Plate Collection Dr. Mary James \$43.40; Rev. Mr. Hoare \$5.00	48.40
April 2. Plate Collection Rev. Mr. Thomas of Brazil.....	43.21
War Fund	62.20
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	\$70,362.16

Junior Department

OFFICERS.

President.

MISS MURIEL W. ASHWELL
161 Madison Avenue.

Vice-Presidents.

SOUTHERN DISTRICT, MISS. GERTRUDE WALKER, Dongan Hills, Staten Island.

EASTERN DISTRICT, MISS EVANGELINE COZZENS, 567 Palisade Avenue, Yonkers, N. Y.

NORTHERN DISTRICT, MRS. ALFRED LEWIS MOORE, 4 Roosevelt Avenue, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

WESTERN DISTRICT, MISS KATHLEEN A. GRAND, Goshen, N. Y.

CENTRAL DISTRICT, MISS MARY LANCASTER, 536 Madison Ave.

SECTION 1, MISS MARY C. DU BOIS, 789 West End Avenue.

SECRETARY, MRS. CLARENCE G. MICHALIS, Hotel Biltmore.

TREASURER, MISS GENEVIEVE R. PARKER, 449 Park Avenue.

EDUCATIONAL SECRETARY, MISS EDITH BALLIN, 142 West 76th St.

Meetings.

Members will be notified of date and place of meeting.

Annual Report of the President of the Junior Department.

1917-1918.

One cannot begin a report of the Junior Department for the year 1917-1918, without first mentioning the resignation of Miss Alice Field Lindley, its President for eight years. Her natural ability for leadership and organization, coupled with her tireless enthusiasm and experience *made* the Junior Department in this Diocese grow stronger year by year. Besides, conceiving and executing many brilliant and helpful ideas for the furtherance of the Auxiliary here in New York, Miss Lindley aided those interested in Junior work all over the country by her wise suggestions and wide knowledge. It will be a long time before the Juniors cease missing her, for her place cannot adequately be filled. But since she felt that her work lies in France serving our soldiers under the Y. M. C. A. we are all glad to send to them such an ideally devoted, energetic and cheery friend.

The Junior Board has suffered two other serious changes during the winter in losing Miss Helen Littell and Mrs. Herbert Bugbird, who have both worked most faithfully for several years and whose ability and experience, the remaining officers could ill afford to lose.

We appreciate the helpfulness of Miss Evangeline Cozzens, Miss Mary Lancaster and Miss Gertrude Walker who filled the vacant places on the Board and joined enthusiastically in the work, despite the difficulties of coming in the midst of so much change when the winter activities had already begun.

At the beginning of the year, we were afraid that War Work might interfere with Junior Auxiliary work, but, although our members are doing their share for the Red Cross, etc., they have not forsaken their Missionary duties.

I only know of one branch which disbanded this year and that would have done so, without the War. Seven new branches have been formed which have all done good work all winter.

Three Section 3s have gone into the Woman's Auxiliary. The Juniors are sorry to lose them but the Junior Auxiliary is an organization for the *children* of the Church and it seems natural and right that girls who have left school and who are mixing with grown women in every other activity should be associated with them in the Church's great work. Of a necessity the Woman's Auxiliary is more powerful than the Junior and should provide more interest in its larger scope—so we are glad to have our older members move on, and only ask that the Women receive them warmly and tactfully and foster in them the interest in Missions which has been sown in their earlier days with the Juniors.

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Despite an increase of three branches this year, anyone looking at the Green Book for 1916-1917 will see a great discrepancy between this year and last. Last year 147 branches were reported—and even if that was counting the Little Helpers, of which there are 35—it leaves 112 branches of Sections 2 and 3, whereas only 73 reported sending either any money or boxes. People have been very careless about sending word when branches were discontinued, and for several years Parishes have been counted in which no Junior Auxiliary has existed for some time. During the last winter, we have investigated them, and now we have 82 flourishing branches of Sections 2 and 3 who do real work for the Board of Missions.

In December the leaders decided to designate the money raised. to the salary of Bishop Colmore of Porto Rico—and in March, Dr. Arthur Gray spoke about Porto Rico to the children—told them of the Bishop's work and travels and showed them lantern slides.

The Auxiliary has also been addressed during the season by Dean Robbins who celebrated Holy Communion at the opening service of the year:—by Miss Frances Withers; Mr. William C. Sturgis, Educational Secretary; Miss Courtney, who spoke of the Missionary work done by the G. F. S.; and Dr. Harry Andrews who thrilled the children at the annual meeting, by appearing in Chinese costume and telling them of Medical work in China.

When Miss Lindley went abroad, the Junior Auxiliary lost not only its President but its chief leader in Mission Study Classes and Educational Work, so we have added to the Board for next year as Educational Secretary, Miss Edith Ballin, who has studied the Christian Nurture Series and in Normal Classes for two years, and who is ready to devote her time to endeavoring to bring the work of the Mission Field more clearly home to the children.

The New Junior Plan is progressing, although rather slowly, but it is continually becoming better known among the clergy of the Diocese who almost all heartily endorse it.

Last April the Junior Auxiliary cooperated with the Diocesan Board of Religious Education in holding a conference primarily for Sunday-school Teachers. 267 persons representing sixty-eight Parishes attended. Bishop Courtney presided, and besides splendid addresses from Bishop Perry, Dr. William Gardner and Bishop Thomas, Bishop Page of Spokane spoke most inspiringly on the importance of Missionary Education for children and Miss Frances Withers explained the new Junior Plan and how she has worked it out. To sixty people especially inter-

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ested Miss Withers and Miss Grace Lindley went into more details and it was especially encouraging to note the interest of the clergy present.

The Diocesan Board of Religious Education is very ready to have members of the Junior Auxiliary Board speak at any of their meetings of Sunday-school Teachers and are all heartily in accord with the Plan—so in that way, we hope to impress it more and more on the Sunday-schools.

Among children still at school, their time for outside work, however important and interesting is necessarily very limited and with the extra call for War Work sounding loudly every day, they are anxious to give up everything that is not absolutely essential. So, it seems that more than ever, just now, is the great need and opportunity for this Junior Plan. Most children feel that the time they spend in Sunday-school is justified—and it is our earnest prayer and hope that we officers of the Junior Auxiliary can show the children that Missionary activity is the natural outcome of Sunday-school lessons and that when they have learned of Christ's life and His work—then is the time for them to obey His great Command.

MURIEL W. ASHWELL,
President Junior Auxiliary, New York.

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MONEY AND BOXES.

	Apportionment	Special	Expense Fund	Inter- national Hospital	Boxes	Value of Boxes
Ardsley, St. Barnabas.....	3.10				1	12.00
Beacon, St. Luke's, Sec. II.....	15.00		.75		1	19.50
Briarcliff, All Saints.....	40.00				1	30.00
Clifton, St. John's, Sec. II.....			.75	.50		
Cold Spring, St. Mary's in the Highlands.....					1	30.00
“ “ Scholarship, Day School, Hankow, China	50.00	9.00	1.75			
Garrison, St. Philip's.....	15.00		.75	.50	1	45.00
Goshen, St. James'.....	10.00		1.50		1	15.00
Highland Falls, Holy Innocents.....					1	15.00
Hyde Park, St. James'.....					3	103.00
Irvington, St. Barnabas'.....	15.00		.75			
Kingston, Holy Cross.....	10.00		.50			
“ St. John's50		
Mamaroneck, St. Thomas', Sec. II.....	10.00		.50		1	3.00
Mt. Kisco, St. Mark's.....	15.00				1	90.00
Mt. Vernon, Ascension.....	15.00		.75			
“ “ Trinity					1	125.00
New Brighton, Christ Church.....	50.00				2	10.00
Newburgh, St. George's.....					2	8.00
“ St. George's, Boys' Branch.....	10.00		.50			
New Rochelle, St. Paul's, Sec. III.....	10.00		.50			
“ “ Trinity	15.00		1.75		6	37.39
“ “ United Offering		2.25				

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		Apportionment	Special	Expense Fund	Inter- national Hospital	Boxes	Value of Boxes
New York,	All Angels'.....	15.00		.75	.50	1	30.00
" "	Ascension	25.00		.75			
" "	Epiphany, Sec. III.....	100.00		2.00			
" "	Grace					1	50.00
" "	" Italian, Sec. II.....	10.00		.50			
" "	Heavenly Rest					3	100.00
" "	Heavenly Rest Mission.....	7.21		.75			
	For St. James' Mem. School, Wuhu, China		25.00				
	For Foreign Missions.....		6.25				
" "	Holy Communion	50.00		1.00			
" "	Holy Spirit (Junior Leader).....	5.00					
" "	Chapel Incarnation	210.85		2.00		1	9.50
" "	Chapel, Intercession	15.00		1.75		1	100.00
" "	St. Agnes'	75.00		2.00		3	13.00
" "	St. Andrew's, Sec. III.....	30.00		1.00		2	50.00
" "	St. Augustine's Chapel.....	5.00		.50		1	33.00
" "	St. Bartholomew's					3	200.00
" "	St. Bartholomew's Chapel.....				.50	1	10.00
" "	St. Faith's					1	75.00
" "	St. James'	60.00					
	Work among Mountaineers.....		7.00				
" "	Bishop Burleson		20.00				
	Work in Japan.....		5.00				
	Japanese Kindergarten, Achita.....		10.00				
	Liberia		7.00				
	Work in Alaska.....		26.00				
	St. Agnes' Hospital, Raleigh, N. C..		10.00				
" "	St. Luke's, Sec. III.....	44.89				1	42.00
" "	St. Luke's, Sec. IIa.....					1	2.00
" "	St. Luke's, Work in Alaska.....		4.11				
	Special work in Alaska.....		15.00				

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	Apportionment	Special	Expense Fund	Inter-national Hospital	Boxes	Value of Boxes
" " St. Mary's, Manhattanville.....				16.25		
" " St. Matthew's, Sec. III.....	50.00		1.00		2	25.00
" " St. Michael's			3.00			
" " St. Thomas', Sec. III.....	300.00		3.00		2	40.00
" " St. Thomas, Sec. II.....	75.00		.75			
" " St. Thomas' Chapel.....	15.00				1	20.00
" " Transfiguration	5.00		.50		2	15.00
" " Zion and St. Timothy.....					1	18.00
For St. Mary's School, South Dakota		60.00				
Ossining, Trinity	20.00		.75		1	75.00
Portchester, St. Peter's, Sec. II.....	25.00		1.00		1	25.00
Poughkeepsie, Holy Comforter.....					1	15.00
" St. Paul's	30.00					
Rosendale, All Saints'	5.00		.50			
Scarsdale, St. James the Less.....			1.00		1	13.00
Suffern, Christ Church.....	10.00				1	20.00
For Deaconess Ramsree, Sendai, Japan		20.00				
Tuxedo, St. Mary's.....	50.00		2.00		1	50.00
Warwick, Christ Church.....	15.00		.75			
Westchester, St. Peter's.....	15.00		.75		1	20.00
West New Brighton, Ascension.....	10.00		.50			
Yonkers, Christ Church, Sec. II and III.....	19.00				1	35.00
" St. John's, Sec. IIIa.....	15.00		.75		2	60.00
" " " Sec. IIb.....	15.00		.75		4	117.00
" " " Sec. IIIb.....	25.00		.75		1	10.00
" St. Paul's50		
Interest	5.55					
Offering at Meeting, Cathedral.....	5.20					
" " Annual Meeting, Heavenly Rest.....	29.85					
Woman's Auxiliary for Conference Expenses.....		40.00				
Taken from Expense Fund.....				14.22		
Totals.....	\$1,675.65	\$226.61	\$82.50	\$33.47	66	\$1,815.39

Treasurer's Report, Junior Department

Balance from last annual report			
Apportionment	\$ 165.88		
Expense Fund	53.41		
International Hospital,			
Tokyo	66.53		
United Offering	1.00	286.82	
APPORTIONMENT ...	1,675.65		
Specials counting on			
apportionment	40.11		
Specials	184.26		
Expense Fund	82.50		
United Offering	2.25		
International Hospital.	33.47	2,018.24	
DISBURSEMENTS			
Apportionment	1,841.53		
Special counting on			
apportionment	40.11		
Specials	184.26		
Expense Fund—current			
expenses	110.85		
United Offering	3.25		
International Hospital.	100.00	2,280.00	
TOTAL	2,305.06		
Total disbursements	2,280.00		
Balance to new account ex-			
pense fund	\$ 25.06		

Respectfully submitted,

GENEVIEVE R. PARKER,
Treasurer.

Treasurer's Report, Little Helpers.

June 4, 1917 to July 9, 1918.

June 4, 1917. BY BALANCE..\$	39.56	TO PAYMENTS:	
BY RECEIPTS:		Printing 1000 "Little Letters"	\$27.15
Trinity Church, New Rochelle	4.55	Remitted George Gordon King,	
Chapel of the Intercession....	69.80	Treasurer:	
Ascension Memorial	5.00	General Missions	\$459.37
Christ Church, Riverdale.....	34.60	Angelica Church, Hart	
Trinity Church, Ossining.....	5.00	Day School	10.00
St. Peter's, Westchester.....	32.39	Special for Font.....	3.78
Zion and St. Timothy.....	7.00		473.15
St. Agnes' Chapel.....	53.00	Postage	2.24
St. James the Less, Scarsdale	28.39	Exchange on checks.....	.02
St. Andrew's, Yonkers.....	6.00	July 9, 1918. TO BALANCE..	10.41
Church of the Heavenly Rest.	6.08		
Holy Trinity, Harlem.....	14.56		\$512.97
St. Matthew's	7.93		
Christ Church, Pelham Manor	27.56		
Grace Church	39.63		
Church of the Ascension.....	8.06		
St. Mark's, Mt. Kisco.....	10.00		
St. John's, Rosebank.....	5.11		
St. John's, Yonkers.....	10.85		
All Saints', Rosendale.....	3.15		
St. Mary's, West New Brighton	.58		
Chapel of the Incarnation....	6.00		
St. Andrew's, Harlem.....	30.78		
Christ Church, New Brighton.	9.14		
Calvary Church	10.49		
All Saints', Harrison.....	11.76		
Christ Church, Suffern.....	25.00		
Contribution	1.00		
	\$512.97		

Respectfully submitted,

ELEANOR L. GILMAN,
Treasurer.

Report of the Church Periodical Club in the Diocese of New York.

APRIL 1, 1917-APRIL 1, 1918.

Several important events have occurred during the past year in the life of the New York Branch of the Church Periodical Club. In December, the parish librarians met and voted to adopt a simple form of diocesan organization. Here, as in other dioceses, the plan is to be tried until the meeting in Detroit in 1919.

The work of the winter has been sadly interfered with by the necessity of moving the Diocesan Office from the Church Missions House. It was felt best to keep the present close connection with the Central Office, and both offices finally found a home at 2 West 47th Street. While the space is far smaller than is needed, the location of the office makes it more accessible for the officers and for those who contribute material.

The entrance of the country into the world war at once added to the responsibilities, and lessened the resources of the C. P. C. Immediately after war was declared, the C. P. C. offered to all Chaplains the same service that had for many years been given to a few. In face of the larger movements that have developed since, the effort to keep up such service has continued, and up to the present time has given to the chaplains at the front the only help along recreational lines on which they could depend. Whether their needs will eventually be met in other ways, remains to be seen, but should this be so, there will still be many war needs unknown to general agencies, and not likely to be reached except through the personal effort of the members of the Church Periodical Club. Is it too much to expect the Church people of this diocese to support at this time its own Church organization in a work that it is fitted by years of experience to carry on with intelligence and sympathy?

It goes without saying that the purely missionary work has suffered. Money contributions have fallen off, and much reading matter is being diverted to war uses, even apparently the women's magazines and the children's books. On the other hand, honor is due to the many donors whose magazines still find their way to the mission field, and whose war gifts are an addition and not a substitution. The largest general contributions of books have been for St. Paul's College, Tokyo, Japan. The sale of waste paper still helps to pay postage charges, and the sale and exchange of books unsuitable for distribution supplies many a clergy-

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man and theological student with much needed books. Two special calls for reference and other standard books are for St. Agnes School, Kyoto, and for the Blue Ridge Industrial School whose whole library was recently destroyed by fire.

The present day rules regarding food may be equally well applied to reading matter. It should be neither hoarded nor wasted. Our chaplains and Brotherhood workers should be provided with all that they ask for to be used for keeping up the morale of the men. No new book should be kept on our shelves that might aid the clergy in isolated places to foster intelligent loyalty. Nothing should be withheld that will make Christianity more vital to the people of non-Christian lands. The power of the printed page imposes upon us all a serious responsibility for its right use. Let the C. P. C. help you to discharge this responsibility.

Respectfully submitted,

LEILA L. JONES,

*Secretary of the New York Diocesan Branch
of the Church Periodical Club.*

Constitution
**OF THE NEW YORK BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S
AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS,**

AS APPROVED BY THE BISHOP AND ADOPTED BY
ITS REPRESENTATIVE BODY, MAY 17TH, 1912,
AND AMENDED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING,
MAY 8TH, 1913.

ARTICLE I. — NAME.

The Name of this Association shall be THE NEW YORK BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

ARTICLE II. — OBJECT.

The object of this Association shall be to carry out within the Diocese of New York the purposes and work of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE III. — MEMBERSHIP.

All Churchwomen and children by virtue of their baptism are considered possible members of the Woman's Auxiliary. All those who, in this Diocese, by their prayers, work or offerings, aid the Missions of the Church may become by enrolment, actual members of the New York Branch and of its Junior Department.

ARTICLE IV. — JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

There shall be a Junior Department of this Association for the Younger Women and Children of the Diocese, working under its own Constitution and electing its own Board of Officers, of which the President of this Association shall be a member.

ARTICLE V. — OFFICERS.

The officers of this Association shall be a President and nine Vice-Presidents, five in charge respectively of the districts of New York, Orange, Westchester, Staten Island and Dutchess, one in charge of the Junior Department,

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and two in charge respectively of the Foreign and of the Domestic Mission Work, and one Vice-President at Large. A Secretary, an Assistant Secretary, an Educational Secretary, A Treasurer and a Treasurer for the United Offering; all of whom shall constitute the Executive Board.

ARTICLE VI. — HONORARY OFFICERS.

The Association may create Honorary Officers at pleasure.

ARTICLE VII. — AMENDMENT.

This Constitution, having been approved by the Bishop, may be amended with his approval by the Association at its Annual Meeting, two-thirds of the Representatives present concurring, notice of the proposed amendment having been given at a previous meeting.

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ARTICLE I. — DUTIES AND POWERS OF OFFICERS.

SECTION 1. *President.* The President shall preside at all meetings of this Association and of the Executive Board.

SEC. 2. *Vice-Presidents.* The Vice-President at Large shall preside in the absence of the President and perform such other duties as may be assigned to her by the Executive Board, presenting a report of her work at the Annual Meeting.

The Vice-Presidents in charge of the districts shall endeavor to promote the formation of Parish Branches and to help and strengthen those already existing; shall consult with the Executive Board, and shall present at the Annual Meeting, a written report of progress in their respective districts for the year.

The Vice-Presidents in charge of the Foreign and Domestic Work shall inform the Parish Branches of the needs and work of the Foreign field and the Domestic field, including work among the Indians and the Negroes, through correspondence, visiting or providing speakers to address their meetings, and shall present at the Annual Meeting, a written report of progress in their respective fields of work for the year.

Each Vice-President shall appoint such persons as she may deem necessary to assist her in the performance of her duties.

SEC. 3. *Secretary.* The Secretary shall —

- (1) Issue notice of meetings;
- (2) Keep the Minutes of the Association and of the Executive Board;
- (3) Prepare and edit the annual report, and shall perform such other duties as may be assigned to her by the Association or the Executive Board.

SEC. 4. *Assistant Secretary.* The Assistant Secretary shall assist the Secretary in the performance of her duties.

SEC. 5. *Educational Secretary.* The Educational Secretary shall arrange for the formation of Normal and other Mission Study Classes throughout the Diocese.

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SEC. 6. *Treasurer.* The Treasurer shall receive and disburse and keep account of all moneys received in each department of work and shall attend the meetings of the Association, reporting receipts and disbursements to the same.

SEC. 7. *Treasurer—United Offering.* The Treasurer for the United Offering shall receive all contributions for the United Offering, and, under the direction of the Executive Board, endeavor to arouse and increase an interest in the same.

SEC. 8. *Auditing Committee.* The accounts of the Treasurer of the Association and those of the Treasurer for the United Offering shall be audited annually by an Auditing Committee to be appointed by the President.

SEC. 9. *Executive Board.* The Executive Board shall be entrusted with the general business of the Association; shall fill vacancies occurring on the resignation or death of officers; and shall exercise all powers of the Association not herein expressly provided for.

SEC. 10. Six members of the Executive Board shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 11. The officers shall be entitled to vote at all meetings of the Association.

ARTICLE II.—REPORTS.

Each Parish Branch shall send annually before June 1st to the Secretary of the Association a written report of its work for the preceding year.

ARTICLE III.—PARISH DUES.

Each Parish Branch shall send annually to the Treasurer, for the current expenses of the Association, a specified sum of money to be known as Parish Dues. The amount of these dues shall be determined by the Association at the November meeting.

ARTICLE IV.—FISCAL YEAR.

The fiscal year of the Association shall be from January 1st to December 31st.

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ARTICLE V.—MEETINGS.

SECTION 1. The meetings of this Association shall be held monthly from November to May, inclusive, the May meeting being the Annual Meeting.

SEC. 2. These meetings shall be open to all members of the Woman's Auxiliary, but no persons shall be entitled to vote except four duly elected or appointed delegates from each organized Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary and the officers of the Association.

SEC. 3. The Secretary shall call special meetings on request of the President or five members of the Executive Board.

SEC. 4. At all meetings of this Association, except the Annual Meeting, fifty delegates shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 5. At the Annual Meeting one hundred delegates from the Parish Branches shall constitute a quorum.

SEC. 6. A meeting of the Executive Board shall precede each monthly meeting of the Association.

SEC. 7. The Vice-Presidents in charge of Foreign and Domestic Work in consultation with the other officers of the Association shall arrange for meetings in the districts at stated intervals to arouse keener missionary zeal and effort.

ARTICLE VI.—NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS.

SECTION 1. There shall be appointed annually by the President a Nominating Committee of seven members comprising at least one member from each district, which shall nominate at the Annual Meeting one candidate for each office of the Association, the District Vice-Presidents excepted.

The Vice-Presidents in charge of the districts of New York, Orange, Westchester, Staten Island and Dutchess shall be nominated at a representative meeting of their respective districts. At such meeting which shall take place not less than one month before the Diocesan Annual Meeting each branch shall have one vote, a branch being a group of women working to help the Board of Missions and contributing to the expense fund of the Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary. Unless one-third of the branches are represented by delegates or proxies, there

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shall be no quorum. Should a district waive the right, the Vice-President shall be selected by the Nominating Committee.

SEC. 2. All the officers except the Treasurer for the United Offering and the Vice-President in charge of the Junior Department shall be elected by ballot of majority vote at the annual meeting and shall hold their office for one year or until the election of their successor.

SEC. 3. The head of the Junior Department as elected by that body is *ex-officio* the Vice-President of this Association in charge of that Department.

SEC. 4. The Treasurer for the United Offering shall be elected by ballot once every three years, at the May meeting in the same year as the triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary. Her election to take effect November 1st of that year. She shall hold office until her successor is elected and installed.

SEC. 5. Honorary officers may be elected by the Association at any regular meeting.

ARTICLE VII.—ORDER OF BUSINESS.

SECTION 1. *Monthly Meetings.*

- (1) Prayers.
- (2) Minutes of Last Meeting.
- (3) Report of the Treasurer.
- (4) Report of the Treasurer for United Offering.
- (5) Report of the Educational Secretary.
- (6) Reports of the Vice-Presidents.
- (7) Report of General Service Committee.
- (8) Report of Prayer and Service Union.
- (9) Miscellaneous Business.
- (10) Address.

(Each month a speaker representing either the Foreign, Domestic, Colored or Indian field of work shall address the Association.)

- (11) Adjournment.

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SEC. 2. The order of business may be changed on the vote of ten members.

SEC. 3. *Annual Meetings.*

- (1) Prayers.
- (2) Minutes of Last Annual Meeting.
- (3) Annual Report of the Treasurer.
- (4) Annual Report of the Treasurer for United Offering.
- (5) Annual Reports of the Vice-Presidents.
- (6) Annual Report of the Educational Secretary.
- (7) Annual Report of the Junior Department.
- (8) Annual Report of General Service Committee.
- (9) Annual Report of Prayer and Service Union.
- (10) Address of the President.
- (9) Unfinished Business.
- (10) Election of Officers.
- (11) New Business.
- (12) Adjournment.

ARTICLE VIII. — AMENDMENT.

By-Laws may be adopted, amended, suspended or repealed at any regular or annual meeting by a two-thirds' majority vote, notice of proposed changes having been given at a previous meeting.

ARTICLE IX.

Roberts' Rules of Order shall govern all meetings.

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