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MINUTES
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NORTH CAROLINA BRANCH
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Charlotte, N. C., May 24th, 1883.

The Bishop appointed the afternoon of May 24th during the meeting of the Diocesan Convention, as the time for the anniversary meeting of this Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary. The Secretary therefore corresponded with the parish Auxiliaries, urging them to send delegates to be present.

The General Secretary, Miss J. C. Emery, kindly responded to a request to be present, and reached Charlotte on May 23rd.

The Convention adjourned at 2 P. M. on Thursday, May 24th, thus giving its members an opportunity to attend the meeting, and at the appointed hour, the hall was well filled with ladies and gentlemen, representatives of many parishes in the Diocese, and also a number from the Women's Mission Societies of the Presbyterian and Methodist Churches in Charlotte.

Bishop Lyman presided, and opened the exercises with prayer. The missionary hymn was sung; the minutes of the last meeting were read; and also the report of the

Diocesan Secretary. The Bishop then made a few well chosen remarks, expressing his interest in the Woman's Auxiliary, and his hearty approval of its introduction into the Diocese, and his hope that it would find ready helpers in every parish. He expressed his pleasure in introducing to the meeting, the General Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, Miss Julia C. Emery, from New York.

Miss Emery made a very interesting address, which was listened to most attentively. She told of the needs existing in many Dioceses, mentioning particularly Pennsylvania and Ohio, which she had lately visited; and North Carolina, where it had been said in Convention that in 34 counties our Church was not known; and said it seemed as if all the energy of churchwomen in these was required to work for their own destitute places; but that when help was given to those away from home, other aid seemed to flow in to bless the givers.

The gradual rise of the Woman's Auxiliary and its expansion from small beginnings was graphically described, and mention was made of the large number of missionaries aided by it. The raising money to help in schools, to pay salaries of women workers, and insurance on the lives of Missionaries was next undertaken, and help flowed in from all sides. Not from the great and rich Dioceses only, but also from Washington Territory, from Maine, Florida, and Texas—themselves missionary fields. In every part of the are little bands of women, all working to help others in land need. At first each worked independently, but gradually Diocesan Auxiliaries were formed to render the work more manageable. All are under the general direction of the Missionary Officers of the Church, at the Mission Rooms in New York.

Some touching incidents of the work were given, and some explanation of the best mode of carrying on the pre

paration of boxes, and of aiding missionaries. Encouragement to weak parishes was given in the way that one works for another, promoting unselfishness and Christian love.

The amount in money and boxes, raised in the preceding year by the labors of faithful church women exceeded \$18,000.

At the close of Miss Emery's address the Bishop made some remarks, and called on some of the clergy or laymen present to speak. Rev. J. B. Cheshire, Jr., responded, warmly praising the touching and eloquent address of Miss Emery, and referring to the good done by the Woman's Auxiliary.

Prayer and Benediction by the Bishop closed the meeting.

For a short time clergy and ladies pressed forward to speak to Miss Emery, but soon withdrew, and the Woman's Auxiliary business meeting was organized. Rev. Mr. Prentice, of South Carolina, made a short address by special request. The roll of Parish Auxiliaries was called. The election of a Diocesan Secretary was next in order, and Mrs. Meares moved to re-elect Mrs. Wilkes, which was done unanimously.

The meeting then adjourned.

Delegates were present from—

Asheville—

Charlotte—

Hillsboro—

Lewiston—

Lincolnton—

Pittsboro—

Tarboro—

Wilmington—

And representatives from Elkin, Winston, Shelby, Raleigh, Newberne, and other parishes.

REPORT.

Since the last report three new Auxiliaries have been organized; Lincolnton, Leaksville and Elkin, making the number 14. The results of the year's labor are very gratifying, showing increased interest in Mission work. The division of the Diocese has caused some weakness, as the Auxiliaries situated in East Carolina were uncertain whether they were to separate from us at once or not. After consulting with some of the clergy in both Dioceses, it was decided to be best that all should hold together, at least till the meeting of the Conventions. Division of our 14 Auxiliaries will leave both branches very weak, as 9 will be in North Carolina and 5 in East Carolina. But if the parish branches in East Carolina prefer to organize a Diocesan Auxiliary, let us hope and pray that each may gain in zeal and missionary spirit that which we seem to lose in material strength. In each Diocese are most earnest and efficient workers. May God bless all their undertakings.

The bare record of the year's work in money and boxes, does not tell of the pleasure and comfort carried to many families, nor of the heart-warming influences exerted on the Auxiliary members by thus laboring for fellow Christians. It is quite certain that those who have helped to prepare one missionary box, are ever ready to help again.

In this connection I may say that the making up of boxes is generally the best way for the Auxiliaries to work, as more help can be given by having clothing neatly made

than in other ways. But this is not always convenient or acceptable, so each parish can best decide on its own method of work.

Let us earnestly hope that the coming year will enlarge the number of our Auxiliaries, and that by God's grace the hearts and hands of all Christian women may be animated and strengthened to do His work.

In regard to the expenses of Diocesan Secretary, to which attention was called in the last report, a suggestion was made last fall that every member of each Auxiliary should contribute 10 cents a year for a central fund, or expense of Diocesan Secretary, and this suggestion was laid before each Parish Auxiliary. If this plan were fully carried out it would have raised this year about \$30.00.

As it has been done, it has raised.....\$20.20

The Secretary has expended for stationery

and postage.....	\$5.00
Balance due last year.....	2.50
Printing.....	1.00
Balance.....	2.70

Last year 5 boxes were prepared, valued at.....\$228.40

Cash collected, excluding all parish work..... 338.04

\$566.44

This year 11 boxes were prepared, valued at.....\$507.35

Cash

\$822.43

So that the increase of mission work this year over

last is.....\$255.99

All which is respectfully submitted.

MRS. JOHN WILKES,
Secretary W. A. for N. C.

ASHEVILLE BRANCH.*President*—Mrs. H. K. PATTON.*Vice President*—Mrs. BUCHANAN.*Secretary and Treasurer*—Miss F. L. PATTON.

Members 34.

General Missions.....	\$ 5 00
Domestic Missions.....	40 00
Foreign Missions (China).....	20 00
Diocesan Missions.....	5 00
Central Fund.....	1 50
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	\$71 50

CHARLOTTE BRANCH.*President*—Rev. J. B. CHSHIRE, JR.*Vice President*—Mrs. W. P. BYNUM.*Secretary and Treasurer*—Mrs. VANLANDINGHM.

Members 35.

Foreign Missions (Education Fund).....	\$30 00
General Missions.....	10 00
Domestic Missions (Bishop Tuttle's Schools).....	10 00
Diocesan Missions, colored school at Lenoir	4 00
Diocesan Missions, 1 box, value.....	33 00
Central Fund.....	1 90
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	\$88 90

EDENTON BRANCH.*President*—Rev. R. B. DRANE.*Vice President*—Mrs. C. C. DRANE.*Secretary and Treasurer*—Miss M. F. SKINNER.

Members 34.

General Missions	\$ 4 95
Foreign Missions (Education Fund)	4 00
Domestic Missions	4 15
Diocesan Missions	5 00
Central Fund	3 40
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	\$21 50

ELKIN BRANCH.

President—Mrs. A. B. GALLOWAY.

Members 7.

Domestic Missions, 1 box, value.....	\$17 85
Diocesan Missions, 1 box, value.....	16 00
Central Fund.....	70
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	\$34 55

FAYETTEVILLE BRANCH.

President—Mrs. M. A. BAKER.

Vice President—Mrs. Jas. BROADFOOT.

Treasurer—Miss A. McRAE.

Secretary—Miss F. L. SMITH.

General Missions.....	\$ 5 00
Diocesan Missions, 1 box, value	25 00
Central Fund.....	1 50
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	\$31 50

HILLSBORO BRANCH.

President—Mrs. JAMES WEBB.

Vice President—Mrs. Thos. RUFFIN.

Treasurer—Mrs. Wm. HAYES.

Secretary—Miss REBECCA CAMERON.

Members 25.

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General Missions.....	\$4 00
Diocesan Missions.....	50
Central Fund.....	2 00

	\$6 50

LENOIR BRANCH.

No report.

LEWISTON BRANCH.

President—Mrs. L. WILLIAMS.
Vice President—Mrs. B. URQUHART.
Secretary and Treasurer—Miss F. LEWIS.

General Missions.....	\$17 18
Central Fund.....	1 50

	\$18 68

LINCOLNTON BRANCH.

President—Mrs. V. McBEE.
Vice President—Mrs. W. S. BYNUM.
Secretary and Treasurer—Miss S. B. HOKE.

Members 15.

Domestic Missions	\$ 2 00
Diocesan Missions, 1 box, value.....	91 00
Central Fund.....	60

	\$93 60

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LEAKSVILLE BRANCH.

President—Mrs. J. D. GLENN.

Secretary—Miss A. L. SMITH.

Members 6.

Foreign Missions.....	\$1 00
Diocesan Missions.....	2 90
Central Fund.....	60

	\$4 50

PITTSBORO BRANCH.

President—Mrs. A. M. ZIMMERMAN.

Vice President—Mrs. J. ROGERS.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. R. R. IHRIE.

Members 16.

General Missions.....	\$ 2 50
Diocesan Missions.....	27 70
Central Fund.....	1 50

	\$31 70

TARBORO BRANCH.

President—Rev. J. B. CHESHIRE, D. D.

Vice President—Mrs. W.M. HOWARD.

Treasurer—Miss A. C. PARKER.

Secretary—Mrs. F. L. WEDDELL.

Members 59.

General Missions.....	\$ 10 00
Diocesan Missions, 3 boxes, value.....	195 00
Diocesan Missions, cash.....	29 00
Central Fund.....	3 00

	\$237 00

WILMINGTON BRANCH.

Three Parishes.

President—Miss S. M. SWANN.

Secretary—Mrs. C. DER. MEARES.

Members 25.

General Missions		\$25 00
Diocesan Missions, 3 boxes, value.....		130 50
Diocesan Missions, clothing.....		20 00
Central Fund.....		2 00
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		\$177 50

WINDSOR BRANCH.

Secretary and Treasurer—Mrs. SOL. CHERRY.

General Missions.....		\$5 00
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SUMMARY.

PARISH.	No of Members.	Central Fund.	MISSIONS.			Total.	Boxes.	Value.
			General and Foreign.	Domestic	Diocesan.			
Asheville.....	34	\$1 50	\$25 00	\$40 00	\$ 5 00	\$ 71 50		
Charlotte.....	35	1 90	40 00	10 00	37 00	88 90	1	\$ 33 00
Edenton.....	34	3 40	8 95	4 15	5 00	21 50		
Elkin.....	7	70	17 85	16 00	34 55	2 32 85		
Fayetteville.....		1 50	5 00	25 00	31 50	1	25 00	
Hillsboro.....	25	2 00	4 00	.....	50	6 50		
Lenoir.....								
Lewiston.....		1 50	17 18	.....	.....	18 68		
Lincolnton.....	15	60	.....	2 00	91 00	93 60	1	91 00
Leaksville.....	6	60	1 00	.....	2 90	4 50		
Pittsboro.....	16	1 50	2 50	.....	27 70	31 70		
Tarboro.....	59	3 00	10 00	.....	224 00	237 00	3	195 00
Wilmington.....	25	2 00	25 00	.....	150 50	177 50	3	130 50
Windsor.....			5 00	.....	5 00			
		\$20 20	\$143 63	\$74 00	\$584 60	\$822 43	11	\$507 85
						Cash.		315 08
								\$822 43

