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Collects of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

○ GOD, who hast prepared for those who love thee, such good things as pass man's understanding; pour into our hearts such love toward thee, that we, loving thee above all things, may obtain thy promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

○ 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 the work we have undertaken in thy holy Church, 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.*

○ GOD, who hast made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on the face of the whole earth, and didst send thy blessed Son to preach peace to them that are far off and to them that are nigh; Grant that all men everywhere may seek after thee and find thee. Bring the nations into thy fold, and add the heathen to thine inheritance. And we pray thee shortly to accomplish the number of thine elect, and to hasten thy kingdom; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

○ GOD, the Holy Spirit, sanctifier of thine elect, choose and prepare us, and teach us to know thy voice in our hearts, that we may be thy handmaidens to do after thy blessed will; whom, with the Father and the Son, we glorify as one God world without end. *Amen.*

For Noon=tide, Daily.

"And I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto Me."

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.*

OFFICERS.**Honorary Secretary,**

MRS. JOHN WILKES, Charlotte.

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Director for Babies' Branch,

MRS. WALTER J. SMITH, Scotland Neck.

Correspondent for Church Periodical Club,

MISS REBECCA CAMERON, Hillsboro.



IN MEMORIAM.

MRS. D. H. HAMILTON.

DIED THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 1897.

St. Matthew's Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary desire to express their profound grief at the death of their beloved President, Mrs. Frances Gray Hamilton, and their deep sense of the loss they have sustained.

For eight years Mrs. Hamilton has been the faithful and devoted directress of the Auxiliary; and has given freely of her time, labor, and means for its welfare. Lovely and kindly in manner, prudent in counsel, earnest to help, a Christian gentlewoman of most winning personality; she will be long and sadly missed in our meetings and in the church of her love.

We tender to the family our affectionate sympathy, and earnestly pray that the Divine comfort and blessing may support them in their great sorrow.

At a meeting of the Auxiliary, held on Monday, January 25th, 1897, it was

RESOLVED; That the above minute be entered on our records, and that a copy thereof be sent to the family of Mrs. Hamilton.

MRS. JAMES WEBB,
MISS LIZZIE JONES,
MRS. WILLIAM HAYES, } Committee.

REV. S. PAXSON WATTERS,
Rector St. Matthew's Church, Hillsboro.

ADDRESS AND REPORT OF SECRETARY.

To the N. C. Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary:

"No organization can get on without an ideal towards which it moves; and a society which exists for a practical purpose must have a theory from which it proceeds." What then is the Woman's Auxiliary and what motive his back of this eminently practical organization? One word embraces the goal, as well as the principle—Love.

A growth of twenty-five years has brought the Woman's Auxiliary to be a reserve force for the Board of Missions in the great work of Evangelizing the world, and of bringing it a tribute of love to the God of Love.

One year ago our Bishop appointed me to discharge the duties in the N. C. Branch of the Auxiliary, which for fourteen years had been discharged by our much loved former Secretary. Each day's experience has taught me since that time, that we owe a debt of gratitude to our faithful leader, which none of us can realize. We can only honor her as we have done and love to do, by giving her the distinguished position she now holds—that of Honorary Secretary.

Looking at the work with inexperienced eyes, my one ambition has been to carry out the spirit of the Society. The first step taken was to emphasize the year's work throughout the Diocese, with deep spirituality, by adopting the Four Intercessory Days. These days have been faithfully observed, as we well know, wherever it has been practicable and were closed on The Feast of the Annunciation with a Quiet Day.

In August, 1896, I attended the Convocation of Tarboro, held at Scotland Neck, where we had a very successful meeting of the Auxiliary attended by the Secretary of the Convocation and a few delegates from adjoining parishes. The day was one of joy and inspiration. The offerings were devoted to the deficit in Treasury of the Board of Missions.

Returning from Scotland Neck, I stopped in Littleton to organize a branch of the Auxiliary there. A handful of women met me, and we spent a very pleasant evening talking about Auxiliary work, its purpose and plans. A branch was afterwards formed, but little has been accomplished beyond a few meetings for prayer, which faithfully held to, will doubtless bring forth fruit. I then went on to Raleigh, and met the ladies of the Good Shepherd, and made some arrangement for the year's work there. I also visited the S. Ambrose branch of the Auxiliary, and S. Augustine's School. I was particularly pleased with the systematic work that was being done by the S. Ambrose branch.

In October a meeting of the members of the Auxiliary in the Convocation of Raleigh was held at the time and place of the session of the Convocation, Stovall. There was a good representation of the branches of the Convocation, and a delightful meeting, resulting in

some practical work. United Offering boxes were distributed at Stovall and Goshen, which we hope will carry a blessing to those taking them, and also gather pennies for other women workers. The delegates from the Raleigh branches, seeing the advantage of an all day meeting, returned to their homes with reports of the day, the result of which gives us to-day the pleasure of a social luncheon after the burden of our morning's work.

Since October my work has been done chiefly from my desk. I arranged to meet with the women of the Salisbury Convocation, at the session of the Convocation in Winston, but was deterred by sickness.

The work in the Diocese has grown. Four branches have been organized in the Convocation of Charlotte; four in the Convocation of Raleigh; four in the Convocation of Tarboro.

The total for gifts in the Missionary field does not compare unfavorably with the gifts of the year before from the Diocese and Jurisdiction together. This year we give \$1445.57, last year the Diocese and Jurisdiction together gave \$1913.64 a difference of \$468.07.

Every branch of the work has been kept up, the disbursements of offerings for United Work are as follows:

Invested for United Offering	\$ 146 48
Sent to Board of Missions	67 12
Medical Work in China	50 31
S. Augustine's School	41 16
Alaska	5 19
Chapel at Mayodan	100 00
Thompson Orphanage	148 55

besides special gifts by various branches in other fields

The total number of boxes has been 25, of which 18 were sent to the Thompson Orphanage. I still have on hand \$15.39 sent for the church at Mayodan. This amount has been voted, by the branches sending it, to the Central Fund, as our expenses have been unusually large this year.

The work done by the Secretaries has been faithful and efficient; each in her own field. No two have found the same difficulties and no two the same encouragement in the work. The Secretary in the Charlotte Convocation entered upon her duties with only one branch organized in the Convocation.

The Convocation of Raleigh has been without a Secretary since the resignation of Mrs. McGehee in July, 1896. Miss Bailey, of Raleigh, has assisted me in the necessary correspondence in the Convocation.

The scattered work in the Convocation of Salisbury gives the Secretary there much anxiety and labor.

We turn with gladness to the work in the Convocation of Tarboro; the zeal and love manifested by the individual workers keep the Secretary inspired with hope, and cheered in her various labors.

Now let me add one word in behalf of our work for the year before us. Let us fall back in nothing, but press forward to greater results. Shall we not keep up the Intercessory Days of Prayer, and add the daily noon-day prayer? And may we not give more faithful study of the Missionary field, that we may labor with intelligence and knowledge of the work? Our gifts are of far more value in the eyes of our Father when we know the needs of the work, than when we give with careless hands, forgetful of, or indifferent to, the recipients. God grant us His blessing, by giving us the Spirit to labor as those who have to give an account of the deeds done in the body.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. HORNER.

CENTRAL FUND.

RECEIPTS:

Balance from Mrs. Wilkes, May, 1896.....	\$ 3 53
From Woman's Auxiliary Branches.....	73 24
Communion Alms May 13, 1897.....	1 78
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	\$78 55

EXPENDITURES:

Mrs. Wilkes for Reports, 1895-'96.....	\$30 00
Stationary and Postage.....	17 25
Miss Stuart, Traveling Expenses.....	12 30
Balance on hand May, 1897.....	19 00
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	\$78 55

MINUTES
OF THE
ANNUAL MEETING
OF THE
N. C. Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary
RALEIGH, MAY 13, 1897.

The day began with a celebration of the Holy Communion at 7 A. M. The Bishop was celebrant, assisted by the Rev. Charles Fetter.

The inclement weather prevented the appointed meeting of the Diocesan and Convocation Secretaries at 9 A. M. At 10 A. M. the Bishop met with the officers and delegates in the chapel of Christ's Church and opened the meeting with a short service followed by an address. He thanked the women for their efficient help in sending the \$100.00 for which he had asked towards building the church at Mayodan; reminded them of the great power for good the Auxiliary is to the Board of Missions, and impressed on them the importance of keeping ever before them the spirit of prayer. He emphasized particularly the observance of the Friday after the first Sunday in each month, as a special day for intercessions for Missions. He also suggested the work in the Diocesan field which he wished undertaken.

The Diocesan Secretary then took the chair and called the roll by Convocations. The following delegates responded:

CHARLOTTE CONVOCATION.

CHARLOTTE.—S. Peter's, Mrs. Van Landingham, Miss Hall.

MONROE.—S. Paul's, Mrs. Hilliard.

SOUTHERN PINES.—Miss Wheeler, Mrs. Gregory.

WADESBORO.—Calvary, Mrs. Bennett, Miss Bennett.

RALEIGH CONVOCATION.

DURHAM.—“S. Philips,” Mrs. Winston, Mrs. Leak and Mrs. Hanks.

HENDERSON.—“Holy Innocents,” Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Chavasse.

HILLSBORO.—S. Matthews, Miss Ruffin and Miss Cameron.

LOUISBURG.—S. Paul's, Mrs. Averett and Miss Hawkins.

OXFORD.—S. Stephens', Mrs. De La Croix and Miss Hilliard.

RALEIGH.—Christ Church, Mrs. Badger, Mrs. Root and Mrs. Turner.

RALEIGH.—Good Shepherd, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Andrews, Mrs. Bryan and Miss Bailey.

RALEIGH.—S. Mary's, Miss McVea.

RALEIGH.—S. Ambrose, Miss Phillips.

SALISBURY CONVOCATION.

LEAKSVILLE.—Epiphany, Mrs. Martin and Mrs. Sharp.

SALISBURY.—S. Luke's, Miss Mills, Mrs. White and Mrs. Murdock.

WINSTON.—S. Paul's, Mrs. Handy. Mrs. Slee.

TARBORO CONVOCATION.

HALIFAX.—S. Mark's, Mrs. Hill.

JACKSON.—Church of our Saviour, Mrs. Picard.

RINGWOOD.—S. Clements, Mrs. Harrison.

ROCKY MOUNT.—Good Shepherd, Mrs. Bunn, Mrs. McKenzie, Mrs. Battle.

SCOTLAND NECK.—Trinity, Mrs. Smith, Miss Smith.

TARBORO.—Calvary, Mrs. A. C. Parker, Miss Kate Cheshire.

TARBORO.—S. Luke's, Mrs. Hill.

WARRENTON.—Emmanuel, Mrs. White.

WELDON.—Grace, Mrs. Hill.

WILSON.—S. Timothy, Mrs. Branch, Miss Simpson.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. The Secretary then delivered a message from the Honorary Secretary, expressing her sorrow that sickness prevented her presence at the meeting. The message was received by a rising vote of regret, and a committee was appointed to draw up resolutions of respect, which were submitted as follows:

Resolved, I. That the Auxiliary express its regret at the absence

from the annual meeting of the Honorary Secretary, Mrs. John Wilkes, who has presided so faithfully and so acceptably over its work and meetings since the organization of the North Carolina Branch.

II. That a copy of these resolutions be sent Mrs. Wilkes by the Diocesan Secretary, and the same be spread upon the minutes of the meeting.

MRS. MARY IREDELL,
MRS. KEMP P. BATTLE,
MRS. ROBT. W. WINSTON, } Committee.

The Diocesan Secretary gave her address and report of work during the past year. The report of Convocation Secretaries was next in order.

Mrs. John Van Landingham of the Charlotte Convocation reported that when she entered on her duties, she found only one organized branch of the Auxiliary in the Convocation, that in Charlotte. She reported four newly organized branches and much other work done during the year.

The Raleigh Convocation being without a Secretary, owing to the feeble health of Mrs. McGehee, the Diocesan Secretary stated that her report covered the work done in that Convocation.

The Secretary of Salisbury Convocation was deterred from attendance at the meeting by the illness of her mother, and sent no report.

The Secretary of Tarboro Convocation, Mrs. Thos. Hill reported four new branches organized, and earnest, faithful work done by the branches already existing. She asked the sympathy of the whole body of the N. C. branch of the Auxiliary in the loss sustained by the death of Mrs. Frank Hunter of the Warrenton branch, a woman active and zealous in all good works, faithful in the discharge of missionary obligations, and whose life was a benediction to those with whom she labored. "May light perpetual shine upon her."

Mrs. Handy reported from the Junior Department, and made an earnest and touching plea that the children should become members of the Junior Auxiliary.

The report from the Babies Branch was made by Miss Hall of Charlotte, as illness detained the Secretary of the Babies Branch at home.

Miss Cameron, correspondent of the C. P. C., reported in her own style. Then followed the report from S. Augustine's School by Mrs. A. B. Hunter. After receiving the reports, the Secretary introduced the Rev. Jas. H. Williams the Missionary in charge at Madison and the adjoining mission stations. The report of work done, and the need of greater work, as stated by Mr. Williams, were so effective that immediately after his departure, the appeal was responded to by a gift of \$35.05 for church at Mayodan—\$12.00 for Mocksville, and \$10.25 for school at Mayodan. Dr. Lamb, of New Jersey, was then introduced. He represented the Clergy Retiring Fund Society, and emphasized the importance of having each and every Rector and Missionary become a member of the Society; urging the women to take up the work as second in importance to no other Missionary obligation.

Next in order was the discussion of work for the coming year. A letter from Miss Mann, in Aomori, Japan, was read, and also a letter from Miss Emery, to the Diocesan and Parochial officers. At twelve, a pause was made for prayer. The Secretary offered the *beautiful prayer* arranged by Bishop Coxe.

At one, lunch was served by the members of the Good Shepard branch, and an hour was spent in social intercourse. At two P. M. the house was again called to order and the unfinished business of the morning was taken up. United work in four fields was decided upon: in the Foreign field, \$100.00 for the salary of Miss Mann, Aomori, Japan; in the Domestic field two objects were agreed on, viz: Indian work in Southern Florida and S. Augustine's School; \$100.00 to be divided between the two, according to the wish of the branches at the time of sending money;

in the Diocesan, \$100.00 for the church at Mocksville, and \$250.00 for the Thompson Orphanage. In response to an appeal from Miss Shaw, of Rockingham county, \$41.00 was pledged for a church building.

Mrs. Thos. Hill made an earnest appeal for assistance in building a church at Roanoke Rapids.

Miss Stuart, Secretary of the Virginia Branch, then addressed the Auxiliary in words of wisdom and love. This gifted officer of a sister Diocese spoke eloquently of the work of the Auxiliary as a whole, dwelling on the importance of prayer and particularly the four days of intercessory prayer. She also gave an account of the life and character of Miss Mann, who was a Virginian by birth, and who has gone as a Missionary to Japan, stating that Miss Emery had suggested that the three Dioceses of Virginia and the three Dioceses of North Carolina shall undertake to pay the salary of Miss Mann.

The meeting was then closed by singing the Doxology, ending a day full of inspiration and joy.

At 10:30 A. M., Friday, a meeting of the Diocesan and Convocation officers was held in the study of the Rev. I McK. Pettenger. The Bishop was present and appointed Miss Mattie H. Bailey Secretary in the Convocation of Raleigh.

Mrs. John Van Landingham was elected the North Carolina representative of the Junior Auxiliary Publishing Company. A promise of help was given to the Rev. William Walker, for work in Concord among the colored people.

A valuable gift was presented to the Auxiliary by Mrs. Wilkes—a bound volume of the Annual Reports of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions for the twenty-five years of its existence, also five volumes of the Annual Reports of the North Carolina Branch during the fourteen years since its organization. These volumes to be kept by the Diocesan Secretary and the Secretaries in the various Convocations.

CONVOCATION OF CHARLOTTE.

OFFICERS:

MRS. JOHN VAN LANDINGHAM, Secretary.

CHARLOTTE.

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MISS EDNAH H. WHEELER, President.

MISS DOROTHY YONGE, Secretary.

CONVOCATION OF CHARLOTTE.

PARISH BRANCHES.	Members	Central Fund.	United Offering	General Missions	MISSIONS.			Boxes	Value	Total
					Foreign	Domestic	Diocesan			
Charlotte—S. Peter's.....	32	\$ 7 61	\$ 12 88	\$ 22 95	\$ 5 00	\$ 10 00	\$ 19 72	1	\$25 60	\$ 103 76
Concord—All Saints	—	1 00	—	—	—	—	6 00	1	10 00	17 00
Monroe—S. Paul's.....	10	—	—	5 00	—	—	30 00	—	—	35 00
Southern Pines—Emmanuel.....	9	—	—	—	—	2 50	12 52	3	15 00	31 42
Wadesboro—Calvary	14	1 40	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
	65	\$ 10 01	\$ 12 88	\$ 27 95	\$ 5 00	\$ 12 50	\$ 68 24	5	\$50 60	\$ 187 18

PARISHES AND MISSION STATIONS NOT REPORTING.

Ansonville—All Souls.
 Charlotte S. Michael and All Angels.
 Laurel Hill—Mission,
 Sanford—S. Thomas.

MRS. JOHN VAN LANDINGHAM,
Secretary.

MRS. M. R. DE LA CROIX,
Auditor.

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OFFICERS:

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MISS IDA GREGORY.

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CONVOCATION OF RALEIGH.

PARISH BRANCHES.	Members	MISSIONS.									Value	Total
		Central Fund	United Offering	General Missions	Foreign	Domestic	Diocesan	Boxes	\$	\$		
1. Chapel Hill—Chapel of the Cross	14	\$ 1 00	\$ 8 32	\$ 2 25					\$ 5 00	\$ 3		\$ 6 00
2. Durham—S. Philips	20	4 20							2 54	2 00	1	63 81
3. Henderson—Holy Innocents	22	2 20	5 56						7 00	29 00		43 76
4. Hillsboro—S. Matthew's	26	4 22	5 87		2 00	2 00	4 00	1			35 00	53 09
5. Louisburg—S. Paul's	12	3 25	5 00		3 30	3 30	19 50	1	5 00	1	13 00	47 35
6. Oxford—S. Stephen's	36	1 60	6 40	1 20	3 78	15 78	107 40	3	26 00	2	27 00	60 76
7. Pittsboro—S. Bartholomew's	25	50							6 60			61 50
8. Raleigh—Christ's Church	39	4 90	33 12	1 00	11 00	7 58	10 00	1			31 45	99 05
9. Raleigh—Good Shepherd	19	7 57	11 55	10 00	11 45	5 95						240 92
10. Raleigh—S. Mary's	1	1 80										8 40
11. Raleigh—S. Ambrose	14	50	1 80									22 30
12. Ridgeway—Good Shepherd	1		3 75									3 75
13. Stovall—S. Peter's	2		3 76									3 76
	248	\$31 74	\$85 13	\$14 45	\$ 31 53	\$ 37 15	\$ 197 50	14	\$ 316 95	\$ 714 45		

PARISHES AND MISSION STATIONS NOT REPORTING.

Burlington, S. Athanasius; Goshen, S. Paul's; Kittrell, S. James; Littleton, Chapel of the Cross; Middleburg, Heavenly Rest; Sanford, S. Thomas; Smithfield; Williamsboro, S. John's.

MRS. M. R. DE LA CROIX,
Auditor.

MISS MATTIE BAILEY
Secretary.

CONVOCATION OF SALISBURY.

OFFICERS:

MISS AGNES HAIRSTON, Fork Church, Secretary.

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GREENSBORO.

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MRS. CLEMENT MANLY, Secretary and Treasurer.

CONVOCATION OF SALISBURY.

PARISH BRANCHES.	Members	Central Fund	United Offering	General Missions	MISSIONS.			Boxes	Value	Total
					Foreign	Domestic	Diocesan			
1. Fork Curch	2	\$-----	\$ 2 50	\$-----	\$-----	\$-----	\$-----	-----	\$-----	\$ 2 50
2. Elkin										
3. Greensboro—S. Barnabas	22	1 70	-----	-----	-----	-----	5 00	-----	-----	6 70
4. Leaksville—Epiphany	9	90	1 00	6 00	-----	-----	6 25	-----	-----	14 15
5. Salisbury—S. Luke's	30	3 00	-----	-----	-----	-----	59 95	1 00	72 95	72 95
6. Winston—S. Paul's	30	2 40	9 85	5 60	10 25	4 25	17 25	2	70 40	120 00
7. Mt. Airy—Mission—(just organized.)	93	\$ 8 00	\$13 35	\$11 60	\$ 10 25	\$ 4 25	\$ 88 45	3	\$ 80 40	\$ 216 30
					\$ 4 75		* 4 75			
					\$ 15 00		\$ 83 70			

* Winston Branch changed \$4.75 from Diocesan to Foreign Field.

PARISHES AND MISSION STATIONS NOT REPORTING.

Reidsville, S. Thomas; Greensboro, S. Andrews; Lexington, Church of the Redemption; Rowan County, S. Mary's, S. Paul's, S. Andrew's, Christ's Church; Wilkesboro, S. Paul's; Salisbury, S. Peter's; Rowan County, S. John's, S. Jude's, S. George's, S. Matthew's; Madison, S. John's; Walnut Cove, Christ's; Germanton, S. Philip's; High Point, S. Mary's.

MRS. M. R. DE LA CROIX,
Auditor.

MISS AGNES HAIRSTON,
Secretary.

CONVOCATION OF TARBORO.

OFFICERS:

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MISS JULIAN M. SOUTHALL, Secretary and Treasurer.

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CONVOCATION OF TARBORO.

PARISH BRANCHES.	Members	Central Fund	United Offering	General Missions	MISSIONS.			Boxes	Value	Total
					Foreign	Domestic	Diocesan			
Battleboro—S. John's. Just organized.										
1. Halifax—S. Mark's	7	\$ 70	\$ 1 75	\$ 2 50	\$ 25	\$ 25	\$ 1 75	1	\$ 10 00	\$ 17 20
2. Jackson—Church of our Saviour	10	1 00	8 00	2 00	2 00	2 00	13 00			28 00
3. Ringwood—S. Clement's	7	70		1 50	2 00	2 00	90			7 10
4. Rocky Mount—Good Shepherd	4	30								30
5. Scotland Neck—Trinity	23	2 30		3 90	2 28	2 28	4 24			15 00
6. Tarboro—Calvary	16		9 32	2 10	5 00	15 00	10 00	1	12 00	55 42
7. Warrenton—Emmanuel	35	3 40	12 00	5 00	3 00	3 00	65 45	1	48 00	139 85
8. Weldon—Grace	22	2 20	4 45	1 12	2 00	2 00	22 21	1	21 39	55 37
9. Wilson—S. Timothy's	2						2 40			2 40
Littleton. No report.										
	126	\$10 60	\$35 52	\$18 12	\$ 26	\$ 53	\$ 119 95	4	\$ 91 39	\$ 318 64

PARISHES AND MISSION STATIONS NOT REPORTING.

Enfield, Advent; Gaston, S. Luke's; Edgecombe County, S. Mary's, Lawrence, Grace Chapel.

MRS. M. R. DE LA CROIX,
Auditor.

MRS. T. N. HILL,
Secretary.

SUMMARY TABLE OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

CONVOCATIONS.	Members	Central Fund	United Offering	General Missions	MISSIONS.			Boxes	Value	Total
					Foreign	Domestic	Diocesan			
Charlotte -----	65	\$10 01	\$ 12 88	\$ 27 95	\$ 5 00	\$ 12 50	\$ 68 24	3	\$ 50 60	\$ 187 18
Raleigh -----	248	31 74	85 13	14 45	31 53	37 15	197 50	14	316 95	714 45
Salisbury -----	93	8 00	13 35	11 60	15 00	4 25	83 70	3	80 40	216 30
Tarboro -----	126	10 60	35 52	18 12	16 53	26 53	119 95	4	91 39	318 64
	532	60 35	146 88	67 12	68 06	80 43	469 39	24	539 34	1436 57
Elkin additional too late -----		40					6 60	1	20 00	27 00
Tarboro additional too late -----								1	3 00	3 00
	532	\$60 75	\$ 146 88	\$ 72 12	\$ 68 06	\$ 80 43	\$ 475 99	26	\$ 562 34	\$ 1466 57

MRS. M. R. DE LA CROIX,
Auditor

MISS M. E. HORNER,
Secretary.

Report of the Correspondent of the Church Periodical Club.

Dear Sisters of the Auxiliary :

I herewith submit the Ninth Annual Report of our Diocesan Branch of the Church Periodical Club ; and before enumerating the meagre array of figures which represent our year's work so far as it has been reported to me, I would like to urge, with all the earnestness that words can express, what seems to me the importance of this branch of church work.

It was my good fortune last fall to be a daily visitor for several weeks at the C. P. C. headquarters in the Church Missions House in New York, and I saw, not only the immensity of the work done by that noble and devoted little band of self-sacrificing women ; but the great and crying need for what they do.

The daily mails that bring in half a dozen times each day such urgent appeals from clergymen and lay people for books, papers, magazines, all and everything that can be read or studied.

And so often came letters of impassioned thanks from people who have been the recipients of the C. P. C. liberality ; and whose very gratitude inspired the Club with an eager desire to do more till from no home in the land can come again the forlorn statement: "There is nothing in the house to read ; literally nothing, and the evenings are so long and so lonely."

There is a quantity of reading matter piled up in the rooms ready to be shipped to eager readers, but there is no money to prepay freight or postage. If each communicant in the church would pledge and PAY two cents each week for the support of the C. P. C. there would be enough money—so the Treasurer says—to meet all its expenses, and the donation of one postage stamp a week is so light it does seem as if the majority of church people could afford to meet it. If you all could have seen as I saw, the cheerfulness of the faces of these good women when boxes and barrels of dirty, dusty books and magazines were delivered, all of which they had to unpack, sort, examine, and record; such dusty, disagreeable and *sneedy* work as it is too; and yet such joy over the coming of things that meant pleasure to others ; needs supplied, loneliness cheered, ignorance enlightened, Christ's kingdom spread by these voiceless preachers whose text and whose eloquence is only love, brotherly love for others because they are Christ's. Surely when they do so much without money and without price, we, for very shame might do each a small share. We might send to another what we have already read and enjoyed.

We might take thought for others, and have the right to feel, we have done what we could.

It may be very little, but if that little is really and honorably all we

can do, why, in God's sight—and it is for Him that all our work is done—we have done as much as any one else, be her work never so magnificent.

If we will only give ourselves first, then ways will present themselves by which we can give of our substance too. We have all noticed in our Bible reading that in all the decrees of fatal punishment that our Lord utters it is for what was NOT done.

It is sins of omission that condemn the wicked and slothful servant to outer darkness, prepared for the devil and his angels. Let us then see to it that we do not earn that dread condemnation. Let us honestly strive to do all that is possible even at a sacrifice. Too often do we forget in this 19th century atmosphere of luxury and self planning that Christians are to be cross bearers. We are bidden to take up our cross *daily*, and a cross is the sacrifice of ourselves always. I think it is the *little* things, the tithes of mint anise and cumin that try our real earnestness and fidelity.

Few are the souls so poor in strength and courage they cannot rise up to meet the great sorrow and the great responsibilities of life, but it is in the daily recurrence of the little, tiresome, unimportant things, that the faithfulness, as well as "the Patience of the Saints is shown."

And I pray God most earnestly that each one of us may show all good fidelity in this ministry of love, and give as God has given unto us—and now, for what I before characterized as our meagre array of figures: of the fifty-three organized parishes in the diocese, we have nine working with us, viz: St. Matthew's, Hillsboro; Christ's Church, the Good Shepherd and St. Mary's in Raleigh; Epiphany, Leaksburg; St. Paul's, Winston; Trinity, Scotland Neck; St. Stephen's, Oxford; Ascension, Hickory; (and since my report was written St. James, Lenoir, has been added to us.)

Of contributors we have 72, Librarians 17, 8 are individuals and do not represent parishes. We send out for the current year 98 periodicals and 28 Sunday School papers regularly; we have given away 25 books, 1 Prayer Book, 1 Bible, 20 Easter Cards, 20 Xmas Cards, 5 Calendars and about 100 odd numbers of papers and magazines from the parish at Hillsboro.

Owing to my long illness and three months absence from home I was unable to give the personal attention to the work that has been possible heretofore, and so have had no reports from my Librarians since last year.

The contributions for the C. P. C. amounted to \$1.25 from St. Matthew's parish, Hillsboro. No other parish contributed.

Cannot we do better this year? I beg you to give some thought to this matter, both as individuals and parish organizations. The Church Periodical Club is an incorporated band of the Woman's Auxiliary and it does a special work that no other organization touches.

If the Treasurers of the various branches of the Auxiliary will make the pledging and the collecting of the two cents a week a part their work it would be a great help, for in their work as in all others, money is the prerequisite.

Very much is sent into our Diocese by the C. P. C. Cannot we make an honest effort to send out in some proportion to what we receive; for indeed "It is more blessed to give than to receive."

REBECCA CAMERON.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

The Advisory Committee of the Junior Auxiliary met in Christ Church Chapel, Raleigh, on Wednesday, May 12th, 1897, at 9:30 A. M. There were present Miss Horner, Mrs. Handy, Mrs. Hunter and Miss McKimmon. The meeting was opened with the Creed, Lord's Prayer and Collect, and the following programme was presented :

Report of Chairman of Auxiliary Committee.

Report of Babies Branch of Junior Auxiliary.

MRS. WALTER J. SMITH.

Report on Missionary Sunday Schools,

MRS. A. B. HUNTER.

Report on Missionary Papers,

MRS. MARIAN H. BLAIR.

Report on United Offering and Central Fund,

MISS KATE MCKIMMON.

Report on Missionary Literature,

MISS EMMA J. HALL.

Subject for Discussion :

1. What is the wisest course for the establishment of a united work for the Junior Auxiliary of North Carolina in Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign fields ?
2. What is the best method for the adjustment of the Central Fund ?
3. How can a systematic study of the work of the Church in her Mission Field be established in our branches ?
4. How can Sunday School and Working Branches of the Junior Auxiliary best be formed in our Diocese ?

General Suggestions upon the Junior Work :

The subjects for discussion were taken in order. It was decided that with the sanction of the Bishop the Junior Auxiliary of North Carolina should take up a united work in Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign fields, the objects being the Thompson Orphanage in the Diocesan field, the Valle Crucis Mission in the Domestic field, and the work at Aomori, Japan, in the Foreign field. It was proposed by Mrs. Hunter, and seconded by Miss McKimmon that five cents a year should be asked from every member of the Junior Auxiliary of North

Carolina for the support of the Central Fund, the same to be sent to the Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary the first of September. Because of lack of time only a short discussion was held upon the study of Missions and the formation of new branches, and the meeting closed with prayer.

The second annual meeting of the Junior Auxiliary of North Carolina was held in Christ Church Chapel, Raleigh, on Wednesday, May 12th, at 3:30 P. M., with the following programme :

HYMN 516.

Opening Service and Address by Rev. J. M. Horner.

Address by Secretary of Junior Auxiliary.

Paper on Valle Crucis Mission,

ANNA BUXTON,

St. Paul's Branch, Winston, aged 12 years.

HYMN 501.

Paper on Jurisdiction of The Platte,

LIZZIE CURTIS SMITH,

Trinity Branch, Scotland Neck, aged 18 years.

Roll call of branches, with account of aims and methods of each branch by its delegate.

HYMN 254.

Paper on Japan,

FRANCIS A. COX,

St. Stephen's Junior Branch, Oxford, aged 11 years.

Paper on Mrs. Brierly's work in Africa,

ANNIE BEE,

St. Augustine School Branch, Raleigh.

Address by Miss Horner, Oxford.

Address by Miss Stuart, Virginia.

Gloria in Excelsis.

Prayer.

**Report of the Secretary of the Junior Department of the Woman's
Auxiliary of North Carolina.**

It is with deep thankfulness to Him "Who despiseth not the day of small things" that I submit my first report as Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary of North Carolina. Crippled at the beginning of the year, by a three-fold stroke in the removal of its beloved and competent Secretary, by the setting apart of the Jurisdiction of Asheville, with its eleven branches and one hundred and eighty members, and by the action of the Advisory Committee in fixing the limit of age of members of the Junior Department from five to twenty years, it was with the eye of Faith that we looked into the future. How this Faith has been justified will be seen by the following statistics. The Junior Auxiliary of Noath Carolina reports for the Diocesan year ending April 1st, 1897, 37 branches with 823 members. Gifts in money:

General Missions, \$50.18; Valle Cruise Missions, \$189.90; Domestic Missions, \$11.23; Thompson Orphanage, \$77.86; Central Fund, \$7.71; Building Fund, \$17.50; United Offering, \$27.59; Diocesan Missions, \$26.50; Foreign Missions, \$57.93; 19 Boxes with value, \$101.50; with gift to Church Clergy Retiring Fund, \$12.00, and Home for Incurables, Raleigh \$2.00, a total of \$580.05. Much joy has been granted to those who gave and those who have received by the Christmas Boxes, and generous supply of literature, gathered throughout the Diocese is now in readiness for shipment for the establishment of libraries in the Indian Schools of South Dakota. By action of the Bishop of the Diocese the sum to be raised by the Junior Auxiliary of North Carolina for the Valle Crucis Mission was fixed at \$240.00 per annum. The three quarters of the year which end in September have been fully met, and a sufficient amount is in the treasury for the fourth quarter to justify a belief that the obligation will be met. The work has been carried on faithfully, cheerfully and systematically by directors and members of branches, all appeals having received such hearty and sympathetic returns that their sending forth has been a labor of love. The Advisory Committee has given efficient help to the growth and advancement of the Junior Auxiliary by their wise counsel and hearty co-operation. A fair future upholds itself for years to come, in the gratifying returns from the Babies Branch, where the little hearts are taught to love, the little babies to pray, and the tiny fingers are trained to give through the direction of their earnest director. Missionary Sunday Schools have grown in numbers and strength, the study of Missions is more general throughout the branches, and more Missionary literature has been distributed than ever before, while the gift to the United Offering has been general and liberal, and the Central Fund stands in a condition for

permanent adjustment all through the efforts of the Advisory Committee. In closing this report I would add that accepting as I do the loving command of Our Risen Lord "Go ye into *all* the world, and preach the gospel to *every* creature," it has been my effort to instil into every mind and heart that tried and Christ like love, which holding fast to those who are calling to us in our midst rises above the everlasting hills, and beyond the sounding seas, and calls each man "a brother."

Respectfully submitted,

CARRIE T. C. HANDY.

Battleboro.—S. John's Branch.

Director.—REV. GASTON BATTLE.

President.—MISS MARY PHILIPS.

Secretary and Treasurer.—WILSON HOBGOOD.

MEMBERS, 6.

Valle Crucis Mission.....	\$ 1 25
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Bristol.—S. Mark's Branch.

Director.—MRS. BEN HOUSTON.

President.—MISS ELLA MCCOY.

Secretary.—MISS FANNIE WHITLEY.

Treasurer. MRS. JAMES PRICE.

MEMBERS, 9.

Valle Crucis Mission.....	\$ 2 00
Thompson Orphanage.....	1 50
	\$ 3 50

Charlotte. —S. Peter's Branch.

Director.—MISS EMMA J. HALL.

MEMBERS, 20.

General Missions.....	\$ 50
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Greensboro.—S. Andrew's Sunday School.

REV. J. D. MILLER.

Valle Crucis Mission.....	\$ 20
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Halifax.—S. Mark's Sunday School Branch.

Rector.—REV. W. J. SMITH.

Director.—MRS. T. N. HILL.

Superintendent.—JAMES M GILLIAM.

MEMBERS, 10.

General Missions.....	\$ 55
United Offering.....	38
Valle Crucis Mission.....	3 19
	<u>\$ 4 12</u>

Hardscrabble.—S. Mary's Branch.

Director and Secretary.—MRS. JAS. F. CAIN.

President.—MISS A. DRESAKER.

Treasurer.—MISS E. DRESAKER.

MEMBERS, 3.

General Missions.....	\$ 25
United Offerings	1 00
Valle Crucis Mission.....	1 00
Central Fund.....	17
Church Building Fund.....	17 50
1 Box Rev. Milnor Jones.....	8 35
1 Box Valle Crucis Mission.....	65
Literature for Indian Schools, South Dakota.....	
	<u>\$28 92</u>

Henderson.—Holy Innocent's Branch.

President.—REV. J. E. INGLE.

Director.—MRS. J. E. INGLE.

Secretary and Treasurer.—MISS PAT LOU JONES.

MEMBERS, 21.

General Missions.....	\$ 1 10
United Offering	7 00
Valle Crucis Mission	12 50
Central Fund.....	1 25
1 Box S. Gabriel's Mission, Juniors of Asheville.....	3 00
	<u>\$24 85</u>

Hillsboro.—S. Matthew's Branch.

President.—MISS K. R. ROULHAC.

Secretary.—MISS T. B. HAYES.

Treasurer.—MISS A. C. GRAHAM.

MEMBERS, 20.

1 Box Rev. G. W. G. Van Winkle, Bellevue, Idaho.....	\$12 00
Literature for Indian Schools, South Dakota.....	

Jackson.—Church of the Saviour Branch.

Director.—MISS L. H. WHITFIELD.

President.—MISS H. C. BOWEN.

Vice-President.—MASTER H. L. LEWIS.

Secretary.—MISS D. D. DE LOATCH.

Treasurer.—MISS J. S. BOWEN.

MEMBERS, 15.

General Missions.....	\$ 50
United Offering	59
Valle Crucis Mission.....	4 75
All Saints Scholarship, South Dakota.....	51
Brierly Memorial, Africa.....	51
Central Fund.....	32
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	\$ 7 18

Louisburg.—S. Paul's Sunday School Branch.

General Missions.....	\$ 5 75
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Leaksville.—Epiphany Branch.

Director.—MRS. W. T. MARTIN.

MEMBERS, 6.

General Mission.....	\$ 50
Valle Crucis Mission.....	3 97
All Saints Scholarship, South Dakota.....	43
Brierly Memorial, Africa.....	43
Central Fund.....	27
Literature for Indian Schools, South Dakota.....	<hr/>
	\$ 5 60

Pledge made before the setting apart of the Jurisdiction.

Lenoir.—S. James Parish.

No organization.

Valle Crucis Mission \$ 6 00

Pledge made before the setting apart of the Jurisdiction.

Lincolnton.—S. Luke's Branch.

Valle Crucis Mission \$ 3 75

Milton.—Christ Church Branch.*Director.*—MRS. E. D. WINSTEAD.

MEMBERS, 8.

Valle Crucis Mission	\$ 25
Central Fund.....	07
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	\$ 32

Oxford.—S. Stephen's Junior Branch.*Director.*—MISS M. E. HORNER.*President.*—MISS LAURA WILLIAMS.*Secretary.*—MISS JEANNETTE BIGGS.*Treasurer.*—MASTER HENRY COOPER.

MEMBERS, 23.

General Missions.....	\$ 1 50
United Offering.....	3 22
Valle Crucis Mission	10 00
Clergy Retiring Fund, Rev. Elihu Chauncey.....	12 00
Central Fund.....	57
1 Box, Walnut Cove.....	<hr/> 12 50
	\$39 79

Horner School Bible Class.—Rev. J. M. Horner.

Valle Crucis Mission \$ 4 00

Pittsboro.—Mary Tippett Branch.

President.—MISS AZILE HILL.

Secretary.—MISS SALLIE LONDON.

Treasurer.—MISS ANNE TAYLOR.

MEMBERS, 12.

General Missions.....	\$ 1 00
United Offering.....	1 00
Valle Crucis Mission.....	16 00
Central Fund.....	07
1 Box, Henry Mission.....	3 00
Literature for Indian School, South Dakota.....	
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	\$21 07

Raleigh.—Christ Church Sunday School Branch.

Superintendent.—DR. H. B. BATTLE.

Secretary.—MRS. CHARLOTTE M. WILLIAMSON.

Treasurer.—MRS. L. T. HUDDLESTON.

MEMBERS, 149.

General Missions.....	\$ 2 95
Valle Crucis Mission	6 55
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Raleigh—Christ Church, S. Agnes Guild.

Valle Crucis Mission	\$ 2 00
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Raleigh.—S. Augustine's School Branch.

President.—MISS M. E. WILSON.

Secretary.—MISS. S. V. JOHNSON.

Treasurer.—MRS. A. B. HUNTER.

MEMBERS, 140.

United Offering	\$ 6 80
Valle Crucis Mission	5 86
Mission School, Littleton, N. C.....	4 00
Brierly Memorial, Africa.....	10 00
Central Fund.....	50
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	\$27 16

Raleigh.—S. Augustine's Chapel S. S. Branch.

Director.—MRS. A. B. HUNTER.

MEMBERS, 150.

United Offering	\$ 1 20
Valle Crucis Mission	5 00
All Saints Scholarship, South Dakota	2 00
Central Fund	50
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	\$ 8 70

Raleigh.—S. Mary's School Branch.

President.—MISS NANNIE CLARK.

Secretary and Treasurer.—MISS FANNY LAWS.

MEMBERS, 32.

General Missions (Pyramids)	\$ 13 00
Valle Crucis Mission	28 50
Diocesan Mission	17 50
Foreign Missions, Albert Smedes Scholarship, China	40 00
Thompson Orphanage	10 00
Home for Incurables, Raleigh	2 00
C. P. C.	15
Central Fund	11
2 Boxes, Thompson Orphanage	6 00
1 Box, Deaf Mute Institute, Morganton	2 00
1 Box, S. Savior's Chapel, Raleigh	3 00
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	\$122 26

Raleigh.—Good Shepherd, Thompson Orphanage Guild.

President.—MISS LINA BATTLE.

Vice-President.—MISS ANNIE ROGERS.

Secretary.—MISS SUSIE TILLINGHAST.

Treasurer.—MISS MARY LATTA.

MEMBERS, 15.

Thompson Orphanage	\$51 00
United Offering	1 00
Valle Crucis Mission	5 00
Central Fund	57
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	\$57 57

Reidsville.—S. Thomas' Sunday School Branch.

REV. F. A. FETTER.

Valle Crucis Mission.....	\$ 45
Central Fund.....	10
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	\$ 55

Ridgeway.—Good Shepherd Branch.

Director.—MISS A. S. PETTIGREW.

President.—MRS. J. D. SCOTT.

Secretary and Treasurer.—MISS A. V. PETEAR.

MEMBERS, 10.

General Missions.....	\$ 7 20
Valle Crucis Mission.....	6 00
Foreign Missions (China).....	2 00
Thompson Orphanage.....	3 50
Central Fund.....	57
1 Box, Thompson Orphanage.....	5 00
1 Box, S. Gabriel's Mission, Juniors of Asheville.....	6 00
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	\$30 27

Rocky Mount.—Young Christian Soldier Branch.

Director.—MRS. JACOB BATTLE.

President.—MISS ANNIE GUPTON.

Vice-President.—MISS ANNIE LEE BUNN.

Secretary.—MASTER WILLIAM MUSE.

Treasurer.—MASTER JOSEPH RAMSEY.

MEMBERS, 15.

Organized March 12th, 1897.

Rowan County.—S. Andrew's Branch.

REV. S. S. BOST.

Valle Crucis Mission.....	\$ 1 03
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Weldon.—Grace Church Sunday School.*Director.—MRS. AARON PRESCOTT.*

General Missions.....	\$ 25
Valle Crucis Mission	2 46
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	\$ 2 71

Winston.—S. Paul's Branch.*Director and Treasurer.—MRS. H. H. S. HANDY.**President.—MISS BESSIE HARRIS.**Vice-President.—MISS MARGARET STEDMAN.**Secretary.—MISS ANNA BUXTON.*

MEMBERS, 24.

General Missions.....	\$ 1 00
United Offering.....	1 00
Valle Crucis Mission	10 00
All Saints Scholarship, South Dakota.....	56
Brierly Memorial, Africa	1 81
Central Fund.....	50
1 Box, Thompson Orphanage.....	3 00
1 Box, Henry Mission, Juniors of Asheville	10 00
1 Box, Cot of the Holy Innocents, Richmond, Va.....	2 00
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	\$29 87

REPORT OF THE BABIES' BRANCH.

The first year's work of the Babies Branch has been blessed far beyond our expectation. The number enrolled up to date has been about 223. Of these we have probably lost quite a number who joined us from other Dioceses, while some within our own borders have withdrawn.

The amount given has been very nearly \$100.00. Of this sum, we have sent to the Foreign field \$50.00 for the support of the Bishop Atkinson Cot, in Mr. Osuga's Orphanage, Japan.

In the Domestic field, we have given \$2.75 to S. Augustine's School, and \$4.00 to the Indian work in North Dakota, through the United Thank Offering.

In our own Diocese \$10.50 has gone to the Thompson Orphanage towards a nurse's fund. \$18.00 was kept to defray the expenses of the Branch, and \$10.00 has been invested for the United Offering of the Woman's Auxiliary. A few offerings, received too late to be included in the first year's report, together with the first gifts of five cents from our latest members, give \$2.66 on hand. A total of \$97.91.

So much for the work in dollars and cents; but the real work being done is hidden from our view. The first object of the Babies Branch is not to raise money for missions, but is to make missionaries of the babies, implanting in their fresh, young hearts a love for Christ's service, and teaching them from earliest infancy to carry out His command to go into "all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature." Let us then be faithful in our duty to these little ones, that in the years to come, our places may be filled by well trained soldiers who have never known what it is not to love, and pray and give for the spread of "the Kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ."

A. T. SMITH,
Director Babies Branch.

Offerings from Babies Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary for Year Ending December 28, 1896.

General Missions—United Offering.....	\$10 00
Foreign Missions—The Atkinson Cot in M. Osuga's Orphanage Japan.....	50 00
Domestic Missions S. Augustine's School.....	2 75
Domestic Missions—Indian work in North Dakota, through United Thank Offering.....	4 00
Diocesan Missions Thompson Orphanage.....	10 50
Central Fund of the Branch.....	18 00
Balance on hand.....	2 66
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	\$97 91

Members enrolled to report December, 1896, 184.
Members reporting December 1895, 165.

MRS. W. J. SMITH,
Director Babies Branch.

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

NAMES OF PARISHES.

Names of Parishes.	Members.	MISSIONS.						Central Fund Boxes	Value	\$ Value	Total
		General	United Offering	Valle Crucis	Diocesan	Domestic	Foreign.				
Battleboro—S. John's Branch	6	\$	\$	\$ 1 25	\$	\$	\$			\$ 1 25	
Bristow—S. Mark's Branch	9			2 00						1 50	3 50
Charlotte—S. Peter's Branch	20	50									50
Greensboro—S. Andrew's Sunday School				20							20
Halifax—S. Mark's Sunday School	10	55	38	3 19							4 12
Hardscrabble—S. Mary's Branch	3	25	1 00	1 00						17 50	28 92
Henderson—Holy Innocents Branch	21	1 10	7 00	12 50				1 25	1 300		24 85
Hillsboro—S. Matthew's Branch	20							1	12 00		12 00
Jackson—Church of the Saviour Branch	15	50	59	4 75		51	51	32			7 18
Leaksville—Epiphany Branch	6	50		3 97		43	43	27			5 60
Lenoir—S. James				6 00							6 00
Lincolnton—S. Luke's Branch				3 75							3 75
Milton—Christ Church Branch	8			25				07			32
Oxford—S. Stephen's Junior Branch	23	1 50	3 22	10 00				57	1 12 50	Clergy Retiring Fund	12 00 39 79
Oxford—Bible Class Rev. J. M. Horner				4 0							4 00
Pittsboro—Mary Lippitt Branch	12	1 00	1 00	16 00				07	1 3 07		21 07
Raleigh—Christ Church S. S. Branch	149	2 95		6 55							9 50
Raleigh—S. Agnes Guild				2 00							2 00
Raleigh—S. Augustine's School Branch	140		6 80	5 86	4 00		10 00	50			27 16
Raleigh—S. Augustine's Chapel S. S. Branch	150		1 20	5 00		2 00		50			8 70
Raleigh—S. Mary's School Branch	32	13 00		28 50	17 50		40 00	11 4	11 00	T. O. Home for Incurable C. P. C.	12 15 122 26
Raleigh—Good Shepherd T. O. Guild	15		1 00	5 0				57		Thompson Orphanage	51 00 57 57
Reidsville—S. Thomas S. School				45				10			55
Ridgeway—Good Shepherd Branch	10	7 20		6 00			2 00	57	2 11 00	Thompson Orphanage	3 50 30 27
Rocky Mount—Young Chrtstian Soldiers	15	Orga nized	March	12th,	1897.						
Rowan Co.—S. Andrew's				1 03							1 03
Salisbury—S. Luke's Branch	7	10 00		6 25	5 00	1 50	1 50	85	1 10 00		35 10
Salisbury—S. Paul's				75							75
Scotland Neck—Trinity Branch	45	1 13	9	4 11				57		Thompson Orphanage	9 86 16 57
Scotland Neck—Carrie Hall Chapter	16			1 79				08			2 37
Southern Pines—Emmanuel Branch	16			2 25		5 23	1 18				8 66
Tarboro—Calvary Branch	15			4 00		50	50	07			5 07
Tarboro—Calvary Sunday School				1 04							1 04
Warrenton—Gilbert Higgs Branch	36	3 00	3 50	28 00				57	2 15 00		50 07
Weldon—Grace Church Sunday School		25		2 46							2 71
Winston—S. Paul's Branch	24	1 00	1 00	10 00		56	1 81	50	3 15 00		29 87
37 Branches	823	\$50 18	\$27 59	\$189 90	\$26 50	\$11 23	\$57 93	\$7 71	\$101 50		\$107 50 \$574 30

Louisburg Sunday School—(too late for report) General Missions \$5.75, making the grand total \$580.05.

RULES

For the Organization of the North Carolina Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

1. This organization shall be called the NORTH CAROLINA BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.
2. Its objects are, by means of union and systematic effort, to diffuse missionary intelligence ; to increase missionary activity among the women of the Diocese ; to unite previously existing societies ; and to encourage the formation of societies where there are none.
3. All parish societies, and all individuals desiring it, will be considered members of this Association.
4. The officers of this Association shall be a Diocesan Secretary, to be appointed by the Bishop, and an Assistant Secretary in each Convocation, to be appointed by the Dean.
5. The Diocesan Secretary shall call meetings and preside over them; shall correspond with the General Secretary and find out where help is needed, and of what kind; shall inform the parish Secretaries, and arrange about their work, so that a general oversight of the work may be kept by one person. She shall prepare an annual report for circulation in the Diocese; shall receive and forward all money offerings and shall keep account of money and articles contributed for missionary purposes by the parish branches or by individuals, and shall embody a full account of this work in the annual report.
6. The Assistant Secretaries shall try to increase missionary spirit in their respective Convocations, by arousing the women to greater efforts in raising money for the cause; and by diffusing intelligence concerning the missionary work of the Church. They are to search out scattered families and individuals belonging to the Church, and try to interest them in missionary work. And to correspond with the parish Secretaries and the Diocesan Secretary in regard to missionary work. The Assistant Secretaries are authorized to hold meetings in their own Convocation, whenever they consider it desirable.
7. The Secretaries of the parish branches shall correspond with the Diocesan Secretary, transmit the information received from her to their respective parish branches, and shall report to her by April 1st, in each year, an account of work done by their parish.
8. Each parish shall send one or more delegates to the annual meeting, if possible.
9. There shall be a meeting of this Association each year, during the Diocesan Convention.
10. Five persons shall constitute a quorum at all meetings.
11. To provide for the expenses of the Diocesan officers in postage, stationery and printing, or other matters, a contribution of 10 cents a year shall be asked from each member of the Woman's Auxiliary in North Carolina, to be collected by each parish Secretary and forwarded to the Diocesan Secretary by the 1st of April.

