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Report of the Secretary.

In the month of November, 1875, during the meeting of the Diocesan Convention, a company of ladies met in the chapel of Trinity Church, Newark, to form themselves into a Society to work in connection with the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions for the cause of our Indian Schools and Missionaries, in the far West. A letter had been sent by the Bishop to the clergy of the Diocese, asking their co-operation by the appointment of delegates to this society, but the appeal had not been answered as fully as it might have been, and there were representatives of only ten parishes present.

These few ladies, however, formed themselves into a society calling it the Indian League of Northern New Jersey, and hoping that the ladies from the rest of the Diocese would join them, held their meetings regularly during the winter, on the second Wednesday of each month. Repeated appeals were sent to the Rectors of each parish in Northern New Jersey, to appoint two or more delegates from their churches, to attend these meetings, help in the general management of the League, and interest other ladies around them to form societies for making clothing, and collecting money to be sent West; but still the League increased very slowly.

At last it was decided to enlarge its field of labor and make its object general missionary work. This was done and it now, under the name of the Woman's Missionary League of Northern New Jersey, offers this report to the church.

There are now eighteen parishes represented in the society, and in spite of its slow growth it has sent during the past year twenty one (21) boxes and packages of clothing, and other necessaries to

missionary stations, the value of which amounts to \$1,581 93 ; and it has also contributed to the same charities \$680 65, most of these boxes and money have been sent to Indian Missions, partly on account of the original design of the League, and the impossibility of changing its plans at once ; but more especially on account of the great need of the Indian Commission during the past year.

Many churches of the Diocese have not as yet joined us, perhaps on account of the claims already made on them ; or perhaps they are deterred by the magnitude of the work. To these, we say : give us the smallest aid and it will help, even if it is only sympathy and encouragement at our meetings. The society is not to interfere in any way with the general parish work or collections. The ladies of every church can help us with a few dollars towards the general fund, if they cannot support a teacher or scholarship ; or a few garments if they cannot send a box.

The Niobrara League of New York, on the plan of which ours is founded, reports at the end of its third year the membership of thirty seven parishes, and the value of over five thousand dollars sent to missions. In its first year it represented only seven parishes and sent away the value of only two thousand dollars. Why can we not do as well ? Indeed, the broadening of our field of labor so as to appeal to the sympathies of all, should help us to do even more for the cause of Him, who through His holy apostle, bids us remember that the greatest of christian virtues is charity.

KATHARINE M. PARKER,
Recording Secretary.

THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE OF NORTHERN NEW JERSEY IN ACCT. WITH THE TREASURER.

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1876. By amount received from—	
Newark, Trinity Church for Indian Missions.....	\$30 51
" " " " for Home Missions to colored people.....	25 00
" " " " Collection at first service.....	55 00
" " " " for Indian Missions, one life membership..	25 00
" " " " St. Stephen's Church for Indian Missions.....	15 00
" " " " St. Barnabas Church " "	5 00
" " " " St. John's, (Woodside), for Indian Missions (of which \$25 for one life membership by Mrs. Wright).....	42 50
Madison, Grace Church for Indian Missions.....	25 00
" " " " for Foreign Missionaries' Fund.....	50 00
South Orange, Holy Communion for Indian Missions.....	25 00
Orange, Grace Church " "	40 00
" " " " St. Mark's Church " " by Mrs. Hecksher.	10 00
Jersey City, St. Matthew's Church, by S. S. for Indian Missions, one scholarship.....	60 00
Jersey City, St. John's (Free) Church, for freight.....	1 00
Bergen Point, Trinity Church, Woman's Missionary Association, Foreign Missions.....	40 00
Bergen Point, Trinity Church, Woman's Missionary Association, Diocesan Missions.....	40 00
Bergen Point, Trinity Church, Woman's Missionary Association, Colored Missions.....	40 56
Bergen Point, Trinity Church, Woman's Missionary Association, Indian Missions.....	40 00
Bergen Point, Trinity Church, Woman's Missionary Association, Foreign Missions.....	40 00
Bergen Point, Trinity Church, Woman's Missionary Association, a member for Scholarship at Salt Lake City.....	20 00
Bergen Point, Trinity Church, Young Ladies' Foreign Missionary Association, for Scholarship, Miss Nelson's School, China.....	40 00
Contents of Box at meetings.....	3 08
Subscriptions.....	8 00
	Cash on hand to balance.....
	14 47
	\$680 65

MADISON, Nov. 1st, 1876.

I have examined the Treasurer's accounts and find them to be correctly kept and properly vouched.

LILLIE C. TODD, *Aud. Com.*

H. E. NORTH, *Treasurer.*

BOXES OF CLOTHING

SENT TO VARIOUS STATIONS IN THE MISSIONARY FIELD.

NEWARK,

TRINITY CHURCH.

1 box to Rev. Mr. Goodenough,
1 box to Niobrara Storeroom,
1 Robe Holder to Bishop Hare,
Value, \$238 00

NEWARK,

GRACE CHURCH.

1 box to Niobrara Storeroom,
1 package for Easter box, *
Value, \$178 85.

NEWARK,

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH.

1 package for Easter box,
Value, \$18 00

NEWARK,

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.

1 package for Easter box,
Value, \$40 00.

NEWARK,

ST. BARNABAS CHURCH.

1 package for Easter box,
Value, \$8 00.

NEWARK, (Woodside),

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH.

1 box for Niobrara Storeroom,
Value, \$60 00.

* The Easter boxes were sent to the Niobrara Storeroom.

ORANGE,

GRACE CHURCH.

1 box to Missionaries in North Carolina,

1 box to Niobrara Storeroom,

Value, \$160 00.

ORANGE,

ST. MARK'S CHURCH.

1 package for Easter box,

Value, \$55 00.

SOUTH ORANGE,

HOLY COMMUNION.

1 box to Missionary in Oregon,

Value, \$152 00.

MADISON,

GRACE CHURCH.

1 box to a Missionary in Missouri,

1 box from Miss N. for Niobrara Storeroom,

1 package for Easter box,

Value, \$220 00.

JERSEY CITY,

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH.

1 box for Niobrara Storeroom,

Value, \$177 08.

JERSEY CITY,

ST. JOHN'S (Free) CHURCH.

1 box for Niobrara Storeroom,

Value, \$25 00.

PHILLIPSBURG,

ST. LUKE'S CHURCH.

1 box to Cheyenne Mission.

Value, \$40 00.

BERGEN POINT,

TRINITY CHURCH.

1 box to a Southern Missionary,

1 package to Bible House,

Value, \$210 00

Aggregate value of boxes, \$1,581 93

Cash receipts, 680 65

Total amount, \$2,262 58

