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OF

The Indian Aid Society

OF

RHODE ISLAND.

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THE  
RHODE ISLAND BRANCH

OF THE

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

WITH the cordial approval of the bishop of this diocese, a society has been formed which hopes to include all the parishes in the diocese, and asks the coöperation of all the clergy. It does not propose to change the work of any parish, but by united and sympathetic action to increase the interest in, and render more effective the missionary work of the Church. It is hoped by this union that the smaller parishes that are able to do but little may unite with the larger, or with each other in working; also that the larger parishes may learn the needs of the smaller, and assist them if desired.

At a meeting called by the bishop, Feb. 8, 1878, the following Constitution was adopted and the officers appointed:

CONSTITUTION.

This organization shall be called "The Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions."

Its object is to unite all the parishes in this diocese in the six branches of mission work, viz: Domestic, Diocesan, Foreign, Freedmen, Indian, Mexican.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary, a Treasurer; also an Executive Committee of six ladies who shall attend to the several branches of missionary work. This board shall fill all vacancies that may occur in the offices between the annual meetings.

This Society shall hold an annual meeting in Providence in May, for the purpose of electing officers for the ensuing year, hearing the reports of the parish secretaries, electing delegates to the general meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, and transacting all other business.

This Society shall also hold meetings at stated intervals in the different parishes for mutual intercourse and information. Each parish shall send delegates to the annual meeting, also a written report to the Secretary, of the work done during the year.

It shall be the duty of the President to preside at the annual meeting, and to have a general knowledge of the work that is in progress. The Vice-President shall preside in her absence.

It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Society, send notices of the meetings and keep a record of them, keep an account of the work done by the women of the diocese, as reported by the parish secretaries, and report this annually to the Secretary of the "Woman's Auxiliary," in New York.

The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all money sent to her for any branch of missionary work and for the expenses of the Society, and shall present a report at the annual meeting.

Seven persons shall constitute a quorum at the annual meeting, and five at a board meeting.

This Constitution may be altered or amended at any annual meeting, by a two-thirds vote of the persons present.



# FIFTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## Rhode Island Branch

OF THE

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

#### FOREIGN MISSIONS.

IN the foreign department the sums given for the two special objects for which we are pledged — a part of the salary of a missionary lady and two scholarships in Africa — have been the same as last year. For the support of Miss Elizabeth K. Boyd, now of Hankow, China, who commenced her work about a year since, we have given \$300. Each of the forty-two parishes connected with our Auxiliary were solicited to contribute, and fifteen responded, in sums ranging from \$2 to \$100. The amount received was not sufficient to redeem our pledge, and we have been obliged to draw from the general fund of the Auxiliary in order to fulfill our promises. The \$25 each for the Caroline Clark and the Carrington scholarships have been paid. We are most happy to say that in addition to this, \$45 have been given without solicitation for missions in Japan; \$15 for the sufferers by famine in Africa; and \$10 for the Foreign Missionary Lending Library; making in all \$420, being about \$70 more than was given last year. The churches contributing to the salary of Miss Boyd, missionary to China, are:

St. John's, Providence.....	\$100 00	St. Mary's, Warwick.....	\$5 00
Grace, ".....	94 00	St. Peter's, Narragansett Pier.	5 00
St. Stephen's, ".....	25 00	Ch. of the Ascens'n, Wakefield	2 25
St. James', ".....	10 00	St. Peter's, Manton.....	2 00
All Saints' Memorial, Prov....	10 00	St. Bartholomew's, Cranston.	2 00
Ch. of the Redeemer, "....	4 00	All Saints', Pontiac.....	2 00
Ch. of the Epiphany, "....	3 50	St. Paul's, Pawtucket. ....	1 00
St. Luke's, E. Greenwich.....	10 00	Auxiliary Fund.....	19 25
St. Michael's, Bristol .....	5 00		
			\$300 00

## SCHOLARSHIPS AT CAPE MOUNT, AFRICA.

St. John's, Providence .....	\$25 00	St. Peter's, Manton.....	\$1 00
Grace, .....	17 00	St. Peter's, Narragansett Pier.	1 00
Ch. of the Redeemer, Prov....	1 50	Ch. of the Ascens'n, Wakefield	1 00
St. Stephen's, .....	50		
St. Philip's, Crompton.....	3 00		\$50 00

## MISSIONS IN JAPAN.

Christ Church, Lonsdale.....	\$25 00
Grace Church, Providence.....	20 00
	\$45 00

## SUFFERERS BY FAMINE IN AFRICA.

Grace Church, Providence.....	\$10 00
All Saints' Memorial.....	5 00
	\$15 00

## FOR MISSIONARY LENDING LIBRARY.

Grace Church, Providence.....	\$10 00
Total.....	\$420 00

E. WATERMAN.

## FREEDMEN'S WORK.

In this branch of the Auxiliary the interest is steadily increasing. While we have worked for only one new field this year, we have been able to do much for the old ones. At no time since the commencement of the Auxiliary have we raised so much money for the freedmen. Fewer boxes have been sent than were last year; but in our contributions in money there has been a large increase. Much interest has always been felt for Mrs. Brent's work in Gordonsville, Va. You all remember her pleasant letters and the kindly feeling she has for her Rhode Island friends, as she calls them. In September the Auxiliary pledged \$150 for her support for one year — the stipend allowed her by her bishop. Besides this, \$129 have been sent for her work. A box was sent at Christmas valued at \$60; a package from St. John's, Providence, value \$12; and a box of clothing from the Church of the Epiphany, Providence, value \$57; making a total of \$249 in money, and \$129 in value of boxes. A package from Emmanuel Church, Newport, valued at \$30 was sent to Mrs. Buford. To the Rev. Mr. Babbitt, of Columbia, S. C., was sent a box of clothing and books, valued at \$50, with \$11 in money. Christ Church, Lons-



dale, sent a very generous package for this box. Mr. Babbitt, who formerly labored in our own city, writes: "As I looked over the box and its contents, and saw upon the papers, books, and sometimes on the clothes themselves, the familiar names of persons and places in the good old city of Providence, where I have spent so much of my life, the memories of former years overcame me, and I could hardly repress the falling tear, so, gladly uttered the prayer, God bless them all, my good friends in Providence, and God bless a woman's auxiliary." \$247 have been contributed for the Unique Sunday School, Jackson, Miss. Of this, \$155 have been sent to the Rev. Dr. Tucker; \$35 expended for books, articles, and express expenses; the balance will be sent in June. Six boxes have been sent to this mission during the year; two from the Church of the Redeemer, Providence, value \$185; one box of books from the Church of the Epiphany, Providence; one from St. John's, Providence, value \$25; and two boxes of clothing, books, and magazines, value \$120; total value of boxes, \$330. When we look at the report of last year and find only \$94 for this branch of the work, we may well be encouraged and hope for future effort equal to the necessity.

## CONTRIBUTIONS FOR MRS. BRENT'S STIPEND.

St. John's, Providence.....	\$51 00	St. Peter's, Manton.....	2 00
St. Stephen's, ".....	28 00	Trinity, Pawtucket.....	3 00
Grace, ".....	11 00	Ch. of the Epiphany, Prov....	1 00
Ch. of the Redeemer, Prov....	14 00		
St. Mary's, Warwick.....	5 00		\$120 00
St. Michael's, Bristol.....	5 00		
Leaving \$30 to be raised for the coming quarter.			

## FOR MRS. BRENT'S WORK.

St. John's, Providence.....	\$10 00
Daisy Dwight, Susie Arnold, and Addie Jones, (the proceeds of a little festival).....	119 00
	\$129 00

## CONTRIBUTIONS FOR THE UNIQUE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

St. John's, Providence.....	\$199 00	All Saints', Pontiac.....	1 00
St. Stephen's, ".....	14 00	Friends .....	16 00
St. James', Woonsocket.....	5 00		
Ch. of the Redeemer, Prov....	10 00		\$27 00
Trinity, Pawtucket.....	2 00		
For Rev. Mr. Babbitt's box.....	\$11 00		
Amount of money.....	507 00		
Value of boxes.....	539 00		

## MRS. J. H. STINESS.

974.50		120.	105-7.
309		37.50	82.50
665.50	1057.	82.50	974.50
	83.50		

## DOMESTIC WORK.

This department of the Auxiliary has, as usual, had many more calls than it could answer, but we hope that the missionary intelligence given at our monthly meetings may gradually diffuse an interest throughout the diocese, and enable us to extend our work. From St. John's, Providence, 4 boxes are reported, valued at \$358.66; from Grace Church, Providence, 5 boxes, valued at \$310; St. Stephen's, 1 box, valued at \$86.67; All Saints' Memorial, 1 box, valued at \$112; Church of the Saviour, 1 box, valued at \$93.29; St. Luke's, East Greenwich, 1 box, valued at \$94; St. Paul's, Wickford, 1 box, valued at \$30; St. John's, Barrington, 2 boxes, valued at \$130; St. Mark's, Warren, 1 barrel, valued at \$62; St. Michael's, Bristol, 1 box, valued at \$100; a box by the Pawtucket parishes, value, \$60. Our first auxiliary box, valued at \$50, was sent early in the autumn to the Dakota sufferers. The next was for Bishop Tuttle, composed chiefly of articles prepared by the Sunday School of St. Luke's, East Greenwich, and intended for Christmas gifts. Then came an appeal for Bishop Spaulding's Hospital, in Denver. There was not time to notify the parishes generally, as the need was so urgent, but we had contributions from several, and money from the treasury was appropriated to buy blankets and towels. The value of the box was \$50. A letter from Mrs. Spaulding says: "Your welcome box, the first gift of the kind that St. Luke's received, came day before yesterday. We had done the best we could, but as there was nearly everything to be done, the result seemed very small. We had made up sheets out of the poor material given us after the drapings for President Garfield's death were taken down, and as it was very poor to begin with, it had grown no stronger by exposure to wind and weather. You can easily imagine how thankful we are for your good, substantial bedding and beautiful white blankets, towels, and bed-quilt. The roll of old linen must not be forgotten, for there is a constant demand for this—more than we have been able to supply." Later in the winter two auxiliary boxes were sent—one to Maine, and the other to Colorado—the value of the two being \$105.19. Our last box was sent a few weeks ago to Miss Thompson, for her

50  
50  
105.19  
58.42  
22.40  
256.01



school at Logan, Utah; the value was \$58.42. For this box there were contributions from Christ Church, West-erly; St. Luke's, East Greenwich; St. Paul's, Wickford; St. John's, Grace, and All Saints' Memorial, Providence. Valuable packages have been sent from Christ Church, Lonsdale; St. George's, Central Falls, and the Church of the Epiphany, Providence. An auxiliary box was also sent to Kansas. I must not omit to mention that a package, valued at \$22.40, was sent to a missionary in Colorado—the money, with the exception of \$2 from Lonsdale and \$1 from Grace Church, coming from the treasury of the Auxiliary.

We find ourselves at a great disadvantage in resuming our work each year after the summer vacation, as it is impossible for the parish work associations to do much before Christmas. We would suggest that during the summer every individual interested in missionary work should prepare at least one article for boxes to be sent off in October. Boxes sent west later than this do not reach their destination in time for distribution at Christmas, and many a poor child has to bear a disappointment for which we are responsible.

## CONTRIBUTIONS IN MONEY.

Church of the Epiphany, Providence .....	\$ 6 00	All Saints' Memorial, Prov..	5 00
St. John's, Providence .....	57 25		\$ 89 25
Christ Church, Lonsdale.....	3 00	Value of boxes .....	1,743 43
Grace Church, Providence..	13 00		\$1,832 68
St. Stephen's, " ..	5 00		

R. P. HENSHAW.

## MEXICAN WORK.

Little Gardie Scholarship .....	\$ 40 00
Mrs. Robert Burrough .....	5 00
Mrs. Hartshorn .....	25 00
St. Mark's, Warren .....	11 82
St. Michael's, Bristol .....	75 00
St. Mary's, Warwick .....	5 00
St. John's, Providence.....	182 00

\$343 82

869.09  
48.29  
20.80

MRS. S. S. KEENE.

2591.72  
743.43  
898.29

## DIOCESAN AUXILIARY WORK.

The past year seems to have developed a more general and increasing interest in the mission work of the diocese, and shows each station to be in a healthful state of activity. At Wanskuck, Manton, Phenix, Crompton, and Apponaug, especially, the untiring efforts of zealous and steady workers show encouraging returns.

If spiritual growth and blessing shall but accompany the temporal prosperity, then shall our hearts rejoice, and earnestly put forth new efforts.

St. Thomas', Wanskuck, needs enlarged church accommodations. A little more ground room would enable them to move the chapel they now occupy to the rear, and build a more commodious structure on its present site. The chapel would then serve for parish gatherings and entertainments of all kinds, and be an invaluable adjunct to the work of the mission. St. Peter's, Manton, has been enabled, with some assistance, to repair both the outer and inner walls of the church building, to place a furnace beneath it, to pay \$60 on the organ debt of \$200, and has something over \$100 in hand towards shingling the roof, which must be done the coming summer. The rectory at Greenville is fast approaching completion at a cost of \$2,300, \$1,200 of which has been raised. Of this amount, the children of the parish contributed \$63 as the result of their own efforts. St. Andrew's mission, Phenix, has at interest and in pledges \$1,700 towards the church which they so much need, and of which the estimated cost is about \$3,000. A choice between two lots is surely promised them when plans and contracts are arranged for building. At Crompton it was found necessary to build a new structure instead of enlarging the old one, and there now stands a neat church edifice adapted to their needs, nearly completed and ready for consecration. The mission at Apponaug hopes to lay the foundation of its church during the summer, and would be glad of any financial aid that could be given it. They have \$1,450 towards the erection of the building. The debt on St. George's, Central Falls, has been reduced to \$2,300. A most generous gift of \$500 within a few weeks, has materially lightened the burden the parish has carried so long.

The Church of the Good Shepherd, Pleasant View,



under the Rev. Mr. Eastwood, has still an incumbrance of nearly \$1,300 ; and it has been found necessary here, within the past few months, to build an addition to the rectory at a cost of \$200, to obviate the deleterious effects arising from an overflow of water in the basement kitchen. About \$40 are wanting to complete this unavoidable expense, toward which any contributions will be thankfully received.

The flourishing mission on the Pawtucket road, taken in charge by the Rev. E. H. Porter, of St. Paul's, Pawtucket, about two years since, is still maintained with much interest. It having been deemed inexpedient the past year to appoint an itinerant missionary for the diocese, the several sums contributed for that object have been deposited until the more auspicious time shall arrive, save one item of \$20, \$10 of which was, by request, transferred to the Diocesan Board of Missions, and \$10 to Manton. The amount on deposit is \$33.28. The total amount received for the year ending May 30, 1882, is \$936.46; expended, \$856.40, leaving a balance of \$80.06. Add to this last year's balance of the penny a week fund, \$121.82. It is hoped this fund may go on increasing from year to year, that we may thus have something always in readiness with which to assist our several mission stations as their needs arise.

A number of the smaller parishes in the diocese regret their inability to do anything for the Auxiliary thus far, but have hoped each year to make a beginning, however small. They report that it requires all their best efforts to meet the running expenses of their several parishes, though they assure us of their cordial sympathy and earnest desire to help.

Among these we may mention Emmanuel Church, Manville, which, for its first contribution, has sent \$7 to the Diocesan Mission Aid Fund this year, and reports \$50 raised for general missionary work, including diocesan.

#### CONTRIBUTIONS.

##### FOR CHURCH AT CROMPTON.

St. John's, Providence.....	\$25 00	St. Stephen's, Prov. (for Fair)	1 50
St. Peter's, Manton .....	1 00		
St. James', Woonsocket .....	5 00		\$32 50

## FOR CHURCH BUILDING FUND AT PHENIX.

St. John's, Providence.....	\$ 20 00
A member of St. Stephen's, Providence.....	100 00
	<u>\$120 00</u>

## FOR FAIR AT PHENIX.

St. John's, Providence .....	\$20 00
Grace, Providence.....	6 00
	<u>\$26 00</u>

## FOR REDUCING MORTGAGE ON CHURCH AT PLEASANT VIEW.

Bishop of the diocese .....	\$ 50 00	St. Michael's, Bristol.....	20 00
A lady from St. Gabriel's....	25 00		
A " Church of the			<u>\$145 00</u>
Saviour .....	50 00		

## FOR INTEREST ON ABOVE MORTGAGE.

Two ladies from St. Stephen's, Providence .....	\$60 00
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## FOR FURNACE AT ST. PETER'S, MANTON.

St. John's, Providence.....	\$160 00	A member of Church of the	
Grace, " .....	67 00	Saviour, Providence.....	25 00
St. Stephen's, " .....	27 00		
All Saints' Memorial, Prov..	6 00		<u>\$285 00</u>

## FOR DEBT ON ST. GEORGE'S, LINCOLN.

Christ Church, Lonsdale.....	\$50 00
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## FOR DIOCESAN BOARD OF MISSIONS THROUGH THE AUXILIARY.

Christ Church, Lonsdale .....	\$25 00
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## FOR FESTIVAL AT PLEASANT VIEW.

St. Stephen's, Providence.....	\$1 50
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## FOR REPAIRS AT MANTON.

Grace, Providence.....	\$5 00
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Twenty parishes have contributed this year to the  
Diocesan Mission Aid Fund, or Penny-a-week collection.

Grace, Providence .....	\$ 43 43	St. Andrew's, Phenix... ..	4 65
All Saints' Memorial, Prov..	27 00	All Saints', Pontiac.....	2 50
Ch. of the Redeemer, " ..	18 53	St. Mary's, Warwick.....	60
St. John's, Providence.....	18 40	St. Peter's, Manton.....	10 00
Ch. of the Messiah, Prov....	6 45	St. Luke's, E. Greenwich....	13 00
St. Stephen's, Providence...	6 29	Emmanuel, Manville .....	7 00
St. Gabriel's, " .....	2 08	Emmanuel, Newport .....	1 00
Ch. of the Saviour " .....	60	St. Michael's, Bristol.....	5 00
St. James', " .....	50		
St. Thomas', Wanskuck.....	6 00		<u>\$186 46</u>
St. Paul's, Pawtucket .....	4 50	Balance from last year, ..	41 76
Ch. of the Epiphany, Prov..	4 12		
St. Philip's, Crompton .....	4 81	Total.....	<u>\$228 22</u>

## EXPENDED FROM DIOCESAN AID FUND.

For repairs and furnace at		For 6 chairs for St. Thomas',	
St. Peter's, Manton.....	\$ 50 00	Wanskuck.....	9 00
For S. S. library at St.			
George's, Lincoln.....	25 00		<u>\$106 40</u>
For 1 clerical suit.....	22 40		
		Balance on hand, \$121 82	

C. L. ANDREWS.



**Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, in account  
with E. E. Andrews, Treasurer.**

May 19, 1881, Balance on hand.....	\$ 109 99
"    "    "    from Diocesan Fund.....	41 76
Collection at annual meeting at Grace Ch.....	41 88
July 28, 1881,    "    "    quarterly    "    Newport.....	71 59
Oct 18,    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    Aux. Rooms..	29 02
Jan. 24, 1882,    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "    "	34 07
Interest on deposit.....	2 94
For general work through Mrs. Carrington.....	854 00
"    Foreign    "    .....	400 75
"    Freedmen    "    .....	507 00
"    Mexican    "    .....	343 00
"    Diocesan    "    .....	936 46
"    Domestic    "    .....	89 25
"    Itinerant Missionary.....	4 00
"    St. Elizabeth Home.....	7 67
"    St. Mary's Orphanage.....	5 00

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\$3,478 38

**EXPENDED.**

For general work.....	\$ 854 00
"    Foreign    "    .....	420 00
"    Freedmen    "    .....	499 50
"    Mexican    "    .....	343 00
"    Diocesan    "    .....	856 40
"    Domestic    "    .....	197 44
Transferred to Board of Missions from Itinerant Mission- ary Fund.....	10 00
Transferred to Manton from Itinerant Missionary Fund.....	10 00
Printing annual reports.....	18 00
"    500 leaflets.....	5 00
Cleaning and furnishing Auxiliary rooms..	52 06
Traveling expenses of visitors.....	8 25
Paid Secretary for expenses of meetings.....	14 00
"    Mrs. Wheeler, Treasurer for the St. Elizabeth Home...	7 67
"    St. Mary's Orphanage.....	5 00

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\$3,300 32

Balance on hand.....\$ 178 06

**E. E. ANDREWS.**

## NINTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

### Indian Aid Society of Rhode Island.

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OUR first meeting in the fall of 1881 found us in our new quarters in the Wayland Building, the Woman's Auxiliary having kindly allowed us the use of one of their rooms. A wardrobe for our work had to be purchased, and there were a few trifling expenses incident to establishing ourselves in a new place. The room is large, light, and warm, and easier of access to most of the ladies who attend than the one where we have met for several years.

With what words, however, shall we tell of the sorrow that came to us one summer day in our vacation? tidings of the death of our dear friend and co-worker, Miss Mary M. Paine. With startling suddenness the summons came to her, far from her home, but with the calmness and faith of one for whom death had no terrors, she heard the call. We heard that she was gone, and gathered in the old church to hear the precious words of the burial-service read, and never was it more comforting to declare, "I believe—in the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting."

From the formation of the Society, eight years before, she had served as treasurer, and her counsel and assistance in all our work were always hearty and valuable. In filling the office so sadly made vacant, we made choice of one than whom no one certainly could be more interested to fill it worthily.

Very soon after Miss Paine's death we heard that a relative and very intimate friend had contributed largely



to the building of a church at Sisseton Agency, Dakota, with a request that it should be a memorial church, and it was suggested that the Indian Aid Society of Rhode Island might like to contribute the remaining \$300 necessary to finish the church. The word only needed to be spoken. Few waited to be asked. Offerings were freely volunteered, and more than the sum asked from us was forwarded.

A proof of the influence of her character and teaching on her Sunday School classes is found in the fact that several young girls, who had been her pupils, asked for work from the Indian Aid Society, that they might, in loving memory of their teacher, do such missionary work as was in their power.

Our first box this year was sent Oct. 14, 1881, to Rev. L. C. Walker, of Lower Brulé Agency, Dakota. He is a native Indian clergyman, and, with his wife, is doing excellent work. They have charge of a church school, and they are very poor and very grateful for every assistance, and need all we can do for them.

At the same place, in charge of a new government school, is Mr. W. H. Parkhurst, U. S. Agent, formerly of Providence. The school is recently opened, and we sent a box to him Jan. 24, 1882, value \$63.62.

Mr. Parkhurst has written us some very interesting letters, representing the Indian character and capacity as they appear to him, with now and then anecdotes of individual cases, and is especially impressed with their reverent manner in church.

Beauty of form and color and sweet music do not seem to be lost even upon the Indian, and it may be questioned if they are upon any, however humble and unused they may have been to such things.

In the account lately published of the new and beautiful little church at Pine Ridge Agency, the Indians, as they entered with bowed heads, whispered, "Holy."

The Church of St. Columba, at White Earth, of which our friend Enmegahbowh is rector, is ready for its interior furnishings. The women of that place are working now for it, making articles of birch bark and bead-work, which they will send East to sell. Miss Emery hopes we will be able to dispose of some of it here in Providence. It is all these women can do, and surely we will

be willing to help them. It was really quite touching, some months ago, to read among the acknowledgments in the *Spirit of Missions*, an offering of \$1 from the Church of St. Columba, for the society working for the conversion of the Jews. So the Holy Spirit prompts these so lately sitting in even greater darkness, to loving help towards that once exalted and now unhappy race.

At Fort Bennett, Dak., Mrs. J. Fitch Kinney has charge of a girls' boarding school, numbering twenty-eight pupils. This year we have sent her nineteen suits of gray flannel underwear, six of which were contributed by St. Michael's Church, Bristol, besides several pairs of stockings, mittens, and other small articles, and four new copies of Munroe's Third Reader. We have cut and had made from thirty to forty dresses, which are going in a box soon after Easter.

Here we would return our thanks to all the friends who have contributed money, clothing or work towards this cause which we represent. Not the smallest, humblest gift escapes the notice of the Master, who has assured us—"If there be first a willing mind, it is accepted according to that a man hath, and not according to that he hath not."

The Church of the Epiphany, Providence, has asked to be added to our list of parishes, which request we grant with great pleasure.

The following story, copied from the March number of the *Minnesota Missionary*, a little paper published at Faribault, may be of interest:

"Sometimes the white people receive back with interest the spiritual things they have given to the Indians. Not long since, a White Earth Christian Indian was going home from the Leech Lake Reservation, and learning in some way that one of the white settlers, who are sparsely scattered through that country, was sick, he went to him, sang three hymns over him loud and clear, and exhorted him to faith and patience. It was all in Ojibway, the sick man did not understand a word of what was said, yet its spirit made itself manifest to him, and he and his family were not a little comforted. They were 60 miles by road from any clergyman or spiritual counselor, and none of their white neighbors were of the spirit to do



what it was left for the Indian brother to do. A missionary happening to come along soon after, found that they could not express enough of thankfulness to their Indian brother, nor declare enough how much good it had done them. They were Christian people, but far away from any Christian consolation, and down in the depths as they were, looking on the beloved husband and father, smitten with deadly sickness, the visit of their Indian brother, his prayers and hymns, seemed to them like the visit of an angel from heaven."

Here ends our work for this year. Our numbers are small and our cause not attractive to many, but what we have been able to do, we offer to God with the prayer that He will "direct us in all our doings with His most gracious favor, and further us with His continual help."

E. A. PECKHAM,

*Secretary.*

Tuesday in Easter week, April 11, 1882.

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OF THE  
*Indian Aid Society of Rhode Island.*

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## CONSTITUTION.

I. This Association shall be called THE INDIAN AID SOCIETY OF RHODE ISLAND.

II. Its object shall be to aid in missionary work among the Indian tribes throughout our land, especially those within the jurisdiction of Niobrara.

III. The Association shall consist of all persons who shall contribute to the Treasurer thereof, annually, at least the sum of one dollar. Any one may be constituted a life member by the payment at one time of the sum of one hundred dollars.

IV. The officers of this Association shall be a President, two Vice-Presidents, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, and Treasurer. There shall be, moreover, a Board of Managers, consisting of the above-named officers, and of two ladies from each parish represented in the Association, whose duty it shall be to regulate its affairs, and, under the supervision of their rectors, to further the work of the Association in the parishes to which they respectively belong. The methods by which the ends of this organization can be promoted are, the raising of money for the support of missionaries and teachers, for the education of those who may be preparing for the work, and for other benevolent purposes connected with the mission; the making, collecting, and transfer of clothing, and other material aid, and the publication of papers and pamphlets that may serve to stir up a public interest in the welfare of the Indians.

V. It shall be the duty of the President to preside at the business meetings of the Association and the Board of Managers, and to call special meetings of the same when occasion shall arise.

VI. It shall be the duty of the Secretary to conduct the correspondence of the Association, and to obtain and communicate to the Association any fresh information from Indian Missions; to keep minutes of the proceedings of the Association and of the Board of Managers; to send out notices of the stated and special meetings of the same, and to prepare an annual report.

VII. It shall be the duty of the Assistant Secretary to act and vote in the absence of the Secretary.



VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and keep account of all moneys and materials contributed for the work of the Association, and to pay all drafts upon the funds.

IX. The Constitution shall not be altered, except at the annual meeting of the Association, or at a special meeting called for that purpose by the President,—notice of the proposed change having been given at a stated meeting of the Board of Managers.

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## BY-LAWS.

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I. There shall be an annual meeting of the Association on Easter Tuesday in each year, at such hour and place as the Secretary, with the advice of the President, shall indicate.

II. The election of officers and of the Board of Managers, shall take place at such meeting, and they shall continue in office for one year, or until their successors shall have been appointed.

III. In the case of the vacancy of any office by the death or removal of its incumbent, the same may be filled at a stated meeting of the Board of Managers; and any one so elected shall continue in office until the next annual meeting of the Association.

IV. The stated meeting of the Board of Managers shall be on the first Thursday of each month.

V. At a meeting of the Board of Managers, six members, representing not less than three parishes, shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business.

VI. In raising funds for carrying on its operations, this Society shall not resort to the questionable expedients of fairs, bazars, tea-parties, dramatic entertainments, or any forms of lottery.

## DONATIONS.

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Mrs. Metcalf, 14 dresses, cut and basted, one coat and vest, and 4 calico work-bags.

Mrs. S. Dorrance, valuable package.

St. Stephen's Church, 2 valuable packages.

Miss E. Waterman, 1 dozen handkerchiefs, 10 scarfs, 3 bed comforters, and articles of clothing.

Mrs. R. H. I. Goddard, 2 packages of clothing.

Miss E. E. Eldridge, of East Greenwich, box of toys and useful articles.

Mrs. A. L. Chesbrough, package for Mrs. Walker, also articles for Christmas.

Misses Sherman, Christmas cards.

Misses Tingley, embroidered tidy, and illuminated text.

Miss Shaw, package of clothing, 2 pillow-cases, book-mark, muff, and several boys' caps, calico for patch-work.

Mrs. C. A. Hall, slates and basted patch-work, and girls' hats.

Mrs. G. W. Prentice, one combination suit.

Mrs. Hopewell, 1 package second-hand clothing.

A friend, 2 packages for Mrs. Kinney, \$7.75.

St. Mary's Guild, South Portsmouth, 1 package.

St. John's Church, 2 packages.

All Saints' Church, Pontiac, bundle.

Mrs. C. M. Smith, 2 vests, 2 coats, 2 girls' hats.

Mrs. H. Richmond, calico dress pattern, 7 dresses, 1 apron, second-hand clothing, and scrap-books.

Mr. Langley, of Boston and Providence Clothing Store, four coats, \$12.

St. Michael's Church, Bristol, 2 packages, \$28.

St. Elizabeth's Guild, Grace Church, 5 pairs drawers.

Mrs. Bucklin, clothing.

Mrs. W. B. Green, overcoat.

Mrs. Pearce, St. Stephen's Church, clothing.

Miss Metcalf, calico for patch-work.

Miss Arnold, girl's hat.



**Indian Aid Society, in Account with Elizabeth H. Burgess, Treasurer, for the year  
ending April, 1882.**

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Balance on hand September, 1881.....	\$20 81	Printing Report, Stationery, and Postage.....	\$14 56
From members of St. John's Church, Prov....	209 50	Freight on Boxes and Bundles.....	15 42
“ “ Grace “ “ .....	45 00	Paid for Materials.....	79 49
“ “ St. Stephen's “ “ .....	43 00	“ “ Wardrobe.....	8 00
“ “ All Saints' Memorial “ .....	5 00	Sent to Rev. J. J. Enmegahbowh.....	2 00
“ “ St. James' Church, “ .....	2 00	Paid for Monroe's Readers.....	2 00
“ “ Ch. of the Epiphany, “ .....	1 00		
	<u>\$326 31</u>		
	121 47		
Balance April 11, 1882.....	\$204 84		<u>\$121 47</u>

**Amount of Money Received for the Church to be built in Memory of Miss Mary M. Paine,  
at the Sisseton Agency, in Bishop Hare's Diocese.**

		SENT TO MISS EMERY.	
From members of St. John's Church.....	\$188 00	Dec. 2, 1881.....	\$309 00
“ “ St. Stephen's “ .....	62 00	Feb. 21, 1882 .....	59 00
“ “ Grace “ .....	42 00		
“ “ Church of the Redeemer....	21 00		
“ Friends.....	55 00		
	<u>\$368 00</u>		<u>\$368 00</u>

Total receipts in money.....	<u>\$326 31</u>
	368 00
	<u>694 31</u>
Expenditures.....	489 47
	<u>Balance April 11, 1882.....</u>
	\$204 84

