

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Rhode Island Branch
OF THE
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AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS,
WITH THE
TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF
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OF
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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, February 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 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.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT
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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

WE close the eighth year of the Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary with feelings of thankfulness and encouragement, for, although our work is not represented by such large figures as at the close of last year, we have been able to accomplish far more than we dared hope to do in what threatened to be a trying year. Several parishes, hitherto unable to co-operate with us, have given substantial proof of their interest and ability, and several more promise to join in the work another year. It is an encouraging sign when active interest is shown in the Sunday Schools. More than one school has been represented this year by generous contributions in money and by nicely-made garments contributed to the boxes.

One of the chief pleasures of the work this season has been given us through the kindness of Mrs. Brewer, our former vice-president. Two large cases of valuable books from the library of the late Dr. Brewer have been placed at our disposal, and over thirty volumes have already been presented to four of our missionary clergy in the West and South. The grateful letters which acknowledge the books prove the greatness of the boon we have been the agents for conferring upon these hard-working, poorly-paid, isolated missionaries.

Early in the season a bright letter from Mrs. Kinney, of St. John's School for Indian girls, Cheyenne River Agency, Dakota, was printed and copies circulated through the diocese, in the hope that parishes unable to undertake a larger task might furnish a simple outfit for one of these girls. Five parishes and one individual responded, and we trust that the larger part of the clothing needed for seven girls will be ready by the early fall. Two or three small parishes that have not before been able to do for any object beyond their own needs, have responded generously to this letter. This work will be reported through the *Indian Aid*, as it properly falls within its department.

The regular monthly meetings at the rooms in Wayland Building have been held through the year, excepting in the months of July and August. The number attending the meetings is smaller than the importance and interest of the meetings deserve. It would seem as if two hours each month were little time to give toward acquiring a knowledge of the work women ought to do to uphold the hands of those who are fighting ignorance and infidelity. The letters and reports read at these quiet meetings put us in closer sympathy with the work and workers than any other means can do, except that of visiting the missionary fields.

The quarterly meetings held in July at the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield; in October at St. Michael's, Bristol; and in February at the Church of the Redeemer, Providence, were well attended and of unusual interest and influence.

We have been highly favored by visits from some of our bishops and other eminent workers at home and abroad. Much of our enthusiasm has been caught from the earnest words they have spoken to us.

To briefly summarize the visible work of the past year, we report as follows:

Total value of boxes.....	\$3,044 53
Money contributed	1,376 26

Total.....	\$4,420 79
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CORNELIA A. UPTON,
Secretary.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Our pledges this year amounted to \$430.00. Owing to the hard times, we have made extra efforts to raise the amount, and have written to many of the secretaries, suggesting that they should solicit ten, or even five cent offerings from *each* woman of the church for the foreign work. Some have very kindly responded, and we are thankful this year to have had contributions from ten parishes outside of the city, whilst last year there were only six that gave. It is especially pleasing that in two instances, those of the Chapel of the Holy Cross, Middletown, and the Church of the Redeemer, Providence, the children of the Sunday School have sent their offerings to assist in the foreign field.

Miss Riddick, the half of whose salary we pay, is now at the head of St. Margaret's School for girls in Tokio, Japan. One lady writes of her that "it is a real pleasure to think of the good work that she is doing among the girls, and with the Christian influence that is daily brought to bear upon them she cannot fail to make good women of them." It has been a great pleasure to us to meet here in Providence, Mr. J. McD. Gardiner, Head Master of St. Paul's School for boys in Tokio, Japan, and to hear from him of Miss Riddick and her excellent work. Our interest in Japan missions will be the deeper for having met face to face one of our most earnest workers.

Our two African scholarships, the "Carrington" and "Caroline Clark," are both very interesting and useful. The beneficiary of the former is a boy, that of the latter, named for our good bishop's wife, is a girl.

The Insurance Fund, and the Fund for the Education of the Children of Missionaries are both doing a very good work.

This year, besides our pledges, we have been happy to contribute \$100.35 toward the Tokio hospital, which the Woman's Auxiliary of this country hopes to build.

Contributions this year have been as follows:

Christ Church, Lonsdale...	\$20 00	St. Mary's, Warwick	5 00
St. John's, Providence.....	119 60	St. Paul's, Wickford	4 00
Grace Church, ".....	181 00	Dr. W. R. Babcock.....	10 00
Christ Church, Westerly...	75 00	Ch. of the Epiphany, Prov..	2 25
St. Stephen's, Providence..	30 00	Aux. Soc. St. Paul's, Pawt..	10 00
Holy Cross Sun. Sch., Mid-		St. Luke's, East Greenwich.	10 00
dletown	9 50	Ch. of the Messiah, Prov....	5 00
Ch. of the Redeemer, Prov.,	5 00	St. George's, Central Falls..	3 00
St. Philip's, Crompton.....	1 00		
St. Michael's, Bristol.....	40 00	Total....	\$530 35

JESSIE H. CAMPBELL,

Secretary.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

So many calls are always made upon this department that it is impossible to do more than respond to the most urgent. Some of the work being started earlier than last year, a box was sent to Bishop Spalding about Christmas — reaching Denver as an Epiphany gift.

The contributions were from Grace Church, St. John's, the Church of the Redeemer, St. Stephen's, and Christ Church, Providence, and Trinity Church, Bristol. Mrs. Spalding writes of this box: "It is such a generous one that I can have enough for every missionary's family in the diocese." Since then two boxes have been sent to Kansas — part of the contents intended for Bishop Vail's hospital at Topeka, and the remainder for distribution among the missionaries. Of the first box, received early in March, Bishop Vail says: "A young clergyman had been spending some weeks with me when the box arrived. His wife is an invalid and with her relatives at the east. Bitter as the winter has been, he was without an overcoat — now his wants are supplied. He goes to his new field of labor to-morrow with his heart warmed and cheered, and his body suitably clothed."

A box of supplies for the Free Dispensary and the poor has been sent to the city missionary at San Antonio, Texas, where there was great need among the sick and those out of employment. A very grateful letter of acknowledgment has been received. A surplice has been given to a missionary in Louisiana, and books have been sent to several missionaries from Mrs. Brewer's gen-

erous contribution — she having very kindly sent us two boxes of valuable theological and miscellaneous works.

The following is the list of boxes:

AUXILIARY BOXES.

One for Bishop Spalding, with contributions from—	
St. John's..... value	\$121 75
Grace Church..... "	24 27
Ch. of the Redeemer. "	34 00
Christ Church..... "	2 60
St. Stephen's..... "	35 00
Trinity Ch., Bristol. "	30 00
St. Peter's, Manton. "	2 50
Thro' a lady of St. John's..... value	29 00
"..... "	19 00
Miscellaneous..... "	36 77
Total value.....	\$334 89

One for Bishop Vail, with contributions from—	
St. Stephen's..... value	\$91 00
St. John's..... "	51 00
St. Paul's, Wickford. "	40 50
Grace Church "	5 00
Total value.....	\$187 50

Supplementary box for Bp. Vail, with contributions from—	
Ch. of the Redeemer. value	\$25 30
St. John's..... "	23 00
St. Stephen's..... "	7 00
Total value.....	\$55 30

One box for City Missionary at San Antonio, Texas, with contributions from—	
St. John's..... value	15 00
Grace Church..... "	16 10
St. Paul's, Wickford. "	2 80
Ch. of the Redeemer. "	1 00
Auxiliary fund..... "	25 00
Total value.....	\$59 90

PARISH BOXES.

One box sent by members of St. John's and St. Stephen's, Providence, value,	\$40 00
One box from St. Michael's Church, Bristol, value,	\$150 00
One box from St. Luke's, E. Greenwich, value.....	\$133 75
One box from St. Paul's, Wickford, value.....	\$50 00
One package from Trinity Chapel, Pawt., value....	\$10 00
One package from Church of the Redeemer, value,	\$42 25
Four boxes from Grace Ch., Providence, value.....	\$465 98
Two boxes from St. John's, Providence, value	\$229 79
One box of books from St. John's, Prov., value.....	\$75 00
Two boxes from All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence, value	\$175 00
Three boxes from St. Stephen's, Providence, value.....	\$269 73

One box from Trinity Ch., Bristol, value.....	\$35 00
One box from Church of the Epiphany, Prov., value..	\$90 00
One box from St. Paul's, Pawtucket, value.....	\$82 55
One box for a missionary's family, with contributions from St. John's, value.....	\$40 25
From St. Stephen's.....	25 00
Total value.....	\$65 25

One box for a missionary's family, with contributions from—	
St. John's and St. Stephen's..... value	\$121 80
Ch. of the Redeemer. "	10 91
St. John's Sew'g Sch. "	2 00
other sources..... "	14 00
Total value.....	\$148 71

One Surplice to missionary, value \$10.00.
Books to the value of about \$50.00.
Total value of missionary boxes, \$2,749.60.

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Contributions in money have been received and forwarded as follows :

From St. Stephen's, for Bp. Vail's hospital.....	\$20 00	From St. John's, for a missionary's family.....	5 00
From St. Michael's, Bristol, for Mission Ch., Hingham Falls.....	5 00	From Grace Church, for the same.....	2 00
From Christ Church, Lonsdale, toward building a church in Pierre, Dak...	20 00	From Church of the Redeemer, for a missionary's orphan.....	9 00
From St. Mary's Guild, Portsmouth, to Nashotah.....	7 00	Total.....	\$68 00

REBECCA PITMAN HENSHAW,
Secretary.

FREEDMEN MISSIONS.

Three boxes have been sent from this department to Mrs. Bessie S. Brent, Gordonsville, Va. Contributions to these boxes were as follows :

St. John's Ch., Providence,	\$31 17	St. James' Ch., Providence,	44 50
Grace Church, "	2 50	Church of the Messiah.....	5 80
Ch. of the Redeemer, "	41 94	Auxiliary fund.....	2 00
Christ Church, "	5 50	Church of the Ascension, Wakefield.....	25 00
All Saints' Memorial Church, Providence.....	9 03	Other sources.....	13 52
St. Michael's Church, Bristol.....	9 00	Total value of boxes....	\$215 96
Christ Church, Lonsdale.....	26 00		

Contributions for Mrs. Brent's salary have been received from the following sources and forwarded to Miss Emery :

From St. John's, Prov..	7 00	Anon.....	11
" St. Stephen's, Prov.,	35 00	Total	\$114 5
" Grace Church, "	7 00		
" St. Michael's, Bristol,	5 00	From St. John's and St. Stephen's, Prov. (for salary of assistant).....	40 00
" Christ Ch., Lonsdale,	20 00		\$154 50
" Trinity Church, Pawt.	6 00		
" St. Paul's, "	5 00		
" St. Mary's, Warwick.	5 00		
Collection at quarterly meeting at the Church of the Redeemer.....	24 39		

The sum of \$20.88 was appropriated from the general fund to make up the balance of Mrs. Brent's salary.

HARRIET M. MUNRO,
Secretary.

DIOCESAN REPORT.

The helping hand of the Auxiliary has been extended to several mission stations in the diocese during the past year, chiefly through its "Diocesan Mission Aid Fund," or penny-a-week collections.

This ever ready source of relief becomes more and more appreciated as the work goes on, and affords convincing proof that, without interfering with other missionary contributions, its uniform collection throughout the diocese would enable us to greatly enlarge our work.

Twenty parishes have contributed to this fund the past year, as follows :

Grace, Prov.....	\$45 71	St. Andrew's, Phenix.....	4 70
St. Stephen's, Prov.....	29 86	Christ Church, Lonsdale....	3 07
St. John's, ".....	25 60	Christ Church, S. Prov.....	3 00
Ch. of the Redeemer, Prov..	14 57	Trinity, Pawtuxet.....	1 04
All Saints' Memorial, ".....	14 00	St. Mary's, Warwick Neck..	53
St. Peter's, Manton.....	10 00	Church of the Saviour, Prov.	50
St. James's, Prov.....	12 25	Anon.....	05
St. Luke's, E. Greenwich....	10 00		
Emmanuel, Manville.....	8 00		\$212 08
Trinity, Pawtucket.....	7 28	Interest on deposit.....	4 16
St. Philip's, Crompton	6 92	Balance from last year..	266 94
Epiphany, Elmwood.....	5 00		
Ch. of the Messiah, Prov.....	5 00	Total.....	\$483 18
St. Michael's, Bristol.....	5 00		

From this amount has been expended :

For Hymnals at Crompton,	20 00	For material and making	
For Prayer-Books and Hym-		two stoles.....	6 47
nals at Wanskuck.....	12 00	Express on package to Riv-	
For Prayer-Books and Hym-		erside.....	25
nals at Auburn.....	7 20		
For St. Andrew's, Phenix,		Total.....	\$102 92
toward furnishings for			
new church building....	50 00	Balance on hand....	\$380 26
For making two surplices..	7 00		

Other contributions for diocesan objects have been as follows :

From a friend in St. Steph-		Preserves and jellies from	
en's parish—Linen for		Trinity Chapel, Paw-	
three surplices, value...	—	tuxet, for St. Elizabeth's	
From St. Mary's Guild, of S.		Home, value.....	6 00
Portsmouth, clothing for		St. Stephen's, Prov., gift to	
St. Mary's Orphanage,		Clergyman.....	20 00
value.....	\$15 23	Chapel of the Holy Cross,	
From Holy Cross, Middlet'n,		Middletown, to St. Eliz-	
for same, value.....	10 00	abeth's Home.....	10 00
Miscellaneous articles from		To St. Mary's Orphanage,	1 74
Trinity Chapel, Pawtux-			
et, for same, value ...	12 00	Total.....	\$78 97

The following sums for the Itinerant Missionary fund
have been received and placed on deposit:

From St. Michael's, Bristol	\$ 5 63
From St. John's, Providence.....	30 00
From St. Stephen's, "	3 00
Total	<u>\$38 63</u>

CORNELIA L. ANDREWS,

Secretary.

R. I. Branch Woman's Auxiliary in Account with E. E. Andrews, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
1884.		1884.	
May 16,	Balance on hand, \$ 2 74	June,	Printing 600 reports..... \$ 24 00
	Collection at annual meeting, Grace Ch. 62 00		Postage on same..... 2 00
	Donation " " " 25 00		Traveling expenses of mission'y speakers. 85 65
July 9,	Collection at quarterly " Wakefield, 17 80		Current expenses..... 13 24
"	From individuals, for Indian student.. 9 00		Freight on boxes..... 49 62
"	From Indian Aid, " " 10 00		For expenses of Indian student..... 39 00
Oct. 8,	Collection at quarterly meeting, Bristol, 60 35		Printing cards, binding books 15 90
"	Donation from two ladies, " 20 00		Appropriated for Auxiliary boxes..... 73 64
Dec. 19,	" " member of St. John's, 2 00		Sent Miss Emery, for Amos Ross' house, 12 80
	for freight..... 2 00		Subscription to "Young Christian Sol-
1885.			dier," 3 68
Feb. 12,	Collection at quarterly meeting at the		For Foreign Work 530 35
	Church of the Redeemer..... 47 81		" Domestic " 68 00
"	From donation from Church of the Re-		" Freedmen " 154 50
	deemer 3 00		" Mrs. Brent's salary..... 20 88
	From Mrs. Wm. Gammell, for Auxil-		" Diocesan Work..... 252 87
	iary boxes..... 100 00		
	From mission box in Auxiliary room... 78		Total \$1,346 13
	For Foreign Work..... 530 35		Balance on hand..... 32 87
	" Domestic " 68 00		
	" Freedmen " 154 50		\$1,379 00
	" Diocesan " 252 87		
	" Amos Ross' house..... 12 80		
	Total.....\$1,379 00		

TWELFTH ANNUAL REPORT.

OF THE

Indian Aid Society of Rhode Island.

For twenty-seven weeks, we have met on Thursday afternoons, with an average attendance of six members per week. The managers' book shows that in that time fifty-nine garments have been cut, and as many finished. Much of the sewing, of course, has been done away from the rooms.

In October we sent by mail to Mrs. Kinney forty-seven yards, and in November forty-three yards of plaid flannel for dresses for the girls in St. John's Boarding School, Cheyenne River Agency, Dakota. As the girls needed the dresses for winter, and wished to learn to cut and fit, and sew them, we sent it with the least delay.

The only box which we have sent, went at the close of the season, to Mrs. Kinney. Its value was \$100. A package was received for it from St. Michael's Church, Bristol, valued at \$15.00, and several from the Church of the Redeemer, of Providence, valued in all at \$10.76. That parish has undertaken to provide for one girl in Mrs. Kinney's school, and there were bundles of generous size, marked "part of Cally's outfit," that will make her eyes dance, when the box is opened. Especially a new black straw hat, with a pretty new red ribbon folded up inside, that her Indian young ladyship may trim it in any style that pleases her.

If there were more of this personal work done, the interest would grow and deepen on all sides.

At one of our meetings in the early fall, Miss Sybil

Carter was with us, and spoke in the most interesting manner of the Indian work already begun by Bishop Pierce, in his jurisdiction, and of that which Bishop Dunlop was longing to begin in his, waiting only for money. We promised to remember her appeal and that we would forward the work in those two jurisdictions, so far as our small aid would go.

There is so little this year for the Secretary to report that she hopes to be pardoned for taking a little room to refer to the recent proclamations by President Cleveland, by which 500,000 acres of land in the Crow Creek or Winnebago Reservation, in Dakota, have been restored to the rightful owners. It seems that on February 27, 1884, the order was issued by President Arthur throwing open to settlement this land sacredly guaranteed to the Sioux Indians by the terms of a treaty in 1868. About two thousand people stood ready to avail themselves of the order, and as soon as it was issued, they seized at once upon large portions of the very choicest parts of the land, overwhelming the poor Indians with astonishment and terror. Three-fourths of the Indians on this land dress as white men, and the entire body are making very hopeful progress in civilization. They pride themselves on having always been the friends of the whites.

The Indian Rights Association took prompt action in bringing the facts before the new Secretary of the Interior and President Cleveland. The result has been the prompt issue of an executive order revoking the order of February 27th, restoring the land to the Indians, its rightful owners, and declaring that, if necessary, the military power of the United States will be invoked to effect the purposes and intentions of the government.

These facts, substantially in these words, are learned through the two proclamations of the President, one in March and one in April, and a communication from Mr. T. J. Morgan, Secretary of the Providence Branch of the Indian Rights Association, all published in the *Providence Journal*.

Gladly do we see such help extended, which we, as yet, have not in our power to offer; and thus our Indian Aid Society, the Indian Rights, and all other kindred associations are one in their efforts to help the red-men to a

civilized and Christian life, and to secure them justice and fair dealing.

Let us move ever so slowly, if we move in the right direction, we are drawing towards that "glorious day expected long," when "the name and glory of the Lord, all heathen kings shall fear."

E. A. PECKHAM,
Secretary.

April 30, 1885.

SUPPLEMENT.

At the annual meeting of this Society, it was voted to divide one hundred dollars equally between Bishops Pierce and Dunlop, for Indian work in their respective jurisdictions. Two dollars was afterwards added to Bishop Dunlop's share.

One hundred dollars designated for the general fund and thirty-eight dollars voted by the Society, were sent to the General Treasurer, making in all two hundred and forty dollars sent to the Treasurer, of which one hundred and forty dollars went through the Woman's Auxiliary.

After the annual meeting a barrel of clothing was received from Middletown, R. I., which was sent to Mrs. Kinney, for St. John's Boarding School. Freight and express charges, \$2.50.

E. A. PECKHAM.

May 19, 1885.

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MISS MAGGIE FORRESTER.

St. Paul's Church.

MRS. L. E. SALISBURY,
MISS MARY GOULD.

St. James' Church.

MRS. CHRISTOPHER BLANDING,
MISS RAWSON.

Church of the Epiphany.

MISS T. F. BURGES.

St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

MRS. ANDREW TROTTER,
MISS ANNA B. MANCHESTER.

St. John's Church, Ashton.

MRS. GEORGE SPARHAWK,
MRS. RICHARD SWEET.

DONATIONS.

St. Michael's Church, Bristol, package, \$15.
Church of the Redeemer, Providence, packages, \$10.76.
Mrs. W. Upton, two coats.
Mrs. Carpenter, package of soap, \$1.50.
Mrs. James H. Coggeshall, cards.
Miss Josephine Rathbone, 17 books and 1 game.
Miss Emily Waterman, for box, \$2.
Christ Church, Lonsdale, 18 pairs woolen hose.
Mrs. Clifton A. Hall, school books.
Mrs. A. L. Chesbrough, 8 pairs mittens, and 5 pairs wristlets.
Miss E. A. Peckham, aprons and other small articles.

Indian Aid Society in Account with Anne V. Buffum, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.	
Balance on hand May 16, 1884.....	\$ 22 32
From St. John's Church.....	172 50
" Grace "	110 49
" St. Stephen's "	35 00
" St. James' "	3 00
" Church of the Epiphany.....	2 00
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	\$345 31
	317 81
Balance on hand May 19, 1885.....	\$ 27 50

EXPENDITURES.	
For printing annual report.....	\$ 12 00
To Rev. Mr. Waterman for Rev. Mr. Cooledge, Missionary to Arapahoes.....	10 00
Additional freight on Mr. G.'s box.....	70
Materials for work.....	47 03
Cleaning room.....	68
Freight on Mrs. Kinney's box.....	4 40
Express charges on Mrs. Kinney's box.....	50
Freight on barrel from Middletown, for Mrs. Kinney.....	2 00
Express charges on the same.....	50
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	\$ 77 81
Sent to general treasurer, for Indian fund.....	138 00
Sent to general treasurer, for Bishop Dunlop.....	52 00
Sent to general treasurer, for Bishop Pierce.....	50 00
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	\$317 81

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 duties 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.

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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 to 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.

BY-LAWS.

I. There shall be an annual meeting of the Association on the last Thursday in April 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 be appointed.

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

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

V. At the 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.