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WITH THE

THIRTEENTH 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, 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.

EIGHTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Rhode Island Branch

OF THE

Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

THE members of the Rhode Island Branch of the Auxiliary come together to-day to review the work of the past year, and to compare the result, as far as we can, with that of the previous year. There will necessarily be some changes made for the printed statement when we shall have received fuller returns.

In the domestic department we report about the same amount of work done, although the value given is less. This does not come from a falling off in interest, but we are learning to put a truer estimate on our boxes and so make our figures smaller.

We hold our own in redeeming our pledges in the Foreign and Freedmen branches, but each year we hope that there may be an increase of interest, and that interest manifested by larger contributions, so that we may be enabled to increase our pledges.

We wish that more might be done for our missions among the Indians, and that this branch of the auxiliary could be enabled to pledge the support of a teacher among them.

We feel that the interest in missions in our own diocese is increasing, and are looking forward to the time when we shall be called upon to help maintain a missionary at large.

Our monthly meetings have been held as usual during

the year, and although the attendance has been good—sometimes very good—our room has not been crowded.

October 9 we held a meeting in St. Luke's, East Greenwich, and on February 4 in the Church of the Messiah, Olneyville. For these services we have been very much favored by the presence of those who are working in other parts of the vineyard, and whose kind words have helped us in our work. The Rev. Dr. Langford, Secretary of the General Board, Bishop Tuttle, Bishop and Mrs. Brewer, Mrs. Brent, Miss Emery, the Rev. Mr. Perry, of Baltimore, the Rev. Mr. Cooke, of Pittsburg, Mr. J. McD. Gardner, of Japan, our own Bishop, and the Rev. Messrs. Henshaw, Porter, Greer, Goodwin, Bassett, and Cocroft have spoken at our gatherings, imparted needed information, and encouraged us to go on.

Very soon after our last annual meeting we were called upon to part with our first vice-president, Miss Emily Waterman. She was one of the few who started this branch of the auxiliary, and from that time to her death contributed to its welfare by her judgment and ready gifts of material and money.

We close the year with sad and heavy hearts, for death has again come to our little band and removed our head. Very unexpectedly to us was our first, our loved president, called from her work here to the joys of Paradise. Prompted by a heart filled with love for the Master, whom she so faithfully served, her ready judgment and prudence directed our work, and her abundant gifts helped us carry it on. Living every day in communion with her Saviour, she was found ready, as that servant who watched for her Lord. "The Lord gave and the Lord hath taken away, blessed be the name of the Lord."

Grant her eternal rest, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

N. A. GREENE.

Honorary Secretary.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

OUR pledges this year, as last, amounted to \$430. We are happy to have raised that amount, besides having a small sum to send towards the hospital in Tokio Japan, for which Dr. Harrel pleads so earnestly.

Our two African scholarships in Cape Mount, now stand as memorials of dear departed ones, one being named the "Carrington," the other the "Caroline Clark." The \$25 for the former have been given entirely this year by the church in which our lamented president worshiped. The \$25 for the latter have been mostly given by the children of the Sunday Schools of the Church of the Saviour, Providence, and Holy Cross, Middletown.

Miss Biddick has now become so well known amongst us, through her pleasant letters and reports of the good work she is doing in St. Margaret's school for girls, Tokio, Japan, that we cheerfully raised the \$292.50, being our half of her salary.

Fifty dollars for the insurance fund, \$37.50 for the education fund of the children of foreign missionaries finish our pledges. We thank all those who have helped us, and we gladly welcome two new churches on our list. We hope next year many more may contribute; we would rejoice to see every parish in the diocese represented in the foreign work of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Amounts received from different churches, etc. :

St. John's, Providence.....	\$129 00	Christ, Westerly.....	\$25 00
St. Stephen's, Providence...	30 00	St. Paul's, Wickford	4 10
Grace, Providence.....	125 00	St. Michael's, Bristol.....	54 00
All Saints' Memorial, Prov..	2 00	Holy Cross S. S., Middletown	12 00
Church of the Epiphany, Prov	3 75	St. Mary's, Warwick	5 00
Saviour Sunday School, "	10 00	St. Philip's, Crompton	5 50
Redeemer, Providence.....	15 00	Mrs. Edwin C. Larned.....	10 00
St. Paul's, Pawtucket.....	10 50	Rev. W. R. Babcock, D. D....	10 00
Trinity, Pawtucket.....	10 20	St. Luke's, East Greenwich..	10 00
Christ, Lonsdale.....	15 00		
			\$471 05

JESSIE H. CAMPBELL.

MAY 14, 1886.

DOMESTIC REPORT.

DURING last summer many ladies who had been interested in Bishop Whitaker's account of his work in Nevada, busied themselves in preparing articles for the school at Reno. This is not a charity institution, but is intended to give a thorough Christian education to the girls of Nevada. Many are daughters of wealthy ranchmen, who need to be taught how to use the riches they will inherit. Others are children of farmers, working hard to give their families advantages they have never had. In such cases the tuition fees are made as low as possible, but, of course, the expense of carrying on the school is

large, and must be met by extraordinary efforts until it is firmly established. In October we sent two boxes filled with house linen and other articles suggested by the teachers, besides many private gifts for the teachers and scholars.

Contributions were received from St. John's, Grace Church, St. Stephen's, All Saints' Memorial, and the Church of the Redeemer, Providence; also from St. Luke's, East Greenwich, and Christ Church, Lonsdale. Value of the boxes, \$286.87.

Two boxes were sent to a clergyman in Virginia, value, \$75; one to a clergyman in New Mexico, value \$40; one box to a missionary in Texas, value \$125. To this last there were contributions from St. Luke's, East Greenwich; St. Paul's, Wickford; Emmanuel Church, Manville; St. Barnabas', Apponaug, and St. Stephen's, Providence.

The missionary, in acknowledging this, says: "Its contents are certainly various and do justice to those kind hearts and hands which prepared them. They have made many hearts glad through their love and benevolence. Not only my own family, but as well the hearts of fifty poor Sunday School scholars, to whom I will be able to give Easter cards and other presents. Little Nora sends her thanks for the lady who selected 'Jumbo.' She prizes it above all the other gifts sent, although when she saw it first she was very much afraid of it, and declared it would bite her."

The interest in our work is increasing, and we do not want it to be forgotten during the summer.

Miss Emery writes: "What would you say to preparing such things as the following: table and bed linen, towelling for bed-rooms and kitchen, wash cloths, dusters, dish cloths, working aprons, and if any were interested to go beyond the necessities, why not crochet a shawl, make a pincushion or two, or some pretty fancy thing for the house? Then in the early fall I could send a large family wanting such articles, for whom clothing could then be added." How many parishes will help in this work? The list of boxes and packages sent by parishes is probably incomplete, as some have failed to report to the secretary.

The following have been reported, besides the contributions for the auxiliary boxes already mentioned :

St. John's, Providence, two boxes, value.....	\$381 50	Church of the Redeemer, Providence, one box, value.....	\$87 92
St. Stephen's, Providence, two boxes, value.....	125 00	St. Paul's, Pawtucket, one box, value.....	36 24
Grace Church, Providence, five boxes, value.....	525 85	St. Michael's, Bristol, one box, value.....	150 00
All Saints' Memorial, Providence, two boxes, value.....	80 25	Christ Church, Westerly, one box, value.....	
Church of the Epiphany, Providence, one box, value.....	45 00	A lady of St. John's, two boxes, value.....	294 31
St. Paul's, Providence, one box, value.....	15 00	Members of St. John's and St. Stephen's, one box, value.....	56 33
St. James', Providence, one package, value	7 51		

REBECCA PITMAN HENSHAW,

Secretary.

Additional, from members of St. John's and St. Stephen's, Providence :

One box to a clergyman in Colorado.....	\$20 00	Cash to a clergyman in Iowa.....	\$66 00
One box to a clergyman in Colorado.....	22 00	Cash to Bishop Garrett, Texas.....	200 00
One box of books to a clergyman in Colorado.....	10 00	Cash to Reno.....	3 00
One Easter box.....	60 00	" " General Board for deficiency.....	80 00
Cash to Montana Hospital.....	20 00		

BOOK FUND.

Books to nine clergymen in Michigan, Nebraska, Minnesota, North Carolina,	Texas, Iowa, Colorado, and Indian Territory; value of books.....	\$13 32
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FREEDMEN'S MISSIONS.

Two boxes, a basket, and a barrel have been sent from this department to Mrs. Bessie S. Brent, Gordonsville, Va., to which the contributions were as follows :

St. John's Church, Providence, value.....	\$14 41	St. Barnabas' Church, Apponaug, value.....	\$2 35
Mrs. E. C. Larned, value.....	8 00	St. Thomas' Church, Wanskuck, value.....	5 00
Grace Church, value.....	52 25	Church of the Ascension, Wakefield, value.....	25 00
Church of the Redeemer, value.....	19 50	Christ Church, Lonsdale, two boxes, value.....	75 00
St. James' Church, value.....	70		
St. Mark's Church, Warren, value.....	2 00	Total value.....	\$208 39
Christ Church, Lonsdale, value.....	4 00		

Contributions for Mrs. Brent's salary have been received from the following sources :

St. John's Church, Prov....	\$27 00	Trinity Church, Pawtucket.	\$4 00
St. Stephen's Church, Prov.	35 00	St. Mary's Church, War-	
Church of the Messiah, "	5 00	wick.....	2 00
Grace Church, Providence.	49 00	Emmanuel Church, Mai-	
Church of the Redeemer,		ville.....	10 00
Providence.....	2 50	Church of the Ascension,	
All Saints' Memorial, Prov.	3 50	Wakefield ...	2 00
Trinity Chapel, Pawtucket..	5 00	St. Philip's, Crompton.....	50
Christ Church, Lonsdale ...	16 00		
St. Paul's, Pawtucket.....	5 50	Total.....	\$167 00

Money received as "pledges" for the colored teacher's salary, as follows :

Emmanuel Church, New-		Trinity Church, Pawtucket.	\$5 00
port.....	\$10 00	Church of the Redeemer,	
Lady of St. Stephen's, Prov.	10 00	Providence.....	5 00
St. Stephen's Church, Prov.	20 00	St. Paul's, Pawtucket.....	5 00
All Saints' Memorial, Prov.	10 00	Christ Church, South Prov.	5 00
St. James' Church, Prov....	10 00	Grace Church, Providence.	8 00
St. Luke's Church, East		St. Philip's, Crompton.....	2 00
Greenwich.....	10 00	St. Andrew's, Phenix,	3 00
St. James' Church, Woon-			
socket.....	10 00	Total.....	\$113 00

Money pledged to Mrs. Brent :

By Mr. Perry, Baltimore...	\$5 00		
By Mr. Cole, Va.	5 00	Total.....	\$123 00

Money sent to Dr. Tucker :

From St. John's, Prov.....	\$7 50	From St. Stephen's, Prov..	\$53 00
From Grace Church, Prov.	4 00	From Trinity, Pawtucket..	50
From Church of the Re-			
deemer, Providence....	2 00	Total.....	\$69 00
From All Saints' Memorial,			
Providence.....	2 00	Total amount received...	\$359 00

Mrs. Brent writes with reference to the country teacher :
 "I wish it were in my power to make the friends in Rhode Island understand what great good is being accomplished by this teacher. A parish day school of sixty pupils, a congregation of nearly one hundred persons — this young woman helps me hold the people together. A large Sunday School, and this in a most immoral locality, where there have been but four sermons preached by clergymen visiting my work in two years. Please help me to thank those who have strengthened my hands and cheered and helped me as well as my work."

A. A. BRIDGE,
Secretary.

DIOCESAN REPORT.

AN interesting feature of the diocesan work of the auxiliary the past year has been in watching and assisting the development of a mission school in Johnston, about eight miles from the city.

Two years ago, a lady residing in that locality, in the midst of a farming district, having been raised up from a long and tedious illness, felt constrained as a thank offering to her Lord to enlist her restored powers in His service.

With a sister's aid the children of the neighborhood were gathered in a private room on Sunday afternoons for religious instruction, no provision of the kind being accessible to them for several miles away, and no interest existing to seek it at that distance. Here, however they gladly attended, and, after a while, two rooms were required to accommodate all who came. A few children's papers was all the reading matter that the school or district afforded, and so last August the Auxiliary was glad to help them to Singing Books, and about fifty Sunday School books as the nucleus of a library.

Still continuing to grow, and winter coming on with no convenient means of heating the two rooms, by the advice of friends and neighbors it was decided to undertake the building of a mission school-room. A piece of land was given, much personal labor and teaming was generously offered by those interested, to reduce expense, and contributions of money and solicitations for the same were promised by others.

The work was begun and successfully carried forward until, near the close of March last, it was ready for occupation if seats could be provided. From our ever ready Aid Fund the Auxiliary was able to furnish sixteen settees with reversible backs at a cost of \$120, and on the first Sunday in April the school was transferred to the new building chartered by our recent legislature under the name of the Chapel of the Good Shepherd. It is not intended to consecrate it, but keep it for the use of the school and social gatherings in furtherance of the work. There is yet some outside and inside finishing and furnishing needed to fully complete the structure which will probably require about \$150. Any contributions for this purpose will be

most thankfully received. A goodly number of church people in the city have already given toward defraying the cost of building which has greatly cheered and strengthened the grateful and earnest workers in the cause.

The beneficial effects of the mission is already perceptible in the surrounding community in creating a respect for the Sabbath, and in interesting the older people in the chapel, its work, and its services.

The Rev. Mr. Magill, of St. Thomas', Greenville, has kindly consented to visit the school twice in each month, and by discoursing in a plain and practical manner has made an impression upon his hearers.

The mission at Trinity Chapel, Pawtuxet, continues to prosper most encouragingly. Just one year ago its members secured by purchase the lot and building in which they worship, at a cost of several hundred dollars, toward which it was the pleasure of the Auxiliary to contribute \$100 from its Diocesan Mission Aid Fund.

Since then the gift of a font, chancel-rail and communion service from friends to the mission have added comfort and completeness to their services which all appreciate.

In the latter part of January last a committee of three of the Auxiliary Board visited Emmanuel Church, Manville, by invitation, to meet the ladies of the parish and explain to them the nature and work of the Woman's Auxiliary in general, and the plans and operations of the Rhode Island Branch in particular, that thereby they might be incited to renewed zeal and intelligent interest in the various departments of work in the missionary field. A most cordial and hospitable reception was extended to the committee, and attentive audience given to their words, which was followed not long after by generous contributions to several branches of our work. We have felt that similar visits in other parts of the diocese, where desired, might be productive of like results.

The contributions to our "Diocesan Mission Aid Fund" a penny a week collection while slightly exceeding those of last year were not quite equal to those of the two years previous; and had we not had a balance in the treasury we could not have rendered the assistance we desired as the demands arose. We would thus remind the parishes how necessary and important are these collections.

The receipts this year have been from the twenty-one parishes as follows :

St. Stephen's, Providence...	\$47 56	Church of the Messiah, Prov.	\$5 00
St. John's, Providence	28 70	St. Philip's, Crompton.....	4 07
St. Michael's, Bristol	25 00	Christ Church, So. Prov.....	2 00
All Saints' Memorial, Prov..	20 00	St. Thomas', Greenville.....	1 27
Church of the Redeemer, Prov.	14 69	Christ Church, Lonsdale....	1 00
Emmanuel, Manville.....	14 12	St. Mary's, Warwick Neck..	1 07
Epiphany, Elmwood.....	15 00	St. Paul's, Pawtucket.....	54
Grace, Providence.....	12 04	St. Peter's, Manton.....	10 00
St. Luke's, E. Greenwich ...	10 00	Total.....	242 26
Trinity Chapel, Pawtuxet...	8 32	Interest on deposit.....	8 19
St. James', Providence	8 08	Balance from last year.....	380 26
Trinity, Pawtucket.....	7 25	Total.....	\$630 71
St. Andrew's, Phenix.....	6 55		

From this amount has been expended :

For material and making one stole.....	\$3 63	penses for same.....	\$25 00
To Trinity Mission, Pawtuxet, toward purchase of building for public worship....	100 00	To Bible, Prayer Book, and Hymnal for Mission at Anthony	10 00
To making one surplice....	3 50	Subscription to three copies of "Church Work" for circulation.....	3 00
To Singing Books for Mission S. S. in Johnston...	5 00	To sixteen settees for Mission in Johnston.....	120 00
To Library Books for same	25 63	Total	370 76
Toward furnace for St. Andrew's, Phenix.....	75 00	Balance on hand.....	\$259 95
To arrears in current ex-			

The following cash contributions have been received toward building the Chapel of the Good Shepherd in Johnston :

From St. John's, Providence, \$73 00	From Ch. of the Redeemer Prov.	\$1 00
" St. Paul's, " 15 00	" A lady in Central Falls	1 00
" St. Stephen's, " 11 00	Total.....	\$106 00
" All Saints' Memorial, Prov. 5 00		

The receipts for the Itinerant Missionary Fund have been as follows :

St. Stephen's, Providence....	\$3 00	St. Mary's, Warrick Neck....	\$2 00
St. John's, " 30 00			\$70 00
Benevolent Society, St. Michael's, Bristol.....	35 00	Balance from last year.	189 66
		Total... ..	\$259 66

CORNELIA L. ANDREWS,

Secretary.

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

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RECEIPTS.

May 7, 1885, cash on hand.....	\$ 32 87
May 7, " collection at annual meeting.....	107 71
Oct. 29, 1885, collection at St. Luke's, E. Greenwich.....	73 34
Feb. 4, 1886, collection at Church of the Messiah.....	39 47
Balance of money given for boxes.....	2 64
Donation from Mr. E. Carrington.....	20 00
From St. Mary's, Warwick, for domestic work.....	7 00
" Holy Cross, Middletown.....	5 00
" a member of St. Paul's, Pawtucket.....	50
Secretary, discount on paper.....	2 55
Eve's collection Church of Messiah, for Bp. Tuttle.....	12 15
From Church of Messiah for Bp. Brewer's hospital.....	10 00
" St. Mary's, Warwick, for Mexico and papers.....	10 00
" St. John's, special.....	10 00
" estate of Miss E. Waterman.....	500 00
" " Mrs. E. Carrington.....	200 00
" children's festival.....	26 63
" mite chest.....	20 00
For Foreign missions.....	471 05
" Domestic missions.....	369 00
" Freedmen missions.....	359 00
" Diocesan missions, including balance last year.....	736 71
" Itinerant missionary, ".....	259 66
" Book fund.....	17 65
Total.....	\$3,292 93
	1,952 27
Balance on hand.....	\$1,340 60

EXPENDITURES.

June 7, 1885, for printing 600 reports.....	\$20 00
Postage, advertising, and stationery.....	10 00
Papers for circulation.....	4 68
Material for boxes.....	68 96
Freight on boxes.....	46 76
Visitor's traveling expenses.....	21 00
Current expenses.....	2 02
Three clerical suits.....	68 35
Five hundred cards.....	4 50
Making surplice.....	3 50
Sent Miss Emery for Bishop Tuttle.....	12 15
" " " " Brewer's hospital.....	10 00
" " " " Mexico and papers.....	10 00
To Diocesan fund, 52c.; Freedmen, \$1.....	1 52
To sweeping auxiliary rooms.....	75
To Rev. Mr. Johnson.....	15 00
For box for Rev. Mr. Cameron.....	5 00
" Foreign missions.....	430 00
" Domestic missions.....	369 00
" Freedmen missions.....	359 00
" Diocesan missions.....	476 76
" Books.....	13 32
Total.....	\$1,952 27

THIRTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Indian Aid Society of Rhode Island.

THIS report covers the work of the Society since last September. Part of it must only be a repetition of that submitted to the quarterly meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in February.

At Fort Bennett, Da., Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Kinney presided over St. John's Boarding School for Girls. To this school we sent in October a box, value \$117. Complete outfits for several of the girls were in this box. Mrs. Kinney writes in acknowledgment, telling of their pleasure and gratitude, and adds that the girls improve very fast, and she has nothing but praise to say of them.

In December, we sent a box to the Rev. J. J. Enmegahbowh, of White Earth, Minn. All of us in this diocese are familiar with his name, and know with what apostolic zeal he labors. We received money designed for this missionary to the amount of \$37. The value of the box sent was \$135. His letter in reply should be read by all who had any part in the work. At Oneida, Wis., the Rev. E. A. Goodnough is missionary to the Indians. To him we sent by mail in January, clothing valued at \$58.60, also \$10 in money, designated for him by the giver, a member of St. John's Church, Providence. April 1st we sent him a box valued at \$42. Just about this time we read in the *Living Church*, Miss S. F. Cooper's sketch of missions to the Oneidas, where we find the earliest mention of this missionary. One day, while a young lad was chopping wood for his father in the Wisconsin forest, he heard the sound of a bell borne on the breeze, a sound musical and startling, for few indeed were the bells then heard in Wisconsin. The lad paused and listened. Again at noon and in the evening, he heard the same unusual sound, and from the same direction. This continued for some days,

till at length he resolved to look into this new mystery. He set out, and by taking the direction of the sound, gradually drew nearer and nearer, until he found that it came from the banks of the Nashotah Lakes. Here he found the Mission Station planted in 1841, by the Rev. J. Lloyd Breck, the Rev. William Adams, and the Rev. John Murray Hobart, who had gone to that wild region, first ordained deacons, to form an associate mission, and who were teaching classes of young men who had begged to be instructed in divinity.

The bell had been sent them by friends in New York, and they hung it from a noble old oak near the chapel. Its voice had drawn young Goodnough from his work and not long after he applied for admission as a student. Ten years later he answered Bishop Kemper's appeal for a missionary to the Oneidas, whom for thirty-two years he has continued to serve with most honorable fidelity. The whole story of the mission as continued by Mrs. Cooper is very interesting.

At the same time that we sent Mr. Goodnough's box we sent one to the Indian deacon, the Rev. Joseph Wakazoo, of Leach Lake, Minn. He has a wife and several children. One of the children, a girl of nine years, was fitted out by the Guild of St. Michael's Church, Bristol, and the two youngest children by St. Margaret's Society of Grace Church, Providence. Total value of the box \$90.

May 11, 1886, a box was sent to Miss Fannie E. Howes, of Hope School, Springfield, Da., value \$20.

Thus five boxes have been sent this year, the aggregate value of which, including clothing sent by mail, was \$462.60. The attendance at the weekly meetings has averaged about six persons per week. The average attendance has seldom been more in any year, but thirteen years of united work have served to strengthen friendships and to deepen our interest in the general Indian cause, and especially for those to whom, from time to time, we have been able to extend a helping hand.

We have lost three from our board of managers, one by death, one by removal to Canada, and one has resigned her position, having gone abroad for an indefinite time. And there is one whose death we mourn in connection with the auxiliary, who, though not of this society, was a most kind friend and helper of the Indian. While thankful to all who have helped us, individuals and parishes, we

feel bound to make special mention of St. Michael's Church, Bristol. Seldom have we sent off a box without a valuable package from that parish, arriving in ample season to be comfortably stowed away, and many are the hearts that have been made glad by their help.

In closing we would say that we would be glad to send more money to the General Board of Missions than we have ever done. These are hard times, it is true, but we read a very good story in a little French paper the other day, which shows how missionary work may be provided for in hard times. May we repeat it?

At the time the Franco-German war was declared a pious German peasant learned while he was in the field, that the collector for mission work was making his tour of the village. His usual contribution was three crowns that his wife and himself always gave cheerfully for love of the Saviour, whose blessing had never ceased to rest upon them. But now the times were hard. War would increase the taxes and the expenses. "Three crowns," thought the good man, were more than could be reasonably expected. That evening, returning from work, he said to his wife: "The collector of missions is in the village; the times are bad; one does not know what will happen; this time we must content ourselves with giving him a crown and a half." The woman looked rather aghast and answered: "The collector has already gone by, I thought like you that the times were hard, and one could not know if one would be able to give anything next year. For that reason with the three crowns of this year, I have given him, in advance, the contribution of next year." The good man felt himself humiliated by her faith and returned thanks to God for giving him so generous a wife. Oh, for more of such foresight as that.

Though we may feel that we are doing but little towards the great end for which we are striving, and though the work to be accomplished looms up before us like a mountain, yet the signs are hopeful. The Indian has a larger place in the thoughts of the people than he has ever had before. In the providence of God the day will come, though it be long delayed, when justice will be done the race, and then they who have sown and they who shall reap will rejoice together.

E. A. PECKHAM,
Secretary.

MAY 18, 1886.

CONTRIBUTIONS
TO
INDIAN AID SOCIETY.

St. John's Church, fifty-three new garments, many second-hand garments and bedding.

St. Stephen's, many second-hand garments, bedding.

Grace, Employment Bureau, seventeen garments, individuals, six yards gingham, one dozen handkerchiefs, twelve bags candy, school books, tea, rice, farina, sugar, several second-hand garments, cards, etc. St. Margaret's Society, Grace Church, new garments, value \$26.55.

St. James', Providence, fourteen garments, 8 pillow cases.

St. Michael's, Bristol, garments and bedding, value \$44.25.

St. Philip's, Crompton, sixteen garments, two hats, books, soap.

St. Paul's, Pawtucket, second-hand underwear.

Trinity, Pawtuxet, clothing, 50c.

Mrs. Bliss, of Silver Spring, bedding, books, paper, pens, etc.

Indian Aid Society of Rhode Island, in account with Eliza A. Peckham, Treasurer.

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Balance on hand June 4, 1885.....	\$27 50	For printing annual report, June, 1885.....	\$10 00
June 4, received from Sunday School of Holy Cross, Middletown, for freight and express charges on barrel sent to Dakota.....	2 50	For clothing sent in boxes, including two new clerical suits.....	102 19
From St. John's Church, Providence.....	101 50	Materials for work.....	65 93
From a member of St. John's Church.....	100 00	Paid for sewing.....	1 50
From Grace Church, Providence.....	112 00	Freight on five boxes.....	18 38
From St. Stephen's Church, Providence.....	56 00	Paid carpenter.....	1 10
From St. James' Church, Providence.....	4 50	Express on five boxes.....	1 10
From Church of the Redeemer, Providence.....	2 50	Postage on clothing sent by mail.....	1 11
From Church of the Epiphany, Providence.....	2 00	Repairs on sewing machine.....	69
From a Friend.....	1 00	Sent to Rev. E. A. Goodnough.....	10 00
From Christ Church, Lonsdale.....	12 00	Sent, May 3, 1886, to Mr. James M. Brown, Treasurer	
From St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.....	50	Foreign and Domestic Missions.....	100 00
Through Mrs. Crouch for 20 yards flannel.....	4 30	Sent, May 17, to Mr. James M. Brown.....	100 00
Cash.....	25		\$412 00
	\$426 55		
	412 00		
Balance on hand May 17, 1886.....	\$14 55		
Of the amount received for the year there was designated,			
For Rev. J. J. Enmegahbowh.....	\$37 00		
For Rev. E. A. Goodnough.....	10 00		
For Board of Missions, for Indian work.....	100 00		
For work in Bishop Hare's jurisdiction.....	12 00		

BOARD OF MANAGERS.
OF THE
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DONATIONS.

Mrs. G. W. Corliss, \$5 for box, coat, etc.

Miss E. Waterman, \$5 for box, mat, etc.

Mrs. G. W. Prentice, 25 yards flannel, 1 doz. lead and 1 doz. slate pencils, 2 doz. soap, 1-2 doz. combs.

Mrs. E. B. Chace, of Valley Falls, 40 yards cloth.

Mrs. Kilburn, toilet articles.

Grace Church Bureau of Relief, 1 doz. undergarments.

Miss Bucklin, 1 crib quilt.

Mrs. H. Richmond, 6 calico dresses, 2 suits of broadcloth.

Miss Sheldon, worsted socks, 2 balls.

Bristol, package from St. Michael's Church, value, \$15.

Miss Eddy, patchwork.

Mrs. Carrington, children's books, toys, sewing materials, letter-paper, medicines and perfumery, toilet articles and embroidered bag, etc.

Mrs. Ives, 3 flannel skirts, 2 night-shirts, 2 nightgowns, etc.

Mrs. Brewer, note paper and envelopes, slates, scrap-album, tidy, pictures, 5 shirts, 2 napkins, toys.

Mrs. J. Campbell, 12 dolls, 2 worsted balls, embroidered tidy.

Trinity Church, Pawtucket, 12 yards Canton flannel, box of thread, thimbles, needles and cards.

Miss Grinnell, box of slippers, gingham apron, mats, etc.

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**Indian Aid Society in Account with Anne V. Buffum, Treasurer,
for the Year 1883-84.**

RECEIPTS.		EXPENDITURES.	
Balance on hand May, 1883.....	\$260 90	Clothing to missionary in Washington Ter...	\$ 74 09
From children's fair.....	50 00	Sent to Mr. Cutting for general Indian mis'ns.	240 00
" St. John's Church.....	190 50	To Rev. J. J. Enmegabowh.....	80 00
" St. Stephen's ".....	51 00	Printing report.....	12 00
" Grace ".....	90 00	Letters for Sisseton Agency.....	2 36
" St Paul's ".....	5 00	Advertising meeting.....	2 00
" Church of the Epiphany.....	3 50	Washing windows.....	1 00
" St. James' Church.....	2 50	Freight and express, three boxes.....	19 36
" All Saints' Memorial Church.....	2 00	Postage.....	30
" Church of the Messiah.....	1 00	Suit of clothes.....	24 00
" St. Philip's Church, Crompton.....	2 00	Paid for materials for work.....	29 46
" Christ Church, Lonsdale.....	1 00	Seeds and Postage to Rev. Mr. Swift.....	7 83
Cash.....	4 82	For work.....	3 00
	\$664 22	" repairing wardrobe.....	1 50
	641 90	" scholarship at Hampton.....	70 00
		Sent to Mr. Cutting for Bishop Hare.....	75 00
Balance, 16th May, 1884.....	\$ 22 32		\$641 90

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

RECEIPTS.	
Balance on hand, May, 1883.....	\$421 72
Collection at annual meeting.....	54 75
Collection at quarterly meeting at St. Thomas', Greenville.....	12 65
Collection at quarterly meeting at Church of the Messiah, Providence.....	42 32
Collection at quarterly meeting for Rev. Mr. Swift.....	32 18
Collection for General Work.....	349 10
" " Foreign ".....	436 25
" " Domestic ".....	191 75
" " Freedman ".....	217 04
" " Diocesan ".....	335 01
" " Miss Leigh's house.....	24 75
Total.....	\$2,117 52
	1,645 43
Balance on hand.....	\$472 09
Money Received.....	\$2,117 52
Value of boxes.....	3,121 80
Total.....	\$5,239 32

EXPENDITURES.	
For printing 600 Annual Reports.....	\$20 00
" postage on same.....	2 00
" traveling expenses of visitors.....	15 00
" cleaning auxiliary rooms.....	3 25
" printing 500 cards.....	4 50
" binding books.....	5 95
" general work.....	349 10
" Foreign ".....	436 25
" Domestic ".....	221 75
" Freedmen work.....	299 92
" Diocesan ".....	135 55
From children's fair for Crompton.....	25 00
Sent to Rev. Mr. Enmegabowh through In- dian Aid Society.....	50 00
Sent Rev. H. Swift through Indian Aid Society	28 82
Sent Miss Emery for Miss Leigh's house.....	24 75
For current expenses.....	9 55
" freight and express on boxes.....	14 04
Total.....	\$1,645 43

The annual meeting was held in the chapel of Grace Church, May 16, 1884. At this meeting our valued and efficient secretary resigned the position she has held since the formation of the Rhode Island Branch of the Auxiliary, and declining renomination was elected Honorary Secretary.

The offering at this meeting amounted to \$87.50.

CORNELIA A. UPTON, *Secretary*.