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The monthly meeting is held in room 6, Wayland Building, North Main Street, the third Friday in every month, excepting July and August.

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.

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

II. 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.

III. 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.

IV. 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.

V. 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.

VI. 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.

VII. 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.

VIII. 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.

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

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

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SECRETARY'S REPORT.

THE review of the work done by the Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary is very encouraging.

In nearly every department more has been given than ever before. All our pledges have been fulfilled, and in the Foreign a new African Scholarship has been added. From the Domestic we report a much larger sum than usual has been given. Money for benevolent objects is not easily obtained. One hundred dollars (\$100) were sent for Bishop Garrett from St. Michael's, Bristol; and Miss Manchester writes, "every cent was given by woman," and we have many instances of the self sacrifice of our church women to help on the cause of missions.

In the Freedman's department the additional fifty dollars (\$50.) has been raised for Mrs. Brent, and help given to the school at Mobile, Ala.

In the Diocesan department good work has been done and we hope our appeal for funds to support an itinerant missionary may receive substantial aid during the coming year. This work is all done where we can see and judge for ourselves, and the grateful thanks received for favors from this department would convince any one of the value of this branch of auxiliary work.

We have sent aid all over the country from Maine to Oregon, from Minnesota to Texas, and feel that many hearts have been gladdened by this society.

The first quarterly meeting was held in St. James' Church, Woonsocket, November 8th. There were 130 delegates present. Bishop Garrett, of Northern Texas,

and Miss Emery, General Secretary, were with us; and for the second time in this parish we held a most pleasant and profitable meeting to all.

The second quarterly meeting was held in St. Stephen's Church, Providence, February 2d. Despite the severe storm, 169 delegates were present. Bishop Morris, of Oregon, and the Rev. Mr. Tyng, of the Japan Mission, were present, and made interesting addresses. The Rev. Mr. Jackson, and the Rev. Dr. Richards, of our own diocese made eloquent appeals, and spoke most encouragingly of our work.

During the winter Mrs. Brewer, wife of the Bishop of Montana, made an appeal before the Indian Aid for the hospital at Helena.

Miss Emery was present at the monthly meeting in March, and gave a very entertaining and instructive address, especially upon the work among the Freedmen.

Father Vilatte, of the Old Catholic Mission at Little Sturgeon Wis., during a brief visit to Providence, found many hearts and hands ready to assist him in his work; several hundred dollars were sent from Rhode Island and a valuable box from St. Stephen's; and at the same time a small melodeon, or "leetle music," as he expresses it in his very interesting letter of thanks to the ladies.

The past year has been a successful one, and there is no doubt but the cause of missions is increasing rapidly, and yet there is room for more work and more money. All cannot give alike, but the service is the same. We would ask the parish secretaries to reply promptly to auxiliary letters, as by so doing they greatly facilitate the work of the society; also to report to the Secretary any boxes as soon as sent, mentioning to whom, where sent, and value of box.

During the summer let us not forget the cause of missions, and be ready in the fall to take up more actively than ever this work for our Master. May He give us strength to help on every side His faithful servants all over the earth.

The report of the work of the year is as follows:

Total value of boxes.....	\$2,573 48
Money contributed.....	4,397 09
Total.....	\$6,960 57

MARY B. ARNOLD,

*Secretary.*

## FOREIGN MISSIONS.

It gives us great pleasure to report an increase of interest in the foreign work of the Woman's Auxiliary. This year we have raised \$437.50 to fulfil our pledges, and this has come from twenty-two different sources, whereas last year we had only nineteen names represented. In addition to these pledges we have added another African scholarship to our list, and called it the "Emily Waterman," in memory of one who was ever so much interested in our foreign work. Our first money came for this from the Sunday School of the Church of the Messiah, Providence. This increases our number of contributors for the year from twenty-two to twenty-four. We shall now have three scholarships in the Cape Mount School, Africa: The "Carrington," the "Caroline Clark," and the "Emily Waterman," all standing as memorials. The Sunday Schools of the Church of the Saviour, Providence, and Holy Cross, Middletown, have this year as last, given the money for the "Caroline Clark" scholarship. Miss Riddick, our well-known teacher, who is at the head of St. Margaret's School, Tokio, Japan, has written to us very interesting letters, telling of her work. She says the school is rapidly increasing, and she has been much complimented by the mothers of the girls as to their deportment, etc. We have been so glad to send half of the money necessary for an organ for St. Margaret's School. The other half, Miss Emery will raise elsewhere. Miss Riddick writes, "Oh, if you only could send me the organ. Yesterday a young English lady who is spending a year in Japan, offered to teach music for me. I do not know how I am to arrange matters, but there seems to be a way to do almost everything, and I suppose I can borrow from some of our neighbors, until I get my own." We believe the organ is now on its way to Japan.

This year the fund for the education of the children of foreign missionaries, has been dropped by the Woman's Auxiliary, as another means has been provided for supplying that fund.

We have raised \$50 for the insurance fund on the lives of foreign missionaries, which Miss Emery has requested us to do every year.

Money raised for foreign missions, 1886-87, including pledges and a new African scholarship:

Rev. W. R. Babcock, D. D....	\$10 00	Providence, All Saints' Memorial Sunday School.....	\$ 4 50
Bristol, St. Michael's.....	30 00	Providence, Church Messiah	
Mrs. Dr. Carr .....	1 00	Sunday School.....	3 35
Central Falls, St. George's.....	3 00	Providence, St. John's .....	108 00
Crompton, St. Philip's.....	1 00	Providence, St. Stephen's....	27 00
East Greenwich, St. Luke's.....	11 00	Providence, Grace Church ..	140 00
Lonsdale, Christ Church.....	10 00	Providence, Church of the	
Middletown, Holy Cross S. S.	10 00	Saviour Sunday School ...	15 00
Pawtucket, St. Paul's .....	10 50	Providence, Church of the	
Pawtucket, Trinity.....	20	Redeemer .....	2 00
Pawtuxet, Trinity Chapel...	2 50	Westerly, Christ Church S. S.	25 00
Providence, "In Memoriam"	20 65	Woonsocket, St. James.....	10 00
Providence, Mrs. E d w i n Larned .....	10 00	R. I. Woman's Auxiliary...	80
Providence, Epiphany.....	4 00		
Providence, All Saints' Me- morial—a member.....	3 00	Total.....	\$462 50

JESSIE H. CAMPBELL,  
*Secretary for Foreign Missions.*

MAY 16, 1887.

#### DOMESTIC REPORT.

THE work of our domestic department is growing each year, though we find there must be some change in its character. As diocese after diocese joins our organization we shall have fewer boxes to fill, and donations of money will be oftener called for. Not that supplies of clothing, and well-filled boxes will not always be wanted in some quarters, but there will be so many more workers to fill the orders. If each parish would pledge itself to raise a certain sum of money during the year for some department of our work it would save us from much anxiety. We report a larger amount of money raised than ever before, but it was done chiefly by individuals. Only two boxes have been sent from our rooms, and but one could be called an auxiliary box. It was sent a few weeks ago to an orphanage in New Orleans, and was made up of contributions sent from St. John's, Grace Church, St. Stephen's, and the Church of the Messiah, Providence, and St. Luke's, East Greenwich. The sister in charge of the orphanage writes: "I haven't words to express my deep gratitude to the kind friends who have so liberally assisted in filling the valuable box received on Tuesday last, from the Rhode Island Branch of the Auxiliary. I wish I could thank all the dear friends who have done so much for the orphans under my care. May you have your reward sevenfold, and may the knowledge that you have done so much for

the dear Lord's poor compensate you in a slight measure. I was surprised to find so many useful and valuable articles, and so beautifully made, and of the best material, with such practical judgment in the selection of everything. I have but rarely received help of this sort in my work, and I am delighted with everything sent. I am sure our friends would have enjoyed seeing the box opened. The pleasure to all,—sisters and orphans—was plainly seen in every face." The other box from the rooms went to Memphis, Tenn., and was gladly received, and put to good use by Miss Wells, who has devoted herself to work among the poor of that city.

Miss Emery urges us to make up \$25 for Sister Eliza, as she is entirely dependent upon voluntary offerings.

REBECCA PITMAN HENSHAW,  
*Secretary.*

LIST OF BOXES.

St. John's, Providence, one box, one rolling chair, and one package, total...	\$207 60	St. Luke's, E. Greenwich, two boxes, and two packages, value .....	\$202 00
Grace Church, three boxes, and one package, value.....	324 17	Trinity, Bristol, box, value .....	20 00
St. Stephen's, eight boxes, one package, total .....	664 98	St. Michael's, Bristol, three boxes, value.....	235 00
St. Paul's, Providence, one package, value.....	11 50	St. John's, Barrington, one box, value.....	75 00
Church of the Redeemer, one package, value.....	9 95	St. James', Woonsocket, one box, value.....	75 00
Christ Church, South Providence, one package, value.....	10 00	St. Paul's, Pawtucket, one box, value .....	53 08
St. James', Providence, one package, value.....	7 00	Auxiliary boxes.....	161 00
		Total.....	\$1,970 28

CASH CONTRIBUTIONS.

To Rev. Mr. Johnson, Iowa.....	\$131 55	From All Saints'.....	\$1 25
Father Villate.....	50 00	From St. Luke's, East Greenwich.....	5 00
From Grace Church .....	5 00	From Trinity, Pawtucket.....	5 00
From Auxiliary funds.....	50 00	From St. George's, Central Falls.....	2 00
A Lady.....	25 00	From Mite Chest, February meeting.....	\$ .92
A Lady.....	5 00	From Auxiliary Fund 30 00	\$149 25
Bishop Morris, Oregon.....	100 00	For School at Reno.....	50 00
Bishop Morris, Auxiliary Funds .....	25 00	From Auxiliary Funds.....	50 00
Bishop Garrett, Texas.....	1,915 00		
Bishop Garrett, Auxiliary Funds .....	25 00	To Sister Eliza :	
Bishop Garrett, St. Michael's, Bristol.....	100 00	From Grace.....	\$1 00
Mrs. Brewer's Hospital.....	137 00	From St. Stephen's.....	26 45
To Rev. Mr. Deal :		Mrs. E. Larned.....	2 00
From St. John's.....	\$22 50	St. George's, Lincoln .....	2 00
From Grace.....	10 00	To Rev. Mr. Babbitt.....	31 45
From St. Stephen's.....	67 58	From Auxiliary Funds.....	25 00
From St. Paul's.....	5 00		

General Board, from Church of the Redeemer. ....	\$17 75	St Paul's, Wickford ; and Grace, St. John's, Christ's; St. Stephen's, All Saints' Memorial, and Church of the Redeemer, Providence, amounting to.....	\$2 40
Freight and express from St. Stephen's.....	35 92		
Stamps for lending Library, from St. George's, Lincoln; St. Thomas', Greenville; Trinity, Pawtucket;		Total.....	\$2,940 32

Since the last annual meeting, five boxes of books have been sent away to missionaries:

One to Indian Territory, one to Iowa, one to North Carolina, and two to a missionary in Dakota who asked for books for his Sunday School.

Another will soon be packed and sent to a missionary in Texas who is trying to establish a library, or reading depot. He says "If some of the friends of missions would collect and send me some of the multitude of books that have been read and laid aside, they would be of great use to this community."

Value of books sent \$75.

### FREEDMEN'S MISSION.

A LARGE Christmas box and two boxes, one containing groceries valued at \$10, the other clothing valued at \$16, and a barrel from the Church of the Ascension, Wakefield, worth \$20, have been sent from this department to Mrs. Bessie S. Brent, Gordonsville, Va.

The contributions to the Christmas box were as follows:

Church of the Messiah, Providence	\$40 00	Auxiliary Fund.....	\$4 00
Grace Church.....	23 00	Centreville.....	4 50
Church of the Redeemer....	1 03	St. George's Church, Central	
St. Stephen's Church.....	2 50	Falls.....	8 00
St. John's.....	12 50	Trinity Church, Pawtucket	1 00
All Saints' Memorial, Prov..	10 10	Total amount.....	\$106 60

The following boxes have been reported:

Box of groceries and box of clothing.....	\$26 00	A box from Christ Church, Lonsdale, valued at.....	\$51 00
From the Church of the Epiphany, Providence, one box valued at.....	72 00	Total value of boxes....	\$255 60

Last fall, at Miss Emery's suggestion, we thought we would try to raise the whole of Mrs. Brent's stipend, \$200, in which we have been successful. Contributions have been received from the following sources:

St. Stephen's Church, Providence.....	\$50 50	Emmanuel Church, Manville	\$10 00
St. John's, Providence.....	10 00	St. Michael's Church, Bristol	20 00
Grace " .....	44 00	St. Andrew's Church, Phenix	6 30
All Saints' Memorial, Prov. Sunday School of Memorial Church, Providence.....	4 20	Christ Church, Lonsdale....	15 00
Church of the Redeemer, Providence.....	4 50	Church of the Ascension, Wakefield .....	1 00
St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket	2 00	St. George's Church, Central Falls.....	2 00
Lady of St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket.....	10 00	Holy Cross Church, Middle-town .....	5 00
Trinity Church, Pawtucket.....	5 00	St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich.....	5 00
Trinity Chapel, Pawtuxet.....	5 00	Total.....	\$200 00

Money received for the colored school at Mobile, Ala. :

From St. John's Church, Providence.....	\$39 50	From Auxiliary fund, Providence.....	\$25 00
From St. Stephen's Church, Providence .....	22 50	Total .....	\$87 00

For Mr. Deal's colored school-house :

From St. Stephen's Church, Providence.....	\$20 00
Total amount.....	\$307 00

Mrs. Brent writes :

On the evening of Palm Sunday, Bishop Whittle preached to a large congregation in the school-house in Gordonsville, confirming nineteen (19) of my pupils. One candidate could not be present. The Bishop is very eloquent and his best is given to the colored people. Before leaving the chancel he spoke warm words congratulating me upon the success of the work. His visit helped and cheered me, too.

Money.....	\$307 00	Boxes .....	\$255 60
		Total.....	\$562 60

A. ALICE BRIDGE,  
*Secretary.*

#### DIOCESAN REPORT.

ASSISTANCE rendered through the Diocesan Mission Aid Fund, or penny-a-week collection, has constituted the chief work of the auxiliary in the Diocesan department the past year.

The mission at St. Mark's, Riverside, having taken on new life under the pastoral care of the Rev. J. J. Clemens, late of Mississippi, we were glad with the opening of the the year to help establish his work by contributing \$100

toward furnishing the rectory preparatory to the removal of his family from the South. This donation was most generously supplemented by large and valuable gifts of furniture and household goods through the indefatigable efforts of a lady who interested herself deeply in the cause. Later some \$25 were needed in refitting the seats of the church, which we gladly supplied; and still later the utter collapse of the organ called for further help in replacing this most necessary adjunct of the mission services. Another \$100 from our penny-a-week fund rendered the new organ possible to the limited means of the mission, and, we trust, will freshly impress the contributors to this fund, as well as our church members generally with the importance of these small collections, the regular and persistent gathering of which will keep our treasury ever ready to respond when the need arises, without special appeal for the same, or without burdening parish or individual.

The Evening Prayer Leaflets issued by the Young Churchman Company, of Milwaukee, Wis., and so well adapted to the introduction of our church services in new locations, have been furnished to the Chapel of the Good Shepherd in Johnston, and the mission at Harmony, under the Rev. W. I. Magill, at an expense of \$9.00. The mission at the chapel of the Good Shepherd still holds its own, though suffering from time to time by removals and other causes, incident to a new enterprise of the kind. Beside paying current expenses it has contributed \$2.25 to St. Elizabeth's Home. While watering others may it also be watered itself!

With as much patience as may be, the auxiliary looks forward to the day when an itinerant missionary shall be appointed to go in and out and up and down among us, sowing seed in waste places, strengthening the weak ones, and with God's blessing gathering in a harvest of souls who now sit in darkness and the shadow of death. Meanwhile, our itinerant missionary fund goes on increasing slowly but steadily. We count \$53.34 additional the past year.

Twenty parishes have contributed to the Diocesan mission aid fund or penny-a-week collection since our last report. They are as follows:

St. Stephen's, Providence...	\$45 65	St. Andrew's, Phenix.....	\$4 68
St. John's, Providence.....	21 25	St. Barnabas', Apponaug.....	4 00
St. Michael's, Bristol .....	20 00	St. Philip's, Crompton.....	2 41
Church of the Redeemer, Providence .....	16 08	St. Thomas', Greenville.....	1 10
St. Luke's, E. Greenwich .....	11 00	St. George's, Lincoln.....	1 10
All Saints' Memorial, Prov.....	10 50	St. Paul's, Pawtucket .....	50
Epiphany, Elmwood.....	10 00	Total.....	\$195 26
St. Peter's, Manton .....	8 00	Interest on deposit .....	6 82
St. James', Providence.....	7 74	Received for one copy "Church Work".....	50
Trinity Chapel, Pawtuxet.....	7 28	Balance from last year.....	259 95
Trinity, Pawtucket.....	6 78	Total .....	\$462 53
Church of the Messiah, Prov.....	6 73		
Church of the Saviour, Prov.....	5 00		
Christ Church, S. Prov.....	5 00		

From this amount has been expended :

For one year's subscription to 36 copies of the "Evening Prayer Leaflets" .....	\$9 00
For one year's subscription to 10 copies of "Church Work" .....	5 00
To furnishings for rectory at Riverside .....	100 00
To refitting seats at St. Mark's, Riverside .....	25 00
To organ for same .....	100 00
To aid for St. Andrews', Phenix .....	25 00
Total .....	\$264 00

Balance on hand..... \$198 53

Other cash receipts have been as follows :

From Christ Church, Lonsdale, for Diocesan Board of Missions, through Auxiliary .....	\$12 00
From Chapel of Good Shepherd, Johnston, for St. Elizabeth's Home .....	2 25
From St. John's, Providence, for Itinerant Missionary .....	30 00
From St. Michael's, Bristol, for Itinerant Missionary .....	20 00
From St. Philip's, Crompton, for Itinerant Missionary .....	3 34
From member of St. Stephen's, for rectory Church of the Messiah .....	25 00
From two members of Grace, for rectory Church of the Messiah .....	45 00

The following contributions have also been reported :

St. James', Providence, furnishing room at St. Elizabeth's Home, in memoriam .....	\$100 00
Holy Cross, Middletown, for St. Elizabeth's Home .....	10 00
Grace, Providence, for St. Elizabeth's Home .....	2 50
St. James', Woonsocket, for St. Elizabeth's Home .....	15 00
St. James', Woonsocket, for St. Mary's Orphanage .....	5 00
All Saints' Memorial, Providence, for St. Mary's Orphanage .....	11 60
Trinity Chapel, Pawtuxet, for St. Mary's Orphanage .....	10 00
Trinity Church, Bristol, for St. Mary's Orphanage .....	22 00
Children's Fair for St. Elizabeth's Home .....	181 00

Total ..... \$484 69 |

One missionary box has been prepared and sent within the diocese by Grace Church; value .....	\$44 80
One Christmas box, by a member of St. Stephen's, sent to St. Andrew's, Phenix; value .....	20 00
Furniture sent to rectory at Riverside; value .....	182 80
Also, six pairs pillow slips sent to St. Elizabeth's Home, by St. Andrew's, Phenix; value .....	

Total valuation..... \$247 60

~~X~~ In closing we desire to make mention of a very interesting service held in the Church of the Messiah, Providence, on the evening of St. Matthias Day, February 24th. It was under the auspices of the "Mission Band" of the

parish, a society of between forty and fifty members, formed from the girls of the Sunday School ranging in age from six to sixteen years. The rector is president of the organization; there is also a secretary and treasurer chosen from the members, and several teachers of the Sunday School act as aids to the rector in carrying on the work. To quote from one actively interested in the undertaking:

“The children were originally banded together for the express purpose of studying missions, being taught orally by the president by means of questions and answers. Later on these question and answers were compiled and others added to them, thus forming a missionary catechism. Also, after a time, as a secondary object, *working* for missions was introduced into the weekly meetings on Saturday afternoons, and many a missionary box has been welcomed and many a child’s heart, both at home and abroad, has been gladdened by the contributions of these industrious fingers. The work hour over, the role is regularly called, the offerings received, and the missionary catechism repeated. The teacher in charge gives a short instruction on some one of the mission fields, illustrating with maps and pictures. Sometimes a map is drawn on the blackboard by one of the children, the Bishop’s headquarters and principal stations marked, and the Bishop’s name and the principal institutions written beside it. The meeting is closed with the creed and the Lord’s prayer.”

At the evening service above referred to, after the opening exercises in which stirring missionary hymns formed a prominent part, the children stood in their seats in the body of the church and recited portions of the missionary catechism, in response to questions by the rector. The answers came promptly and heartily, and showed familiarity with the subject in hand. Several clergymen of the diocese were present and made closing addresses upon different portions of the missionary work of the church, and were equally gratified with the congregation, at this new and most interesting exercise of the mission band.

A similar plan generally adopted in training the youth of our churches, we are persuaded, would in the near future, be felt by the church at large, by a more intelligent and generous support of its missions and missionaries.

CORNELIA L. ANDREWS,  
*Secretary.*

REPORT OF THE  
Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary,  
1886-7.

*To the Convention:*

Thirty-four parishes have joined in the work of the Auxiliary during the past year. Contributions have been as follows:

Foreign work .....	\$462 50	Indian work.....	\$613 68
Domestic work .....	2,940 32		
Freedmen's work .....	307 00	Total.....	\$5,010 77
Diocesan work.....	687 27	Value of missionary boxes.	2,573 84
			\$7,584 25

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

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RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
May 20, 1886, balance in treasury.....	\$9 04
May 20, 1886, collection at annual meeting at St. Stephen's.....	80 00
June, 1886, Indian Aid Society.....	10 00
September, 1886, three ladies, for Rev. B. B. Babbitt.....	25 00
Nov. 8, 1886, collection at quarterly meeting, St. James', Woonsocket.....	45 54
Feb. 20, 1887, collection at quarterly meeting, St. Stephen's.....	61 31
Donation, St. George's, Lincoln.....	1 00
Lady of St. Philip's, Crompton.....	1 25
Lady of Grace Church, for Mrs. Brent's box.....	1 00
Church of the Saviour, special.....	15 15
St. John's Church, special.....	11 00
St. Luke's, East Greenwich, Rev. C. B. Perry.....	1 00
Church of the Epiphany, " "	1 00
Grace Church, Rev. C. B. Perry.....	2 00
Lady of St. Paul's, Pawtucket, to be divided.....	2 50
Christ Church, Lonsdale, for Board of Missions.....	12 00
Cash in bank.....	167 27
Total.....	\$446 06
	428 79
Balance in treasury.....	\$17 27
	Total.....
	\$428 79

NOTE.

From receipts as above and not appropriated to the several departments.....	\$178 56
For the enrollment fund.....	30 00
There has been received for Foreign Missions.....	462 50
"    "    "    "    Domestic Missions.....	2,940 32
"    "    "    "    Freedmen's Missions.....	307 00
"    "    "    "    Diocesan Missions.....	687 27
Total.....	\$4,605 65
There is invested in the Rhode Island Trust Co., to credit of permanent fund, from the estate of Miss E. Waterman, \$500; and estate of Mrs. E. Carrington, \$200.	

## FOURTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

### Indian Aid Society of Rhode Island.

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If we did not at the end of the year count up our receipts and look over our record of work we might be discouraged from further effort. We have received more money this year than in any one year since 1882. We have sent fewer boxes than usual.

Several of the most active members who have met with us every week to cut, fit, and sew garments have been kept from us by serious illness. Our number is still unbroken, but we have been called to deep anxiety for those whose absence we have so much regretted and whose help we so much missed. Our prayer is for their speedy recovery, if God will.

In spite of their absence, however, and notwithstanding an exceptionally stormy winter, the average weekly attendance has been about the same as in past years.

We met last fall on the 23d of September, only three ladies present, \$15.55 in the treasury, of which we paid \$10 for printing the report. We found on hand from last year twenty-seven garments, one sheet, and nine handkerchiefs.

We were planning to send a Christmas box as soon as possible to Hope School, Springfield, Da. While we were collecting articles for this school we decided to send a box of clothing to the sufferers by the Charleston earthquake. Almost everybody turned aside from his personal business or interests to help our greatly suffering brethren there, and why should not we, though united especially for Indian work, lend a helping hand? Indeed, what else could we do? The box was sent October 22d to the care of Rev. Dr. Porter, of Charleston, and was valued at \$25. For this we received most prompt and generous contributions.

October 23d we packed a box for Hope School, value \$100. A large supply of new and some partly worn clothing, and a quantity of candy, toys, games, ornaments for the Christmas tree, and all sorts of things to delight the eyes and hearts of the teachers and children, were sent by many friends who are always ready to respond to our appeals.

Well did we feel rewarded when a letter came from Miss Howes, most enthusiastic in her appreciation of everything, and most grateful to all who had helped.

April 29, 1887, we sent a box to the Rev. E. A. Goodnough, missionary to the Oneidas in Wisconsin. We sent him one last year, a personal box, but this year we have sent a more general supply for the Indians in his charge. The Rev. Dr. Henshaw, of Providence, visited Mr. Goodnough last fall, and so kindled our interest by his report of his faithfulness and need that we wanted to help him more. The value of this box was \$70.

This finishes our work for the year. It is little enough. Next year we hope to do more, for though we sometimes hear from high authorities that there is not so much need for sewing and for boxes, yet certainly those who receive them seem so very glad and grateful that we are impelled to further effort in that direction.

Miss Emery wishes that we should in future pay the annual salary, or half of it, of a teacher in one of our Indian schools. She wishes it to be independent of our usual annual contributions. Therefore special efforts must be made to that end. Two hundred and fifty dollars per annum will pay half of the salary of Mrs. Johnstone, teacher in St. Paul's School for boys at Yankton Agency, Da. This is the one whom Miss Emery suggests to us.

If the parish secretaries of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese will help us by collecting in their several parishes for this object and sending to us, we shall feel greatly obliged. We may venture to hope that as this report is printed with that of the Woman's Auxiliary, it will be read with that and that all who read will be moved to respond with sums large or small, according to their ability. Let us show our appreciation of the self-sacrificing work of these noble sisters of ours and cheer their hearts by some expression of it.

All that was specially designated for that purpose this

year was: From a member of St. Stephen's Church, Providence, \$25; from the Ladies' Benevolent Society of St. Michael's Church, Providence, \$15; from the Woman's Auxiliary of Rhode Island, \$25; amounting to \$65. We made up the amount to \$250 from our other receipts. We also sent besides, \$250 to the general board of missions for Indian work.

We hope it is not beneath the dignity of this report to mention that at the close of our fourteenth year, never having indulged in the smallest festivity, those of us who have been accustomed all these years to meet together every week, (for though this society is diocesan, there is an innermost circle,) proposed to indulge in a five o'clock tea, each bringing a share to the table, and concluded our work for this year by a purely social gathering in the Guild House of St. Stephen's parish, through the courtesy of the rector.

May the society continue to be faithful to the work it was organized to do, and to the trust committed to it, and with the blessing of God we shall be able to send light into some of the dark, cold places of our land, and so fulfill in our measure the Apostolic command: "Remember them that are in bonds as bound with them."

ELIZA A. PECKHAM,

*Secretary.*

PROVIDENCE, May 25, 1887.

## DONATIONS

FOR THE

# YEAR ENDING APRIL 29, 1887.

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### For Charleston box:

From Mrs. Edward A. Greene, package of clothing.  
" Mrs. James A. Coggeshall, " " "  
" Misses Earle and Taft, " " "  
" Miss Steere, " " "  
" Miss Kelton, " " "  
" Mrs. Robinson, " " "  
" Miss Andrews, " " "  
" Mrs. Campbell, " " "  
" Mrs. R. H. I. Goddard, " " "  
" Mrs. Lewis J. Chace, " " "  
" Grace Church Bureau of Relief, 27 new garments.

### For Christmas box sent to Miss Howes:

From Mrs. Edward A. Greene, box of fancy articles, also books.  
From D. K. Taylor, box of combs and fancy articles.  
" Mrs. D. K. Henshaw's Sunday School class, clothing, fancy articles.  
From Class of Holy Child, All Saints' Memorial Church, clothing and toys.  
From Miss S. W. Arnold, dolls, candy, toys, book-rack, etc.  
From Mrs. Z. Chaffee, Christmas cards, tree ornaments, napkin ring, and other fancy articles.  
From Mrs. Clifton A. Hall, books and cards.  
From Mrs. William Ames, toys, candies, and ornaments.  
From Mrs. J. Campbell, one suit of clothing.  
From Ladies' Benevolent Society of St. Michael's, Bristol, package of clothing and fancy articles, value \$12.40.

From Mrs. Alfred Metcalf, letter-paper, books, cards, etc.  
From Miss Elizabeth Fisher, one baby's sacque, two pairs socks.  
From Mrs. A. L. Chesbrough, one dozen knives.  
From Miss E. A. Peckham, one shawl, one pin cushion, one tidy.  
From Mrs. J. A. Coggeshall, clothing.  
From Mrs. King, clothing  
From St. Elizabeth Society of Grace Church, six flannel petticoats, ten bags, six tidies, two stocking-bags, three rabbits, one elephant, six pieces knitted trimming, two slipper-bags.

For Rev. E. A. Goodnough's box :

From Mrs. Wm. Ames, package valued at \$18.  
From Miss Steere, knitting basket, book-mark, cards, etc.  
From Mrs. A. L. Chesbrough, wrapper valued at \$5.

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

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RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Balance on hand May 17, 1886. . . . .	\$14 55
From St. Stephen's Church, Providence. . . . .	185 00
" St. John's " " . . . . .	180 00
" Grace " " . . . . .	141 50
" All Saints' Memorial " . . . . .	24 50
" Womans' Auxiliary of Rhode Island. . . . .	25 00
" Ladies' Benevolent Society of St. Michael's	
Church, Bristol. . . . .	15 00
" Church of the Saviour, Providence . . . . .	10 00
" Emmanuel Church, Manville. . . . .	5 00
" St. James' " Providence. . . . .	4 00
" Trinity Chapel, Pawtuxet. . . . .	2 50
" St. Luke's Church, East Greenwich . . . . .	2 00
" St. Philip's " Crompton. . . . .	2 00
" Church of the Epiphany, Providence . . . . .	1 50
" " " Messiah, Olneyville . . . . .	50
" St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket. . . . .	50
Cash. . . . .	13
	\$613 68
	588 56
Balance on hand May 25, 1887. . . . .	\$25 12

## BOARD OF MANAGERS

OF THE

# Indian Aid Society of Rhode Island.

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## CONSTITUTION.

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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.

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.

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## BY-LAWS.

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I. There will 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 the 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, bazaars, tea-parties, dramatic entertainments, or any forms of lottery.

be used of personal skill to himself and his family and friends, and to be  
entitled to a reasonable compensation for his services. To encourage  
prudent and judicious men to accept the office of a Bishop, the  
annual salary of a Bishop shall be \$1,500, and his expenses, including  
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