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THE RHODE ISLAND BRANCH
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With the cordial approval of the Bishop of the Diocese, a society has been formed which hopes to include all the parishes in the diocese, and asks the co-operation 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 of 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.

A Requiem Eucharist

..for..

Mrs. Anne Ibes Carrington Dwight Ames

will be celebrated in

S. Stephen's Church, Providence

and a

Memorial Sermon preached by the Rector

on Saturday, December 10, 1904

at 10.45 A. M.

You are invited to be present ~~seated~~ (purple stole)

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if they were "really-truly" stars. When the story was ended, Father Luther and Mother Katherine and Hans and Madeleine sang softly together—

"Away in a manger, no crib for His bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

And so the first Christmas Eve when children had danced about a candle-lit tree came to an end; and so it was that the pretty hemlock caught the Christmas stars.—*Kindergarten Review*.

*Based on a legend.

G. F. S.

Every June each diocesan organization of the Girl's Friendly Society sends a summary of the work done in its various branches to the general president, and as this report has not yet been presented to *The Diocesan Record*, it may now be of interest to the readers of the *Record* to review the work of the Rhode Island G. F. S. from June, 1903, to June, 1904.

Almost without exception the various branches had classes for a longer or shorter time during the year, some times the members paid extra for their instruction but more often the membership dues entitled the girls to instruction in the classes. The classes which were held during the year were sewing, darning, bead-work, current events, French, gymnastics, embroidery, literature, basketry and vocal music. This shows a wide interest, but a glance at the subjects of the lectures, of a more or less formal nature, which were given before the branches will show this still further. These subjects were: Hygiene, Forestry, Mexico, Boston, Music, Banking, Girls Friendly Society, Travel Talks, Nursing, Politeness, Children's Crusade, Poetry, Gardens and Missions.

The Girls Friendly Society in Rhode Island numbers fifteen branches, made up of the following: Members, 453; probationers, 123; candidates, 91; married branch helpers, 27; working associates, 98; honorary associates, 70; total, 862.

Through the regular dues and money raised in various other ways we have expended within our society for branch expenses, \$377.96; Diocesan expenses, \$46.43; Girls Friendly Society supplies, \$53.34; central fund, \$83.62; holiday house, \$1,061.42; deputation fund, \$35.40; total, \$1,658.17.

Over and above this we have given away either in money or articles the following: Parochial objects, \$437.70; philanthropic objects, \$135.29; missions, \$74.46; total, \$647.45.

The one special event in the diocese is the Annual May Conference, which was held at St. Michael's Church, Bristol, on May 21st, when representatives from all but one branch were present. Two special trains took the party from Providence to Bristol, the day was beautiful and it was indeed a most enjoyable occasion. The conference was held in the Parish House, then there was a special service in the Church when the new banners were used for the first time and when the Rev. Dr. Locke preached. After that the party returned to the Parish House for supper and to listen to music rendered by an orchestra.

The Girls Friendly Society Holiday House, located at Saunterstown, R. I., is a very important feature of our work. This past summer its capacity has been materially enlarged so that it now accommodates twenty-eight guests. The location is beautiful, the house is comfortable and there is plenty for girls to do who want a pleasant vacation and yet on the wide piazza and under the trees tired girls may find an opportunity to rest.

[We hope that we may have some Girls' Friendly Society Notes in every number of *The Diocesan Record*. Ed.]

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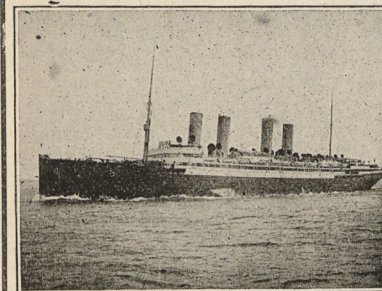
THE ANNUAL MEETING.

The Annual Meeting of the Rhode Island Branch of the Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held in St. Stephen's Church, Providence, on Thursday, November third. At the celebration of the Holy Communion, Bishop Gray of Southern Florida was celebrant and was assisted by the clergy of St. Stephen's parish.

Dr. Fiske extended a cordial welcome to the Auxiliary and referred most appropriately to their president, who, although so ill, had remembered the meeting, and expressed a hope that it might be a "good meeting."

An appropriate resolution of remembrance to and prayers for their president was adopted with much manifested interest and sympathy on the part of the unusually large congregation.

Bishop McVickar spoke of the magnificent work of the Auxiliary, and congratulated them on their splendid offering at



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the recent presentation of the "Triennial United Offering," in Boston.

During the day most earnest and interesting addresses were made by Bishop Gray of Southern Florida, Bishop Rowe of Alaska and Archdeacon Garden of Western Texas.

In the absence of the president the first vice-president, Miss A. B. Manchester of Bristol, presided at the business sessions. The various reports showed a year of remarkable growth.

The Committee on Domestic Missions reported an increase in the number and value of boxes sent. There were 28 boxes, valued at \$2,622.85, sent from 17 different parishes. The cash contributions from this committee amounted to \$1,771.

The Committee on Foreign work reported \$700.

The Committee on Diocesan Missions reported that several parishes from which heretofore they had had no offering had taken up the work. During the year \$338.55 had been raised. This is known as the "penny-a-week fund."

The Committee on Freedmen Missions reported all obligations met, but expressed an earnest desire to extend their work. To this end an appeal was made that more parishes might become interested in this great and necessary work. Receipts for the year, \$467.50.

The Junior Auxiliary reported branches in twenty parishes. Amount collected, \$550. This has been distributed among the various departments of missionary work and to the Bishop Clark Memorial Fund. The report expresses a hope that "the early training of the Juniors will radiate their missionary influence wherever they may go."

The Committee on the United Offering reported that the triennial offering of 1904 amounted to \$150,000, which exceeded the offering of 1901 by more than \$42,000. Rhode Island contributed to this year's offering \$3,650. A splendid advance over their offering of 1901, which was \$1,670. There was one large anonymous gift for the offering.

The Church Periodical Club reported that during the past year there had been sent out thirty-seven boxes or barrels of assorted literature, and that \$75 had been expended.

The "Babies' Branch" is slowly but surely winning its way. They report more than 200 boxes now given out in twenty of the parishes of the Diocese. The funds collected through this branch are divided among the various missionary and charitable works.

The Indian Aid Society reported six boxes sent valued at \$363, and their cash pledges met, which amount to \$350. This Society met nineteen times during the year to cut out

and make up clothing and other supplies for the boxes.

The work of the Auxiliary during the year in cash and boxes sent amounts to \$10,616.

The Board of Managers of the Woman's Auxiliary has accepted the kind invitation of Miss McVickar and will hold their regular meeting on the second Friday of the month at "Bishop's House."

The regular monthly meeting of the Auxiliary is held on the morning of the third Friday of the month in their rooms in the Wayland Building, North Main street, at 11 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend.

IN MEMORIAM.

At a special meeting of the Executive Board of the Rhode Island branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions the following resolution was presented by Mrs. John H. Stiness and unanimously adopted:

"With deep sorrow the Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary records the death of Anne Ives Carrington Dwight Ames, its beloved President. Upon the death of the revered first president of this branch, Mrs. Edward Carrington, the mantle of the mother fell upon the daughter and she took up the work which her mother had so near at heart. We recall the earnestness and spirit of filial devotion in which Mrs. Ames entered upon her duties which she carried on with increasing measure through the eighteen years that she served as President. The missionary work of the Church aroused in her a new interest, and she gave herself to it with a zeal that knew no tiring. Her sympathy with far away and needy workers was as keen as though they were appealing to her in person, and in the largeness of her heart she longed to aid them all. Her impulse was to give to every urgent call and to strengthen those doing the Church's work by encouragement rather than dishearten them by refusal to respond. Under her faithful efforts this Diocesan Branch has grown and accomplished much. It could not fail to partake of her enthusiasm and devotion, her zeal and fidelity, her generosity and energy, and the memory of her life will remain as an inspiration for years to come, but not to this branch alone—so large was her benevolence that it embraced not only Church work, but every form of helpful charity. In aid of education and patriotism, of sickness and poverty, humanity and religion, she gave her constant and cordial help. An unusual loss has come to this community and far beyond, for, like Dorcas, "This woman was full of good works and alms deeds which she did."

A Diocesan Glory.

The Life, Character and Deeds of Anne Ives Carrington Dwight Ames.

THE Diocese of Rhode Island is called to mourn for the death of Mrs. Ames. At the same time it is called to record what must ever be one of the glories of its history. For what this woman was and what she hath done shall be spoken of for a memorial of her. After being crucified with Christ, in long and mortal sickness, ANNE IVES CARRINGTON DWIGHT AMES, very early, in the morning of November 10, A. D. 1904, fell asleep in JESUS.

Mrs. Ames' name was a dear, household word in all our parishes and missions. For the last seventeen years she has been President of the Rhode Island Branch of the Women's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions. She was the second President the Rhode Island Branch has had, succeeding her mother, Mrs. Edward Carrington, in 1887. The Auxiliary and its work came to her, therefore, as almost a personal inheritance, and she administered it as a sacred trust, with a filial fidelity that was both ecclesiastical and ancestral. These seventeen years have been history-making in the develop-

ment of Churchwomen's work in this Diocese. The growth of the Auxiliary in Rhode Island, its offerings and its alms-deeds have been almost phenomenal. They have become a proverb of praise in all the Churches. There has been a steady increase, year by year, in interest, members, and works. The great gatherings, thrice in each year, have been the wonder and admiration of all visitors to the Diocese. It seemed to be given to Mrs. Ames to organize, to lead, and to evangelize. She strove to have the Auxiliary represented in every parish and congregation. She visited the parishes in person and addressed their members, formally and informally. Thoroughly posted as to the actual mission field, in close touch with its workers by acquaintance and correspondence, familiar with what was going on at home and abroad, she was always ready to give information to point out needs and opportunities, and to suggest the most effective lines of progress. She was sought, on account of these qualifications, by those without the Diocese. On probably the last occasion, when she addressed an assemblage of

FLING out the banner! let it float
 Skyward and seaward, high and wide;
 The sun, that lights its shining folds,
 The cross, on which the Saviour died.

Fling out the banner! angels bend
 In anxious silence o'er the sign;
 And vainly seek to comprehend
 The wonder of the love divine.

Fling out the banner! heathen lands
 Shall see from far the glorious sight,
 And nations, crowding to be born,
 Baptize their spirits in its light.



Anne Ives Carrington Dwight Ames

Fling out the banner! sin-sick souls
 That sink and perish in the strife,
 Shall touch in faith, its radiant hem,
 And spring immortal into life.

Fling out the banner! let it float
 Skyward and seaward, high and wide,
 Our glory, only in the cross;
 Our only hope, the Crucified!

Fling out the banner, wide and high,
 Seaward and skyward, let it shine;
 Nor skill, nor might, nor merit ours;
 We conquer only in that sign.

—Bishop G. W. Doane.

Churchwomen, it was my cherished privilege to be her escort to Christ Church, Swansea, one pleasant evening in June last. There was gathered at the Rectory that night a very earnest and intelligent body of women, not only of that parish, but from Fall River as well, including some of the officers of the Massachusetts Diocesan Branch. As we listened to Mrs. Ames' concise and illuminating address, how far was everyone present from realizing that this was her last public utterance on the subject so near to her devoted heart? As the company dispersed and went its way in the moonlight, under the elms of that ancient village, it was evident that fresh light had been thrown on the Church's mission, and that new interest had been aroused in the fulfilment of that mission as a practical and individual duty.

None who has ever seen Mrs. Ames presiding over a meeting, and has listened to her clear tones, straightforward statements and earnest appeals, full of common sense, solemn sincerity, and strong faith, touched withal here and there with gleams of dignified humor, can marvel that she had such power over others. She swayed her hearers by the force of her convictions and by the charm of her manner. She carried them along on the irresistible current of her own confidence. She never faltered in face of difficulty. She never hesitated to grapple with the largest or with the most discouraging tasks. When she spoke, it was to obey God's command to Moses: "Speak unto the Children of Israel that they go forward." And forward they always went. She infused courage in every heart, and her vocabulary knew no such word as fail. Under Mrs. Ames' enthusiastic leadership the Diocese of Rhode Island has taken a front rank and acquired an enviable reputation for its solid array of women workers. Her fame spread rapidly throughout the American Church. In the great triennial meeting of the Women's Auxiliary she was one towards whom all eyes were turned as to a Deborah to judge Israel and to inspire the Baraks of the Church. At Washington in 1898, Mrs. Ames was called upon unexpectedly to preside over the National Conference of the Woman's Auxiliary, at one of its sessions. In a moment she brought order out of chaos, and her occupancy of the chair on that occasion elicited the profoundest admiration of every member of the great body there assembled, and demonstrated that she had qualities of the very first order as a presiding officer. It was a great tribute to Mrs. Ames' national repute in the Auxiliary that Miss Emery, the

National Secretary and the guiding genius of the whole vast organization, left her engrossing duties in New York and came to Providence to be present at Mrs. Ames' funeral rites.

Mrs. Ames was, without any exaggeration, the *Alma Mater* of our Diocese. Not only among our women was she the moving spirit, but the clergy also found, in her, constant sympathy and unfailing stimulation. In many a lonely and anxious parsonage were felt the glow of her hope-giving words, and the thoughtful offices of her charity and tender mercy. And when there came the sad announcement of her death, the clergy instinctively felt that she was one to whom should be shown the respect and honor usually reserved for their own order. It was at the suggestion of the clergy themselves that they were invited to attend the funeral vested. The short notice failed to reach many who were minded to be present. As it was, there was a considerable representation, headed by the Bishop. Had there been sufficient time, the clergy of the Diocese generally would have been in attendance.

At another time, and elsewhere, I trust, if the Lord will, to rehearse the relations of Mrs. Ames to manifold good causes: Religion, Patriotism, Philanthropy and Education. Here, in the columns of the *Diocesan Record*, it is chiefly my purpose to speak of what she was in connection with the Life and Work and interests of the Diocese. In that connection the St. Elizabeth Home stands conspicuous. To that institution she gave time and prayers and abundant kindness and much substance. She had the most perfect mastery of its arrangement and its details, the most intimate knowledge of its beneficiaries, the most exact sense of its needs. It was ever a sacred burden on her heart and mind, and in the loving spirit of a second "dear St. Elizabeth" of Hungary she labored tirelessly for its welfare and for the comfort of its inmates.

O, Blessed and Dauntless Soul, we believe that thou hast entered into the joy of the Lord!

O Lord, Thou knowest that our spirits are in heaviness because our beloved one is seen on earth no more!

After all her sufferings here, grant her now peace and happiness with Thee. And give us grace to follow in her train and to be with her at last forever.

"Grant her, O Lord, eternal rest
 And let Light Perpetual lighten upon her."

GEORGE McCLELLAN FISKE.

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MEMOIR.

HORATIO ROGERS.

In the past few months St. Stephen's Parish has been
called to mourn the loss of an unusual number of faithful
members, but in the death of the Hon. Horatio Rogers, LL. D.,
both Church and State have lost a true and honored servant.

As brother-in-law of the late Rev. Dr. Waterman and with
a brother and two sons in the ministry, he was peculiarly con-
nected with the Clergy. As a loyal layman, a generous sup-
porter, a true and faithful son of the Church, his life illustrated
the highest type of the Christian gentleman. His steadfast
and intelligent faith, his sturdy, pure and humane character
were practical sermons in real life which impressed and in-
spired all who came in contact with him.

To the State he rendered continuous and valuable service.
In the Civil War he won distinction as a Rhode Island officer,
rising to the rank of Brigadier-General. No name has been
more highly cherished among veterans than his.

In civil life he served in City Council and General As-
sembly; as Attorney-General for many years and in 1891 he
was made a Justice of the Supreme Court. In all these ca-
pacities the obvious rule of his life was fidelity. No one could
be more painstaking and thorough than he.

For several years Judge Rogers was President of the
Rhode Island Historical Society and was widely known as an
historical student and writer. Space will not suffice to men-
tion the many and notable books and works of which he was
the author.

It is a rare thing for one to excel as a soldier, historian
and jurist, but so he did.

Few men in public life have been able to hold themselves
so far above detraction as he. His sincerity disarmed jealousy
and suspicion.

Of him it could not be said: "He makes no friend who
never made a foe," for though his foes were few, if any, his
friendship was strong and true. He will be long and lovingly
remembered for what he did and for what he was.

J. H. S.

BISHOP CLARK MEMORIAL FUND.

Previously reported, \$15,505.53; St. Andrew's Chapter,
All Saints' Memorial Church, \$50; Church of the Redeemer,
Providence, \$15; De Wolf, Dr. J. A., \$5; De Wolf, J. Halsey,
\$5; Lewis, John D., \$20; Grafton, Mrs. William H., \$5;
Granger, W. S., \$5; Cocroft, Miss Mattie, \$5; Metcalf, Mrs.
E. W., \$5; Bradley, Mrs. Charles, \$25; Mother's Class, St.
George's Church, Central Falls, \$10; Parochial offering from
St. John's, Providence, about 340 contributing, \$277.75; total,
\$15,933.28.

WILLIAM GAMMELL, *Treasurer*,
50 South Main street, Providence.

The following is a copy of Bishop McVickar's letter to
the Clergy of the Diocese:

BISHOP'S HOUSE, 10 Brown Street,
Providence, R. I.

MY DEAR BROTHER:—I am writing this note to accom-
pany envelopes sent you by the Committee on the Bishop Clark
Memorial Endowment, to beg that you will see that they are
distributed, as far as possible, through every home in your
congregation, and that the people be urged, both old and young,
to contribute through this channel to the proposed endowment,
returning the envelopes through you to the Committee by the
sixth day of December, the fiftieth Anniversary of Bishop
Clark's Consecration to the Episcopate.

The Committee feel that an object which is at once a
memorial to the long and devoted life of our late beloved
Bishop, and, at the same time, an abiding provision for help-
less little ones, must appeal to every one to whose notice it is
brought, and that the individual members of the Diocese
should so have a chance to contribute their share, little or big,
to its furtherance.

I heartily agree with the Committee in this feeling and
ask the help of the Clergy in carrying it out.

With warm regards, I am, always,

Your loving brother,

W. N. McVICKAR.

CHURCH-GOING BY CHILDREN.

The Rev. Dr. Hillis of Brooklyn has been doing good
service by sharply calling attention to a lack of parental au-
thority in the matter of the church going habits of children.
He justly condemns the practice of letting children of even
eight or nine years of age decide as to whether they shall go
to church or not. Parents are altogether too indifferent in this
matter, especially in cities, and it is a subject which the pulpit
can well treat with vigor.

In this connection it might be said that the Sunday School
is a splendid supplement to Church attendance, but a poor sub-
stitute for it. In this age of specialization, many look upon the
Sunday School as the children's Church. This is a grave mis-
take.

The Sunday School has information for its keynote, not
worship. Its stirring activity, its friendly bustle, its conversa-
tional and familiar atmosphere lack the quality of reverence,
which is the very first essential of public worship. The best
Sunday School for a child, if there be but one, is a seat in the
family pew besides its parents, at the ordinary services of the
Church.

The argument that children acquire an aversion to the
Church by being forced to "go to meeting" by their parents
is ridiculous. Children are "forced" by their parents to do
all sorts of things, such as eating good food and abstaining
from that which is harmful, attending school, and going to
bed. It is not apparent that they thereby acquire a rooted

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 five branches of mission work, viz.: Domestic, Diocesan, Foreign, Freedmen, Indian.

III. The officers of this society shall be a President, one or more Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Corresponding 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 October, 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 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 the Board meeting.

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

CHARTER.

As passed by the General Assembly of the State of Rhode Island at the May session 1900 :

I hereby certify that Anne I. C. D. Ames, Anna B. Manchester, Delia W. Porter, Eliza A. Peckham, Jennie M. Clark, Eureka McVikar, Nancy A. Greene, Mary E. W. Arnold, Mary B. Wheeler, Elizabeth E. Andrews, Cornelia A. Upton, Rebecca P. Henshaw, Susan M. S. Crouch, Abby J. Slocum, Maria E. Stiness, Edith Macomb, and Elizabeth A. Hoppin, have filed in the office of the Secretary of State according to law, their agreement to form a corporation under the name of The Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, for the purpose of uniting the parishes of the diocese of Rhode Island in mission work for the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States of America, in accordance with law, and have also filed the certificate of the General Treasurer, that they have paid into the general Treasury of the State, the sum required by law.

CHARLES P. BENNETT,

Secretary of State.

Eleventh day of June, 1900.

Anne Ives Carrington Dwight Ames

With deep sorrow the Rhode Island Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary records the death of Anne Ives Carrington Dwight Ames, its beloved president.

Upon the death of the revered first president of this branch, Mrs. Edward Carrington, the mantle of the mother, fell upon the daughter, and she took up the work which her mother had so near at heart.

We recall the earnestness and spirit of filial devotion in which Mrs. Ames entered upon her duties, which she carried on with increasing measure through the eighteen years that she served as president. The missionary work of the Church aroused in her a new interest, and she gave herself to it, with a zeal that knew no tiring. Her sympathy with far away and needy workers was as keen as though they were appealing to her in person, and in the largeness of her heart she longed to aid them all.

Her impulse was to give to every urgent call, and to strengthen those doing the Church's work by encouragement, rather than dishearten them by refusal to respond. Under her faithful efforts this Diocesan Branch has grown and accomplished much. It could not fail to partake of her enthusiasm and devotion, her zeal and fidelity, her generosity and energy, and the memory of her life will remain as an inspiration for years to come, but not to this branch alone; so large was her benevolence that it embraced not only Church work, but every form of helpful charity. In aid of education and patriotism, of sickness and poverty, humanity and religion, she gave her constant and cordial help. An unusual loss has come to this community and far beyond, for like Dorcas, "this woman was full of good works and alms deeds which she did."

TWENTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
RHODE ISLAND BRANCH
of the
Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in St. Stephen's Church, Providence, October 31. The service began with the celebration of the Holy Communion.

Business meeting called to order by the President at 11 o'clock. The old Board of officers was elected. Resolutions on the death of Bishop Clarke were adopted with a rising vote. Speakers, Bishop Restarick of Honolulu, Bishop Griswold of Salina, Kansas, and the Rev. Henry Hart of Fort Fairfield, Me. Attendance about four hundred. The meetings were of unusual interest and the Auxiliary received strong encouragement for the year's work before them.

The first quarterly meeting was held in St. John's Church, Providence, Thursday, Jan. 28th, services beginning with the Celebration of the Holy Communion. The business meeting was called to order by Miss Anna B. Manchester, Vice-president, the President, Mrs. William Ames, being absent. After an address of welcome by the Rector, the Rev. Lester Bradner, Jr., the Bishop of the diocese, the Rt. Rev. W. N. McVickar, spoke in bright terms of the work of the Auxiliary. The minutes of the last quarterly meeting were then read. Reports of Secretary and Treasurer read and approved. All the departments of work were heard from either by written or verbal report.

The following resolution was then offered:

The Woman's Auxiliary assembled in St. John's Church for their quaterly meeting, having heard of of the illness of their beloved President, desire to convey to her their heartfelt sympathy in her affliction and their earnest prayers for her complete recovery.

So voted.

The Rev. Dr. Fiske of St. Stephen's Church gave a message from Mrs. Ames and there was every evidence that she would finally recover her health.

Miss McVickar spoke next for the United Offering.

Miss Manchester, in a few well chosen words, thanked the parish for its hospitality and the

speakers for their kindness in making the meeting so successful.

The meeting then adjourned.

The second quarterly meeting of the Auxiliary was held in St. Paul's Church, Pawtucket, May 26, 1904.

Service began with the celebration of the Holy Communion by the Bishop assisted by the Rector, the Rev. Marion Law. The business meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs William Ames.

The Rector most cordially welcomed the Auxiliary to the parish, and Bishop McVickar followed in an earnest and congratulatory address upon the work done. All the branches were present and reported their work. The speakers were the Rev. Arthur Floyd, Gen. Secretary of the Board of Missions, and Miss Julia C. Emery, Gen. Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary, and the Rev. Levi B. Edwards, the Diocesan Missionary. The number of delegates present was three hundred and the amount of offertory fifty dollars.

The past year has been like so many others, very successful, although we cannot claim that we have accomplished all we should. Our boxes as usual were filled, carrying comfort to the missionary and family. That they contain the right articles, the grateful appreciative letters received from time to time tell us. The Colored Work is never ahead and

one would think with all the information at hand, that this most important subject would receive more cordial support from church people.

The gravity of the situation in the South cannot be over-estimated and it is our duty to hold up the hands of those who are willing to labor for this cause. Foreign work finished but with no great surplus to send to some worthy object. The report of the Indian Aid show sthis valuable work progressing with its well known success along its appointed line of work.

The Junior Auxiliary, with its patient, ever ready President, holds its own. Can there not be this coming year several new branches started, if only to encourage this devoted worker? The Penny-a-week has received special attention in several parishes who have never collected for this fund before, and the results are most gratifying, showing what a determined effort can accomplish. This fund, as you well know, enables us to help needy parishes, and it is but right that it should be returned to us some day when the special parish helped is able so to do.

The Babies' Branch is now an acknowledged part of our Auxiliary work and the Secretary hopes to have a very lively department the coming year. The work of the C. P. C. has been carried on with great interest and the faithful librarians are already at work for the new year.

The United Offering, to which we carried \$3,650, was a source of much congratulation; the secretaries were so faithful and painstaking, and we are glad for them and Rhode Island that our offering in Trinity Church, October sixth, was so creditable.

We close our report in the shadow of a great sorrow. Our beloved President, Mrs. William Ames, has passed from earth to life eternal. The inspiration of such a life must continue on and on, and we who are left must take courage and go on and on in the path and with the devotion our President ever showed in all her work.

Our most acceptable memorial to her will be the maintenance of the work which for eighteen years she so ably planned and assisted with such enthusiasm in carrying out. May we remember that in the midst of weakness and suffering "she hoped we would have a good meeting" on November third, our annual meeting.

When our time shall comemay it be said of us, as we now so truly say of her, "Well done, good and faithful servant, enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

VALUE OF WORK FOR THE YEAR

Boxes	\$3,250.00
Money	7,816.00
Total	<u>\$11,066.00</u>

Mary E. W. Arnold, *Secretary.*

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

There have been encouraging signs of greater activity in this department during the past year. In response to an appeal made at the annual meeting a year ago, a goodly number of parishes have increased their contributions, some of them by a large proportionate amount. As a result a much smaller demand than has been usual of late years had to be made upon the general treasury of the Auxiliary, and this has had the effect of increasing the efficiency of the Auxiliary in other directions. It is noticeable, however, that the response was from the smaller parishes. Except in the case of individuals, the contributions from the strong parishes to this branch of our work, are small and are not increasing. The needs for the current year are as great as ever. The pledges remain the same. We especially commend to the generous the Archbishop of Canterbury's Mission to the Assyrian Church, to which we pledge twenty-five dollars for the support of a school. It would seem that the presence of the Archbishop at the Convention would inspire those who saw and heard him to give to this work which is the resuscitation of an Ancient Church true to the faith through centuries of persecution and isolation.

Let us hope that the inspiration of this great missionary Convention will be felt throughout the year and that its genuineness will be proved by larger gifts for the advancement of the Kingdom.

The financial account for the year is as follows:

RECEIPTS.

Auburn—Church of the Ascension	\$ 1.75
Barrington—St. John's, Ladies' Aid Society	5.00
Bristol—St. Michael's	15.00
Central Falls—St. George's	2.00
Centredale—St. Alban's.....	2.00
Cranston—St. Bartholomew's, St. Catherine's Guild ...	1.00
East Greenwich—St. Luke's	10.00
Greenville—St. Thomas'	3.00
Lonsdale—Christ Church	10.00
Manton—St. Peter's	2.00
Manville—Emmanuel	5.00
Middletown—St. Columba	17.50
Newport—Emmanuel, St. Martha's Guild.....	10.00
“ St. John's.....	10.00
“ St. George's	3.00
“ Trinity	25.00
Pawtucket—St. Paul's	10.00
“ Trinity	11.50
“ Church of the Advent	2.00
“ Church of the Good Shepherd, Woman's Guild	3.00
Portsmouth—St. Paul's	5.50
Providence—All Saints'.....	10.00
“ Grace Church	36.00
“ St. Andrew's.....	5.00

Providence—St. John's	25.00
“ St. James'	5.00
“ St. Stephen's.....	30.00
“ Church of the Redeemer.....	2.00
“ Church of the Epiphany	5.00
Riverside—St. Mark's, Ladies' Industrial Society	1.00
Westerly—Mrs. E. R. Brown.....	25.00
Wickford—St. Paul's, Ladies' Sewing Society	5.00
Woonsocket—St. James'	5.00
Mrs. John Carter Brown	75.00
Miss A. A. Bridge	3.21
Mrs. Safe	80.00
Mrs. and Miss Corliss.....	25.00
Miss J. M. Clarke	40.00
Mrs. William Ames	25.00
Miss McVickar.....	20.00
Brewer Fund	33.54
Babies' Branch	1.00
Auxiliary Treasury	19.00
Balance on hand	20.00
Total	<u>\$650.00</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Salary of Miss Bull, Osaka, Japan.....	\$290.00
Six scholarships in Africa	195.00
One scholarship in China.....	40.00
R. I. Mission School, Tulaki, Persia	25.00
Insurance Fund	100.00
Total	<u>\$650.00</u>

Cornelia A. Upton

Secretary.

DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

In this department we are glad to be able to report an increase in the number and value of boxes sent. If there has been any falling off in money contributions it may be owing to the fact that a greater effort has been made for the United Offering. It is all a part of our work, and I am sure we all feel most thankful for the grand result and will start out on our next three years with renewed enthusiasm.

BOXES SENT.

East Greenwich—St. Luke's, 1 box	\$100.00
Bristol—St. Michael's, 1 box	85.00
Providence—Grace Church, boxes	339.25
" St. James', 2 boxes	150.00
Westerly—Christ Church, 1 box	75.00
Providence—All Saints' Memorial, 2 boxes	182.59
Newport—St. George's, 1 box	90.00
Pawtucket—Trinity, 1 box	25.00
Providence—St. John's, 1 box	225.00
Lonsdale—Christ Church, 2 boxes	80.50
Auburn—Ascension Church, 2 boxes	20.60
Newport—Trinity Church, 1 box	372.25
Providence—St. Stephen's, 3 boxes	396.53
Middletown—Holy Cross, 1 box	55.99
Newport—Emmanuel Church, 2 boxes	145.24
Pawtucket—St. Paul's, 2 Boxes	140.00
Providence—Church of the Redeemer, 2 boxes	75.80
President's Specials	200.00
Through Mrs. Upton, 1 box	10.00

CASH CONTRIBUTIONS.

President's Specials	\$1,644.00
Bristol—St. Michael's, Honolulu	10.00
Nova Scotia	20.00
Westerly—Christ Church, E. St. Louis	19.00
Bishop Funston Scholarship ..	10.00
Providence—St. John's, Missionary	30.00
Lonsdale—Christ Church	5.00
Middletown—Holy Cross	4.00
Newport—St. George's	25.00
Woonsocket—St. James'	5.00
Walla Walla, Scholarship	200.00
Bishop Hare, Scholarship	150.00
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	\$2,122.00

REBECCA P. HENSHAW,

Secretary.

COLORED WORK.

Our pledges are fulfilled but we wish we could do much more another year.

Only twenty out of the fifty-five parishes have contributed.

Bishop Gray is doing such a splendid work among the negroes in his diocese and the Rev. Mr. Perry of Tarboro wrote last summer, "We are now closing the most successful school session that we ever have had in regard to numbers and work. We have enrolled 140 pupils."

Let us hope and beg for a more widespread interest in this great and most necessary work.

The contributions have been as follows:

St. Stephen's Church	\$171.80
Grace Church	45.00
St. John's Church	35.00
All Saints' Memorial	15.00
" " " Sunday School	15.00
Calvary Church	5.00
Church of the Redeemer	4.00
Church of the Epiphany, Mission Chapter	5.00
St. Andrew's Church	5.00
St. Michael's Church, Bristol	20.00
Trinity Church, Newport	10.00
St. Martha's Guild, Emmanuel Church, Newport.....	10.00
Emmanuel Church, Manville	5.00
St. James' Church, Woonsocket	5.00
St. Luke's Auxiliary, St. Luke's, E. Greenwich	10.00

Holy Cross Guild, Holy Cross Church, Middletown...	5.00
Church of the Advent, Pawtucket.....	2.00
Trinity Church, Pawtucket	3.50
St. George's Church, Central Falls	2.00
Transfiguration, Edgewood	1.00
Woman's Auxiliary, Christ Church Branch, Lonsdale.	15.00
St. Barnabas' Guild, St. Barnabas' Church, Apponaug	2.00
Mrs. Henry G. Russell.....	50.00
Mrs. Wm. Russell	5.00
Mrs. John Nicholas Brown.....	10.00
Mrs. Peleg Lippitt.....	5.00
Babies' Branch	1.00
From last year	5.20
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	\$467.50

DISBURSEMENTS.

Rt. Rev. Wm. C. Gray, work in South Florida.....	\$250.00
Extra	12.00
Rev. J. W. Perry, teacher's salary, Tarboro N. C.	200.00
Balance on hand	5.50
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	\$467.50

BOXES SENT.

Christmas box sent to Rev. J. F. Mitchell, Newp't News	\$15.00
Small box sent to Key West	5.00
Box sent from Church of the Redeemer	
to the Rev. J. W. Perry, Tarboro, N. C.	50.00
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	\$70.00

Respectfully submitted,

A. Alice Bridge,
Secretary.

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

Although the number of Parishes which have contributed to the penny-a-week fund this year has not been as great as last year, the amount of money has been fully as large. Some Churches that had previously remembered this very important branch of Diocesan work, have this year forgotten it.

If the collectors of the different Churches could hear, and be touched by the various appeals for absolutely necessary aid which come to us from the needy Churches, they could not fail to respond to our appeal. Every year the calls upon our treasury increase and by necessity, our income must also increase or the good we wish and ought to do, must be curtailed. Very greatly shall we miss that generous spirit who has so constantly aided and sympathized in our work, and while others have again and again voiced the sense of loss, we cannot refrain from adding our testimony to the fact that in the death of Mrs. Ames the Diocesan Mission has lost one of its most faithful, generous and enthusiastic laborers, and helpers.

Balance on hand.....	\$201.97
Auburn—Ascension.....	15.00
Bristol—St. Michael's Woman's Aid	10.00
Central Falls, St. George	20.03
Centredale, St. Alban's	7.90
Edgewood—Church of the Transfiguration	10.36

Manville—Emmanuel.....	9.84
Middletown—St. Columba, Berkeley Memorial.....	14.50
Newport—Emmanuel.....	11.40
Pawtucket—Trinity.....	.52
“ Church of the Advent.....	5.75
Providence—St. John's.....	18.20
“ Grace Church.....	28.35
“ St. Stephen's.....	43.96
“ All Saints' Memorial.....	60.58
“ Church of the Messiah.....	12.25
“ Church of the Redeemer.....	9.88
“ Christ Church.....	6.67
“ St. Andrew's.....	7.80
“ Calvary.....	10.32
East Providence—St. Mary's.....	15.21
Mrs. Ames.....	10.00
Total.....	<u>\$530.49</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Bishop Clarke Endowment Fund.....	\$50.00
Auburn, Ascension, Parish House.....	50.00
The Rev. A. E. Carpenter for Christmas.....	10.00
The Rev. L. B. Edwards for Christmas.....	10.00
Printing Reports.....	27.00
The Rev. F. G. Collins for Assistant.....	25.00
Repairs on organ, St. Peter's.....	50.00
Painting Cornelia Andrew's Memorial Cottage.....	75.00
The Rev. C. J. Ljunggren for Assistant.....	20.00
Scholarships for St. Andrew's School.....	60.00
Diocesan Record.....	3.00
Repairs on Rectory, Central Falls.....	25.00
Total.....	<u>\$405.00</u>

CASH CONTRIBUTIONS.

East Greenwich—St. Luke's, for a boy at St. Andrew's School.....	\$10.00
St. Elizabeths Home	10.00
Middletown—Holy Cross Guild, St. Elizabeths Home	10.00
St. Mary's Orphanage	5.00
Newport—Trinity, St. Elizabeths Home	20.00
Pawtucket—St. Paul's, for St. Andrew's School.....	10.00
St. Mary's Orphanage	20.00
Providence—St. Stephen's	150.00
Total.....	<u>\$235.00</u>

DIOCESAN BOXES.

East Greenwich, St. Andrew's School.....	\$18.00
St. Elizabeths Home	9.00
St. Mary's Orphanage.....	13.80
Middletown—St. Columba, Berkeley Memorial, St. Mary's Orphanage	25.00
Newport—St. George's, St. Mary's Orphanage, 2 boxes	14.00
Newport—Trinity, St. Mary's Orphanage	40.70
Newport—Emmanuel, St. Mary's Orphanage.....	88.00
Pawtucket—St. Paul's, St. Mary's Orphanage	5.00
St. Andrew's School.....	8.00
Providence—All Saints' Memorial, St. Mary's Orphanage.....	3.50
St. Andrew's School.....	2.04
Total.....	<u>\$226.24</u>

ABBY J. SLOCUM,

Secretary.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

The work of the Juniors for the past year represents twenty branches. All but one have made pledges of money and eleven have contributed to missionary work of boxes. Four Churches have expressed a desire to form new branches this year.

We are to have one new branch this season formed as a memorial to a young girl who was much interested in missions. It is a most fitting way to perpetuate her memory and I had thought it might be a pleasant suggestion for others who might like to do the same; I would suggest for each branch, a systematic course of study of missions. We look forward to the Woman's Auxiliary in the future, as better prepared and with higher ideals of missionary work, and hope the early training of the Juniors will radiate their missionary influence wherever they may go. Let us all help to make this coming year fuller than ever before.

MONEY RECEIVED.

St. John's, Bairston	\$30.00
Church of the Messiah, Prov.....	25.00
St. Stephen's, Prov.....	8.00
Church of the Redeemer, Prov.....	22.00
Calvary, Prov.....	11.25
All Saints', Prov.....	5.00
St. Andrew's, Prov.....	12.50
Church of the Epiphany.....	2.00
St. Michael's, Bristol	20.00
St. Luke's, E. Greenwich.....	20.00
St. George's, Newport	5.00
Emmanuel, Newport	65.00
Christ Church, Lonsdale.....	31.00
Holy Cross, Portsmouth	43.19
St. Thomas', Wanskuck.....	10.00
St. James', Woonsocket	2.00
St. George's, Central Falls	15.00
Transfiguration, Willing Helpers	5.00
Babies' Branch.....	3.00
Woman's Auxiliary	30.00
Total.....	\$364.44

DISBURSEMENTS.

Rev. F. W. Merrill, Oneida	\$7.00
Caroline Clark, Sch. Africa	25.00
Bishop Griswold, Salina.....	10.00
Spokane Sch.	5.00
St. Andrew's Ind. School Sch	40.00
" " " "	10.00
St. Mary's Orphanage.....	3.19
Foreign Work	11.00
St. Augustine School, Raleigh	22.00

Mr. Wetmore, Arden, S. C.	1.00
Clark Memorial, St. Mary's Orphanage	65.00
United Offering	55.25
Santee Mission	10.00
Alaska	100.00
Total	\$364.44

VALUE OF WORK.

St. Andrew's Ind. School	\$1.50
St. George's, Central Falls	6.25
St. James', Woonsocket	18.00
St. Stephen's, Prov.	2.00
Calvary, Prov.	1.25
Church of the Messiah, Prov.	26.00
St. Andrew's	11.00
Church of the Redeemer	63.39
St. Michael's, Bristol	50.00
Holy Cross, Portsmouth	3.60
Total	\$182.99

MARIA E. STINESS,

President.

THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB.

The Church Periodical Club has sent out thirty-seven boxes or barrels of assorted literature during the past year, and has expended seventy-five dollars. Of these boxes four were sent from East Greenwich, one from Auburn and the remainder from the Auxiliary rooms here in Providence.

To these rooms are sent, from the city parishes and from all over the diocese, boxes and packages of magazines and books which are sorted, counted and arranged upon the shelves; so that we are able to fill a box for a missionary in the far South, or a Sunday School teacher in the Middle West, or a lay worker among the mountaineers with just the literature he asks for. Besides this central work, the Librarian in each Parish secures the promise of periodicals, to be sent regularly, to such addresses of the clergy in the distant dioceses as are supplied by the New York office; and it is this part of the C. P. C. work which is the most important, and at the same time, the most irregular and the most difficult to control.

There are a good many Librarians on the list from whom no report has been received, and there are also several of the larger Parishes in the diocese in which there are no Librarians at all. It would be of the greatest encouragement for the coming year if these vacancies were filled, and if each Librarian would strive to make known and to extend the work of the C. P. C. in her Parish.

LOUISE C. HOPPIN,
Acting Correspondent.

THE UNITED OFFERING.

The United Offering of 1904 was made in Trinity Church, Boston, Thursday October six, and amounted to one hundred and fifty thousand dollars, a gain of more than forty-two thousand dollars over the offering of 1901. These figures alone show the important place that the United Offering now holds in Auxiliary work, and show as well, that interest and knowledge are constantly increasing.

"No outward matter yet," says Miss Emery in her general report, "has so bound the Auxiliary together and helped it to realize its unity, as this Offering," which in the year 1904 it has for the sixth time made. The Offering has been placed in the care of the Board of Missions, and will be devoted to woman's work in the mission field; it is sufficient to train, send and support every woman who feels a call to mission work in the next three years, and to take care of her if she is sick or disabled.

And as to Rhode Island's share in this offering.

Three years ago when the sum of \$1670 was recorded as our contribution to the offering of 1901, it was suggested that we set ourselves to raise at least \$2,000, as our next triennial gift. We have done that and more. \$3,650 was our share of this offering of 1904, a sum which marks a splendid advance.

That this sum is so much greater than that of three years ago, is due in part to a large anonymous gift, but very largely is it due to the faithful work of the Parish Secretaries. Through them, parishes are now contributing which have heretofore done nothing for this object, while others have doubled and tripled, yes and quadrupled their gifts.

Through them, too, the work of the Offering is becoming more widely known and we are more nearly approaching the ideal of a *United* offering.

With this encouragement in the past let us now set ourselves with renewed zeal toward the offering of 1907. Once more the call is for woman's work in the mission field. The object of the next Offering is expressed in the following resolution.

Resolved: That the United Offering of 1907 be given to the Board of Missions for womans' work in the Domestic and Foreign fields; including the training, sending, and support of women workers, also the care of such workers when sick or disabled; this to be interpreted to include Brazil, Haiti, Cuba

and Mexico: but that a sum not exceeding \$10,000 be devoted to some building or extension of the same, preferably connected with woman's work, to mark the United Offering of 1907, and to be begun in that fiscal year, such building to be approved by the board of managers on the recommendation of the general secretary, and the secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Boxes for this Offering may be had from the Parish secretaries or from the secretaries of the diocese and should be applied for immediately.

The financial report is as follows:—

Auburn, Ascension.....	\$.76
Barrington, St. John's	10.00
Bristol, St. Michael's	156.00
Central Falls, St. George's	25.00
Centredale, St. Alban's.....	3.00
Cranston, St. Bartholomew's	10.03
East Greenwich, St. Luke's	63.87
Edgewood, Transfiguration	4.59
Greenville, St. Thomas'	5.00
Lonsdale, Christ Church	26.51
Manton, St. Peter's	6.51
Manville, Emmanuel	9.75
Middletown, St. Colomba	4.00
Newport, St. George's	1.00
" Emmanuel	120.00
" Trinity,	670.00
" St. John's	16.00
Pawtucket, St. Paul's	8.66
" Trinity	15.84

Pawtuxet, Trinity Chapel	3.50
Portsmouth, St. Paul's	31.33
S. Portsmouth, St. Mary's }	5.86
Middletown, Holy Cross }	
Providence, St. John's	343.78
" Grace	201.75
" St. Stephen's	270.28
" All Saints	72.50
" Church of the Saviour	6.30
" " " Redeemer	10.28
" Epiphany	7.00
" St. Andrew's	12.68
" Calvary	204.19
E. Providence, St. Mary's	1.80
Warren, St. Mark's	5.00
Westerly, Christ Church	10.00
Wickford, St. Paul's	22.81
Woonsocket, St. James	23.34
Wayland Bdg., Mite Box	12.63
Anonymously	1000.00
" 	100.00
" 	3.04
Interest	47.64
Junior Auxiliary	92.75
Babies' Branch	5.00
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Total	\$3650.00

Respectfully submitted

E. C. Mc.Vickar.

Edith H. Macomb.

BABIES' BRANCH.

This work is slowly but surely winning its way. Over two hundred boxes are now given out in the diocese. In only one parish is there a regular appointed secretary for this special work, and it is hoped that there may be several others in the coming year. The following churches are now represented: St. Stephen's, Grace, St. John's, St. Andrew's, Christ Church, Westerly, St. George's, Central Falls, Christ Church, Lonsdale, St. Luke's East Greenwich, Ascension, Auburn, St. John's, Barrington, Transfiguration, Edgewood, Church of the Advent, Pawtucket. Twenty-two dollars has been received. Three dollars given to Alaska, one dollar each to the Colored and Foreign, five dollars to the United Offering, eight dollars and fifty-two cents to St. Mary's Orphanage; this sum was sent from East Greenwich for the Babies' Ward, one dollar to the Indian work. In this work every branch of mission work is to be helped that the little ones may understand from the first, that each and every work is for them to assist, if only with pennies. Over

twenty-nine dioceses have the Babies' Branch, and the work is steadily growing and becoming a real source of income for certain objects dear to children's hearts. It is hoped that many more little red boxes will be asked for and the Secretary will gladly answer all letters about this work, and is ready to assist any parish to form a little branch.

The financial account is as follows:—

DR.			CR.
St. John's	\$9.30	St. Mary's Orphan-	
St. Luke's	8.52	age.....	\$8.52
St. Andrew's	1.04	Colored Work	1.00
St. Stephen's	1.00	Foreign Work.....	1.00
Grace	1.38	United Offering	5.00
Auburn.....	.28	Junior Auxiliary	3.00
St. John's, Barring-		Indian Work	1.00
ton	1.00	Boxes ..	3.00
	<u>\$22.52</u>		<u>\$22.52</u>

Mary E. W. Arnold

Secretary.

PLEDGES FROM RHODE ISLAND.

FOR 1904 — 1905.

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Salary, Miss Bull, teacher in St. Agnes' School, Kyoto, Japan	\$290.00
Insurance on lives of foreign missionaries	50.00

SCHOLARSHIPS.

Harriet Ives, St. Hilda's School, Wu-chang, China, supported by Mrs. Safe	40.00
Harriet Ives, Boys' High School, Cuttington, Africa, supported by Mrs. Safe	40.00
*Susan Carrington Clarke, St. John's School, Cape Mt., Africa, supported by Miss Jennie M. Clarke	40.00
*Jessie H. Campbell, St. John's School, Cape Mount, Africa.	40.00
Emily Waterman, St. George's Hall, Cape Mount, Africa, supported by S. S. of Grace Church, Prov. Carrington (in memoriam), St. John's School, Cape, Mount, Africa, supported by members of St. Ste- phen's Church, Providence	25.00
Caroline Clark, St. John's School, Cape Mount, Africa, supported by S. S. Guild of the Church of the Holy Cross, Middletown	25.00
Harriet H. Gilpin, Eliza F. Drury Station, Africa, sup- ported by Charlotte S. Brewer fund	25.00
R. I. Mission School, Tulaki, Persia	25.00
Total	\$625.00

COLORED WORK.

Salary of teachers at Tarboro, N. C.	\$200.00
Colored Work	250.00

INDIAN MISSIONS.

Salary of teacher at St. Elizabeth's School	250.00
Scholarship at All Saints' School, So. Dakota	150.00
Mr. Chapman, Alaska	100.00

DIOCESAN MISSIONS.

Scholarship at St. Andrew's Industrial School, Barring- ton	100.00
Total	\$1,675.00

*Advanced scholarship for students pledged to the ministry.

Woman's Auxiliary in account with Frances Low, Treasurer.

	Foreign	Domestic	Diocesan	Indian	Colored	United Offering	Juniors	Babies' Branch	C. P. C.	General Treasury
Balance from last year				\$ 19.69	\$ 5.					\$ 1.62
Pledge Scholarship		\$ 200.								
Ashton - St. John's										
Apponaug - St. Barnbas'					2.					
Auburn - Ascension	\$ 1.75		\$ 15.			\$.76		\$.28	\$ 1.	
Barrington - St. John's	5.					10.	\$ 30.	1.		
Bristol - St. Michael's	15.	30.	10.	30.	20.	156.	20.			
" Trinity										
Central Falls - St. George's	2.		20.03		2.	18.	15.			
Centerdale - St. Alban's	2.		7.90			3.				
Crompton - St. Philip's										
Cranston - St. Bartholomen's	1.					2.75				3.
Drownville - St. Matthew's										
East Greenwich - St. Luke's	10.				10.	40.	20.	8.52		
Edgewood - Church of the Transfiguration			10.36		1.	4.59	5.			
Greenville - St. Thomas'	3.					5.				
Lonsdale - Christ Church	10.	5.			15.	21.51	31.			
Manton - St. Peter's	2.					6.51				
Manville - Emanuel	5.		9.84		5.	9.75				
Middletown - Holy Cross		4.		2.	5.	5.76	48.19			
" St. Columba	17.50		14.50			4.				
Newport - Emanuel	10.		11.40	10.	10.	44.	65.			
" St. George's	3.	25.		5.		1.	5.			
" Trinity	25.			10.	10.	325.				
" St. John's	10.					12.				
Pascoag - Calvary										
Pawtucket - St. Paul's	10.			6.50		8.66				
" Trinity	11.50		.52	4.50	3.50	15.84				
" Church of the Advent	2.		5.75		2.					
" Church of the Good Shepherd	3.									
Pawtuxet - Trinity Chapel						3.50				
Portsmouth - St. Paul's	5.50					20.21				
South Portsmouth - St. Mary's										
Pontiac - All Saints'										
Phenix - St. Andrew's										
Providence - St. John's		30.	18.20	144.	35.	293.78		9.30	6.	
" Grace	36.		28.35	29.	45.	177.25		1.	12.	27.20
" St. Stephen's	30.		43.96	181.85	171.80	222.63	4.54	1.	10.42	2.72
" All Saints' Memorial	10.		60.58		30.	37.50	5.		7.50	
" Church of the Messiah			12.25				25.			
" Church of the Savior						3.05				
" Church of the Redeemer	2.	1.	9.88		4.	10.28	22.			
" Church of the Epiphany	5.			5.	5.	7.	2.		1.	
" Christ Church			6.67						10.	
" St. James'	5.			5.						
" St. Andrew's	5.		7.80		5.	11.	12.50	1.04	2.	
" St. Thomas'										
" Calvary			10.32		5.	204.19	11.25			
East Providence - St. Mary's			15.21			1.80				
Riverside - St. Mark's	1.00									
Thornton - Holy Nativity										
Wakefield - Church of the Ascension										
Wanskuck - St. Thomas'							10.			
Warren - St. Mark's						5.				10.
Westerley - Christ Church	25.	29.		5.		10.				
Wickford - St. Paul's	5.					22.81				
Woonsocket - St. James'		5.		5.	5.	9.50	2.			
Babies Branch	1.				1.	5.	3.			3.
General Treasury	19.	181.50					30.			254.45
Individual gifts	268.21		10.		70.	1159.26			25.13	100.
Presidents Specials		1500.								
Interest on Funds	33.54			17.64						152.04
	\$650.	\$2010.50	\$328.52	\$480.18	\$467.30	\$2897.97	\$366.48	\$22.14	\$75.05	\$554.03

THIRTIETH ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

Indian Aid Society
of Rhode Island.

Which represents the Indian Department of the
Woman's Auxiliary.

BOARD OF MANAGERS.
OF THE
Indian Aid Society of Rhode Island

OFFICERS.

PRESIDENT.

MRS. JAMES H. COGGESHALL,
178 Bowen St., Prov.

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MRS. ALFRED METCALF, 62 Alumni Av., Prov.
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MISS ELIZA A. PECKHAM, 27 Cushing St., Prov.

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Grace Church.

MRS. A. L. CHESBROUGH, 12 Greene St.
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St. Stephen's Church.

MISS EMILY A. CROUCH, 102 George St.
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St. James' Church.

MISS A. W. RAWSON,
MRS. CLARA WALTON BROWN, 289 Broadway.

Church of the Epiphany.

MISS MARIA A. BASSETT, 405 Elmwood Ave.

St. Michael's Church, Bristol.

MISS ANNA B. MANCHESTER, Hope St.,
Bristol, R. I.

CONSTITUTION.

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

II. Its object will 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 treasury thereof, annually, at least the sum of one dollar. Any one may be constituted a life member by the payment at any 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 end of this organization can be promoted are, the raising of money for the education of those who may be preparing for the work, and for other benevolent purposes connected with the missions; the making, collecting, and transfer

of clothing, and other material aid, 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 absence of the Secretary.

VIII. It shall be the duty of the Treasurer to receive and to keep account of all the money 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 first Tuesday in October in each year, at such hour and place as the Secretary, with the advice of the President, shall indicate.

II. The election of the 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 successor shall be appointed.

III. In case of the vacancy in office by the death or the removal of the incumbent, the same shall be filled at a stated meeting by the Board of Managers, and any one so selected, 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 meetings 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 form of lottery.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

We have a record of nineteen weekly meetings when we cut out and make up clothing and other supplies for our boxes. The attendance has averaged nearly six members per week.

We have sent out three boxes, one to Charles C. Morgan of Cass Lake, a lame son of Rev. George B. Morgan to whom we were preparing to send a box but who died before it was ready to go; and two boxes to Rev. Amos Ross of Allen, S. Dakota, for two of his catechists. Almost everything in these three boxes was new, the total value, including freight, \$123.15.

Our total annual pledges in money are \$350.00 of which \$250.00 were sent to the Board of Missions through the Woman's Auxiliary, for the salary of Miss Bradley of St. Elizabeth School, Standing Rock Reserve, S. D. and \$100.00, also sent through the Board of Missions, for the education of an Indian boy in charge of Rev. J. L. Prevost of Tanana, Alaska.

We are informed of a box sent by Trinity Church, Newport, to Rev. Mr. Robinson, Sisseton Agency, for a catechist, Robert White, March 10, 1904, value \$61.00. This is reported as a part of the work

done in the diocese for Indian Missions, but is not to be reckoned in the money report of the Indian Aid Society. Also two boxes sent by the Woman's Auxiliary to Rev. Mr. Merrill of Oneida, Wisconsin, and an overcoat sent later by express, total value \$179. Rev. Mr. Merrill has charge of a large Indian Mission.

We have sustained a serious loss in the death of Mrs. L. E. Salisbury, whose name has been on our Board of Managers for twenty-nine years. She was always a very helpful and interested worker, and contributed greatly to the pleasure of our meetings by her cheerful temperament and earnest zeal. There are others of our number who, by reason of illness or delicate health, may not be able to meet with us this coming year.

We are hoping that among the younger members there may be those who are willing to help us in this work.

ELIZA A. PECKHAM

Secretary.

Only five days after this report was read at the Annual Meeting of The Indian Aid Society, we heard with deep sorrow of the death of another one of our members. It was not unexpected as her failing health for several months past gave little hope of her recovery. In the death of Mrs. Mary

A. Russell we feel that we have lost one of our most interested and untiring helpers. It was on All Saints' Day that she entered into rest. But the crowning sorrow of the year came to us on the tenth of November, when Mrs. Ames, the beloved President of the Woman's Auxiliary, was called from our head. From a life of rich and blessed activity she has gone to a life holier and more blessed service and the best way in which we can honor her memory is to follow her example, and with a zeal kindled by her inspiration, carry on her work. These calls bid us who remain, double our diligence and with more fervent spirit serve the Lord. and may He give us grace to follow the blessed example of those who, having faithfully served Him, do now rest from their labors.

ELIZA A. PECLHAM,

Secretary.

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

RECEIPTS.	EXPENDITURES.
Balance, October 1, 1903\$ 19.69	Salary of Miss Bradley, St. Elizabeth's
St. John's Church, Providence 144.00	School, S. Dakota\$250.00
St. Stephen's " 181.85	Scholarship of Indian boy, Alaska... 100.00
Grace Church " 29.00	Printing Annual Report..... 10.00
St. James' " 5.00	Clothing, and supplies for boxes..... 101.14
Church of the Epiphany" 5.00	Freight, carpenter, and express 9.38
St. James', Woonsocket 5.00	Two boxes30
Trinity Church, Newport 10.00	Blank book19
St. George's " " 5.00	Janitor......25
Emmanuel " " 10.00	Balance, Oct. 27, 1904..... 8.92
Holy Cross, Middletown 2.00	
Trinity, Pawtucket..... 4.50	
St. Paul's, " 6.50	
Christ Church, Westerly 5.00	
St. Michael's, Bristol..... 30.00	
Interest on legacy 17.64	
<hr/> \$480.18	<hr/> \$480.18

RESIDENCES OF THE PROVIDENCE CLERGY.

Rt. Rev. W. N. McVICKAR.....	10 Brown St.
AUOCK, ARTHUR M.....	5 Franklin St.
BASSETT, FREDERICK J.....	166 Prospect St.
BASSETT, HENRY.....	405 Elmwood Ave.
BRADNER, JR. LESTER.....	144 Benefit St.
BREWER, C. A.....	271 North Main St.
BUCK, F. E.....	547 Elmwood Ave.
COLLINS, F. I.....	25 Messer St.
DANA, H. C.....	E. Providence.
DAVIS, W. H.....	Thornton.
DENFELD, C. A.....	Edgewood.
EDWARDS, L. B.....	81 Waterman St.
FISKE, GEORGE McC.....	166 George St.
HENSHAW, DANIEL.....	162 Angell St.
HOBBS, JOSEPH M.....	199 Academy Ave.
JACKSON, W. F. B.....	67 George St.
JOHNSON, A. E.....	108 Doyle Ave.
LLUNGGREN, C. J.....	33 Harriet St.
MARTIN, JR. T. D.....	Auburn.
OSWALD, C. E.....	George St.
PARKER, ROBERT B.....	67 E. Manning St.
RICE D. G.....	19 Toby St.
RICHARDS, C. A. L.....	169 Power St.
ROUSMANIERE, E. S.....	97 Angell St.
SEARS, LORENZO.....	163 Butler Ave.
SMITH, F. W.....	98 Williams St.
TOURTELOT, W. H.....	59 Longmont St.
WALLEN, K. P.....	20 Market Square,
WASHBURN, ARTHUR.....	98 Williams St.
WEBB, SAMUEL H.....	21 Adelaide Ave.
WILCOX, E. I.....	50 Olive St.

Form of Bequest

I hereby give and bequeath to THE RHODE ISLAND BRANCH
OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, a
corporation under laws of the State of Rhode Island the sum of
..... Dollars,
to be applied to the uses and purposes of said Corporation.

