

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
SOUTH CAROLINA BRANCH
OF
THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
TO THE
GENERAL BOARD OF MISSIONS,
DIOCESE OF SOUTH CAROLINA.

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WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

SOUTH CAROLINA BRANCH.

The Eighteenth Annual Meeting of the South Carolina Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the General Board of Missions was held in St. Paul's Parish, Charleston, on Tuesday, May 12th. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion in the Church, the Bishop officiating, assisted by several of the clergy, at which there was a large attendance of the members of the Auxiliary. At eleven o'clock the Convention met for business in the Parish House adjoining the Church, and was called to order by Bishop Capers. A most cordial address of welcome was made by the Rector Rev. Louis G. Wood. The roll of Senior branches was called, and was responded to by the representatives from 24 branches, 152 delegates in all being present. The minutes of the last meeting held in Florence, were read and approved. The Treasurer's report showed that the sum of \$1,275.28 had passed through her hands in the course of the past year. The discrepancy existing between this report and that of the Secretaries of the three departments proving that all the branches have not yet fully learned that ALL MONEY OFFERINGS, no matter to what object, should be made through the Diocesan Treasurer. The Secretary's report was then read, showing that during the year the Senior branches have contributed in money \$1,162.54, in boxes \$788.28, a total of \$1,940.82, which is a slight falling off from last year's report. One new branch had been formed during the year. The Secretary drew attention to the fact that the pledges for the Chinese and Japanese Bible Women had not been fully paid and hoped that the deficiencies would soon be made up.

At this point the proceedings were suspended while the Bishop offered the Mid-Day Prayer for Missions. The report of the Secretary of the Church Periodical Club was then read showing a gratifying increase of interest in the work, and commenting on the pleasure given and the good accomplished by sending the books and papers to those in remote places where

reading matter is scarce. This report was supplemented by remarks from Bishop Capers telling of his visit to the rooms of the C. P. C. in New York, and of the valuable works which had there been given him for distribution to his clergy.

Next followed most interesting reports from the Senior Branches, read by their delegates and showing far more fully than any mere money reports could do, the deep interest felt in their work by the women of the Auxiliary throughout the Diocese, the difficulties many of them have in attending regularly the meetings of their branches, and in collecting the very generous sums sent by them to the various works of the organization. That so many had come long distances to attend this Convention was sufficient evidence of their thorough earnestness in and love for, their Master's work in the sending of the Gospel to all people. The President then read her able and most inspiring address, summarizing the work and the events of the past year. This was listened to with the closest attention and was followed by a letter from Miss Julia C. Emery, concerning the Auxiliary apportionment which looks towards the raising of the annual contributions of the Auxiliary for all the work of the General Board to \$100,000, and asking that this year's portion of the amount should, if possible, be sent in by Sept. 1st. This the branches promised to try to do, by making a special offering for General Missions before that time. A most encouraging letter from Kin Fukutomi San, who for several years has been the Japanese Bible Woman at Takata, supported by this Diocese, was read and the following resolution was offered:

“Resolved, That the thanks of the S. C. Branch of the Auxiliary are extended to Fukutomi San for her most interesting letter and generous gift of photographs.”

A motion was then made to amend the Constitution so as to create a Secretary for the Babies' Branches, 17 of which having been organized in the diocese during the past year, by the efforts of Miss Mary G. Martin, making such an office necessary. This was done with the approval of the Convention, and Article III was altered so that the words “and a Secretary of the Babies' Branches” should follow “a Secretary of the

Junior Branches." Miss S. L. Dodson, of St. Mary's Hall, Shanghai, who was present, was then asked to tell of her work in China, and described most fully the educational work of St. Mary's School and the benevolent work of St. Mary's Orphanage in saving Chinese babies who would otherwise be killed or left to starve to death, and she made a touching appeal for the support of the Orphanage.

The Convention then adjourned until four o'clock and during the recess a delightful lunch was served at the residence of Mrs. Davis, opposite the Church, by the ladies of St. Paul's assisted by committees from each of the other city Churches.

At 4 P. M. the Convention was again called to order by the Rev. Louis G. Wood, the election of officers being the first business. By vote of the meeting the rule about balloting was suspended and a nominating committee appointed. A letter was read from Mrs. W. D. Martin, who for years has served as First Vice-President, declining renomination on account of her health; and the following resolution was offered and accepted. "Resolved, That it is with extreme reluctance we find ourselves forced to accept the resignation of Mrs. Martin, who, with great efficiency has so long served on the Diocesan Board."

Miss Kate Hampton, who had been Second Vice-President since the formation of the S. C Branch, having also been obliged to resign, this resolution was offered :

"Resolved, That we have heard with deep regret that our Second Vice-President, Miss Kate Hampton, has felt obliged to resign her position, and we sympathize deeply with her in the causes that have led to her withdrawal."

The nominating Committee then made their report which was unanimously accepted by the Convention. A resolution was received from the Council of the Diocese, which had been adopted the previous week while the Council was holding its 113th Session in Columbia, which read as follows :

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD,

Columbia, S. C., May 7th, 1903.

RESOLVED, That in anticipation of the meeting of the

Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese in St. Paul's Church, Charleston, we of the Council send the members our greeting and hearty God Speed in their important and devoted work.

A. S. THOMAS, Secretary.

The meeting of the Junior Auxiliary was then opened by the roll call of the Juniors. Thirteen Branches were represented, and 61 delegates were present. The Secretary of the Juniors then made a very happy address and read her report which showed good work by all the branches and that three new branches and two sub-branches had been formed during the year. At Miss Emery's suggestion, the S. C. Juniors resolved to undertake a Day School in China, to be supported entirely by them. At the close of her address the Secretary asked that the school be given a distinctive name, and after discussion and balloting the name "Bishop Ellison Capers," was selected for the school. Then came the reports from Junior Branches all of them most encouraging in their nature, and at their conclusion Miss Martin who had just been elected Secretary of the Babies' Branches, read the report of the good work already accomplished by that division in so short a time, the receipts having amounted in all to \$62.60. This having finished the business of the day, Miss Dodson was called upon to address the Juniors, and succeeded in keeping their closest attention and interest while she told them of her most interesting work at Shanghai, and of the branch of the Junior Auxiliary among the pupils of St. Mary's Hall. At the close of her address a vote of thanks was given her for the two most interesting addresses delivered by her during the day. The Convention also united in a resolution of cordial thanks to the Rector and Congregation of St. Paul's, for the hearty hospitality extended to the Convention, and the delightful day enjoyed under their roof. Invitations were given by several of the branches to the Convention to meet with them next year the decision upon which was necessarily postponed for some months. There being no further business the Convention adjourned.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Receipts 1902-1903.

From Senior Branches	\$994 57
" Junior Branches	146 40
" Babies' Branches	56 55
" Offerings at Annual Meeting	8 60
" Offerings at St. Michaels, May 24th	7 42
" Offerings at Grace Chnrch, May 25th	7 16
" Offerings at Semi-Annual	9 85
" Offerings at Semi-Annual, December 20th	8 00
" Offerings at Junior's Meeting	13 00
 Total	 \$1,251 55
Balance from last Year	23 73
	 \$1,275 28

Expenditures 1902-1903.

To General Missions	\$253 05
" Foreign Specials	258 90
" Domestic Specials	68 00
" Diocesan	208 13
" Church Orphanage	<u>71 15</u>
" Printing Reports, Etc	32 40
" Miss Emery for Publications	5 00
" Mite Boxes, Expressage, Etc	14 30
" Postage, Stationery, Etc	20 20
" The United Offering	258 60
" The Delegates Fund	21 55
 Total	 \$1,211 28
Brought Forward	\$1,211 28
In Bank	40 00
On Hand	 24 00
	 \$1,275 28

Respectfully submitted,

HENRIETTA MURDOCH,

Diocesan Treas. Woman's Aux.

BOARD ACCOUNT.

Receipts, 1902-1903.

From Membership Dues	\$105 05
Balance from last Year	14 89
 Total	 \$119 94

Expenditures 1902-1903.

To Printing Reports, Etc.....	\$ 32 40
“ Mite Boxes, Expressage, Etc.....	14 30
“ Stationery, Postage, Etc.....	20 20
“ Miss Emery for Publications.....	5 00
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In Germania Bank.....	\$71 90
In Hand.....	40 00
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Total.....	<hr/> \$119 94

Respectfully submitted,

HENRIETTA MURDOCH,

Diocesan Treas. Woman's Aux.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Your Secretary desires, Ladies, to confess at once in the beginning of her Report that it does not equal financially, that of the last year which was the best on record for this Diocese. But there is no feeling of discouragement whatever in making this statement, for the presence of so many women here today from all parts of the State, our welcome guests and delegates, proves a living interest in our work of more value than many dollars. This meeting is our annual opportunity to plan and arrange together for the increase and improvement of that work, keeping always in mind the high motive which underlies it, and the high methods which should characterize it.

Our Auxiliary work has moved quietly along the usual lines during the past year. The Wando Branch, from the old Parish of St. Thomas and St. Denis, is the only one added to the list. The boxes were about thirty in number; the most valuable were of course, the six filled for the families of clergymen. Our mission boxes were given within the Diocese, two to St. Barnabas and five to the Church Orphanage, always a favorite work with the Branches. The remainder were scattered far and wide in the broad field of Domestic Missions. One travelled as far as Oneida, Wis., and this by the way, contained the only help for the Indians, from South Carolina. Two were sent to St. Mary's on the Mountain, Tenn., one to Corbin, Ky., one to Ivy Depot, Va., another to Valle Crucis, and several to Franklin, North Carolina.

I will ask your attention for a moment to our pledges in the Foreign field. In St. Mary's School, Shanghai, the Spartanburg Branch has long maintained the "Margaret Manning Scholarship." In St. Mary's Orphanage, Shanghai, a child has been supported for many years in the "Bishop Howe Cot", several branches uniting in this work. South Carolina has also been responsible for two Bible Women in China and Japan, many of the parish branches contributing to make up their salaries. It is gratifying to be able to state that St. Paul's, Charleston, has recently assumed entire charge of a third Bible Woman, who will work under Bishop Ingle, in the diocese of Hankow. Our only pledge in Japan is for a Bible Woman whose salary is \$60.00. There is a deficiency in the amount promised, and additional subscribers are needed. This is a

"special". Mrs. Fukutomi was selected for us by Mrs. Patton, and she is doing excellent work, for through her efforts eight Japanese Women have been brought to baptism during the year. Her letter which will be read today, shows how fully she relies upon our sympathy and prayers; we must not fail our faithful agent in any respect. A very moderate offering from those branches which now give nothing to Foreign Missions would easily make up the deficiency. There is a strange reluctance on the part of some Church Woman to contribute to the work in Foreign Lands, strange, since they are members of a Missionary Society, and still more strange in view of the fact, that all their own Christian privileges are the direct result of Foreign Missions in former days.

For Domestic Missions we attempt less. The Holy Communion Branch sends yearly \$20.00 towards a scholarship in Anvik, Alaska. Greenville gives \$10.00 to a school in Beaufort, N. C., and three Charleston Branches devote \$15.00 to a school in Cashier's Valley, N. C. Our help to Domestic Missions is chiefly in the form of boxes; the value of these is \$543.64.

There is one subject which must be pressed upon your attention to-day: a more liberal support of the General Board of Missions in New York. Miss Emery hopes for more than \$600 00 from this Branch, only \$200 00 are yet in sight. Now it is not easy to arouse enthusiasm in behalf of a Board at any time; "specials" are far more attractive, it must be confessed. To have our own Bible Woman in Japan, our own little girl in the Orphanage at Shanghai, to receive letters and likenesses of our proteges, this is what the women prefer, and very naturally, for this care of the individual gives interest and reality to our work in distant lands. And these "specials" have been of the greatest help to the Missionary cause, and are indispensable to its success. But we must not confine ourselves to them, we must not stop here, because, on the day we joined the Woman's Auxiliary, we pledged ourselves to sustain the work of the Board. This is the very "reason of our being," the very purpose of our existence, "Auxiliary to the General Board of Missions." We have not hitherto realized

this fact as distinctly as we should have done; when our members realize that they are so pledged, there will be no difficulty in securing the one yearly offering from each Branch, at which we aim. Of this your Officers feel sure, from pleasant experience in the past; when the women understand the pledge they have made, the thing will be accomplished.

And there is a second reason for supporting the Board which should be mentioned. In the hands of the Secretaries, Dr. Lloyd and Mr. Wood lies the knowledge of the whole Mission field. They know where "the need is the sorest," as we never can—to them comes the cry for help, to them hands are stretched out for aid; they can dispose of our gifts more wisely than we can. Then let us not withhold them, even though some other work may appeal to us more strongly.

The South Carolina Branch is eighteen years old to-day; the responsibilities of mature age must be assumed. Whatever is done or left undone, we are bound to contribute to the General Board.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) M. E. PINCKNEY, Secretary.

CONTRIBUTIONS IN MONEY.

Diocesan Missions	\$382.39
Domestic Missions	102.85
Foreign Missions	240.10
General Missions	132.83
United Offering	211.98
General Expenses of Branches	92.39
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Boxes - Diocesan	\$1,162.54
Domestic	543.64
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Collections at Meetings	1,900.82
	40.00
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Total	\$1,940.82

ST. THADDEUS, AIKEN.

20 Members.

Diocesan Missionaries, 2 Boxes	\$47.00
Mission School, at Arden, N. C.	10.00
Mission School, at Morganton, N. C.	10.00
Chapel at Calhoun Falls, S. C.	18.00
Church Home Orphanage, Charleston	9.00
Diocesan Missions	7.75
United Offering	7.49
General Expenses of S. C. Branch	4.00
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	\$108.24

GRACE CHURCH, ANDERSON.

13 Members.

St. Barnabas Missions, S. C., 1 Box	\$26.00
Chapel at Calhoun Falls, S. C.	5.00
Bishop Howe Cot, Shanghai	5.00
General Expenses of S. C. Branch	4.40
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	\$34.40

ST. HELENA, BEAUFORT.

27 Members.

Diocesan Missions	\$27.92
General Missions	11.00
Expenses of S. C. Branch	2.70
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	\$41.62

GRACE CHURCH, BOYKIN.

15 Members.

Church Orphanage, Charleston, 1 Box	\$20.00
United Offering	8.00
Expenses of S. C. Branch	1.50
	2.50
	\$32.00

GRACE CHURCH, CAMDEN.

29 Members.

St. Mary's Mission, Sewanee, Tenn., 1 Box	\$36.00
Domestic Missionary, 1 Box	20.00
Bishop Howe Cot, Shanghai	5.00
United Offering	12.42
General Expenses S. C. Branch	6.00
	2.90
	\$82.32

CHARLESTON, GRACE CHURCH

58 Members.

Domestic Missionary, 1 Box	\$54.71
Diocesan Missionaries, 2 Boxes	35.34
Valley Mission, N. C	5.00
Japanese Bible Women	10.00
United Offering	12.40
Expenses of S. C. Branch	4.00
	\$121.45

HOLY COMMUNION BRANCH.

50 Members.

St. Mary's Mission, Sewanee, Tenn., 1 Box	\$36.25
Scholarship at Anvik, Alaska	20.00
Bible Woman in Japan	5.00
Bible Woman in China	5.00
Valley Mission, N. C	5.00
General Missions	23.53
United Offering	26.50
General Expenses S. C. Branch	9.60
	\$130.88

ST. MICHAEL'S BRANCH.

68 Members.

Domestic Missionary, 1 Box	\$40.63
Board of Missions for Foreign Work	20.00
Bible Woman, Japan	10.00
Church at Allendale, S. C.	38.37
United Offering	18.00
Expenses of S. C., Branch	5.00

\$132 00

ST. PAUL'S BRANCH.

50 Members.

For Mission School, Valle Crucis, N. C., 1 Box	\$32.00
Bible Women in Diocese of Hankow	42.00
Bible Women in China	5.00
General Expenses of S. C. Branch	5.00

\$84 00

ST. PHILIP'S BRANCH.

39 Members.

Diocesan Missions, 1 Box	\$28.30
Diocesan Missions	15.00
Valley Mission, N. C.	5.00
Chinese Bible Woman	10.00
Havana Orphanage	5.00
General Board of Missions	8.00
United Offering	10.52
Expenses S. C. Branch	2.65

\$79 47

ST. JOHN'S BRANCH.

25 Members.

General Board of Missions	\$40.00
Work in District of Sacramento	10.00
United Offering	16.73
Expense of S. C. Branch	2.10

\$68 83

CHESTER BRANCH.

Expense of S. C. Branch	\$ 1.10
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ST. DAVID'S, CHERAW.

23 Members.

To Bishop Howe Cot, Shanghai	\$10.00
United Offering	5.00
General Expenses S. C. Branch	4.60

\$19 60

TRINITY CHURCH, COLUMBIA.

Members.

Domestic Missionary, 1 box	\$70 00	✓
To Rev. E. N. Joyner for Colored Work	10 00	
To Bible Women in China	5 00	
To Bible Woman in Japan	5 00	
To United Offering	18 83	
Diocesan Missions	52 50	✓
General Expenses of S. C. Branch	3 35	
	\$164 68	

GOOD SHEPHERD, COLUMBIA.

15 Members.

THE HOLY INNOCENTS, CORDESVILLE.

15 Members.

Mission at Corbin, Ky., 1 box	\$30 00	
Expenses of S. C., Branch	1 30	
	\$31 30	

TRINITY, EDISTO.

18 Members.

To Diocesan Missions	\$50 00	✓
United Offering	10 42	
General Expenses of Branch	3 60	
General Board of Missions, from a Member	6 00	
	\$70 02	

ST. JOHN'S, FLORENCE.

30 Members.

To Mission at Ivy Depot, Va., 1 box	\$15 00	
To Mission at Franklin, N. C., 1 box	15 00	
To Bishop Howe Cot, Shanghai	5 00	
To United Offering	4 85	
General Expenses of Branch	2 70	
	\$42 55	

ST. MATTHEW'S, FORT MOTTE.

To St. Barnabas Mission, S. C., 1 box	\$10 00	✓
General Expenses of Branch	1 00	
	\$11 00	

HOLY TRINITY, GRAHAMVILLE.

13 Members.

Diocesan Missions	\$16 00	✓
General Expenses	2 19	
	\$18 19	

CHRIST CHURCH, GREENVILLE.

48 Members.

Family of Domestic Missionary, 1 box.....	\$42 05
To Charleston Orphanage, 1 box.....	11 20
St. Paul's School, Beaufort, N. C.....	10 00
Bible Women in China	5 00
United Offering	18 14
Diocesan Missions.....	22 75
General Expenses.....	4 20
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	\$113 34

ST. JOHN'S, JOHN'S ISLAND.

28 Members.

To Diocesan Missions	\$17 00
Bible Women in China	5 00
United Offering	14 05
To Church in Jacksonville, Fla.....	4 00
General Expenses of Branch.....	7 00
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	\$47 05

EPIPHANY, LAURENS.

15 Members.

To Church Orphanage, Charleston.....	\$12 00
To United Offering.....	3 88
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	\$15 88

REDEEMER, ORANGBURG.

12 Members.

To Foreign Missions.....	\$ 3 10
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ST. JAMES, SANTEE.

20 Members.

Mission at Franklin, N. C., 1 box.....	\$15 00
United Offering.....	8 08
General Expenses.....	2 00
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	\$25 08

CHURCH OF THE ADVENT, SPARTANBURG.

27 Members.

To Church Orphanage, 1 box	\$18 80
To Church Orphanage	41 65
Infirmary, Church Orphanage from Victoria E.	8 00
Infirmary, In Memoriam R. D. Galbraith, Jr.	12 00
Margaret Manning Scholarship, St. Mary's Hall, Shanghai....	50 00
To Bishop Horner's Work, N. C.	5 00
General Expenses of Branch.....	2 70
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	\$188 15

THE HOLY CROSS, STATEBURG.

18 Members.

To Oneida Mission, Wis., 1 package	\$ 6 00
To Mission at Franklin, N. C., 1 package.....	8 00
To Colored Work under Rev. E. N. Joiner, 1 package.....	3 00
Diocesan Missions	3 30
Domestic Missions.....	2 00
General Expenses.....	1 00
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	\$23 30

THE HOLY COMFORTER, SUMTER.

16 Members.

To Mission at Oneida, Wis., 1 box.....	\$25 00
To Family of Domestic Missionary, 1 box.....	18 00
United Offering.....	7 72
General Expenses.....	2 40
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	\$53 12

ST. PAUL'S, SUMMERTON.

Bible Woman in Japan, Diocese of.....	\$30 00
General Expenses of Branch.....	3 20
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	\$33 20

OUR SAVIOUR, UNION.

20 Members.

To Family of Domestic Missionary, 1 box.....	\$18 00
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ST. JUDE'S, WALTERBORO.

13 Members.

General Board of Missions.....	\$8 00
Diocesan Missions.....	5 75
United Offering.....	1 60
General Expenses.....	1 30
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	\$16 65

ST. JOHN'S, WINNSBORO.

20 Members.

To Church Home Orphanage, 1 box.....	\$ 6 00
To Church Home Orphanage.....	14 00
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	\$20 00

ST. THOMAS AND ST. DENNIS, WANDO.

To Mission in Waseca, Minn, 1 box.....	\$20 00
To Mission, Franklin, N. C. 1 box.....	12 00
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	\$32 00

THE GOOD SHEPHERD, YORKVILLE.

13 Members.

To General Board of Missions.....	\$16 80
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ZION CHURCH EASTOVER.

16 Members.

Mission, Franklin, N. C. 1 box.....	\$35 00
For "Sheltring Arms," S. C.....	6 00
United Offering.....	7 40
To Church in Jacksonville, Fla.....	1 85
Expenses of S. C. Branch.....	1 80
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	\$52 05

ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
JUNIOR AUXILIARY,

MAY 1, 1902 TO MAY 1, 1903.

Since our last Annual Meeting Three New Branches of Juniors have been organized; in Annandale, Columbia and Florence. During the last month two Sub-Banches have been formed in Aiken and St. Paul's, Charleston. The membership has increased from 370 to 460, which is encouraging.

Only one half the Juniors pay membership fees; the other half do not yet understand that it is expected of them! Then, too, only one half has contributed anything to the United Offering. Of course we always want you to do great things, but when you can't do great things—why, do what you can! The amount of money is not our object, it is knowledge of and interest in the various objects for which we work! Our United Offering ought to represent every member of the Auxiliary, if only by a penny from each! Grace Church Juniors are the "Banner Branch" this year. Aiken comes second; and St. Philips, Charleston, third, Annandale, Beaufort, Cheraw and Greenville almost tie for fourth place!

The Branch of little ones in Anderson, is to be specially commended; they are the babies of the Juniors, and have accomplished more than some of their older sisters! Cheraw, Greenville and St. Paul's, Charleston, by increased efforts and zeal, have doubled their last year's report. In the Foreign field, the Juniors have furnished an organ for the Mission of which the Rev. F. G. Mosher has charge, at Wusih, China.

The Christmas Boxes have gone to the Mission Schools in the mountains of North Carolina, at Lenoir, Valle Crucis and Franklin. Darlington sent an Easter Box to Dillsboro.

St. Michael's Ministering Children's League continues to support its Scholarship at Holy Trinity Orphanage, Tokyo,

Japan and its work at the Church Home Orphanage in Charleston. Aiken too, sends an annual contribution to the Orphanage, at Tokyo and takes charge of one of the children at the Orphanage, in Charleston besides sending their Christmas Box. The Branches in Walterboro and Pinopolis Work only for the Church Orphanage. The other Branches divide their contributions so as to aid the Mission Work at home and abroad

At Miss Emery's suggestion the South Carolina Juniors are going to undertake the support of a Chinese Day School. It will be in Bishop Ingle's district, probably a school for boys in Wuchang. While we are here together to-day, we are to decide upon a name for "our school."

During the year the Juniors have given in money to

Diocesan Missions	\$150 25
Domestic Missions.....	10 00
Foreign Missions	116 28
General Missions.....	17 79
United Offering	34 68
Membership Fees.....	12 15
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	\$341 15

BOXES:—

Diocesan.....	\$157 10
Domestic.....	331 75
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	\$488 85
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	\$830 00

KATIE LEE,

Secretary.

ST. THADDEUS, AIKEN.

26 Members.

Church Orphanage, Money and Boxes.....	\$22 50
Box to Valle Crucis, N. C.....	30 00
Chapel at Calhoun Falls.....	10 00
Towards Organ at Wusih, China.....	10 00
Holy Trinity Orphanage, Tokyo.....	5 00
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	\$77 50

GRACE, ANDERSON.

9 Members.

Box to Lenoir, N. C.....	\$10 00
Towards Organ at Wusih.....	50
Towards Chinese Day School.....	1 00
United Offering	1 00
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United Offering	\$12 50

THE MESSIAH, ANNANDALE.

27 Members.

Box to Lenoir, N. C	\$32 80
Chinese Day School	5 00
United Offering	5 00
Church Orphanage.....	10 50
Membership Fees.....	1 05
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	\$54 95

ST. HELENA'S, BEAUFORT.

32 Members.

Box to Lenoir, N. C.....	\$20 00
Chinese Day School.....	3 00
Diocesan Missions.....	30 00
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Diocesan Missions.....	\$53 00

ST. DAVID'S, CHERAW.

14 Members.

Box to Lenoir, N. C.....	\$15 00
Organ at Wusih, China.....	2 00
General Missions.....	10 00
Towards Building Church in Alaska.....	10 00
United Offering	2 00
Diocesan Missions.....	15 00
Membership Fees.....	1 15
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	\$55 15

TRINITY, COLUMBIA.

29 Members.

Box to Hume, Va.....	\$5.00
Diocesan Missions.....	5 00
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	\$10 00

ST. MATTHEW'S, DARLINGTON.

8 Members.

Box to Dillsboro, N. C.....	\$10.00
Organ at Wusih, China	2 00
Towards Building Church in Darlington.....	8 75
Membership Fees.....	75
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	\$21 50

ST. JOHN'S, FLORENCE.

23 Members.

Box to Lenoir, N. C.....	\$5.00
Organ, Wusih, China.....	75
United Offering.....	5 27
Membership Fees.....	2 80
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	\$13 32

CHRIST CHURCH, GREENVILLE.

20 Members.

Box to Lenoir, N. C.....	\$25.00
Organ at Wusih, China	7 00
United Offering.....	0 57
St. Andrew's Mission.....	11 00
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	\$52 57

PINOPOLIS.

8 Members.

Elberta, at Church Orphanage.....	\$8.00
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HOLY CROSS, STATEBURG.

12 Members.

Box to Lenoir, N. C.....	\$9.00
Box to Church Orphanage.....	2 50
Organ at Wusih, China.....	2 00
United Offering.....	1 55
Membership Fees.....	1 00
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	\$16 05

ST. PAUL'S, SUMMERVILLE.

MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE

20 Members.

Box to Valle Crucis, N. C.	\$12 60
Church Orphanage	14 40
Miscellaneous Work	8 00
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	\$35 00

HOLY COMFORTER, SUMTER.

28 Members.

Box to Lenoir, N. C.	\$15 25
Organ at Wusih, China	10 00
Diocesan Missions	6 50
Membership Fees	1 00
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	\$33 65

ST. JUDE'S, WALTERBORO.

11 Members.

Church Orphanage	\$14 25
Membership Fees	50
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	\$14 75

CHARLESTON, GRACE CHURCH.

20 Members.

Box to Orangeburg, S. C.	\$ 2 00
Box to Valle Crucis, N. C.	61 75
St. Barnabas, Summerville	50 00
Chinese Day School	5 00
Organ at Wusih, China	3 00
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	\$121 75

HOLY COMMUNION.

15 Members.

Box to Lenoir, N. C.	\$14 00
Organ at Wusih, China	5 00
United Offering	3 00
Membership Fees	75
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	\$22 75

ST. MICHAEL'S.

MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

55 Members.

Holy Trinity Orphanage, Tokyo.....	\$30 00
Church Orphanage.....	68 55
Miscellaneous Work.....	25 90
	<u>\$124 45</u>

ST. PHILIP'S.

32 Members.

Box to Franklin, N. C.....	\$14 85
Chinese Day School.....	15 00
United Offering.....	2 85
Church Orphanage.....	2 50
	<u>\$65 20</u>

ST. PAUL'S.

30 Members.

Box to Valle Crucis, N. C.....	\$16 75
Organ at Wusih, China.....	7 75
General Missions.....	4 79
Foreign Missions.....	2 28
United Offering.....	3 44
Membership Fees.....	1 30
	<u>\$36 31</u>

ST. JOHN'S.

27 Members.

Box.....	\$4 75
General Missions.....	3 00
United Offering.....	1 00
Membership Fees.....	85
	<u>\$9 60</u>

REPORT OF BABIES' BRANCHES.

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Members

1	Grace Church, Charleston	35	\$4 00
2	Holy Communion, Charleston	23	5 00
3	St. John's, Charleston	5	2 00
4	St. Michael's, Charleston	7	2 00
5	St. Paul's, Charleston	13	2 20
6	St Philip's, Charleston	10	2 38
7	Trinity, Columbia	20	21 51
8	Trinity, Edisto	7	2 00
9	*Prince George, Georgetown		
10	Christ Church, Greenville	77	8 35
11	*Grace Church, Ridge Spring		
12	Holy Cross, Stateburg	11	2 52
13	St. Paul's, Summerville	7	2 57
14	Our Saviour, Trenton	12	4 19
15	*St. John's, Winnsboro		
16	All Saints, Yemassee	10	3 88
		237	\$62 60

*No report received.

MARY G. MARTIN,

Secretary Babies' Branches.

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB.

In the six years that I have been connected with this work it has increased very largely except in one respect, and that is, the number of parishes taking part in it. There are but eight, out of the large number in this State, that might lend a helping hand. The work increases year by year and is carried on in sixty-eight dioceses. All our Bishops endorse it, and countless clergymen give their testimony to its value.

The organization of the Club is very simple, and I would urge upon the Churches here represented to join with those who for many years have tried to brighten the lives of others. Some one long associated with this work has said: "When we read the grateful letters received from all parts of the world, testifying to the great good accomplished by the Church Periodical Club, of the lonely hearts cheered, the starved minds fed, we have cause for humble gratitude for the privilege of sharing in a work, which from its unassuming beginning has grown to such proportions, a power for good in the world.

The Church Periodical Club in South Carolina has sent out since last May 186 current Church and Secular Magazines, 128 Books, 36 Tracts, 6069 copies of odd magazines and illustrated papers, 767 Christmas and Easter Cards, 148 pictures, and 85 boxes, contents not noted. \$101.52 have been spent in postage, and the contributions in money for the current expenses have been \$11.89.

M. J. MARTIN, Correspondent of C. P. C.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

When we are inclined to feel discouraged at the thought that our Branch of the Auxiliary has not taken the hold upon the women of the Diocese that we had hoped it would do, we have only to look back a few years to satisfy ourselves that perhaps we are too impatient of results. And I am alluding now more particularly to the interest as evinced in the annual meetings. For five years after our organization these meetings were held in Grace Church Sunday School, only an afternoon session, and with no delegates except from the Charleston Churches. Then came an invitation from Greenville to meet there with the Convention, which invitation was accepted; and on the afternoon of the 15th May, 1891, we met in the Sunday School of Christ Church, with representatives from only two of the Charleston Churches, but with delegates from Abbeville, Anderson, Columbia, Spartanburg, Walhalla and of course from Greenville. This was certainly an advance in the right direction, but it was not until two years later that we began to have a preparatory service of the Holy Communion, and an all day meeting. That year marked the eighth of our existence as a Branch of the Auxiliary, and as theologians have told us that there is a mystic meaning in the numerals of Holy Scripture, and that the number 8 means Resurrection, or the beginning of a new life, it really seems to have been even so with us; for from that date our meetings appear to carry with them more earnestness and enthusiasm. To-day, on our eighteenth anniversary, it is my privilege to welcome a larger number of delegates than we have ever had, and I am sure that each one of us realizes more fully the responsibility and the opportunity which is ours, and we are filled with a more earnest desire to do our part, feeble though it be, in making the love of our Blessed Saviour known wherever his sunshine is cast.

In the same year, 1893, our share of the United Offering which was given to the Enrolment Fund, was \$269.00, in con-

trast to the sum of \$808.00 which went from South Carolina to San Francisco. So much for the distant retrospect. Let us glance now for a few moments at our work during the past year, and then turn our attention to the duties which lie before us, and consider together wherein we may increase our membership, our interest and our offerings, and work together as a united band of the daughters of the Church, with the single aim to do all we can for the spread of God's truth throughout the world, until all kings shall bow down before Him—all nations shall do him service.

Since our last Annual Meeting, one of the younger members of the Auxiliary has bravely and successfully under the sanction of the Board, organized the "Babies' Branch" in 17 parishes, and distributed 200 tiny mite boxes. It is a pleasure to think of this number of Christ's little ones thus being trained from infancy to take their part in the spread of His kingdom, and to have their names inscribed as early workers in His vineyard. And of those young lambs who have been gathered into his bosom, how comforting is the thought that they also may be connected with the work of his Church; in the memorial offerings that are given in memory of their brief little lives. May the good work go on and prosper.

The development of the Study Class is becoming very general and useful, as an efficient means of spreading missionary literature and knowledge. In many places these are held in private houses, and after the papers have been read and the business part of the meeting is over, a cup of tea is handed, and thus a social feature is introduced. In Charleston, these meetings have been held monthly in the Parish Houses, and have been well attended throughout the winter. In Cheraw, Eastover, and in other branches, these Study Classes are carried on, and we hope the interest everywhere is growing. And my friends, if we do no more when we meet than read the "Spirit of Missions," and have to get her some of them any prayers that are now so generally used by the members of the Auxiliary, we must believe that even that effort will bring God's blessing upon us and increase our interest in missionary work. Some one has said that a member of the Auxiliary without the *together* *the man*

"Spirit of Missions," is as a Churchwoman without her Prayer Book; and surely those who see that magazine, and read in it each month the story of the lives and labors of the Church's heroes, will never want to give it up. Especially is it necessary to the officers, for they cannot work intelligently without it, neither can they take any deep interest in a work of which they can know so little unless they read its pages. Take it, my friends, and lend it to others who cannot afford to subscribe, so that it may be seen as a familiar book on every table in our Christian homes.

During the winter we have had many opportunities of hearing from various parts of the Mission Field. Dr. Powers, the Secretary of the American Church Missionary Society, came to give us a pathetic account of the children in Cuba, who by the war, had been left orphaned and homeless, and to ask for them our prayers and our interest; thirteen only of these children, out of two hundred and fifty, being all for whom the Church has been able to provide. Bishop Moreland told us of his wild western life and of his work among the poor and illiterate whites and Indians of Sacramento and Oregon; and Bishop Horner interested us in the mountain people of the District of Asheville of which he has charge. Then Dr. Lloyd in his quiet, earnest way, told us of what was most necessary to keep up our Auxiliary life; of the constant prayers for missions which should daily be upon our lips; and of the study which alone could give us that knowledge, without which any deep interest was impossible. With all these opportunities, and with our complete organization, we should be fully equipped to go onward. But the Auxiliary will never live up to the full measure of its responsibility and privilege, until every baptized woman, appreciating the meaning of her baptismal vow, pledges herself to do what she can for the missionary work of the Church. We have our Junior and our Babies' Branches, but is not it a fact that in many instances the girls between the ages of 16 and 22 or 23 seem somehow to slip between and to take no part at all in any of the missionary work. We need them all. We need their young and ardent spirits and their strong and vigorous life; and the time is coming in

the natural course of events, when the older officers must resign and leave their work to be carried on by these younger and stronger hands. We must try to allure them to take an interest in the work of the Auxiliary, that so they may keep step in the magnificent march of God's workers, and grow in knowledge and richness of life.

We have been pained to find that our Second Vice-President, Miss Hampton, has been obliged to resign her position, on account of her increasing years and infirmities, and Mrs. Albert Heyward of Columbia, has been acting in her place. Miss Hampton has been an interested and efficient officer ever since the Branch was organized 18 years ago, and we have missed her sadly from our little band of Diocesan officers. And to-day Mrs. Martin, on account of impaired health, also tenders her resignation as Third Vice-President. I am sure we all regret the necessity which has induced her to withdraw from this office, but are pleased to know that she will be able to continue her duties as Correspondent of the Church Periodical Club.

We all know that the Board of Missions has asked and the Woman's Auxiliary has pledged the sum of \$100,000 yearly to help to meet the liabilities which that Board has assumed. For the salaries of the Missionary Bishops and Clergy must be paid by the Church which sends them, and we as members of that Church must do our part. Last year our Auxiliary gave to Diocesan Missions, in money and boxes, \$861.00 while \$73 only was given to the General Board. They tell us now that they are obliged to ask for larger contributions, that with the added responsibility of Porto Rico and the Philippines more money is needed to carry on the work. Beside this \$73.00, of course there were special offerings for the Mission Field, such as the amounts sent to Bishop Ingle, to the Rev. Mr. Patton and others for the salaries of Bible Women in their respective districts, or to Bishop Rowe in Alaska, etc. But these do not help the Board. In their way they are necessary, but, my friends, we must do both. Perhaps we give too largely to "Specials," and so in arranging our work for the coming year, the Branches might consider

this matter conscientiously and determine whether some of the money which has hitherto been given to a special object may not be diverted and sent to the General Board of Missions, whose Auxiliary we are. Dr. Lloyd says that they know much better than we do, just where such amounts are most needed, therefore it is best to send direct to the managers. But in making up our amount for this Diocese, we may remember that every contribution which in any way will relieve the Board of its responsibility, will be credited to us as a part of that amount, whether it be for the support of a Bible Woman for the School Orphanage, or for the salary of a Clergyman. The great trouble perhaps in meeting all these demands lies in the fact that we have not as many Branches in the Diocese as we ought to have, and the wants of the Church at our very doors so fill our minds with the desire to give right here at home, that we fail to grasp the idea that we are an Auxiliary to the General Board of Missions, organized specially to help them in carrying out our Lord's command to go into all the world and teach. I have said that we have not Branches enough in the Diocese. Why, do you know that out of 137 parishes and mission stations only 38 are on the list of the Woman's Auxiliary? And that of 6,000 communicants, the large majority of whom are women, not more than 900 are enrolled as its members? It is the duty of the President to make strong efforts to establish a Branch of the Auxiliary wherever a congregation has been organized, but how dampening to our ardor when letters are not answered at all, or when the reply comes—as it so frequently does—“We are doing all we can and are not able to attempt anything more.” And then the question forces itself upon us, “Why is this so?” “Is it?” and I quote from the words of another officer: “Is it that the Church Women in that part of the Diocese care for none of these things?” That we cannot believe. Is it not rather that the whole aim and object of the Auxiliary are utterly misunderstood, that it is looked upon suspiciously as some new society for getting more money out of those who feel themselves already overburdened by obligations greater than they can meet, and that it has never presented it-

self to them as a means of uniting themselves with that full tide of life which flows through and through the Church, and from which they will receive far more than they can give, as each working Branch will abundantly testify?

Our lot, my friends, has been cast in a struggling diocese, "a very stronghold of weakness," as it may well be called, where the effort to keep open many of our Churches seems to tax to the uttermost the mind and energy of our dear Bishop, and which makes us feel at times as if all our work must be concentrated here. But if we do that our own life will stagger and grow faint and die. We must stretch out and beyond, to give our help in sending the Gospel to other lands; we are pledged to do so; and if we believe in the leavening power of the Auxiliary, we must believe as Canon Liddon has somewhere said of a parish: "our growth will be in proportion to our missionary activity."

And now in conclusion, wherein may we increase our interest, our membership and our offerings? Let us faithfully use the prayers for missions, and by reading and study let us keep abreast of the progress of the Kingdom. Let the parish officers endeavor to enlist the interest of every woman in her congregation; and we may ask the Clergy to assist us too, by keeping the matter constantly before their people, and explaining the aims and work of the Auxiliary. Then, perhaps, the time may come when instead of the small proportion of members which now exists, we may be a large array of Church Women, working together as a united band of the daughters of that Church, to strengthen the hands and nerve the hearts of those who are battling with the cruelty and wickedness of heathenism. And then let us never cease to use every effort to make these Annual Meetings successful, with representatives, if possible, from every Branch in the Diocese for there is an invigorating atmosphere about them which will be carried by proxy into every parish. Again, to use the words of another: "We would like them to be regarded as a sort of coaling station to which each individual craft may put in, and conscientiously take in enough fuel

to keep its engines in fine running order for its long voyage of the coming year."

Finally, let us not forget the Church Periodical Club, that splendid organization which carries comfort and happiness into so many homes. Far and near in our own diocese its blessings are felt both among the Clergy and the lay people and it is only a few weeks ago that I heard the Rector of one of our smaller parishes say: "I don't know how I could live without the Church Periodical Club, for without it I would have nothing to read, not even a paper, but now I am well supplied with many of the current magazines, and sometimes even with books." And so let us try to help others while others help us, and do our part in this all-important branch of Auxiliary work. And now, dear friends, we have reviewed the past with criticism and with praise. Let us look forward to another year trustfully and hopefully, determined with God's help, to make it a better year for the Church's work than any which has gone before.

N. S. WILSON, Pres.

