



THE REPORT

OF

THE SPRINGFIELD BRANCH

OF

THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

TO THE

BOARD OF MISSIONS

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REPORT OF THE FIFTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING
of the
SPRINGFIELD DIOCESAN BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUX-
ILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, DECEMBER
2, 1902.

Held in St. Paul's Rectory, Springfield, Ill.

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WOMANS AUXILIARY.

The fifteenth annual meeting of the Springfield Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, was held at St. Paul's Rectory, Dec. 2d, 1902, at 2:30 p. m., the President, Mrs. Candee, in the chair.

The meeting was opened by Bishop Taylor of Quincy, using the missionary collects set forth for that purpose. The Bishop, by the request of the President, made a very kind and useful address, urging each parish however small, to form some organization for missionary work.

This was followed by the roll call. Alton had three delegates, Cairo 4, Belleville 2, Champaign 1, Elkhart 1, Jacksonville 2, Christ Church, Springfield, 6, St. Paul's Church, Springfield, 7, with many visitors from other parishes and missions, about 35 ladies in all. The Secretary, Mrs. Dresser, read minutes of last meeting. The President, Mrs. Candee, of Cairo, gave her address, setting forth some of the ideas gathered while abroad, in a most charming manner, and is as follows:

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Dear Friends:

It is with a very grateful heart that I greet you again today. After long months of absence from home and thousands of miles of travel, with "perils by land and perils by sea," during which I have been mercifully spared in health and strength, it is a joy to behold again

my own, dear, native land and receive the cordial welcome of those I love, and with whom I have labored for long and happy years.

Many kind and familiar faces greet me and it is truly good to be with you once more. And the new faces among us encourage us in the thought that our work is growing and that willing help will make our burdens lighter the coming year. In all my long journey toward the rising sun, in the Orient, in Bible lands and to the Holy City which I had never expected to see, amid the hoary antiquities of ancient Egypt and the relics of the oldest civilizations of our old earth, the thought of home and my own place and work here was ever with me. I felt I had your loving remembrance and your fervent prayers, and nothing could dim the hope of a safe and happy return to take up this work again. For home only grows dearer by absence from it, and rest and change only accentuate the privilege of possessing some definite aim in life, and an interest and share in the great and glorious work of helping to make the world better, and life sweeter and nobler. And if foreign travel teaches us anything at all it must be profound gratitude to God for the great blessings we possess in being citizens of a free, Christian country, safe from danger, persecution, religious intolerance and political interference with our freedom and our faith. Our pleasure in meeting again is not unmixed with sadness, for we miss one familiar face, one cordial, earnest voice ever raised in behalf of the Auxiliary, which are gone from us forever. I heard at Liverpool, just before sailing for America of the death of our dear Honorary Secretary, Mrs. Caroline Gordon Allen, and I join with you in deplored the loss of one so young, gifted and beloved. Her devotion to the Church, its Catholic faith and practice and especially its missionary work, was most sincere and enthusiastic and we can-

not fill her place. May light perpetual shine upon her and her rest in Paradise be sweet.

The loss also from our small number, of one of our Vice-Presidents, Mrs. D. C. Peabody, and the crushing sorrow which has caused her removal from the Diocese has been a great regret, and evokes our tenderest sympathy. May our dear Lord comfort her and all to whom heavy sorrow has come, and give to us who have been exempt, more grateful hearts for all our rich and countless blessings.

Of the work accomplished in the past year, I can tell you nothing. Our worthy and faithful Secretary must be the historian and to her and her coadjutors, the other secretaries, and our efficient Treasurer, belong all the well earned honors and our gratitude. I have been like the naughty truant who runs away from school and goes so far afield and stays so long, that he misses all the lessons and only gets back in time for the plum cake and being dismissed. But I have not wasted the year entirely, for I have been by the goodness of Our Heavenly Father, far beyond my own poor deserts, permitted to visit some of the distant lands for which we daily offer prayer and to see many of the strange peoples of the earth and nations to whom only the light of the Gospel can bring healing and relief and freedom from oppression. It gives one cause for earnest thought and deep reflection to stand upon the Acropolis at Athens among the broken fragments of marble temples, that were thousands of years ago the proud boast of Hellenic civilization and the glory of Greece and looking down upon the little projection below known as Mars Hill, to remember that the religion of Greece has been extinct for centuries while that preached by St. Paul remains and encircles the whole earth. And to see at ancient Ephesus, lying prone amid tangled grass a shapeless mass of mossy ruins the few

shattered columns and capitals of the great Temple of Diana, which was once one of the wonders of the world, causes a thrill of gratitude to God for the noble epistle to the Ephesians, and all the divine utterances that will endure so long as the round world shall last and the Church of God continues. In Egypt, before the mute evidences of a yet older civilization and grosser forms of worship, one vainly seeks to penetrate the mysteries of the elder time guarded by the solemn Sphinx and the mighty Pyramids on the edge of the vast desert, and looks with deepest interest on the slow gliding Nile at the spot where Moses is said to have been found. The long strings of heavily laden camels from Damascus, the flocks of sheep and goats herded by their dusky shepherds as in patriarchal days, the palm trees and tropical vegetation, the bullock carts and motley assemblage of Arabs, Bedouins, Nubians and representatives of all nations, take us back to Old Testament history. But it was Jerusalem, the city of David, and the Son of David, the Redeemer of Israel, Our Blessed Lord, that brought tears to our eyes, and aching regret to our hearts, when we beheld her misery and desolation under the oppressive and fanatical rule of the unspeakable Turk. To view her from afar she is still a glorious city set upon her hills and girt around with the mountains of the Lord. The Kedron still murmurs softly in the valley below and the Cedars of Lebanon, grey and heavy with age still adorn the sacred precincts of Gethsemane. The roses of Sharon bloom afresh and the lilies of the field rival the glory of kings. From Olivet we beheld the Land of Moab and Gilead, the Jordan valley and the far off line of the Dead Sea. Just before Easter we met thousands of devout pilgrims crowding up to Jerusalem, as did the multitudes of Jews who went up to keep the Passover in our Saviour's days, when every inn was full. Great pilgrim houses are provided for those of different nations, and the Church of

the Holy Sepulchre is thronged by day and night with devout worshippers who prostrate themselves in adoration before the Crucified, and kiss the relics of the True Cross one moment, and the next are gambling, fighting and carousing unrestrainedly. From the gorgeous ceremonials of the Greek church and the gilded mosques of the Moslems whose sacred precincts may only be invaded by "foreign dogs of Christians" by a special permit and payment of a fee, and the donning of huge, felt slippers which continually fall off, it is but a few minutes walk to one of the saddest places I have ever visted—the wailing place of the Jews.

I shall never join again in the Good Friday petitions for "all Jews, Turks, infidels and heretics" without seeing with my mind's eye the sorrowful sight of aged gray-haired Israelites, women of middle life, youth and even young children beating their breasts and shedding tears of grief for the departed glory of their beloved Israel. Below the walls of their ancient city, now oppressed, defiled and contaminated by the rapacious and blood thirsty Turk, they gather weekly upon Friday, the day on which their forefathers crucified the Lord of Glory and in a measure make expiation for the most dreadful tragedy of the ages, verifying the curse which was descended upon the children even to the sixtieth generation. But as pitiful as is that spectacle there is one that is worse,—it is the vast numbers of beggars infesting all the byways and highways full of vermin and disease, and the loathsome lepers that crowd about travellers, thrusting themselves forward in their piteous and horrible distress. All the pleasure to be gained from the glorious landscape and historic associations of that most sacred country is neutralized by the intolerable conditions of existence for its miserable inhabitants and wretched, degraded poor. The rapacious government allows and encourages beggary and nothing is done to suppress or alleviate the distress

except by the heroic and devoted missionaries who spend their lives in almost futile efforts to overcome a small part of the suffering and destitution. One bright spot is the work of the Church of England, which has been for years upon the ground and has two beautiful church edifices in Jerusalem as centers of good work. Connected with Christ Church is a fine school for Jewish boys where 150 bright little fellows have been rescued from a life of degredation and misery and are being trained to lives of honest labor under the church's influence. I must mention also the work of Roberts College of Constantinople, which trains teachers and missionaries for Asia Minor and there are others as devoted and self-denying in their labors, amid indescribable discouragements. If those who sit at ease at home in this free and happy land, with every luxury about them, and no alarm, oppression or danger confronting them, could only realize what the foreign missionary has to contend with and how their own selfish ease may appear in God's sight, there would be such an outpouring of money, such a striving of prayer with the Almighty to send help to the dark places of the earth that all would be changed. A mighty wave of helpfulness would flow across the wide seas, waste places would be built up and perishing souls now sinking into darkness would be saved, comforted and redeemed. May God help us to realize the great need and be more ready to respond to it. If our time would permit I could tell you of Bethany, Mt. Olivet and Gethsemene; of the beautiful drive across the Judean hills to fair little Bethlehem, on the road to which we met the hosts of Russian pilgrims pressing up to Jerusalem after turning aside to kiss the sacred spot ever lighted by its swinging lamps where the Babe of Bethlehem was born, the silver star marking the spot beneath the manger church, worn smooth by devout lips of myraid worshippers. Of other temples, "poems in fretted marble," gorgeous with jewels and

gold rearing their stately pinnacles aloft in many different lands, all witnesses of the faith of Christ and the power of His religion, their remembrance only intensifies my gratitude for a safe return and the privilege of joining with you in the solemn, reverent worship of our own simple churches, and our work for the faith once delivered to the saints in its primitive purity, simplicity, and quiet strength. May the coming year be one of blessed opportunity and enlarged interest in Christ's service. May we strive more earnestly to make the Auxiliary truly a help in building up the Kingdom of God, and show our gratitude for the blessings we have enjoyed in the past twenty-five years in our dear Diocese, by renewed consecration of ourselves and all we have, to the Master whom we serve, and to Whom we daily pray, Thy Kingdom Come.

The Secretary then read her report as follows:

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

To the members of The Woman's Auxiliary in the Diocese of Springfield:

My report will fall short in point of interest, I fear, for want of material. I have felt very much like an orphan the past year, in the auxiliary work. Our President left us February last, for a nine months' sojourn, in foreign lands; our Honorary President spent most of the summer in the East, and our Honorary Secretary too ill to assist us to any great extent.

We began the year's work by going to Havana, at the earnest request of the missionary, Mr. Wyckoff, and by appointment of the Auxiliary at its annual meeting last December. We selected the 6th of January, Epiphany, as a most suitable time for such an undertaking, but even if your messenger was sent by the wise women of the East, she could not persuade the "little flock" to organ-

ize a branch of the auxiliary. "All they could do must be done for their own mission." I left a few prayer leaflets and six blue boxes.

I have written letters to all the different branches mentioned in the last annual report, asking from each secretary, a report of all work done, in their several branches, from September, 1901, to September, 1902, and from all, have had kind notes in response. My report was made from these reports, and sent to Miss Emery, the General Secretary, last September. Doubtless it might have been more, but I feel very sure however small the offerings may be, they will be blest. If I could have included the gifts of the good, faithful women, to the apportionment fund, the amount would have been much larger. One new branch has been organized. It is in St. George's Church, Belleville, with Mrs. L. B. Richards, President, and Miss Challener, Secretary. I have attended the mission study class of Christ Church, this city, several times, as well as the regular meetings of St. Paul's branch, of which I consider myself a parochial member. We have had sorrows in our little household. It is said "death loves a shining mark," and it surely did not swerve from its aim when it took from us our dear Honorary Secretary, Mrs. Caroline Gordon Allen. Although Mrs. Allen had been ill for many months, yet her death came as a sudden shock to the community. Of her many noble and good qualities I need not write, for to most of you they are well known. Her love and devotion to the church, and for the missionary work of the church, was most earnest. To her, under the Great Master, the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Springfield owes much. Christ Church Auxiliary, and mission study class, must give her the credit for its organization, and her untiring energy in securing the interest of a band of women who now take great interest in missions at home and abroad. They will surely miss

her wise counsel. Her body now rests in Canada, with her husband's people.

To others of our number who mourn, we extend love and sympathy.

“O happy saints of God, their wanderings done,
No more their weary course they run,
O happy saints! forever blest,
In that dear home how sweet your rest.”

While our hearts are still sad, we have great cause for joy and thankfulness. A kind Providence has brought in safety to the “Haven where she would be” our dear President, and now with her at the helm, out little bark holding the Diocesan Branch of the Woman’s Auxiliary will sail on with renewed interest, and greater energy, in the missionary work of the Church.

SARAH CAROLINE DRESSER,
Secretary.

In the absence of Mrs. Hayner, the Diocesan Treasurer, Mrs. Dresser, Secretary, read her report, which is as follows:

**Statistical Report of the Treasurer of the Springfield Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary
From December, 1901, to December, 1902.**

Alton—St. Paul's Branch, Mrs. J. E. Hayner, Secretary—

Membership dues	\$3 75
Diocesan Mission pledge.....	6 90
Diocesan Missions, East St. Louis	5 00
Domestic Missions, Porto Rico	6 00
Domestic Missions, South Dakota	6 00
Foreign Missions, Mrs. Twing Memorial	5 00
United Offering	24 40
Diocesan Missions, personal	5 00
Domestic Missions, personal	5 00
Foreign Missions, personal	5 00
Orphanage, personal	5 00
Baby Branch, United Offering	1 96
Box to Orphanage	\$12 00
Box to Industrial School, Columbia, S. C.,.....	7 50
Total value in boxes	\$19 50
Total in money	\$79 01
Entire total	\$98 51

Belleville—St. George's Branch—

Membership dues	\$1 50
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Cairo—St. Mary's Branch, Mrs. W. B. Gilbert, Treasurer—

Membership dues	\$3 50
Diocesan Missions	5 00
Bishop Seymour (Call).....	5 00
Diocesan Missions, Mrs. Candee	10 00
Domestic Missions, Mrs. Candee	2 50
Foreign Missions, Mrs. Twing Memorial	2 50
Orphanage	5 00
Total	\$33 50

Carlyle—Christ Church Branch, Miss Clara E. Truestail, Secretary—

Membership dues	\$1 00
United Offering	3 65

Diocesan Missions	5 00
Total	\$9 65
✓ Champaign—Mrs. Sara W. Harris, Treasurer—	
Membership dues	\$3 00
Diocesan Missions pledge	5 00
Diocesan Flowers and Tuscola	4 50
 Total in money	\$12 50
Box to Orphanage	\$12 00
Entire total	\$24 50
✓ Decatur—St. John's Branch—	
Diocesan Mission Pledge, Mrs. Peabody.....	\$5 00
✓ East St. Louis—	
Membership dues, Mrs. J. C. White.....	25
Elkhart—St. John's Branch, Mrs. F. D. Miller, Secretary—	
✓ Membership dues	\$2 00
Havana—	
United Offering	65
✓ Jacksonville—Trinity Branch, Mrs. Harlan, Secretary—	
Membership dues	\$6 00
Diocesan Mission pledge	5 00
Foreign Missions, Mrs. Twing Memorial	10 00
Total	\$21 00
✓ Mattoon—St. Andrew's Branch of Trinity Church, Mrs. J. R. McLean, Secretary—	
United Offering	\$4 26
✓ Pekin—	
United Offering, Rev. Wm. Wyckoff.....	41
✓ Springfield—St. Paul's Branch, Miss V. Dresser, Secretary—	
Diocesan Missions	\$25 00
Membership dues	3 25
To a Diocesan Missionary	5 00
To a Missionary in Diocese of Quincy	20 00
Domestic Missions, Denison, Texas	5 00
Diocesan Missions, Personal Pledges	44 00
 Total in money	\$102 25
Box to Missionary, Denison, Texas	\$35 00
Entire total	\$137 25

Springfield—St. Paul's Junior Branch—	
United Offering	\$3 35
Springfield—Christ Church Branch, Miss Whitley, Secretary—	
Membership dues	\$10 00
Diocesan Missions pledge	25 00
Diocesan Missions, Mission Study Class	2 00
Diocesan Missions, Mrs. Alexander Allen, In Mem....	5 00
Diocesan Missions, Mrs. Bluford Wilson, In Mem....	5 00
Diocesan Missions, Mrs. E. A. Snively,.....	5 00
Diocesan Missions, Mrs. J. T. Jones.....	5 00
Diocesan Missions, Mrs. Goltra.....	5 00
Diocesan Missions, Mrs. Hodgson.....	1 00
Foreign Missions, Mrs. Alexander Allen, In Mem....	5 00
Foreign Missions, Study Class	8 00
Foreign Missions, Mrs. E. A. Snively	2 00
Domestic Missions, Mrs. Alexander Allen, In Mem....	5 00
Orphanage, Parish Branch	12 00
United Offering	41 52
 Total in money	\$106 52
Box to Missionary, South Dakota	\$60 00
To City Missionary, Bedding, etc.....	5 00
 Entire total	\$65 00
 Springfield—Diocesan Branch, Woman's Auxiliary—	\$171 52
Diocesan Missions pledge	\$25 00
Foreign Missions, Mrs. Twing Memorial.....	25 00
Total	\$50 00
Total Receipts in money	\$381 85
Expenses for postage, etc.	5 00
Disbursed for Diocesan, Domestic and Foreign Mis- sions	347 40
Balance from last year	55 15
November 26, 1902, balance remaining	84 60
 Total Receipts in Boxes	\$437 00
	\$437 00
	\$131 00

MARY CAROLINE HAYNER,
Treas. Springfield Dio. Branch Wo. Aux.

Miss Maude Whitley, Secretary of the Junior
Branch of the Auxiliary, read her report.

REPORT OF JUNIOR AUXILIARY OF DIOCESE
OF SPRINGFIELD, DECEMBER, 1901, TO DE-
CEMBER, 1902:

“Training the young in the work of missions that they may grow up with a sense of the privilege of their responsibility in the work of Christ’s cause is truly the surest way to hasten the time when the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the Lord as the waters cover the Sea.” God values the works and prayers of the little ones, for do we not read many times in Holy Scripture of God allowing little children to do wonderful things. The child priest Samuel ministered before the Lord and grew in favor with God and man. The little captive maiden who when her master was ill and in distress told to him fearlessly the things her mother had taught her of God—thus bringing him to the God of Israel, whereby he was healed in mind and body—God loves their praise and prayers, for in the time of David we read that the beautiful service of song was entered into by the small as well as the great. God speaking to the prophet Joel said: “Assemble the elders, gather the children,” and our Blessed Saviour said “Suffer the little ones to come unto me and forbid them not for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven.” The Junior Auxiliary is a department of the Woman’s Auxiliary and in view of this fact Miss Emery says: “The Junior Auxiliary will grow in value and gain in usefulness as this fact is more fully recognized by both. The juniors are being trained for future service in the Woman’s Auxiliary and there will be natural and sure progress to this end if both are recognized in the same parish and harmony of aim and unity of action maintained.” In gathering in the reports of the various junior branches of the Diocese, I am disappointed although there have been three new branches started during the year, one at Jacksonville, one at Dan-

ville, and one at Champaign, the work has not gone forward with as much vim as we had hoped for.

I know no reason why there should not be an active junior auxiliary in every parish, for wherever there is a Sunday school of baptized children of the Church, there is a Junior Auxiliary also. The aims of the Junior Auxiliary are to form in the minds of the children of the church the habits of (1) daily prayer for missions, (2) systematic study of missions, (3) regular gifts for missions of money and work. The children soon learn to love the two junior collects and add them to their daily prayers. They listen attentively to the stories of children in those benighted lands far away and at the same time there grows up in their hearts the desire to help those less fortunate ones. If one woman from every parish represented here would resolve that before another year passed be there should be a Junior Auxiliary in her parish, how gladly would the Secretary through Miss Emery supply her with abundant printed matter to guide her in this work.

The juniors of St. Paul's Parish have done well and through the untiring efforts of Miss Bowen, have so increased in numbers as to necessitate a division into a junior and senior class. Miss Blair in Lincoln has labored almost alone, but has kept the spark alive. The branch started at Danville is not yet very strong but they have done some good work in making a few articles and raising a little money. The branch at Champaign has made a very good first year record. Cairo is making a steady progress, the children there are much interested in their work. Jacksonville branch under Miss Stryker made a good beginning and we trust will grow in strength.

Our branch of Christ Church meets with me once a week, and has done fairly well during the year, but we hope to do much better next year.

MAUD WHITLEY *Dio. Sec. Jun. Auxiliary.*

REPORT OF MONEY AND BOXES OF JUNIOR AUXILIARY,
1901-1902.

St. Paul's Branch—Springfield—

To City missions.....	\$8 00 ✓
To Diocesan missions.....	8 00 ✓
To General missions	8 00 ✓
To City missionary	18 00 ✓
To Orphanage of Holy Child.....	1 50 ✓
United Offering	8 35 ✓

Total \$46 85

Lincoln, Miss Blair, Secretary—

To Orphanage of Holy Child—Thanksgiving box valued at.....	\$3 00 ✓
To Orphanage—a box at Christmas.....	5 00 ✓
To Orphanage at New Year's.....	5 00 ✓

Total in money and boxes..... \$13 00

Cairo, Miss Engler, Secretary—

To Orphanage of Holy Child.....	\$2 00 ✓
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Champaign, Miss Gorham, Secretary—

Eleven garments to poor children in Kentucky, under Mrs.

Prof. White.....	\$3 00 ✓
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To General Missions	20 00 ✓
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Total in boxes and money..... \$23 00

Christ Church, Springfield—

To Missionary South Dakota	\$10 00 ✓
To Orphanage of Holy Child.....	1 50 ✓
To Orphanage of Holy Child, box.....	1 50 ✓
To Diocesan Missions.....	5 00 ✓
Box of clothing to Missions House, Columbia, S. C.....	15 00 ✓

Total in money and boxes..... \$23 00

Grand total in money and boxes..... \$117 85

MAUD WHITLEY.

Miss Cornelia Bowen, director of the Baby Branch, gave a verbal report of work done in her department, boxes distributed, money raised, etc.

Reports from the Vice Presidents next in order.

At the request of the President, Mrs. Chittenden, Vice President from Alton read a very interesting paper. The

subject, "The Divine Pedigrees of Missions." Mrs. E. A. Snively, President of Christ Church Branch, Springfield, read a paper that she had prepared and read at a missionary meeting held in Springfield last June. This paper was most excellent and showed great care in preparing. The subject of this paper was, "Missions the only possible way of Perpetuating and Developing the Life of the Church, and Fulfilling Its Divine Purpose." Mrs. E. J. H. Tomlin from Jacksonville, then read a letter from Miss Emery, the General Secretary, in regard to planning the work for the coming year, Miss Emery suggested that perhaps the Auxiliary might give something toward the support of Miss Babcock, formerly of Springfield, but now a missionary in Japan.

A committee consisting of Mrs. Snively, Chairman, Miss Dresser and Miss Maude Whitley, was appointed by the President to draft suitable resolutions on the death of Mrs. Alexander Allen, and also to send some words of love and sympathy to Mrs. D. C. Peabody.

Dr. Gray came in from the Synod for a few moments. It was voted to send \$10.00 from the general fund for Miss Babcock's support and also \$25.00 from the same fund for Diocesan Missions. The pledges were then made for Diocesan Missions as follows:

Pledges for Diocesan Missions from the Woman's Auxiliary amounting to \$224. 00.

Springfield Dio. Branch	\$25 00
Alton Parish Branch	6 00
Cairo Parish Branch	6 00
Champaign Parish Branch	5 00
Champaign Junior Branch	5 00
Elkhart Parish Branch	2 50
Elkhart Junior Branch	2 50
Jacksonville Parish Branch	5 00
Springfield St. Paul's Parish Branch	25 00
Springfield Christ Church Parish Branch	25 00
Springfield St. Paul's Junior Branch	8 00

PERSONAL PLEDGES.

Mrs. Seymour, Springfield	15 00
Mrs. Candee, Cairo	10 00
Mrs. W. B. Gilbert, Cairo	5 00
Mrs. Chittenden, Alton	2 00
Mrs. Edward Bowman, Alton	5 00
Mrs. E. A. Snively, Springfield,	5 00
Mrs. Bluford Wilson, (In Mem.)	5 00
Mrs. F. W. Miller, Elkhart, (In Mem.)	5 00
Mrs. E. D. Thayer, Springfield	5 00
Mrs. C. E. Hay, Springfield	5 00
Mrs. S. C. Dresser, Springfield	5 00
Mrs. C. A. Starne, Springfield	5 00
Mrs. C. D. Roberts, Springfield	5 00
Miss Virginia Dresser, Springfield	5 00
Miss Jennie Hurst, Springfield,	5 00
Miss C. Bowen, Springfield	3 00
Mrs. Tomlin, Jacksonville	5 00
Mrs. Hoster, Centralia	5 00
Mrs. Personel, Springfield	2 00
Miss Helen W. Allen, (In Mem.)	5 00
Christ Church, Springfield, Study Class	2 00

FOREIGN MISSIONS.

Diocesan Branch for support of Miss Babcock	\$10 00
Christ Church Missions Study Class	10 00
Helen W. Allen (In Mem. C. G. A.)	2 00
Elkhart Juniors	2 00

The election of officers was next in order.

The following were elected:

Honorary President, Mrs. George F. Seymour, Springfield; President, Mrs. H. H. Candee, Cairo; First Vice President, Mrs. Tomlin, Jacksonville; Second Vice President, Mrs. Charles E. Hay, Springfield; Third Vice President, Mrs. H. M. Chittenden, Alton; Fourth Vice President, Mrs. L. B. Richards, Belleville; Fifth Vice President, Mrs. Wemyss Smith, Bloomington; Sixth Vice President, Mrs. James E. Wilkinson, Champaign; Secretary, Mrs. D. W. Dresser, 543 South Glenwood Ave., Springfield; Treasurer, Mrs. John E. Hayner, 1418 State St., Alton; Secretary of Junior Branch, Miss Maude

Whitley, 1119 South Seventh St., Springfield; Director
Baby Branch, Miss Cornelia Bowen, West Monroe and
College Sts., Springfield.

In order to attend the Synod Wednesday afternoon
the meeting adourned, until December, 1903.

SARAH CAROLINE DRESSER,
Secretary.

**IN MEMORIAM.**

A memorial to Mrs. Alexander Allen, as presented by the committee appointed at the annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary held in Springfield, Dec. 2, 1902.

We, the members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Springfield, desire to express our sense of loss in the death of our beloved friend and Honorary Secretary, Mrs. Alexander Allen, who entered into the joys of Paradise on Oct. 24, 1902. To the faithful devotion of Mrs. Allen to the Church and its mission work is largely due the revival of interest, and the more liberal offering of the women of the Auxiliary for this purpose. Although bereft of her companionship and the sympathy of her gracious presence, we believe that the fruits of her labors will still increase and that as a memorial to her the women of the Diocese will consecrate themselves anew to the missionary work of the Church.

MRS. E. A. SNIVELY,
MAUDE WHITLEY
VIRGINIA DRESSER,
Committee.

A letter of sympathy was also sent to a former vice president, the widow of the late Rev. Douglas C. Peabody.

