

REPORT
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OF THE
Springfield Diocesan Branch
OF THE
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY
TO THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS
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Prayers

For the daily use of Church Workers

O LORD, Who didst come to seek and to save the lost, and to Whom all power is given in Heaven and in earth, hear, we beseech Thee, the prayers of Thy Church for those who, at Thy command, go forth to preach the Gospel to every creature. Preserve them from all dangers to which they may be exposed; from all perils by land and perils by water; from the deadly pestilence; from the violence of the persecutor; from doubt and impatience; from discouragement and discord; and from all the devices of the powers of darkness. And while they plant and water send Thou, O, Lord, the increase; gather in the multitude of the heathen, convert in Christian lands such as neglect so great salvation; so that Thy Name may be glorified and Thy Kingdom come, O, Gracious Saviour of the world; to Whom with the Father and the Holy Ghost, be honor and glory, world without end. **AMEN.**

Prayer for More Ministers

ALMIGHTY God, Lord of the Harvest, we humbly beseech Thee to send forth more Labourers into Thy Harvest; that so Thy Church may rejoice in a due supply of true and faithful Pastors, and the bounds of Thy blessed kingdom may be enlarged; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **AMEN.**

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Miss Forbes.....Directress

Junior Branch, Christ Church, Springfield.

Miss Edna Hamann.....Secretary

CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE I.

The name of this society shall be "The Springfield Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions."

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Society shall be, by means of union and systematic effort to diffuse Missionary information, to increase Missionary activity among women of the Diocese, to unite previously existing Parochial Branches of the Auxiliary, and to encourage the formation of societies where there are none.

ARTICLE III.

All baptized women belonging to the Diocese, who desire to be members of this Society, shall be so regarded upon the payment of twenty-five cents per annum to the Diocesan Treasurer.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Society shall be a President, five Vice-Presidents, a Secretary and a Treasurer.

ARTICLE V.

The President shall call meetings and preside over them.

ARTICLE VI.

Section 1. The duties of the Vice-Presidents to be as follows: The 1st Vice-President to take the place of the President in her absence and to assist her in visiting. The 2d Vice-President shall be the Diocesan President of the Junior Auxiliary and the 3d Vice-President shall be the Diocesan President of the Babies Branch. The 4th Vice-President shall be Diocesan Treasurer of the United Offering. The 5th Vice-President shall be the Diocesan Educational Secretary.

Section 2. The 2d and 3d Vice-Presidents shall appoint their own Secretary-Treasurer.

ARTICLE VII.

Section 1. The duties of the Secretary shall be to give notice of meetings and keep a record of them; to conduct the correspondence with Parochial Secretaries, and with the General Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary; to keep a record of the "boxes" contributed by Parochial Branches or individual members of the Auxiliary; and to prepare an Annual Report for circulation in the Diocese.

Section 2. The Treasurer, under direction of the President, shall receive and disburse all general funds sent for any branch of Missionary work, or for the expenses of the Society. She shall keep a record of these, and of funds received and disbursed by Parish Branches, accepting receipts therefor, from Parish Secretaries. She shall present a full report at the Annual Meeting, and shall furnish the same to the Secretary to be incorporated in the Annual Report.

ARTICLE VIII.

Every Parish with a Society or Societies working for Missions, shall be entitled to four delegates, who, with the General Officers, shall constitute the Executive Board. The first named of these four shall be the Corresponding Secretary for the Parish Branch.

ARTICLE IX.

The President, Vice-Presidents, Secretary and Treasurer, together shall form a council for the purpose of devising means to interest the women of the Diocese not already interested, in the purposes of the Auxiliary, and (with the approval of the Clergyman in charge) to encourage the formation of Parochial Branches in Parishes where there are none.

ARTICLE X.

All Parish Guilds and Societies desiring it, shall be considered Branches of the Auxiliary upon the payment of the yearly Diocesan due of 25 cents per capita; and will then send reports of money collected and work done. Delegates from all such societies will be expected at the General Meetings of the Diocesan Auxiliary.

ARTICLE XI.

This Association shall hold its Annual Meeting on the third (3d) Wednesday and Thursday in May, at such place as shall have been selected at the previous meetings. But for good reason the time and place may be changed by the President with the approval of the Bishop.

ARTICLE XII.

Special meetings may be called by the President at the request of three of the Parochial Branches.

ARTICLE XIII.

This Constitution may be altered at any Annual Meeting by a two-thirds vote of the Executive Board.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING.

The Twenty-fourth Annual Meeting Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Springfield to the Board of Missions was held in Champaign on May 23d and 24th, 1911.

On the evening of the 23rd at the Guild Hall of Emmanuel Church, Bishop Osborne gave a splendid talk on "The Church in Cuba," showing a number of post cards to illustrate the talk.

On Wednesday morning the 24th, at 9 o'clock the Corporate Communion was celebrated in Emmanuel Church. Immediately after the service the business meeting of the Auxiliary was held in the Guild Hall with the following program:

Roll call by Branches—showing seven Branches represented, with members from each Branch as follows: Alton—Mesdames Hayner and Taylor; Cairo—Mrs. Warder; Champaign—Mesdames Goodman, Hutchins, Morrissey Sr., Morrissey Jr., Harris; Decatur—Mrs. Hoster; Danville—Miss Forbes, Miss Harrison; Springfield (St. Paul's) Mrs. White, Mrs. Dresser, Mrs. Bacchus, (Christ Church) Mrs. Snively, Mrs. Pollard, Mrs. Hamann, Mrs. Burgess, Miss Whitley; Urbana—Mrs. Poland.

The Secretary then read the minutes of last year's meeting, which were approved and accepted. Then followed the President's address and the reading of the Reports.

PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS.

Mrs. J. C. White.

SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Miss Maude Whitley.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY REPORT.

Mrs. J. B. Ruckel; Read by Mrs. C. C. Bacchus.

BABY BRANCH REPORT.

Miss Lucy Archer.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

Miss Burrows.

UNITED OFFERING REPORT.

Mrs. Jacob Wead.

REPORT OF SEC. CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB.

Mrs. Dresser.

After the reading of the reports Bishop Osborne made a brief address to the Auxiliary, and dwelt principally upon the change in the mode of collecting the Apportionment, to begin in September, 1911:

After that time the Apportionment is to be ONE FUND—not separated into Parish Apportionment, Woman's Auxiliary, Junior Auxiliary, Baby Branch and Sunday School—but all one fund—to be collected and given to the Board of Missions as the Parish Apportionment by the Parish Treasurer.

The Apportionment for this diocese is \$3,300.

The Bishop then announced the time of the Retreat for Women to be held at Osborne Hall, Champaign, Sept. 9-12. He also appealed to the

women for help in getting a house for the boys at Champaign University similar to the one—Osborne Hall—which has been built there for girls.

A resolution was passed that all money for the United Offering should be sent by the Parish United Offering Treasurer to the Diocesan United Offering Treasurer and appear IN HER REPORT ONLY, and not be included in the regular parish reports.

The report of all PERSONAL Pledges SHOULD appear in the parish reports of each parish.

Next came the election of officers, which resulted as follows:

President—Mrs. Candee of Cairo.
 Secretary—Miss Whitley, Christ Church, Springfield.
 Treasurer—Mrs. Hutchins, Urbana.
 First Vice-President—Mrs. Snively, Christ Church, Springfield.
 Second Vice-President—Mrs. Ruckel, St. Paul's, Springfield.
 Third Vice-President—Mrs. Hayner, St. Paul's, Alton.
 Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. Wead, St. Paul's, Alton.
 Fifth Vice-President—Miss Dresser, St. Paul's, Springfield.
 Secretary of Church Periodical Society—Mrs. D. W. Dresser, Springfield.

The noon hour had come and business was suspended for a few moments while the noon-day prayer for missions was said by Archdeacon Curzon, Secretary of the Fifth Department.

A short missionary address was then given the Auxiliary by Archdeacon Curzon.

After the address the meeting adjourned for luncheon.

Automobiles were waiting at the Guild Hall door, and all delegates were quickly taken to the hospitable home of Mrs. Stoek in Urbana, where the ladies of Champaign and Urbana served a most delightful luncheon.

At 2 o'clock the meeting was again opened in Mrs. Stoek's home. Bishop Osborne spoke for a few minutes on the needs at Glen Carbon—They need a woman worker and they need \$500 to support her.

Then followed the taking of the pledges for Diocesan Missions—

PARISH PLEDGES.

St. Paul's, Alton	\$ 20.00
Church of the Redeemer, Cairo	10.00
Emmanuel, Champaign	12.00
St. Paul's, Springfield	25.00
Christ Church, Springfield	10.00

PERSONAL PLEDGES.

Mrs. Hayner, Alton	\$ 50.00
“ Candee, Cairo	10.00
“ Safford, Cairo	15.00
“ Warder, Cairo	1.00
“ White, St. Paul's, Springfield	5.00
Miss Bradford, St. Paul's, Springfield	5.00
“ Dresser, St. Paul's, Springfield	5.00
Mrs. Dresser, St. Paul's, Springfield	1.00
“ Bacchus, St. Paul's, Springfield	3.00
“ Stock, Champaign	5.00

" Harris, Champaign.....	1.00
" Morrissey, Champaign	1.00
" Poland, Urbana.	1.00
" Hutchins, Urbana.	3.00
Miss Hutchins, Urbana.	1.00
Mrs. Hoster, Decatur ..	2.00
" Snively, Christ Church, Springfield	5.00
" Hamann, Christ Church, Springfield	2.00
" Burgess, Christ Church, Springfield.....	1.00
" Pollard, Christ Church, Springfield	1.00
Miss Whitley, Christ Church, Springfield	3.00
Anonymous, Champaign	2.25

Total parish and personal pledges\$200.25

It was decided that all of this amount go toward the special Diocesan Missionary work at Glen Carbon.

Miss Lewis of St. Louis, our visitor and speaker in the afternoon, would not accept her traveling expenses but asked that the amount be given to Diocesan Missionary work at Glen Carbon.

A Junior Leaders' Conference was planned for the next hour. The Diocesan Junior Auxiliary's Secretary was unable to attend and only two Junior Leaders were present at this hour. Miss Hutchins, leader of the Juniors at Champaign, gave a short talk, followed by the Junior leader of Christ Church, Springfield.

A resolution was then offered by Mrs. Snively of Springfield, thanking the ladies of Champaign and Urbana, and the two rectors—Rev. H. C. Goodman and Rev. Fred W. Poland—for their gracious hospitality. This brought us to the main feature of the afternoon—the splendid talk by Miss Lewis of St. Louis, on "The World in Boston."

After Miss Lewis' talk the meeting was adjourned to the 3d Wednesday in May—PLACE NOT APPOINTED.

MAUDE WHITLEY,

May 25, 1911.

Diocesan Secy. Woman's Auxiliary.

PRESIDENTS ADDRESS.

In looking back over the year, the General Convention and Triennial of the Woman's Auxiliary stand out as most important events. The opening service of the General Convention and the United Offering service of the Woman's Auxiliary were truly inspiring. Being my first General Convention, my impressions were vivid. In one thing I was disappointed. Women are not either by nature or training good public speakers. For that reason it was often easier to go and hear stirring Missionary addresses in the House of Deputies rather than tire one's body and nerves trying to hear the Auxiliary speakers. I am told the spirit of Christian courtesy which marked all proceedings has not always prevailed. That is to be regretted, and this Convention one to be thankful for. Of what use are the greatest gifts without courtesy? Even great spirituality is not always accompanied by true Christian courtesy, thereby "one of these little ones" may be offended. I heard last winter of a boy home from boarding

school with a medal for "Christian Courtesy." I would rather be that boy's mother than the mother of boys with all sorts of medals for high marks in lessons.

Of the speakers, Bishop Brent, the apostle of Christian Unity, stands out as a giant in the Church. He is a man of great power, spiritual and mental. Some of the sayings I wrote: "It is a wicked spirit to proselyte." Fortunately Christian Unity and Ecclesiastical Unity are not synonymous. Also: "Competition among Christians must cease."

There were many speakers of power who are men of consecrated lives, notably Bishop Rowe and other bishops of foreign districts. This Diocese was well represented at the Triennial - six Diocesan officers of the Auxiliary and some other women present.

We have been most unfortunate in removals. First Miss Taylor of Alton, our Treasurer, removed from the Diocese. Miss Burrows, who took her place, temporarily, is now at the point of leaving. A new Treasurer is unavoidable.

As was understood last year, this is my third and last year in office.

It would be most unwise to have all three officers new. Therefore it seems to me imperative to retain the present efficient Secretary. The last report has been a comfort. It is a handbook. I hope all will do their best to give correct information that it may be so used.

We have also had a sad loss in the death of Miss Forbes of Danville, Leader of both the Junior and Baby Branches. We had looked forward to meeting her here.

There has just been held a wonderful Missionary Exposition called the World, in Boston, of which Miss Lewis of St. Louis, will tell us this afternoon.

REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS, FROM MAY 1, 1910, TO MAY 1, 1911.

The first work of the Secretary for the year was to gather in the different reports and to send them to the printer to be compiled into our Annual Report.

On August 3rd the printed reports were returned to me, and sent out in bundles to each of the ten Branches and to thirteen individuals, sending out in all 158 reports.

On October 23d postals were written to each Branch and Miss Emery's report sent each.

On November 22d received Diocesan dues from two of our faithful church women, in a little mission, where the church services are held in their home.

On April 10th, wrote letters and sent report blanks to each Branch, notifying them of annual meeting to be held in Champaign, May 17-18.

May 8th, sent postals to all Branches telling of change of time of meeting to May 23d and 24th.

Since that date have written four letters and four postals in regard to meeting.

The committee appointed on the second day of the meeting last year to revise the Constitution, met the following day at the home of our President and changed Articles VI and XI to read as printed in the annual report. The committee consisted of Mrs. White, Mrs. Snively and Mrs. Candee.

The year's work of the Auxiliary has been encouraging in one way and discouraging in another. It is most encouraging to find that nearly every Branch is making a systematic study of Missions. One Branch has taken for its text book, "The How and Why of Foreign Missions." Three Branches have followed somewhat along the lines laid out by the missionary lessons in "The Spirit of Missions."

Another Branch has had a Bible class each week on the "Auxiliary Day" for the first hour, and in this same Branch one meeting a month has been given to the study of China. In one Branch they had a Missionary Rally. Every member of the church was invited and a special program was prepared by the rector.

The Secretary of this Branch writes: "Once get the people to thinking and studying about the missionary work of the church and their interest is assured."

Two Branches participated in the Missionary Jubilee meetings that have been held in various cities celebrating the fifty years' work of women in the foreign field. In these meetings no church lines were drawn. Unity, the key note of the Cincinnati convention prevailed, and all joined heartily in thanking God for the missionary work done by faithful women all over the world in the past fifty years.

I can not refrain from speaking of one Branch which has its first report this year, of which every woman communicant in the parish is a member. Isn't that splendid? If we are all members of the Woman's Auxiliary by virtue of our baptism, why are we not then, all active members as they are in this little branch?

One Branch which has no representatives this year (owing to the greater distance) sent last year five women, who were obliged to start from their homes soon after sunrise in order to be present at the first meeting.

At most of our meetings the Auxiliary collects are used. In many Branches the roll call is responded to with a verse from the Bible. Our work has surely deepened spiritually and enlarged educationally, financially we have fallen short of last year's report \$123.02. This may be accounted for by the loss of one Branch, which has no report this year, and last year gave in money and boxes \$144.40. Let me say for this Branch that it has been most unfortunate in losing its officers by removal and illness. The Secretary of one Branch writes that they are not a Branch, "not even a twig." Let us hope that some enthusiasm may be caught by the delegates of this Branch from this meeting, and that next year they will not only be a twig, but a healthy Branch.

I am sorry to have no reports this year from Champaign and McLeansboro, but glad to welcome to our lists Waverly and Jacksonville—revived.

A great spiritual help was given to those members of the Auxiliary who had the privilege of attending it, in the Retreat held at Osborne Hall, Champaign, from September 10th to the 13th. The services were conducted by Bishop Osborne. It is hoped that plans are being made for another this year.

In October several of us had the pleasure of attending the meetings of the Woman's Auxiliary and other meetings at the General Convention held in Cincinnati. Our Diocese was well represented. There were eleven women present from the various parishes. Two from Alton; two from Cairo; two from Decatur; two from Carmi; three from Springfield. Six of our number were Diocesan officers and had a vote in all Auxiliary

affairs. The two most important questions to Auxiliary women that came before the meetings were the disposition of the United Offering of 1913 and the resolutions passed on Representation.

Earnestly do I hope, dear women of the Auxiliary, that it will be the privilege of each one of you, at some time, to be present at the great Triennial United Offering service, held at the time of the General Convention. The inspiration gained and the spiritual help received from such a service will go far to help us over the many difficulties that confront us in our Auxiliary work.

Another of the pleasures of the past year's work has been visits to two Auxiliaries. In February at Granite City I met the six or seven earnest women composing the Auxiliary there. They had had many difficulties, and we discussed ways and means of helping the work. In March I visited Waverly and my hostess invited all the members of the Auxiliary for an afternoon. It was a great pleasure to meet these interested faithful women.

I would suggest that the Diocesan Secretary be notified of any change of officials in the parish Branches between the time of the annual meetings. Also that the names and addresses of all officers of the Woman's Auxiliary, the Junior Auxiliary and the Baby Branch in each parish be again handed in before the close of this meeting.

MAUDE WHITLEY,

Diocesan Secretary, Woman's Auxiliary.

May 22, 1911.

REPORT OF JUNIOR AUXILIARY SECRETARY.

The year has been a very interesting and pleasant one. We have not done all we had hoped to do. We have not added as many new Branches as we would have liked, but the good letters showing enthusiasm and interest of the members has been encouraging.

We have had added to the list three new Branches. One where there had been none before—Decatur. Two where they had died out, but with new leaders and new members are putting new life into the work. Increasing the membership of the Diocese from 63 to 90.

Christmas boxes were sent by all but one Branch to St. Mary's On the Mountain, Tenn.

All but two Branches are now working on Christmas boxes for Oneida Indian Mission, Wis.

All but one have contributed to the apportionment fund, and we have paid our full assessment of \$20.

The four making pledges have fulfilled them.

Three have given toward United Offering.

The study classes seem to have aroused much interest and to the careful preparation of the leaders for this work is this due. One leader wrote she put several hours on each lesson.

I hope there may be a growth in this line the coming year. The more we know about the people we are working for the more interest is shown in the work.

The prayer, too, has been made a strong feature. I would emphasize this more and more. If "When two or three are gathered together in His name, He will grant their requests," how much more when 90 are

united in prayer throughout the Diocese.

We have had a keen sorrow in the loss of a beloved leader, who was most faithful and enthusiastic and whose Branch was doing excellent work. She will be greatly missed in the Auxiliary work. Miss Cordelia Forbes, of Danville. Her letters were always so full of the real spirit of missionary work. We know the work must be better for her life in it.

The purpose and work and subjects and duties of the Junior Auxiliary was so ably discussed in last year's report by my predecessor that nothing more need now be said on that line.

I would make my plea for more leaders, for more new Branches.

In one of his Lent Mission sermons the Bishop of London says: "I find on boards and committees in my Diocese none but practically old men. I go to the Bishop of London's Fund Board, and I find old men sitting there who were sitting there in Bishop Jackson's time. All honor to time; but I do ask for just a few young men. When these old men die, who is going to take their places? It is the same everywhere I go in this Diocese. There seem to be no young men coming to take the places of the men who have borne the heat and burden of the day. I honor them with all my soul, but why only old men?"

When we stop for a moment to consider, when we look about us, may we not ask the same question? Why all older people, men or women?

Does it not make us wonder and anxiously ask, "What will become of the Woman's Auxiliary when we are gone?"

Where and to whom do we look for the future welfare of our country, for the future life of activity of the church, the Auxiliary? It takes but a moment to convince us that it is—that it must be to the younger generation, to the children of today.

Now, is the future of the nation of any great matter? Is the future life and activity of the church of any importance? Is the work of the Auxiliary worth while?

Then can any one enter into its management and service in a haphazard way? Is there any thing worth the while that requires no preparation, no training to accomplish?

No real success in life is ever attained except by gradual growth, by patient training. Children can not enter suddenly into the places of responsibility left vacant by the passing of the faithful veterans. They must go to school to prepare themselves for their future service to their country, and every boy and every girl must be made to feel at an early age that his country needs him. Children like to feel a responsibility, and when they are well guided it is healthful and beneficial for them to feel their importance. They are the future. The church needs them. They are its future. But they must have special preparation. They must go to school to prepare for their duty to the church and to the Auxiliary.

Is not the Junior Auxiliary a school preparatory to the college of the Woman's Auxiliary? It should be. If we are in need of more active, competent members, leaders of the Woman's Auxiliary, does it not mean that the preparatory school needs to be reinforced? It certainly does.

Then, should not every parish in the Diocese have a Junior Auxiliary? That the Woman's Auxiliary's life may be assured for the future and more, that the children may be getting what is their due—the preparation that grants them the blessed privilege of helping to spread God's kingdom?

Children are so sympathetic, so willing to help the needy. So easily touched with pity for the helpless. If a little personality may be for-

given, in all my — years of experience with all sorts and conditions of children from primary to high school, I never failed to arouse in them a desire to help the helpless, poor and needy when I was full of pity and sympathy and enthusiasm myself. They are moulded or led to feel just what the leader feels.

Then if only we had more leaders who were full of what we wish to impart, we might have a Branch of the Juniors in every parish Branches.

Since so much depends upon the leader—her enthusiasm—I think of no better people for leaders than members of the Woman's Auxiliary. If they are all interested in their work and the children they could interest them in growing up to the same.

Should not they look with loving, hopeful, maternal eyes upon the young people of the parish—the Juniors? Who are to take their places by and bye to push on their good work?

Would it be a wise plan to have in every parish Branch a committee for or on the Junior department? Which in turn might be divided into sub-committees, these empowered to enlist in their work any members of the parish best able to help them.

The work committee could gather from Sunday school and from other members of the parish those who could meet on week days to prepare gifts that fill our Junior boxes.

The study committee might form classes according to age or ability.

A Where there are no Branches, would not some such plan facilitate the organization? We have about 43 parishes in the Diocese and only nine Junior Branches. We feel we need help in arousing interest in behalf of our young people. Interest that will be substantial enough to furnish leaders for the children I feel sure must be only waiting to be led or called together.

May our prayers be united for this great work of granting children the opportunity of lending a hand in spreading God's kingdom.

CHARLOTTE B. RUCKEL,

Diocesan Secretary of Junior Auxiliary.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF SPRINGFIELD DIOCESAN BRANCH JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

Christ Church, Waverly.

Miss Hopson, Directress.

Members, 6.	
Dec., 191, Christmas box to St. Mary's, Suwanee, Tenn.....	\$ 3 00
May, 1911, Pledge.....	1 00
Total	\$ 4 00

St. John's, Springfield.

Miss Bloomfield, Directress.

Members, 7.	
Oct., 1910, Pledge.....	\$ 2 00
Total	\$ 2 00

Holy Trinity, Danville.

Miss Forbes, Directress.

Members, 11.

Dec., 1910, Christmas box to St. Mary's, Suwanee, Tenn.....	\$ 5 98
May, 1911, Apportionment.....	2 00
Jan., 1911, United Offering.....	2 00
Total	\$ 9 98

St. Paul's, Alton.

Mrs. Hayner, Directress.

Members, 17.

Dec., 1910, Christmas box, St. Mary's Suwanee, Tenn.....	\$ 6 70
May, 1911, Apportionment.....	6 00
May, 1911, United Offering.....	1 00
Total	\$13 70

Church of Redeemer, Cairo.

Mrs. Gallagher, Directress.

Members, 9.

Dec., 1910, Christmas box to St. Mary's Suwanee, Tenn.....	\$ 8 00
Dec., 1911, Diocesan dues.....	3 00
Dec., 1910, United Offering.....	1 00
Dec., 1910, Apportionment.....	3 00
Total	\$15 00

Emmanuel Church, Champaign.

Miss Hutchins, Directress.

Members, 20.

Dec. 10, 1910, Christmas box to St. Mary's, Suwanee, Tenn.....	\$15 00
May, 1911, Apportionment.....	2 00
Total	\$17 00

St. Paul's, Springfield.

Miss Bowen, Directress.

Members, —.

Dec. 27, 1910, Christmas box to St. Mary's Suwanee, Tenn.....	\$ 3 50
Dec. 21, 1910, Box to Mrs. S. K. Whitely, Mound City, Ill.....	1 20
Dec. 10, 1910, Box to Mrs. S. K. Whitely, Mound City, Ill.....	12 00
Dec. 10, 1910, St. Mary's School, Suwanee, Tenn.....	5 00
May, 1910, Apportionment.....	5 00
Nov. 30, 1910, To Rev. J. Rockstroh.....	10 00
May, 1911, To Rev. J. Rockstroh.....	14 00
Total	\$50 80

Chrurst Church, Springfield.

Miss Whitley, Directress.

Members, 7.

Dec., 1910, Christmas box to Suwanee, Tenn.....	\$ 3 50
May, 1911, Apportionment.....	2 00

Oct., 1910, Orphanage of Holy Child, Springfield.....	5 00
Dec., 1910, Pledge to Diocesan Missions.....	2 00

Total	\$12 50
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Entire total in boxes and money of the Junior Branches in Springfield Diocese, \$124.98.

CHARLOTTE B. RUCKEL,
Diocesan Secretary Junior Auxiliary.

REPORT OF BABY BRANCH, 1910-1911.

"As the twig is bent, the tree's inclined." I do not suppose any one will deny this, but did you ever stop to think what a rich harvest of loyal churchmen and women it would bring if each one would do her part toward making the Baby Branch a success?

If our children were trained from their cradles for missionary praying and giving, the splendid future of the church would be assured; because churches and individuals who work and pray and give for missions are the ones who succeed, both in parish and private life.

May I beg of you who represent the various parishes that you go back to do something to advance this work.

While my year's work has been rather disheartening on account of ignorance and lack of interest, the former due chiefly to the latter, I believe I can truly say it has brought its blessings, too.

I regret the full reports are not in. Those to date from three Branches amount to \$12.08.

The five Branches represented between eighty and ninety babies. I trust it may be easy to find a willing worker to take up the leadership of the "Little Helpers," and may she reap rich fruit and blessings from the tiny seeds I have tried to sow.

LUCY H. ARCHER,
Diocesan Secretary, Babies Branch.

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE SPRINGFIELD DIOCESAN
BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY, FROM MAY 1, 1910,
TO MAY 1, 1911.**

St. Paul's Branch, Alton.

Mrs. R. E. Dorsey, Secretary.

	Money.	Boxes.
To Miss Phelps, Wu Chang, China.....	\$ 5 00	
Apportionment	15 00	
To Diocesan special pledge.....	20 00	
Personal pledges.....	102 00	
To general missions.....	25 00	
Total money	\$167 00	
To St. Margaret Mission, Orange, Va.....		\$ 5 00
To Gastonia, N. C.....		5 00
Total in boxes.....		\$ 10 00
Total in money.....		167 00
Total in money and boxes.....		\$177 00

Church of Redeemer, Cairo.

Mrs. J. W. Weneger, Secretary.

	Money.	Boxes.
To general	\$15 00	
Mountain Mission, Kentucky.....	1 00	
Glen Carbon	10 00	
To Diocesan Missions.....	10 00	
Annual dues	6 75	
Material for St. Michael's Mission.....	2 52	
Total in money.....	\$45 00	

St. John's Branch, Decatur.

Mrs. Geo. P. Hoster, Secretary.

	Money.	Boxes.
Box to Orphanage of Holy Child.....		\$49 85
		2 00
Total in money and boxes.....		\$51 85

St. Bartholomews, Granite City.

Mrs. Chas. Whitehead, Secretary.

	Money.	Boxes.
Annual dues	\$3 00	
To Diocesan Missions.....	\$2 00	
Total in money.....	\$5 00	
Box to Orphanage.....		\$12 00
Total in boxes.....		\$12 00
Total in money.....		5 50

Trinity Church, Jacksonville.

Miss F. E. Wakely, Secretary.

	Money.	Boxes.
To Rev. T. B. Wentworth.....	\$1 00	
To Glen Carbon.....	5 00	
Parish pledge to Diocesan Missions.....	5 00	
Personal pledge to Diocesan Missions.....	5 00	
To Orphanage of Holy Child.....	2 00	
Total in money.....	\$18 00	
Box to Orphanage of Holy Child.....		\$8 00
Total in boxes.....		\$8 00
Total in money.....		18 00
Total in money and boxes.....		\$26 00

Christ Church, Springfield.

Mrs. E. A. Snively, Secretary.

	Money.	Boxes.
United Offering	\$16 29	
Apportionment	10 00	
To Diocesan Missions.....	14 61	
To Orphanage of Holy Child.....	7 00	
To St. John's Mission.....	4 60	
Personal pledges to Diocesan Missions.....	13 00	
Annual dues	4 25	
Total in money.....	\$69 76	
Box to Mission of Our Saviour, Suwanee, Tenn.....		\$16 50
Total in boxes.....		\$16 50
Total in money.....		69 76
Total in money and boxes.....		\$86 26

St. Paul's Branch, Springfield.

Mrs. T. W. Willson, Secretary.

To Miss Babcock, Japan.....	\$ 2 00	
To Diocesan Missions.....	25 00	
Personal pledges to Diocesan Missions.....	45 00	
Apportionment	20 00	
Annual dues	6 25	
United Offering	61 40	
To a Diocesan Missionary.....	10 00	
To Domestic Missions.....	3 00	
Total in money.....	\$172 65	
To Rev. G. E. Renison, Junea, Alaska.....		\$60 00
Total in boxes.....		\$60 00
Total in money.....		172 65
Total in money and boxes.....		\$232 65

Christ Church, Waverly.

	Money.	Boxes.
To United Offering	\$3 00	
To Diocesan Missions.....	5 00	
To Orphanage of Holy Child.....	1 50	
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Total in money.....	\$9 50	
To Rev. Betticher, Alaska.....		\$ 4 55
To Orphanage of Holy Child.....		11 75
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Total in boxes.....		\$16 30
Total in money.....		9 50
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Total in money and boxes.....		\$25 80
Carmi.		
Annual dues.....	\$0 50	\$0 50
Urbana.		
Diocesan Missions	\$1 00	\$1 00
Grand total in money.....		\$362 18
Grand total in boxes.....		160 65
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Grand total in money and boxes		\$522 83

**REPORT OF THE DIOCESAN TREASURER OF THE SPRINGFIELD
BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF
MISSIONS, DECEMBER 1, 1910, TO MAY 23, 1911.**

Dec. 1, 1910	Received from Miss M. H. Taylor, retiring Treasurer	\$19 18
Dec. 8, 1910	Received from Carmi, annual dues.....	50
Dec. 19, 1910	Received from Cairo, last half of pledge (Glen Carbon)	10 00
Mar. 6, 1911	Received from Waverly, 1910 pledge, Diocesan Missions	5 00
Mar. 6, 1911	Received from Springfield, Christ Church, apportionment	10 00
Apr. 6, 1911	Received from Urbana, pledge.....	1 00
Apr. 27, 1911	Received from Jacksonville, annual dues.....	4 00
May 1, 1911	Received from Cairo, annual dues.....	6 75
May 1, 1911	Received from Decatur, annual dues.....	1 25
May 9, 1911	Received from Springfield, annual dues, \$1.25; St. Paul's pledge, \$10.00; half yearly sub. to Diocesan Missions, \$12.50.....	23 75
May 11, 1911	Received from Granite City, annual dues.....	5 50
May 16, 1911	Received from Springfield, Mrs. J. C. White, personal pledge	5 00
May 16, 1911	Received from Jacksonville, Mrs. Tomlin, personal	

	pledge	5 00
May 23, 1911	Received from Alton, annual dues.....	5 25
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	Total	\$102 18
Dec. 10, 1910	Sent to Rev. Johannes Rockstroh, Danville, from St. Mary's Branch, Cairo, for Glen Carbon.....	10 00
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	Balance on hand	\$92 18

MAUDE I. BURROWS,

Treasurer.

Decatur, Ill., May 23, 1911.

