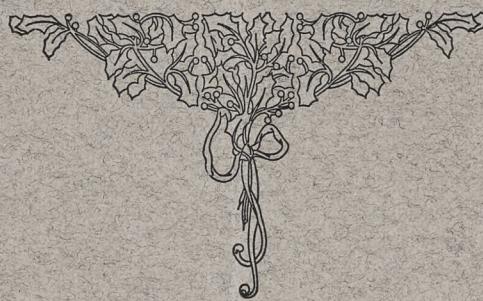


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**Noonday Prayer for Missions.**

Blessed Savior, who at this hour didst hang upon the cross, stretching forth Thy loving arms, grant that all mankind may look upon Thee and be saved; through Thy mercy and merits who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

Amen.

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Treasurer, Miss N. Haskett  
Junior Branch, Miss Minnie Taylor  
Babies' Branch, Miss Minnie Taylor  
Brotherhood of St. Paul, Mrs. W. Sleeper

## MINUTES OF TWELFTH ANNUAL MEETING

Waco, May 14, 1913

The Twelfth Annual Meeting of the Texas Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was called to order this morning at 9 o'clock and opened with prayer by the Bishop, followed by the singing of hymn No. 249, after which the regular order of business was taken up. Owing to the resignation of our Diocesan President, Mrs. Hicks, our First Vice President, Mrs. R. G. Patton, was called to the chair.

Roll call of Parish Branches was responded to by the delegates present from ten branches, eight being without representation.

Present:

St. David's, Austin.  
All Saints', Austin.  
Christ Church, Eagle Lake.  
Trinity, Galveston.  
Christ Church, Houston.  
Trinity Church, Houston.  
St. John's, Marlin.  
St. Philip's, Palestine.  
Christ Church, Temple.  
St. Paul's, Waco.

Those Parishes not represented were:

Alvin.  
Beaumont.  
Dickinson.  
Marshall.  
Nacogdoches.  
Galveston (Grace Church).  
Texas City.  
Tyler.

Reports of Secretary and Treasurer were read and adopted. A motion was made and carried that our Secretary send a note of welcome and congratulation to the Texas City Branch, which has recently joined in our work. Reports of Parish Branches were read by their delegates. Adjournment was made at 10:30, and a recess taken, for the opening service of the Council. At the conclusion of this service the Auxiliary was reconvened in the church for the continuance of its work. A telegram of greeting from Mrs. Hicks was received and read by the presiding officer. A pause in our work at 12 o'clock for noon-day prayer for missions was joined in by all. Directress of Mission Study Classes reported that only two of the Parish Branches had applied to her for assistance and advice. These were Christ Church, Houston, and St. Paul's, Waco.

The report of the United Offering was read by Mrs. Catterall, Treasurer:

From the Senior Branch.....	\$351.39
From the Junior Branch.....	11.50
From the Babies' Branch.....	5.00
 Total .....	 \$367.89

Mrs. Catterall reported having on hand \$889.00, the receipts of the last two and one-half years, with more collections to be made in September before the Triennial, and expressed a hope that we might have \$1,000.00 for the Texas offering at that meeting. Responding to this wish, a check for \$100.00 from Mrs. A. E. Watson, of Marlin, and another of \$25.00 from Mrs. Dossett, of Cameron, made us all very happy, and we extend hearty thanks to these members.

Reports of Vice Presidents called for, brought response from First and Second only, with many regrets that nothing definite had been accomplished.

Third and Fourth Vice Presidents were absent.

A suggestion that the time and place of meeting of the Diocesan Branch be changed, was presented for general discussion, but as nothing definite was reached it was decided to leave the matter with the parish branches, report to be made at our next annual meeting.

Committee on Resolutions, appointed by the Diocesan President, were Mrs. O. M. Longnecker, of Houston; Mrs. A. E. Watson, of Marlin; Mrs. C. Fletcher, of Temple.

The Bishop's appointments were the same as last year, excepting only Mrs. R. G. Patton in place of Mrs. Hicks, resigned, Diocesan President, and Mrs. A. E. Watson made First Vice President in place of Mrs. Patton, advanced. An informal talk upon missionary work in China was given by Mrs. Dyer, from extracts of letters from her son now engaged in that work. Having concluded the work of the Senior Branch, Miss Taylor, President of Junior Branch, took the chair and read the annual report of that part of the auxiliary work. Total amount received from the Junior Branch in money and boxes, \$479.40. In the absence of their leader the report of the Babies' Branch was read by Miss Taylor; total amount received, \$71.43.

Rev. Percy Silver, having been requested to address the Junior Branch, was now presented and, as always, his practical and interesting address was enjoyed by all.

Delegates to the Triennial suggested were Mrs. A. E. Schaeffer, Houston; Mrs. J. B. Bowles, alternate; Mrs. A. E. Watson, Marlin; Mrs. M. F. Hutchinson, alternate; Miss Bush, Waco; Mrs. C. C. Kramer, alternate; Miss E. Simpkins, Austin; Miss Risher, Waco, alternate; Junior Branch: Miss Taylor, Waco; Mrs. S. McNeil, Houston, alternate.

Upon request it was reported that corporate communion services in connection with the presenting of the united offering had been held in Austin, Houston and Galveston.

Committee on Resolutions reported as follows:

Resolved, That the Texas Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, assembled in Waco, May 14, 1913, extend thanks—

First—To the members of St. Paul's Parish for their generous hospitality and kind attentions to our delegates;

Second—To our Bishop for his cordial greeting and encouragement;

Third—To Rev. Silver for his splendid address to our Juniors, giving them instruction and inspiration for more expansive work.

Resolved, also, That the resignation of Mrs. Hicks as Diocesan President be accepted with sincere regret and with an expression of thanks and appreciation for her long years of faithful service.

### Annual Report of Secretary.

President and Fellow Members: As we are gathered here this morning in annual session the twelfth, to hear the story of another year's work, let us not forget that these yearly meetings are not alone for this purpose, but they are our opportunities for mutual helpfulness, for the interchange of thought and opinion. We all meet the same perplexities along our way, have the same problems confronting us, and though some are stronger, better equipped to overcome discouragements, the good Book tells us we must "bear one another's burdens."

In small parishes, where local needs absorb every energy, and almost every dollar, an Auxiliary has little chance to live or grow; but a small work even, given as a labor of love, may be counted worthy in the sight of Him who knows all our weaknesses.

We now have eighteen branches, with a membership of 302. One new branch has been added recently. The Texas City ladies, six in number, without church or Rector, banded themselves together as an Auxiliary, determined to have a share in God's work. We bid them a hearty welcome, while we honor their courage and perseverance in this beginning and wish them abundant success.

No reports have come to me from Grace Church, Galveston, or from Christ Church, San Augustine, so I am not prepared to say whether these branches still exist or not.

The Alvin ladies report no regular organization of the Woman's Auxiliary, but the Guild contributes to missionary work.

There is always a need of money and help in our own Diocese, notwithstanding the Board of Missions sends annually to Texas a regular appropriation for the missionary work of the Church.

In planning our part of this work let us make this home need one of our first considerations.

The amount given this year by the Auxiliary for Diocesan Missions is \$159.78, from five branches; for Domestic Missions, \$35.25, from five branches; for General Missions, \$556.30, from fourteen branches.

For Foreign Missions we have only the "special" sent to Bishop Aves.

With the permission and approval of our Diocesan President, letters were written to all the parish branches, presenting the appeal of Bishop Aves for the support of the little hospital at Nopala, Mexico. Most of you have heard the story of the beginning of this little "House of Hope," as they call it, as presented to the Woman's Auxiliary at the Triennial in Cincinnati, 1910, by Rev. Watson, one of Bishop Aves' priests. Eleven hundred and fifty dollars was given at that time by the Auxiliary from all over the country, and with this money the hospital has been built and made ready for use, but as the Board of Missions could not make any appropriation for running expenses, as they never have enough money for all needs, the Bishop was obliged to look to his friends. Seven branches responded to this appeal, and in January our Diocesan Treasurer sent \$322.50 to the Board of Missions as a "special" for this work in Mexico.

The two scholarships have been paid as in the past several years, one in Wuchang, China, of \$50.00, carried by the Waco branch; the other, the Gertrude Aves, in the Hooker School, Mexico City, of \$80.00, carried by the Galveston and Houston branches; total, \$130.00.

Fifteen boxes and packages have been sent to various mission points in Alaska, Arkansas, Louisiana, Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee. From the Beaumont branch a box was sent to the Helen Dunlap Memorial School at Winslow, Arkansas, value \$5.00.

From Trinity Church branch of Galveston a box of clothing was sent to Rev. Buskie at Baton Rouge, La., for the Mississippi flood sufferers. A second box from this branch was sent to the Helen Dunlap Memorial School at Winlow, Arkansas, and a third box, from the same branch, was sent to All Saints' Hospital at South McAlester, Oklahoma, value \$123.19.

From Trinity Church, Houston, a box was sent to a mission school at Middleboro, Kentucky, value \$110.85.

From Christ Church, Houston, three boxes of clothing and some Christmas articles were sent to different missions under Archdeacon Neve at Ivy Depot, Va. Another box of clothing was sent to the Rector at Monroe, La., for distribution among the flood sufferers, and another to Epiphany Mission at Sherwood, Tenn. Two packages of useful and fancy articles for Christmas gifts were sent to Alaska, one of these being for the fair held annually at Fairbanks for the support of the hospital at that place; total value \$266.70.

From Marshall a barrel of clothing was sent to the mission school at Alberne, Va., value \$35.00.

From Tyler a box was sent to the mission at Sewanee, Tenn., value \$74.10.

Total value of box work, \$617.14.

The pledge of \$50.00 to the fund for life insurance for foreign missionaries, accepted at our last annual meeting as a part of our regular yearly appropriations, was divided among the parish branches by our Diocesan President and paid early in the year.

From one branch \$20.00 has been sent to the Clergy Relief Fund. Should we not all remember these faithful ministers of God who have grown old and feeble in this service? The Good Father has left them here awhile longer for the Church to care for until He calls them home. Then let us not forget even a small sum from each branch will help to bring cheer to some sad and lonely life.

To the Church Periodical Club work has been given \$16.00 from two branches.

For the United Offering, the highest privilege upon our records, that of helping to care for women workers in the mission field, has been given from the—

Senior Branch .....	\$351.39
Junior Branch .....	11.50
Babies' Branch .....	5.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$367.39</b>

Our United Offering Treasurer hopes there may be \$1,000.00 for the offering of the Texas Branch at the Triennial in October, and we can make it so if we will.

Our Year Book was printed by the Tyler Printing Company; 350 copies for \$35.00, with some additional expense for expressage and postage. The books were sent to all branches, according to membership.

Total amount of money and boxes contributed for the year ending  
April 30, 1913:

From the Senior Branch.....	\$2,490.39
From the Junior Branch.....	479.40
From the Babies' Branch.....	71.43
 Grand total .....	 \$3,041.22

MRS. R. D. GRIBBLE, Secretary.



Miss Emery's Letter.

CHURCH MISSIONS HOUSE  
Fourth Ave. and Twenty-second St., New York,  
WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

March 28, 1913.

My Dear Friends: Each third year seems an especially important one in the life of the Woman's Auxiliary. In it we are drawing nearer to our Triennial when we sum up our past and start afresh into the future.

If we look back over the last three years we can distinguish them as a first, in which we made a final and successful effort for the plans towards the Board's appropriations; a second, where we found ourselves confronted with the question, "What shall we put before ourselves as an aim, now that the accomplishment of that definite sum is taken away?" and a third, in which a very great gain in the definite study of missions has seemed largely to answer that question.

Mission study has come to stay. We have now sixty-nine Diocesan Educational Secretaries in the Woman's Auxiliary. Next year we want thirty-one more, that every diocesan branch shall have its leader. Do not hold back because of the size of the diocese, the distances between parishes, the weakness of the branch. There are too many professionals now trained in correspondence schools for us to assume that we might not have mission study professionals so trained. We hope that every present Diocesan Educational Secretary can be in New York next October, and women from branches who, as yet, have none, that they may receive training. If your branch has not yet such an officer, will you not try to secure one between this time and that?

Again, this third year of educational activity has meant to us something more of devotional earnestness. So many classes conducted with so much Bible study and prayer must have been spiritually strengthening to the members.

There are two things about which we want your opinion and hope to hear from you after your meeting.

In addition to the six weeks' course to be set forth by the Board's Educational Department next year will you give four weeks to the study of either the Gospel according to St. Matthew or the Acts? We have pamphlets at the Mission House taking these as text-books, and would be glad to have them used in every diocese.

And, also, would you like to have some "day in the Church's year chosen when all our women might be called in their respective parishes to a corporate communion, with the thought of our special work in mind and a special prayer for God's blessing upon it?" If so, is there a day which to you seems especially suitable for such a service?

Our Triennial will take place in New York, in October next. It occurs at a time when the representative body of the Church will be in session.

In the six months still left us let us pray earnestly that the Church may be guided to great and good undertakings, and that we, in one

place, may do our part to help. If we have prayed that the crying need for means may be met, have we, each and individually, done what we may to answer our own prayers?

If we long that more women may go out, have we sought to find our volunteers?

Because these coming six months are the last before our Triennial let us make them months of prayer and work, and so come to our great United Service with hearts that may be truly thankful because they have really tried to give God of their best. Yours very sincerely,

JULIA C. EMERY, Secretary.



**TREASURER'S REPORT, MAY, 1912, TO MAY, 1913.**

**Receipts.**

Alvin, Grace Mission.....	\$ 7.65
Austin, All Saints' Mission.....	18.30
Austin, St. David's .....	37.50
Beaumont, St. Mark's .....	3.00
Dickinson, Holy Trinity.....	.50
Eagle Lake, Christ.....	13.30
Galveston, Grace .....	1.50
Galveston, Trinity .....	102.85
Houston, Christ .....	498.06
Houston, Trinity .....	248.30
Marlin, St. John's.....	58.60
Marshall, Trinity .....	40.70
Nacogdoches, Christ .....	36.40
Palestine, St. Philip's.....	2.70
Temple, Christ .....	22.00
Texas City .....	2.50
Tyler, Christ .....	27.50
Waco, St. Paul's.....	132.00
From Contingent Fund for Missionary Ins. Fund.....	1.50
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Total .....	\$1,255.36

**Disbursements.**

General Missions .....	\$ 501.45
Diocesan Missions .....	128.40
Scholarships .....	130.00
Domestic Specials .....	42.38
Foreign Special Foreign Miss. Ins. Fund.....	50.00
Foreign Special, Doctor's salary, Nopala, Mexico.....	322.50
Clergy Relief Fund.....	20.00
Church Periodical Club.....	16.00
Contingent Fund .....	44.63
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Total .....	\$1,255.36

CONTINGENT FUND, MAY, 1912, TO MAY, 1913.

Receipts.

Balance as reported at last annual meeting.....	\$ 43.55
Austin, All Saints'.....	1.80
Austin, St. David's.....	4.50
Eagle Lake, Christ.....	1.80
Galveston, Trinity .....	5.85
Houston, Christ .....	6.30
Houston, Trinity .....	6.30
Marlin, St. John's.....	2.10
Marshall, Trinity .....	2.70
Nacogdoches, Christ .....	2.40
Palestine, St. Philip's.....	1.20
Temple, Christ .....	1.80
Texas City .....	1.50
Tyler, Christ .....	1.50
Waco, St. Paul's.....	2.50
Donation, Houston, Christ, for mailing, etc.....	2.38
 Total .....	\$ 88.18

Disbursements.

Tyler Printing Company, for 350 Year Books.....	\$ 35.00
Expressage on Year Books.....	.70
Mailing .....	1.68
For San Augustine pledge to Foreign Miss. Ins. Fund.....	1.50
Balance .....	49.30
 Total .....	\$ 88.18

**REPORT OF JUNIOR BRANCH.**

Miss Minnie Taylor, Directress.

**Receipts.**

Alvin .....	\$ 9.50
Austin, All Saints' .....	19.00
Bay City .....	95.00
Eagle Lake .....	14.00
Hempstead .....	22.00
Houston, Christ Church .....	82.25
Houston, St. John's .....	8.86
Houston, Trinity .....	70.75
Tyler .....	34.50
Waco, St. Paul's .....	123.54
 Total .....	 \$ 479.40

**Disbursements.**

Diocesan Missions .....	\$ 12.00
Domestic Missions .....	20.00
Christmas Box, Fay, Oklahoma .....	243.35
Bishop Kinsolving Scholarship, St. Mary's School, Shanghai, China .....	50.00
Bishop Aves' Scholarship, Hooker Memorial, Mexico City .....	60.00
General Missions .....	45.30
United Offering .....	11.75
Special, furnishing room Hooker Memorial School .....	25.00
Special, Kenneth Ives Rice .....	7.00
Special, St. Andrew's School, Tennessee .....	5.00
 Total .....	 \$ 479.40

**REPORT OF THE BABIES' BRANCH, MAY, 1913.**

Mrs. J. B. Koehler, Directress, 1721 Avenue K, Galveston, Texas.

**Receipts.**

Austin, All Saints' Church.....	\$ 2.00
Beaumont, St. Mark's Church.....	4.46
Eagle Lake, Christ Church.....	2.00
Galveston, Trinity Church.....	28.80
Houston, Trinity Church.....	5.25
Marlin, St. John Church.....	2.25
Waco, St. Paul's Church.....	26.67
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Total .....	\$ 71.43

**Disbursements.**

Mexico, Domestic and Foreign Missions.....	\$ 50.00
Font to a Foreign Mission.....	1.00
Garlord Hart Mitchell Kindergarten, Tokio, Japan.....	5.00
United Offering .....	5.00
To St. Agnes Hospital, Raleigh, N. C.....	5.00
Diocesan Missions .....	3.43
Expenses .....	2.00
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Total .....	\$ 71.43

**REPORT OF THE UNITED OFFERING FOR YEAR ENDING**  
**MAY 14, 1913.**

Mrs. F. W. Catterall, Custodian.

Received from Woman's Auxiliary of Austin, All Saints'.....	\$ 10.00
Austin, St. David's.....	10.00
Beaumont, St. Mark's.....	10.00
Cameron, Mrs. A. J. Dossett.....	25.00
Dickinson, Trinity Mission.....	4.15
Eagle Lake, Christ Church.....	5.00
Galveston, Trinity Church.....	59.53
Houston, Christ Church.....	100.00
Houston, Trinity Church.....	33.51
Marlin, St. John's.....	27.25
Marlin, Mrs. A. E. Watson.....	100.00
Marshall, Trinity .....	11.76
Nacogdoches, Mrs. John H. Cox.....	10.00
Palestine, St. Philip's.....	3.80
Temple, Christ Church.....	12.14
Tyler, Christ Church.....	9.25
Van Vleck, Mrs. J. J. Holt.....	10.00
Waco, St. Paul's.....	35.00
 Total .....	 \$ 476.39
From Junior Auxiliary of—	
Austin, All Saints'.....	\$ 2.00
Houston, Christ Church.....	2.50
Waco, St. Paul's Branch A.....	5.00
Waco, St. Paul's Branch B.....	2.00
 Total .....	 \$ 11.50
From Babies' Branch.....	\$ 5.00
 Grand total .....	 \$ 492.89

Including this year's collections and the collections made during the two preceding years, together with the interest earned by this fund, we have now \$1,022.81 for the United Offering of 1913. We have four months longer in which we may endeavor to bring this offering to such a rounded sum as will prove our knowledge of this branch of mission work and our devotion to the work. Four months are not long. The children of the Sunday Schools give large sums during the six weeks of Lent, but they work and they make some sacrifices. We must emulate their zeal.

In a little more than four months this money will be taken from the bank and sent to the Triennial meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in New York—on the 9th of October of this year.

Our delegates will take it to the great service of Thanksgiving and will place it on the beautiful golden basin that is kept for that purpose, which will be piled high with the gifts of the women of the church, their thank-offering that has been gathered during the three years.

Think of it! The women of the church! The women of the large and prosperous parishes of our populous cities, and the women of our

smaller towns and scattered settlements, oppressed women in China, in Japan, in Mexico, Indian women of our plains, and ignorant natives of Alaska, the Philippines, and the West Indies, even the semi-savage girls of our missions in Africa, for wherever our missionaries work they are telling the girls and women of the United Offering. For we are all one body, with one purpose, "A peculiar people, to show forth the praises of Him who hath called us from darkness into His mar-velous light."

On the 9th of October this offering will be placed upon the altar and consecrated to the service of God, through the work of women in the mission field.

Fifteen thousand dollars will be used for some permanent building that some body of women have waited for, and prayed for, and these women will use it for the advancement of the Kingdom.

Some of this fund will go to the Training Schools of the church, to instruct those girls and women who have heard the call and are eager to go to the work of the church's missions. Only trained and competent women are sent. Every bit of strength and energy, of intelligence and enthusiasm, must be used in the right way and in the right place.

Some of the offering will be used for transportation and the remainder of it for the support of our women missionaries—that is, for our United Offering missionaries. About one hundred and sixty are dependent upon us now, and many more women must still be cared for by the general fund of the Board of Missions.

Of this we may be sure: every penny of the United Offering will be used for the uplift of the world, for the growth of God's Kingdom. Now, what are we going to do? Whatever we do, we must begin now. Very soon our organizations will be disbanded and our congregations scattered. We must bring this matter to their attention at once, so that they may keep it in mind wherever they may be.

Ask your rector to make the announcement from the chancel. Tell him what we have and what we hope to get and something of the scope and purpose of the United Offering. He will be glad to help you, and he knows how. Tell him that this appeal, this opportunity and privilege, is for all the girls and women of the church—not for Auxiliary members only.

There are many other ways by which we may reach the women of the church and bring this branch of mission work to their attention. We may use the U. O. leaflets, or circular letters, personal solicitation or indirect methods, but whatever we do should begin now, and one of the most important points is that the gifts should be sent to the United Offering treasurer in each parish before the last day in September, so that I may have it in time to send it to New York.

In 1910 we sent \$653.71. Can we double the amount this time, or shall we do more?

### CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB.

Annual Report, May 1, 1912, to May 1, 1913.

No. 26; name, Mrs. Chas. M. Desel; address, Dickinson, Texas (Galveston County).

1. Current periodicals sent regularly.....	40
2. Contributions of current periodicals.....	28
3. Bibles, Testaments, etc.....	4
4. Prayer Books and Hymnals.....	4
5. Books, theological and secular.....	50
6. Tracts and catechisms.....	40
7. Odd magazines and papers.....	12
8. Christmas and Easter cards.....	300
9. Picture cards and calendars.....	90
10. Carols and music in books or sheets.....	30
11. Pictures, games, scrap books and miscellaneous.....	22
12. Boxes, etc., contents not counted.....	3
13. Traveling libraries .....	11

### CASH STATEMENT.

May 1, 1912, to May 1, 1913.

#### Received.

May, 1912.

From Woman's Auxiliary Christ Church, Houston.....	\$ 5.00
Woman's Auxiliary Trinity Church, Galveston.....	3.00
Mrs. E. Miner, Pennsylvania, for Memorial Traveling Library....	20.00
Librarians and Correspondents' dues.....	3.00
For sale of C. P. C. Calendars (28).....	7.00
Lesser gifts .....	5.50
1913.	
From Woman's Auxiliary Christ Church, Houston.....	10.00
Woman's Auxiliary Trinity Church, Galveston.....	5.00
Woman's Auxiliary Trinity Church, Galveston.....	1.00

Total .....

\$59.50

#### Disbursements.

Express on books from Mrs. Miner.....	\$ 2.35
Express Traveling Library.....	.70
Express on three cases from Anahuac.....	2.65
New books from North.....	2.25
C. P. Stationery .....	3.00
Correspondents and Librarians' dues.....	3.00
Sale of calendars.....	7.00
Parcel post and stamps.....	7.05
Books .....	1.60
Express and postage.....	1.90
Total .....	\$34.00
Balance in hand at Dickinson.....	\$25.50

Grand total .....

\$59.50

MRS. CHAS. M. DESSEL,  
Correspondent and Treasurer,

To the President of the Texas Branch of the Woman's Missionary Auxiliary and Its Members.

Kind Greetings:

One of our modern philosophers said:

"We can not render benefits to those from whom we receive them, or only seldom; but the benefit we receive must be rendered again, line for line, deed for deed, to somebody. Beware of too much good staying in thy hand."

"Gather up the fragments" is the motto of the Church Periodical Club.

Today's lesson is the chapter in St. Luke's Gospel which tells of the feeding of the five thousand, and from the miraculous feast there were gathered twelve baskets. Again, St. Mark tells of four thousand fed, and seven baskets were filled afterward. How easily these numbers apply to our work. Twelve months of the year, seven days of the week, we may "gather" that we have "left" of magazines (monthlies), and day by day, week by week, the weeklies, adding souvenir cards, booklets and books from our abundance—or it may be from one's scarcity, since the word is "if thou hast little, do thy diligence gladly to give of that little," and thus "render deed for deed" to "somebody."

Frequently when this department of missionary work is suggested by your correspondent it is met with chilly indifference, as if it were a second-rate subject not to be classed with the active and aggressive board of the Church. Please read the statistics of the Church Periodical Club's annual report from New York City (headquarters of the Church Missions House), and note the size of it, looming up like Gibraltar's rock, and note its thousand workers, librarians, correspondents and officers, represented in nearly every Diocese, and its interesting letters of thanks, written from all parts of the world. It is indeed the Higher Mission. Its growth in less than a quarter of a century is phenomenal. Its unceasing influences are like the light of the sun, moon and stars combined.

In our Diocese the number of periodicals sent regularly is forty, and the number of contributors is twenty-eight. Number of librarians only three, traveling libraries, eleven. Is it not a privilege to share in such ennobling and extending work? One frequently hears, "O, but it's so much trouble!" In that case the reply can be, "Send a subscription or a contribution." There are a few (too few, indeed) of our communicants willing to take such trouble.

"As we meet and touch, each day,  
The many travelers on our way,  
Let every such brief contact be  
A glorious, helpful ministry;  
Each helping on the other's best  
And blessing, each, as well as blest."

"Therefore, all things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them; for this is the law and the prophets."—St. Matt., 7:12.

Respectfully yours, in His loving service,

DELIA J. DESEL.

ASSESSMENT FOR PLEDGE OF \$50.00 TOWARD INSURANCE OF  
FOREIGN MISSIONARIES.

Houston, Christ .....	\$7.00
Houston, Trinity .....	5.00
Galveston, Trinity .....	5.00
Waco, St. Paul .....	5.00
Tyler, Christ .....	3.00
Nacogdoches, Christ .....	3.00
Beaumont, St. Mark's .....	3.00
Austin, St. David .....	3.00
Marlin, St. John .....	3.00
Marshall, Trinity .....	3.00
Galveston, Grace .....	1.50
Palestine, St. Philip's .....	1.50
Temple, Christ .....	1.50
Eagle Lake, Christ .....	1.50
Austin, All Saints .....	1.50
San Augustine, Christ .....	.75
Texas City .....	.75
Dickinson, Holy Trinity .....	.50
Alvin, Grace .....	.50
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	\$50.00

Parish—Church—

	Number of Members	Contingent Fund	Diocesan Missions	Domestic Missions	General Missions	United Offering	Scholarships	Value of Boxes	Foreign Special	Insurance Fund	Clergy Relief	Church Periodical Club	Incidentals	Totals	
Alvin, Grace .....		\$ 2.40		\$ 4.75					\$ .50					7.65	
Austin, All Saints'....	12	\$ 1.80		15.00	\$ 10.00	\$ 27.80			1.50					56.10	
Austin, St. David's....	30	4.50		30.00	10.00				3.00					47.50	
Beaumont, St. Mark's....	13			30.00	10.00				3.00					48.00	
Dickinson, H. Trinity....	4		\$ 2.00		4.15				.50					6.65	
Eagle Lake, Christ....	12	1.80	1.00	10.00	5.00				1.50					19.30	
Galveston, Grace.....									1.50					1.50	
Galveston, Trinity....	39	5.85	11.00	45.00	59.53	20.00	123.19	\$ 10.00	5.00					285.57	
Houston, Christ.....	44	6.30	81.38	11.25	106.00	100.00	60.00	266.70	205.00	7.00	\$ 20.00	10.00	\$ 27.38	901.01	
Houston, Trinity.....	38	6.30	25.00		172.00	33.51		110.85	40.00	5.00				11.90	404.56
Marlin, St. John's....	13	2.10	10.00	16.70	27.25				53.50	3.00					112.55
Marshall, Trinity....	18	2.70		30.00	11.76			35.00	5.00	3.00					87.46
Nacogdoches, Christ....	16	2.40		25.00	10.00				6.00	3.00					46.40
Palestine, St. Philip's....	8	1.20		8.15	3.80					1.50					14.65
San Augustine, Christ....										1.50					1.50
Temple, Christ.....	12	1.80		18.70	12.14					1.50					34.14
Texas City .....	10	1.50	1.00												2.50
Tyler, Christ.....	7	1.50		20.00	9.25		74.10	3.00	3.00						110.80
Waco, St. Paul's....	20	2.50	50.00		25.00	35.00	50.00			5.00					167.50
Not organized .....															
Cameron, Mrs. A. J. D....						25.00									25.00
Van Vleck, Mrs. J. J. H....						10.00									10.00
Marlin, Mrs. A. E. W....						100.00									100.00
<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>296</b>	<b>\$ 42.25</b>	<b>\$ 159.78</b>	<b>\$ 35.25</b>	<b>\$ 556.30</b>	<b>\$ 476.39</b>	<b>\$ 157.80</b>	<b>\$ 614.84</b>	<b>\$ 322.50</b>	<b>\$ 50.00</b>	<b>\$ 20.00</b>	<b>\$ 16.00</b>	<b>\$ 39.28</b>	<b>\$ 2,490.39</b>	
Junior Branch .....															\$ 479.40
Babies' Branch .....															71.43
<b>Grand total .....</b>															\$ 3,041.22

## CONSTITUTION.

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### ARTICLE I—Name.

The name of this Society shall be the Texas Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

### ARTICLE II—Object.

The object of this Society is, by united and systematic effort, to increase the knowledge of Missions, the giving for Missions, and the formation of branches where there are none.

### ARTICLE III—Membership.

All societies of women in this Diocese, willing to carry out the purposes of this association, shall, by notifying the Secretary of their intentions, be considered members of it.

### ARTICLE IV—Officers.

Section 1. The officers of this Branch shall be a President, a Vice President for each missionary convocation, a Secretary, a Treasurer, a Treasurer for each of the following departments: the Juniors, the Babies' Branch and the United Offering, and a Directress for Mission Study.

Sec. 2. These officers shall constitute an Executive Committee to transact the business of the Branch when not in session.

Sec. 3. These officers shall be appointed by the Bishop of the Diocese, to serve for one year.

### ARTICLE V—Duties of Officers.

Section 1. The President shall call the meetings of the Executive Board and of the Branch, preside over them, and direct the work of the Auxiliary in the Diocese.

Sec. 2. The Vice President shall preside in the absence of the President, in the order of their appointment. They shall direct the work in their own districts, reporting annually to the President.

Sec. 3. The Secretary shall record the proceedings of the annual meetings, keep an accurate list of Parish Branches and officers, conduct the correspondence of the Branch, and prepare the annual report.

Sec. 4. The Treasurer shall take charge of all moneys, disburse the same according to instructions, and give an annual report at the regular meeting.

### ARTICLE VI—Meetings.

The annual meeting of this Association shall occur at the time and place designated by the Bishop, each Parish Branch being entitled to one delegate.

### ARTICLE VII—Amendments.

This constitution may be amended at an annual meeting by a two-thirds vote of delegates present, provided notice of such amendment be made at each Branch one month previously.

#### BY-LAWS.

1. The President may call meetings of officers whenever necessary.
2. The fund for current expenses shall be known as the contingent fund.
3. Each member of the Parish Branches shall pay 15 cents annually to the contingent fund, to be collected by the Secretaries and forwarded to the Diocesan Auxiliary Treasurer.

#### ORDER OF BUSINESS.

1. Opening by the Bishop.
2. Roll Call.
3. Reports of Officers.
4. Reports of Delegates.
5. Report of Mission Study Classes.
6. Report of Junior Branch.
7. Report of Babies' Branch.
8. Report of United Offering.
9. Unfinished Business.
10. New Business.
11. Bishop's Appointments.
12. Minutes.
13. Adjournment.



**MEMORIAL RECORD—1912-1913.**

“Entered into Rest.”

Mrs. Adelia Burns, May 23, 1912; Trinity Church, Houston.

Mrs. S. P. Rogers, July 8, 1912; Christ Church, Houston.

Mrs. Annie Jander, February 22, 1913; St. Philip's Church, Palestine.

A suggestion for the opening service of Auxiliary meetings is as follows:

MISSIONARY HYMN.  
CREED.  
RESPONSIVE READING.  
PRAYERS.





