

[APPENDIX Q.]

THE VERMONT BRANCH

OF THE

Woman's Auxiliary

TO THE

BOARD OF MISSIONS.

FIFTH ANNUAL CONVENTION.

The annual meeting of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was held in the vestry-room of the Methodist Society, St. Albans, Tuesday, June 12, at three o'clock p. m.

After the opening service, read by the Rector of the Parish, the Rev. Thomas Burgess, the meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. Theodore A. Hopkins, of Burlington.

The roll of Associations in union with the Auxiliary was then called for, and read by the Secretary, and the delegates presented their credentials.

The chair appointed Mrs. Charles E. Allen and Mrs. John C. Farrar a committee to examine and report upon credentials of delegates. Having examined which, the committee reported the following Associations as entitled to representation in the Convention, the following persons having been duly elected delegates :

St. James' Church, Arlington,	{ Mrs. J. R. Judson,*
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls.	{ Mrs. Jesse Burdett.
St. Agnes' Hall, Bellows Falls.	No representation.
St. Peter's Church, Bennington,	{ No representation.
St. Thomas' Church, Brandon,	{ Mrs. John Wylie,*
	{ Miss Laura Peek.*
	{ Mrs. John Christie,
	{ Mrs. R. J. Cook.

St. Michael's Church, Brattleboro,	{ Mrs. Royal Tyler,* Mrs. Henry C. Willard,* Mrs. Frank W. Brooks,* Mrs. Wm. H. Collins.
St. Paul's Church, Burlington,	{ Mrs. Wm. G. Shaw, Mrs. Henry H. Ross, Mrs. Charles E. Allen, Mrs. Samuel Drew,* Mrs. J. Isham Bliss.
St. Luke's Church, Chester,	{ Mrs. Frank Church, Mrs. Willard McIntyre.
Christ Church, Enosburgh,	{ Mrs. Caleb R. Brewer.
Zion Church, Factory Point,	{ Mrs. James Lamson,* Mrs. E. L. Wyman.
St. Stephen's Church, Middlebury.	{ Mrs. George Lewis,* Miss Hattie Way.
Christ Church, Montpelier,	{ Mrs. J. W. Ellis,* Mrs. Fred E. Smith, Mrs. Howard F. Hill.
St. Mary's Church, Northfield,	{ Mrs. George Nichols, Mrs. George B. B. Denny.
St. John's Church, Poultney,	{ Mrs. E. H. Randall, Mrs. J. H. Tay.
Grace Church, Randolph,	{ Mrs. C. E. Sawyer,* Mrs. E. W. Granger, Mrs. Homer White.*
Trinity Church, Rutland,	{ Mrs. H. H. Baxter, Mrs. George R. Bottum, Mrs. Levi G. Kingsley, Mrs. Orlando Wooster.
Grace Church, Sheldon,	{ Mrs. Alfred Keith, Mrs. William Denning,* Miss Lucy Greene,* Mrs. Martha Whitney,* Miss Kate Whittemore.
Trinity Mission, Shelburne,	{ Mrs. W. A. Weed, Miss L. Nash.
St. Luke's Church, St. Albans,	{ Mrs. James McGowan,* Mrs. Lillie Saxe Holmes, Mrs. Henry J. Watson, Mrs. H. B. Soule, Mrs. Asahel S. Hyde.
St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury,	{ Mrs. H. C. Boynton,* Mrs. F. F. Fletcher,* Mrs. J. P. Thompson,* Mrs. F. S. Fisher,* Mrs. Frank Richardson.*
Holy Trinity Church, Swanton.	
St. Paul's Church, Vergennes.	{ Mrs. C. J. Ketchum, Mrs. C. E. Jackman, Mrs. W. W. Booth.
Trinity Mission, Winooski.	No representation.
St. James' Church, Woodstock,	{ Mrs. George R. Chapman,* Mrs. Francis W. Smith.

Delegates with * after their names were not present at the Convention.

The delegates from Arlington and Poultney, having no credentials, were admitted by courtesy to the Convention.

The societies in St. John's Church, Highgate, and Calvary Church, Jericho, having organized under the constitution of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary and applied for admission, it was resolved that they be received into union therewith.

The following delegates presented credentials, which were accepted :

St. John's Church, Highgate,	{ Mrs. J. A. Fitch,
	{ Mrs. J. C. Place.
Calvary Church, Jericho,	{ Mrs. E. P. Howe,
	{ Mrs. S. P. Bliss.*

The reports of the Treasurer, Mrs. John N. Baxter, and of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. Isham Bliss, were then read and accepted.

By request of the President, a carefully prepared paper relating to the work of our Diocesan Missionaries, was next read by its author, Mr. Francis W. Smith, of Woodstock.

This paper was very instructive and was listened to with deep interest. Mrs. J. Isham Bliss then read a letter from Miss Julia C. Emery, General Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, in which she called the attention of the Vermont Branch to certain objects of interest in the Foreign and Domestic fields, asking them, during the coming year, united Diocesan offerings, in addition to any parish work which may be undertaken.

An interesting letter from Mrs. Charles Clement, of Rutland, was next read, bringing before the Convention the *great* need of special effort in the unoccupied portions of the Diocese.

On motion of Mrs. Farrar the Convention adjourned, to meet at the same place Wednesday, at nine o'clock A. M.

ST. ALBANS, Wednesday, June 13, 1883, 9 o'clock A. M.

The Convention assembled agreeably to adjournment, the President in the chair.

A short opening service was read by the Rev. Theodore A. Hopkins, after which the roll of delegates was read by the Secretary.

The society in Grace Church, West Rutland, applied for admission to the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, and was admitted.

Grace Church, West Rutland,	Mrs. L. A. Hitchcock.
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The election of officers being next in order, Mrs. F. W. Smith moved that the former board of officers be re-elected.

Mrs. J. Isham Bliss, feeling unable longer to perform the duties of Corresponding Secretary, declined a renomination, and, in behalf of Mrs. George R. Chapman, of Woodstock, declined a renomination on the board of Vice Presidents.

The election of officers resulted as follows :

PRESIDENT,
MRS. THEODORE A. HOPKINS, Burlington.

VICE PRESIDENTS,

MRS. JOHN C. FARRAR, St. Albans,
 MRS. THOMAS H. CANFIELD, Burlington,
 MRS. GEORGE C. CHAPMAN, Middlebury,
 MISS JANE HAPGOOD, Bellows Falls,
 MRS. GEORGE B. B. DENNY, Northfield,
 MRS. L. FRED ABBOTT, Bennington,
 MRS. HENRY DEVENS, Brattleboro,
 MRS. HENRY BOYNTON, St. Johnsbury,
 MRS. CALEB R. BREWER, Enosburgh,
 MRS. GEORGE ALLEN, Woodstock,
 MRS. H. H. BAXTER, Rutland.

TREASURER,

MRS. JOHN N. BAXTER, Rutland.

RECORDING SECRETARY,

MRS. CHARLES E. PARKER, Vergennes.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY,

MRS. CHARLES E. ALLEN, Burlington.

On proceeding to the election of delegates to attend the general meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions to be held in Philadelphia during the session of the General Convention in October, 1883, the following named persons were elected:

DELEGATES,

MRS. CHARLES E. PARKER, Vergennes,
 MRS. JOHN N. BAXTER, Rutland,
 MRS. THOMAS H. CANFIELD, Burlington,
 MRS. WILLIAM H. COLLINS, Brattleboro.

SUBSTITUTES,

MRS. JESSE BURDETT, Arlington,
 MRS. FRANCIS W. SMITH, Woodstock,
 MRS. HENRY J. WATSON, St. Albans,
 MRS. WILLIAM G. SHAW, Burlington.

By request the letters of Miss Emery and Mrs. Charles Clement were given a second reading, which led to a free and lengthy discussion on the claims, for the coming year, of *Diocesan*, as against Domestic and Foreign Mission work.

The hour for the celebration of the Holy Communion having arrived, and no decision reached, the Convention adjourned, to reassemble at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Wednesday, June 13, 2 o'clock P. M.

Pursuant to adjournment, the Convention assembled and immediately took up the unfinished business of the morning.

The following resolution was then offered by Mrs. C. J. Ketchum, of Vergennes, and adopted:

Resolved, That, if the sum of \$200.00 be raised for a general fund, \$50.00 shall be appropriated to the Rev. Henry Dunlop's colored schools in Georgia; \$25.00 to the Woman's Hospital, Wuchang, China; \$75.00 for the Mission work of the Rev. E. H. Randall and \$50.00 to be equally divided between the Sunday schools of the Rev. Gemont Graves and the Rev. G. H. Bailey. If more than the \$200.00 be contributed, it shall be equally divided between these Missionaries for use in their Missions.

Mrs. Wm. G. Shaw, of Burlington, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Article XIV of the Constitution be amended, to read as follows:

The annual meeting of the Branch shall be held on such day of September, October or November as shall have been appointed at the previous meeting. The President shall, at any time, call a meeting of the Branch on the written request of three parish societies

During the discussion of the above resolution, an invitation was tendered, through the President, from St. Paul's Parish, Burlington, to hold an Auxiliary Missionary meeting there on the 31st of October next; which was accepted, and action on the above resolution was postponed until the adjourned meeting.

The following resolutions in relation to the late Dr. Twing were unanimously adopted:

WHEREAS, since the last meeting of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, it hath pleased Almighty God to remove from the Church militant the Rev. Alvi Tabor Twing, D. D., Secretary of the Board of Managers of the Domestic and Foreign Missionary Society of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, and

WHEREAS his labors, in connection with the work of Missions, during the term of sixteen years in which he was Secretary, were marked by a great extension and enlarged scope of the Church's missionary work, which was due in a great measure to his devoted zeal and active efforts, therefore,

Resolved, That this Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary does unite with the whole Church in this country in mourning the loss of one whose labors were so effective in promoting the work of the Church in every part of the land, and whose name has become a household word throughout the entire bounds of the missionary field.

Resolved, That we tender to his bereaved family the sincere sympathy of this Convention in this, their sad affliction, and that the Secretary transmit to them and to the *Spirit of Missions* a copy of these resolutions.

On motion of Mrs. Charles J. Ketchum,

Resolved, That the paper prepared and read by Mrs. F. W. Smith be printed for distribution, and that the necessary amount to defray the expense of the same be collected at once.

On motion of Mrs. Woorster,

Resolved, That a vote of thanks be presented to Mrs. J. Isham Bliss for her very faithful and efficient services during the past five years as Corresponding Secretary of this Branch.

On motion of Mrs. Burdett,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be tendered to the Rector and parishioners of St. Luke's Church, St. Albans, for the generous hospitality extended to the members of the Woman's Auxiliary.

On motion of Mrs. H. H. Baxter,

Resolved, That the thanks of this Convention be, and hereby are, tendered to the pastor and stewards of the Methodist Society for the use of their very comfortable Sunday school-rooms.

On motion of Mrs. Thomas H. Canfield, the Convention adjourned, to meet at the chapel of St. Paul's Church, Burlington, Wednesday, October 31, 1883, at 6 o'clock P. M.

MRS. THEODORE A. HOPKINS, *President*.

MRS. CHARLES E. PARKER, *Secretary*.

REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY

—OF THE—

Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

SUMMARY OF WORK FROM JUNE 13, 1882, TO JUNE 13, 1883.

The Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, composed of twenty-four Associations, has contributed during the year ending June 11, 1883, for Foreign and Domestic Missions (including Missions among the colored people and Missions among the Indians), and also for Diocesan Missions and for parish objects, as far as reported:

St. James' Church, Arlington.		
For Mission work, value,	\$44 00	
For parish objects,	130 00—	\$174 00
Immanuel Church, Bellows Falls.		
For Domestic Missions, 1 box unfinished,	\$50 00	
For Domestic Missions, cash,	5 00	
For Diocesan Missions, cash,	5 00—	\$60 00
St. Agnes' Guild, Bellows Falls.		
For Domestic Missions:		
Scholarship in St. Mark's, Salt Lake City,	\$40 00	
St. Agnes' Hall dormitory, Indian,	10 00	
Rev. H. Dunlop's schools, Ga.,	2 00	