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THIRTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL MEETING

of the

VERMONT BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS

REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY

The thirty-eighth annual meeting was held in Christ Church, Montpelier, Tuesday and Wednesday, November 14-15, 1916.

TUESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 14th

Evening Prayer was said at seven forty-five o'clock by the Rector, the Reverend F. Barnby Leach. The sermon was preached by the Reverend George W. Davenport, Rector of St. Paul's church Burlington.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, NOVEMBER 15th

Holy Communion was celebrated at seven o'clock in the morning by the Right Reverend George Y. Bliss, D. D.

Morning Prayer was said at nine o'clock by the Reverend A. C. Wilson, followed by a second celebration of the Holy Communion at nine-thirty o'clock, with the Bishop of the Diocese as the Celebrant assisted by the rector.

The business meeting was opened at 10:15 o'clock Bishop Hall presiding at Miss Wheeler's request

Mrs. George Tyler of Brattleboro and Mrs. W. H. Vaughn of Barre, were appointed a committee on credentials. They reported all the credentials properly signed. There were several delegates present for whom credentials had not been received, but, as they were vouched for they were allowed to vote.

The roll call showed there were 38 delegates from the Women's Branches, two from the Young Women's branches and three from the Junior Branches; 43 delegates in all from 30 branches.

Application was made on behalf of a Junior branch at Hardwick, and after ascertaining that proper work had been done to make it eligible, the branch was admitted.

Delegates

Barre, Church of the Good Shepherd—Mrs. L. R. Rickert, Mrs. William Given, Mrs. W. H. Vaughn.

Bennington, St. Peter's—Mrs. Joseph M. Ayers, Mrs. William J. Meagher.

Brandon, St. Thomas'—Mrs. Clara I. Brown.

Brattleboro, St. Michael's—Mrs. George W. Tyler, Miss Mary Cabot.

Junior Branch, St. Michael's—Miss Faith Tyler.

Burlington, St. Paul's—Mrs. G. W. Davenport, Mrs. George Y. Bliss,
Mrs. M. D. Chittenden: Young Women's Branch, Deaconess Louisa, Miss
May Hutchinson.

East Berkshire, Calvary—Miss Melissa Perley.

Hardwick, St. John the Baptist's—Mrs. Garner.

Highgate,—Miss Susan Rixford.

Middlebury, St. Stephen's—Mrs. Oliver Chilson.

Montpelier, Christ Church—Mrs. C. D. Mather, Mrs. C. A. Best, Mrs.
M. D. Fowler.

Newport—St. Mark's—Mrs. H. E. Weeks, Mrs. John Cunningham.

Northfield, St. Mary's—Mrs. Joseph T. Lance.

Rutland, Trinity Church—Mrs. Harrie Amsden, Mrs. Joseph Reynolds.

Shelburne, Trinity Church—Mrs. R. L. Sanders.

Sheldon, Grace Church—Miss M. C. Whittemore.

Springfield, St. Mark's—Mrs. Julian S. Jacobs.

St. Albans, St. Luke's—Mrs. Emma Hill, Mrs. W. E. Bley, Mrs. Hat-
tie White, Mrs. Phillips; Junior Branch, Miss Florence Bryant.

St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's—Mrs. A. P. Grint, Mrs. Ingram, Junior
Branch, Mrs. S. C. Currier.

Websterville, St. John the Baptist's—Mrs. W. J. M. Beattie,
Mrs. T. S. Riley.

White River Junction, St. Paul's—Mrs. W. A. Mead.

Windsor, St. Paul's—Miss Alice Sheldon.

Woodstock, St. James'—Mrs. William Jones, Mrs. F. W. Gilson.

Vergennes, St. Paul's—Mrs. Robert McCuen.

Miss Wheeler, the President then read her annual address.

Reports of the Vice Presidents of the various Districts in the Diocese
were then read as follows:

Burlington District—Miss Annie T. Smith.

Rutland District—Mrs. William F. Weeks (Read by Mrs. Amsden)

Windsor District—Mrs. F. C. Williams.

St. Albans District—Mrs. F. S. Hutchinson.

Montpelier District—Mrs. George B. B. Denny.

St. Johnsbury District—No report was made as there has been no Vice
President in charge of that District during the past year.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary was read by Mrs. George
Y. Bliss (elected by the Executive Council after Miss Norton's resignation)
her report was approved and accepted.

The report of the Treasurer, Miss Alice G. Sheldon was read and ap-
proved. The report showed such excellent work accomplished by Miss

Sheldon that a vote of thanks was extended to her in appreciation of her services.

The report of the Church Periodical Club was read by Mrs. Reynolds and was accepted.

The report of the General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary was then given by Mrs. William Jones.

Noon-day prayers were then said by the Bishop of the Diocese. Prayers were also offered for three faithful members of the Woman's Auxiliary Miss Jane Hapgood of Concord, N. H., Miss Grant of Royalton and Mrs. Metcalf of Hydeville, all of whom have passed to their rest within the last few weeks. Prayers were also offered for the restoration to health of three members, Deaconess Mary Tileston, Mrs. Bamford and Miss Lucy Torrey.

The president then appointed the following committee on appropriations: Mrs. M. D. Chittenden, Burlington, chairman, Mrs. J. M. Ayers, Bennington, Miss Melissa Perley, East Berkshire, Mrs. George Tyler Brattleboro, asking that Miss Alice Sheldon the treasurer consult with this committee.

Miss Ellen S. Ogden, Principal of Bishop Hopkins Hall, was present and spoke to the members of the Auxiliary, expressing gratitude for the help given during the past and her hope that the interest shown in the school might continue. She outlined future plans briefly, and gave an encouraging report of the present condition, and of the healthy growth of the school.

Election of Officers

The election of officers then followed and those chosen for the year ensuing were:

President, Miss Constance R. Wheeler, Burlington.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. Fred N. Whitney, Northfield.

Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. George Y. Bliss, Burlington.

Treasurer, Miss Alice G. Sheldon, Ascutneyville.

General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary, Mrs. William F. Jones, Woodstock.

Secretary of the Church Periodical Club, appointed by the Bishop, Mrs. Joseph Reynolds, Rutland.

Vice Presidents:

Burlington District, Miss Annie T. Smith, Burlington.

Windsor District, Mrs. F. C. Williams, Chester.

St. Albans District, Mrs. F. I. Hutchinson, Enosburg Falls

Montpelier District, Mrs. George B. B. Denny, Montpelier.

St. Johnsbury District, Mrs. A. P. Grint, St. Johnsbury.

The secretary was instructed to send a word of greeting and appreciation from the Auxiliary to Mrs. Williams F. Weeks, the former Vice president of the Rutland District, and of regret at her absence from the Diocese.

Rev. F. Barnby Leach, rector of Christ Church, announced that luncheon was ready and a recess was taken until 2:30 in the afternoon.

At half after two o'clock the meeting was again called to order, and the election of officers resumed.

Rutland District, Mrs. Clara Brown, Brandon, elected in place of Mrs. William F. Weeks, who is away from the Diocese.

Miss Annie T. Smith of Burlington was appointed First Vice President.

The report of the Committee on appropriations was read by Mrs. Chittenden, chairman and after some discussion was accepted as submitted by the committee as follows:

General Missions.	\$675.00
Diocesan Missions.	400.00
Printing.	65.00
Speakers at Annual meeting.	35.00
Expense of Executive Council.	10.00
Bishop Hopkins Hall.	100.00
Junior Auxiliary (Mr. Chapman's work at Anvik).	50.00
St. Agnes' School at Kioto.	25.00
Sagada Mission (Bishop Brent).	100.00

Total amount of appropriations.	\$1,460.00
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The Reverend F. Barnby Leach was asked to speak for the Mountain Echo, and he told of his plan to increase the subscription list of the paper and asked for the cooperation of the Woman's Auxiliary.

Miss Wheeler suggested that a special committee might be appointed to assist in the raising of the \$300.00 pledge which she made at St. Louis for the Sagada Mission. It was moved and carried that she be allowed to appoint such a committee and she named Deaconess Louisa, chairman, Mrs. F. S. Hutchinson of East Berkshire and Mrs. William Jones of Woodstock.

Miss Wheeler spoke of the need of an Educational Secretary as an officer of the Woman's Auxiliary, and Deaconess Goodwin told of the work such a secretary did in other Dioceses. After some discussion it was proposed to amend Article three of the Constitution and By-laws by inserting the words "an Educational Secretary" after the words "A Corresponding Secretary". Also to amend Article Five by inserting a new clause, renumbering the following clauses; (f) "of the Educational Secretary, to visit parishes in the interest of Mission study and as far as possible to promote Normal study classes." These amendments come up for action at next year's meeting.

After the reading of a letter from Rev. Mr. Garner of Hardwick the subject of getting into closer touch with the isolated women of the Diocese

was discussed, and Miss Wheeler recommended that a special committee be appointed for this purpose. The president was authorized to name such a committee, and she appointed Mrs. W. A. Mead of White River Junction, chairman, Mrs. W. H. Vaughn of Barre, Mrs. Oliver Chilson, Middlebury, and Miss Faith Tyler of Brattleboro.

This closed the business of the meeting, and Mrs. Jones moved that a rising vote of thanks be extended to the parish of Christ Church for the generous hospitality given.

At four o'clock addresses were given: Deaconess Goodwin of the Church Missions House staff, spoke in an enthusiastic and earnest manner of her work among girls in schools and colleges. She gave a most excellent talk which was listened to with eagerness by all present, and answered questions, the time for which was yielded by the other appointed speakers, Bishop Bliss and Mr. Davenport.

At 5:30 evening prayer was said and the meeting adjourned.

At 7:30 o'clock a most interesting missionary meeting was held, the Bishop of the Diocese presiding. Bishop Bliss gave an account of missionary work in the Diocese, specially from central points.

Dr. W. H. Jeffreys of Philadelphia, gave the address of the evening. He was formerly Medical Missionary in China, and his talk was on his work in that country.

This service closed the thirty-eighth annual meeting of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

ERVAL M. WHITNEY,
Recording Secretary.

SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

The Semi-annual meeting of the Executive Council of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was held in Montpelier, June 21st, at 2:30 o'clock in the Parish House of Christ Church. Miss Wheeler presided. The reports of the Vice presidents of the various districts were read and accepted. The report of Mrs. William Jones, Secretary for the Junior Auxiliary was read by Mrs. Jones.

The resignation of Miss Norton as Corresponding secretary was read and it was voted to accept the same. Mrs. George Y. Bliss of Burlington was elected to fill the vacancy.

The report of the Treasurer was read by Miss Wheeler as Miss Sheldon was unable to be present.

It was recommended that the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary adopt the method of each member paying ten cents to meet the traveling expenses of the Executive Council. The motion was so made and carried. It was recommended that the matter of raising money to meet the deficit be left with the vice presidents.

It was decided to hold the annual meeting in November in Montpelier, after the Triennial meeting. Delegates to the Triennial in St. Louis were elected as follows: Miss Wheeler, Mrs. George Y. Bliss.

Voted to adjourn,

ERVAL M. WHITNEY,

Secretary.

ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT

MY DEAR FRIENDS:—

There are three points to which I want to call your attention. When I tell you that one begins with S, one with P. and one with G. I think you will surmise what they are and perhaps with a sense of disappointment. Yet if you had been at the Triennial of our National Woman's Auxiliary last month, in St. Louis, with Mrs. Bliss and myself, you would realize, as we do, that all one needs is a new strong light of united enthusiasm thrown on these subjects of Study, Prayer and Giving to make them glow with interest, and that it is difficult to speak of anything else. Let me tell you about my recent experiences in the matter of Study.

1st. During the two weeks of the Triennial I attended a normal study class conducted by Miss E. D. Corey of Boston. She was one of fourteen leaders of study classes, who met those wanting to learn more about how to conduct such classes every morning at 9:30 a. m. We met in the upper rooms of our Auxiliary head-quarters for one full hour. In our class there were some fourteen women most of them officers in their several Diocesan Branches, and these Branches scattered over all parts of the Union. It was stimulating to find oneself sitting with Western Texas and Arizona on one side and with Michigan and Atlanta on the other.

If the other leaders were as deeply in earnest, as well prepared, as prayerful, as ready to take pains to help each member individually, and the other classes as eager to be helped as ours, then at least one hundred and forty women should (I think they must) have gone home with a strong resolution to do their utmost to induce the women in their respective Branches to take their share in this most useful work. Do not think this kind of study is beyond you. If you have tried and failed it is because you have not gone at it in the right way. Please talk or write to me about Study Classes. I am ready to start classes or to refer you to others who can. It is also much simpler and more helpful than many think.

2nd. My second subject is Prayer. A plan was formed in St. Louis whereby the Auxiliary in all the eight Provinces, and one extra division, should undertake with the approval of their Bishops a year of intercessory prayer. Two Diocesan Branches are to begin the year with the first Sunday in Advent and the first Province is to take the lead. Maine and New Hampshire take the first week in Advent, Vermont and Western Massachusetts the second, and so on. The general subjects for which we are to pray are set forth in a leaflet which will be sent to you. We are asked to arrange that each Parish Branch make their Communion on the Sunday of the week planned for that Diocese "with the intention noted in the inter-

cessions which the paper sets forth, that, individually they use these intercessions daily throughout the week"—and that one day in the week they meet together for prayer and use these intercessions. Will you bear this in mind and make your plans that week in accordance with this arrangement, which has the sanction of the Bishop?

There is no doubt that what we need is a deeper and firmer hold on the things of God. We need to emphasize the motive back of all we do and think in this work of extending His Kingdom. As Bishop Brent said almost every time I heard him speak (and I had that privilege several times while I was away) we need to think a great deal more about God to understand Him better. Our Bishops and Rectors are our guides here. We turn to them for help as our Lord intends we should. But above all we must really learn to pray and prayer requires practice. The great suffering world never needed our prayers so much as now. Let us not withhold them. Let us learn to pray.

3rd. And now we consider the subject of Giving. There are two ways in which we may give:—we may give ourselves and we may give our possessions. When we have given ourselves what we have follows naturally. But we come to a difficulty. There is a limit to our purses. With the very best intentions some of us cannot give more money than we are giving. What can we do then to increase the sorely needed gifts of money? There is that which demands of us a much more self-sacrificing service than just putting our hands in our pockets; that we cannot help doing when we have truly studied and prayed. But the higher service is that of winning others to that interest which involves spontaneous giving. How much are we doing in that way? Is our own influence winning others in our lives, and in words spoken tactfully and wisely, or sometimes in wise silences? What are we doing to win Church men whom we know personally to this joy of giving which we have found ourselves, and which is so often unknown in Vermont?

I have promised to raise \$300.00 in Vermont for Bishop Brent's Mission in Sagada. It seems a drop in the bucket compared to the sums I heard other Diocesan Branches pledging when the subject was under discussion in St. Louis \$30000.00 are required altogether. It is a special, and must largely be raised outside our appropriations. *It is* an appeal which ~~It is~~ interests men:—A Technical High School for the Igorots in Sagada. You will find a copy of Bishop Brent's appeal in the seats. Will you not all help in this matter? If you find it impossible to help in any other way may I not confidently depend upon your prayers?

Last week I came home from Canada where I found that the tremendous demands of the war have not deterred the women of Toronto from keeping up their large gifts for the missionary work of the Church, and that,

under really serious difficulties in the management of their own households (for so many women have gone into the manufactory of munitions that servants are not to be had) over two hundred and fifty women attended a monthly meeting of their Diocesan Branch at which I was present.

Cannot we do more to bring into Vermont a spirit of large thankful giving? It is the legitimate work of the Woman's Auxiliary. It is the hope of your President.

CONSTANCE R. WHEELER.

**REPORT OF THE
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY
FROM MAY 1915 TO MAY 1916**

BURLINGTON DISTRICT

BURLINGTON—ST. PAUL'S

Box Rev. Frances S. Dayton, New London, Wis.	\$106.00	
Towards District Box, Hodgson Hospital, Sewanee, Tenn.	1.00	
		\$107.00

YOUNG WOMAN'S BRANCH

Box, Miss Alice I. Milliken, Wakefield, N. H.	\$ 13.00	
Box, St. Mary's on the Mountain, Sewanee, Tenn.	7.50	
		\$20.50

MIDDLEBURY—ST. STEPHEN'S

Package, Rev. Paul Barber, So. Dakota	\$ 4.17	
For District Box, Hodgson Hospital	3.50	
Box for Mission at Island Pond	13.85	
		\$21.52

MILTON—TRINITY CHURCH

No report

SHELBURNE—TRINITY CHURCH

Box, Rev. F.W. Smith, Red Lake Agency., Redby Minn.	\$23.32	
For District Box, Hodgson Hospital	12.00	
Box, Hodgson Hospital	12.00	
Elizabeth House, White Bluff, Minn.	2.00	
Mountain Echo,	10.00	
Freight charge, states Prison Magazines69	
Box, Bishop Hopkins Hall	3.78	
		\$63.79

SHOREHAM—ALL SAINTS'

Towards District Box, Hodgson Hospital	\$ 2.75	
		\$ 2.75

VERGENNES—ST. PAUL'S

For District Box, Hodgson Hospital	\$ 10.75	
For Dist. bx, Hodgson Hospital second hand clothing	12.00	
		\$22.75

Total for District \$233.31

MONTPELIER DISTRICT

BARRE—CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Elizabeth House, White Bluff, Tenn.	\$ 1.00	
For District Box, Hodgson Hospital, Sewanee, Tenn.	7.66	
Freight on last year's box	1.00	
Box to Alaska	5.60	
		\$15.26

MONTPELIER—CHRIST CHURCH

For District Box, Hodgson Hospital	\$ 28.00	
St. John's Parish, Jacksonville, Fla.	1.00	
St. Paul's Mission, Bremerton, Washington	1.00	
Mountain Echo	1.00	
Bishop Hopkins Hall, sheets and pillow-cases.	3.50	
		\$34.50

NORTHFIRLD—ST.MARY'S

No Box Work.

WEBSTERVILLE—ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST'S MISSION

For District Box, Hodgson Hospital	\$ 1.52	
Mountain Echo	1.00	
		\$2.52
Total for District		\$52.28

RUTLAND DISTRICT**ARLINGTON—ST. JAMES'**

For District Box to Miss Mollie Maddox, Mission
Station, Charlottesville, Va. \$ 16.00

\$16.00**BENNINGTON—ST. PETER'S**

For District Box, Miss Mollie Maddox. \$ 31.30
Rev. Van Winder Shields, Jacksonville, Fla. 1.00
Rev. E. B. Mounsey, Crow Creek Mission, So. Dakota 1.00
Bishop W. T. Capers, San Antonio, Texas, 1.00
C. C. Burston, Bremerton, Wash. 1.00
Box, Bishop Hopkins Hall, 33.24
Kurn Hattin Home. 3.00

\$71.54**BRANDON—ST. THOMAS'**

Scholarship for Boy, Monterey, Tenn. \$ 50.00

\$50.00**CASTLETON—ST. MARK'S**

No report.

FAIR HAVEN—ST. LUKE'S

Box, St. Andrew's School, Tenn. \$10.00

\$10.00**FORESTDALE—GRACE CHURCH CHAPEL**

Box, Mission, Forest Lodge, Red Hill, Va. \$ 10.00

\$10.00**HYDEVILLE—ST. JAMES'**

For District Box, Miss Mollie Maddox, \$ 6.00

\$6.00

MANCHESTER CENTER—ZION CHURCH

For District Box, Miss Mollie Maddox \$29.95

\$20.95

MIDDLETOWN SPRINGS—ST. MARGARET'S

No Box Work

POULTNEY—ST. JOHN'S

No designation \$13.50

\$13.50

RUTLAND—TRINITY

Box, Rev. John Flockhart for Indian Catechist,
Greenwood, So. Da. \$65.00
For District Box, Miss Mollie Maddox 15.00
Box, Bishop Hopkins Hall 20.00
Alaska 15.00
Coal Bill at Anking, China 10.00

\$125.00

SHERBURNE—CHURCH OF OUR SAVIOUR

No report.

WEST RUTLAND—GRACE CHURCH

No report

Total for District \$322.99

ST. ALBANS DISTRICT

EAST BERKSHIRE—CALVARY CHURCH

For District Box, St. Ann's Mission, New Brookland, S. C. \$23.45
The Rev. W. M. Pierce, Cairo, Ill. 1.00

\$24.45

\$24.45

EAST FAIRFIELD—ST. BARNABAS'

Rev. W. M. Purce, Winnebago, Neb.....	\$ 1.00
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\$1.00

ENOSBURG FALLS—ST. MATTHEW'S

For District Box, St. Ann's Mission, New Brookland S. C.	36.95
Box, Bishop Hopkins Hall.....	2.50

\$39.45

HIGHGATE—ST. JOHN'S

No report.

ISLE LA MOTTE

No report.

MONTGOMERY—ST. BARTHOLEMEW'S

No report.

RICHFORD—ST. ANN'S

Box, Destination not stated.....	\$ 29.00
Rev. E. B. Holmes, Diocesan Missionary work.....	7.50

\$36.50

SHELDON—GRACE CHURCH

Box, Mrs. Jennie E. Woodworth, White Bluff, Tenn.	\$ 5.93
Package for District Box, St. Ann's Mission.....	10.85
For freight on District box.....	25
For postage on package.....	.28

\$17.31

ST. ALBANS—ST. LUKE'S

St. Ann's Mission.....	50.00
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\$50.00

SWANTON—HOLY TRINITY

For District Box, St. Ann's Mission	\$12.00	
		\$12.00
Total for District		\$180.71

ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT

CONCORD—ST. JAMES' MISSION

No Box work.

HARDWICK—ST. JOHN BAPTIST'S MISSION

No Box work.

ISLAND POND—CHRIST CHURCH

For District Box, Rev. W. B. Thorn, Oneida Mission, Oneida, Wis.	\$12.00	
St. Andrew's School, Tenn.	1.00	
		\$13.00

LYNDONVILLE—ST. PETER'S MISSION

For District Box, Rev. W. B. Thorn, Oneida Mission	\$ 5.00	
		\$5.00

ST. JOHNSBURY—ST. ANDREW'S

Box to Rev. W. B. Thorn, Oneida Mission	\$29.70	
Box to Bishop Hopkins Hall	3.00	
		\$32.70

NEWPORT—ST. MARK'S

Box, Miss Montgomery, Hunter Hall, Va.	\$30.00	
		\$30.00
Total for District		\$ 80.70

WINDSOR DISTRICT**BELLOWS FALLS—IMMANUEL CHURCH**

Box, Hodgson Hospital, Sewanee, Tenn.....	\$15.50	
Christmas Box Sunday schools in Island Pond and Canaan	12.00	
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		\$27.50

BRATTLEBORO—ST. MICHAEL'S

Barrel Mrs. M. E. Horner, Valle Crucis, N. C.....	\$ 16.80	
Barrel second hand clothing, not valued		
Freight on Periodicals, Rev. P. C., Manzer, Windsor	.90	
Mrs. M. E. Horner, Valle Crucis, N. C.....	7.14	
Church Periodicals Club.....	1.00	
Bishop Hopkins Hall	1.00	
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		\$26.84

BETHEL—CHRIST CHURCH

No Report.

CHESTER—ST. LUKE'S

Box, Rev. J. R., Jones, New Brookland, S. C.....	\$35.00	
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		\$35.00

NORWICH—ST. BARNABAS'

No Report.

RANDOLPH—ST. JOHN'S

No Report.

RANDOLPH CENTER—GRACE CHURCH

No Report.

ROYALTON—ST. PAUL'S

No Report.

SPRINGFIELD—ST. MARK'S MISSION

Box, St. Ann's Mission, Rev. J. R. Jones, New Brook-
land, S. C. \$ 42.35

\$42.35

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION—ST. PAUL'S

Box Hodgson Hospital, Sewanee, Tenn. \$25.00
Elizabeth House, White Bluff, Tenn. 2.00

\$27.00

WINDSOR—ST. PAUL'S

Box, Hodgson hospital. \$11.00

\$11.00

WOODSTOCK—ST. JAMES'

Box, Rev. J. R. Jones, St. Ann's Mission. \$65.00
Bishop Hopkins Hall.50

\$65.50

Total for District. \$235.19

TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY AND BOX WORK BY DISTRICTS

Burlington District. \$238.31
Montpelier District. 52.28
Rutland District. 322.99
St. Albans District. 180.71
St. Johnsbury District. 80.70
Windsor District. 235.19

\$1110.18

Respectfully submitted,

KATHERINE L. BLISS

Corresponding Secretary

Burlington, Vt.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ascutneyville, Vt., June 17, 1916

Alice G. Sheldon, Treasurer in account with the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions for the year ending May 31, 1916.

We began the year with a deficit of \$189.76, due on our pledge for Diocesan Missions.

Receipts for the deficit are as follows:

BURLINGTON DISTRICT

Burlington.....	\$5.25	
Burlington two members.....	7.00	
Middlebury.....	3.50	
Shelburne.....	5.00	
Shoreham.....	3.50	
Vergennes.....	5.00	
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		\$29.25

MONTPELIER DISTRICT

Barre.....	\$5.60	
Montpelier.....	10.00	
Northfield.....	3.00	
District Vice President.....	1.40	
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		\$20.00

ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT

Concord.....	\$1.00	
Hardwick.....	2.75	
Island Pond.....	2.00	
Lyndonville.....	2.75	
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		\$8.50

ST. ALBANS DISTRICT

East Berkshire.....	\$ 4.00	
East Fairfield.....	2.75	

Enosburg Falls.....	3.75
Isle La Motte.....	1.00
Sheldon.....	3.00
Swanton.....	3.00
St. Albans.....	6.80

 \$24.30

RUTLAND DISTRICT

Arlington.....	\$3.25
Bennington (Deaconess Mary 25 cts.).....	3.25
Brandon (Miss Jackson \$1.00).....	3.00
Manchester Center.....	2.00
Middletown Springs.....	.50
Poultney.....	2.00
Rutland.....	7.00
West Rutland.....	1.75
Sherburne.....	1.00

 \$23.75

WINDSOR DISTRICT

Bellows Falls.....	\$5.26
Norwich.....	4.00
Randolph.....	1.00
Windsor.....	22.50
Woodstock.....	5.00

 \$37.76

 Total for the deficit..... \$143.56

Receipts for General Fund

Cash on hand.....	\$10.24
Offering at Annual Meeting Brattleboro.....	48.50
Mrs. W. S. Webb.....	400.00
Mrs. P. W. Clement, Rutland.....	20.00
Accured interest in check account.....	.35
Junior Auxiliary.....	52.50

 \$531.59

BURLINGTON DISTRICT

Burlington, St. Paul's Church	\$ 75.00
Burlington Young Women's Branch	25.70
Shelburne, Trinity Church	50.00
Shoreham, All Saints Church	5.50
Vergennes, St. Paul's Church	40.00
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	\$196.20

MONTPELIER DISTRICT

Barre, Good Shepherd Church	\$14.16
Montpelier Christ Church	40.00
Montpelier the Kings Daughters	5.00
Northfield, St. Mary's Church	5.00
Webster ville, St. John Baptist Church	9.10
District Meeting	3.00
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	\$76.26

ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT

Concord, St. James Church	\$1.50
Hardwick, St. John Baptist Church	2.00
Island Pond Christ Church	2.00
Lyndonville, St. Peter's Church	10.40
Newport, St. Mark's Church	6.00
St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's Church	6.24
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	\$28.14

ST. ALBAN'S DISTRICT

East Berkshire, Cavalry Church	2.00
East Fairfield, St. Barnabas Church	9.12
Enosburg Falls, St. Matthew's Church	24.60
Isle La Motte, Miss Montgomery	3.60
Richford, St. Ann's Church	16.80
Sheldon, Grace Church	2.24
Swanton, Holy Trinity Church	6.17
St. Albans, St. Luke's Church	13.60
Two members	3.00
Miss Gates	5.00
District Meeting	10.40
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	\$96.53

RUTLAND DISTRICT

Arlington, St. James Church	\$ 14.62
Bennington, St. Peter's Church	47.00
Brandon, St. Thomas Church	13.56
Fair Haven, St. Luke's Church	15.00
Hydeville, St. James Church	2.50
Manchester Center, Zion's Church	9.00
Middletown Springs, St. Margaret's Church	2.20
Poultney, St. John's Parish Trinity Church	5.05
Rutland, Trinity Church	40.28
Sherburne, Our Saviour Church	2.00
District Meeting	5.25
District Vice President	10.00

 \$166.46

WINDSOR DISTRICT

Bellows Falls, Immanuel's Church	\$ 63.71
Brattleboro, For Bible Woman in China	5.00
Brattleboro, St. Michael's Church	45.00
Bethel, Christ Church	5.00
Chester, St. Luke's Church	10.00
Chester, For Bible Women in China	1.00
Randolph, St. John's Church	2.00
Royalton, St. Paul's Church	4.00
Springfield, St. Mark's Church	5.00
White River Junction, St. Paul's Church	10.85
Windsor, St. Paul's Church	15.50
Windsor, designated for Bible Woman in China	24.00
Woodstock, St. James's Church	35.00

 \$226.06

 Sum of Receipts for deficit and General fund \$1464.80

SPECIALS:

Shelburne for Church Periodical Club	\$ 5.00
Shelburne for Arch deacon Wentworth	2.00
Rutland for Deaconess Stewart	5.00
Mrs. E. M. Denny for "The Mountain Echo"	4.00

 \$1480.80

UNITED OFFERING RECEIPTS

Burlington.....	\$ 54.15	
Middlebury.....	13.00	
Shelburne.....	8.00	
Barre.....	2.50	
Montpelier.....	20.00	
Enosburg Falls.....	12.20	
Isle LaMotte.....	4.00	
St. Albans.....	6.15	
Two Members St. Albans District.....	3.00	
Lyndonville.....	2.40	
St. Johnsbury.....	2.84	
Bennington.....	14.40	
Brandon and Miss Jackson.....	7.12	
Hydeville.....	2.10	
Manchester Center.....	2.50	
Middletown Springs.....	2.85	
Rutland.....	11.28	
Bellows Falls, one member.....	5.00	
Brattleboro.....	19.33	
Chester.....	13.58	
Royalton.....	2.00	
White River Junction.....	5.00	
Windsor.....	7.00	
Woodstock.....	40.00	
		\$260.40
Junior Auxiliary.....	7.30	
Accured interest in United Offering.....	9.24	
		\$276.94
Sum of all Receipts.....	\$1757.74	
United Offering on deposit in Ottauquechee Savings Bank.....	270.21	
		\$2027.95

DISBURSEMENTS

To Spencer W. Hindes, Treas., 1914-15 deficit for Dio. Mis.....	\$ 200.00
To Spencer W. Hundes, treas., for Diocesan Mis. 1915-16.....	310.00
To Julia C. Emery, secy, for General Missions.....	645.00

To Julia C. Emery designated for support of Bible Woman in China	30.00
To Ellen S. Ogden, prin. for Bp. Hopkins Hall	150.00
To Julia A. C. Jackson, Junior appropriation	50.00
To Rev. F. Barnby Leach for "Mountain Echo"	4.00
To Julia C. Emery secy for Deaconess Stewart, China	5.00
To Church Periodical Club	5.00
To Archdeacon Wentworth	2.00
To Northfield Pub. Co., for 300 reports, 150 statements, postage	49.32
To Spencer Press, Brattleboro, 350 programs	3.50
To Rev. Wm. Garner, programs for 1914 annual meeting	3.20
To Rev. D. L. Sanford, expenses	8.00
To Rev. Hugh L. Burleson, expenses	13.00
To Ottauquechee Savings Bank acct. united offering	276.94
Sum of all disbursements	<hr/> \$1754.96
Cash on hand	2.78
Cash on deposit account of United Offering	270.21
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	\$2027.95
Due on our pledge for Diocesan Missions	\$162.22

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT OF
ALICE G. SHELDON, TREASURER
VERMONT BRANCH WOMAN'S AUXILIARY FOR THE YEAR 1915-16

Cash on hand	\$ 10.24
Cash on deposit Ottaquechee Savings Bank	270.21
Interest on Savings bank account	9.24
General Fund	1454.56
United Offering	267.70
Special funds	16.00
	<hr/> \$2027.95

DISBURSEMENTS

Expenses	\$ 77.02
General Missions	675.00
Diocesan Missions	510.00
Special Funds	216.00
Cash in bank acct. United Offering	547.15
Cash on hand	2.78
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Respectfully Submitted,
ALICE G. SHELDON,
Treasurer.

Woodstock, Vt., June 24, 1916

I have examined the accounts of Miss Alice A. Sheldon, treasurer of the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary and find the foregoing statement correct.

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN
Auditor.

ADDITIONAL UNITED OFFERING
FROM JUNE 1 TO OCT. 6, 1916

Interest accrued to July 1, 1916.....	\$ 7.64
Burlington.....	35.25
Shelburne.....	4.00
Vergennes.....	10.00
Arlington.....	20.00
Brandon.....	1.00
Fair Haven.....	3.39
Middletown Springs.....	1.00
Poultney.....	17.50
Rutland.....	7.69
Enosburg Falls.....	10.00
Isle LaMotte.....	3.25
Sheldon.....	3.14
Swanton.....	10.50
St. Albans.....	18.00
St. Albans District "A Thank Offering".....	10.00
Island Pond.....	3.00
Newport.....	10.25
Bellows Falls.....	28.00
Brattleboro.....	18.04
Springfield.....	7.25
Windsor.....	17.00
Junior Auxiliary.....	1.00
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Amount previously reported.....	\$246.90
	547.15
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Added by Miss Wheeler.....	\$794.05
	6.00
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Amount offered at St. Louis.....	\$800.05

ALICE G. SHELDON,

Treasurer

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY

The Branches of the Junior Auxiliary have done most creditable work during the year and their report as a whole will be as good as other years although fewer Branches have reported to the General Secretary as holding any meetings, yet the others seemed to realize this and responded splendidly to the appeals.

There must be one of two reasons, or both for this dropping off either the Gen. Sec. through her letters has failed to enthuse the leaders of Branches or there is a lack of women who love the Church enough to give up the time it takes to have the patience with children and to interest them in real missionary work. Perhaps if more study work could be introduced in the meetings the interest would be keener to attend the first meeting in the fall. The money will surely follow if the right lesson is put before the Juniors clearly and understandingly. However, the outlook for another year is more encouraging. There is a new Branch at Hardwick, which it is hoped will make application at the Annual Meeting and the Branches at Middlebury and Poultney are holding regular meetings.

The usual boxes have been sent through the year one at Christmas and the other at Easter.

The Christmas boxes were sent to Miss Mary Montgomery, St. Elizabeth's Mission, Hunter Hall, Virginia, valued at \$100.73. Gifts were provided so generously that Miss Montgomery was able to spare enough for a small mission in the mountains, carried on by some young men from a college near by. No gifts had been provided for this little mission and the Vermont Juniors appreciate very much St. Elizabeth's mission doing such an unselfish act and think they were most fortunate to be the ones indirectly to hand on the Christmas cheer to the children who would otherwise have been without the joy and love and happiness which the Juniors in our own Diocese have in such abundance.

The Easter boxes were sent to the Pocosan Mission, Towles, Virginia, valued at \$205.21. Mrs. Meadow's appreciative letters showed what excellent articles were sent and how grateful she was for every thing. It seems a most satisfactory arrangement for each Branch to send its box direct to the mission, for the letters of acknowledgement are a real joy and the missionary seems nearer and it gives a personal touch to the work.

The money raised by the Branches was most satisfactory. The \$50.00 promised to Miss Jackson, for her work in San Juan, Porto Rico was paid and it was thought best to give what came in above that amount towards

the deficit of the Woman's Auxiliary, to show the appreciation of the loving care and thought the senior Branches have for the Juniors \$7.50 was given to that fund.

Two Branches paid the United Offering to local treasurers who failed to mark it from the Juniors when sending to the Treasurer of the Woman's Auxiliary, so there is a discrepancy in the two reports, the General secretary reports \$15.05 as a thank offering from the Vermont Juniors and the Treasurer of the Woman's Auxiliary only reports \$8.30.

I cannot close this report without expressing my appreciation for the devotion of the Directresses of the Active Branches, especially those in the church of the Good Shepherd, Barre, and in St. Paul's Burlington, who have kept up the interest of the Juniors and have answered so promptly my letters regarding box work and appropriations.

BARRE—CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Christmas box	\$3.50	
Easter box	3.92	
Junior Appropriation	10.00	
United Offering	2.00	
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		\$19.42

BELLOWS FALLS—IMMANUEL CHURCH

Christmas box	\$ 5.10	
Easter box	3.50	
Junior Appropriation	8.00	
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		\$16.60

BRANDON—ST. THOMAS' CHURCH

Christmas box	5.00	
Easter box	3.00	
Junior Appropriation	2.00	
United Offering	1.00	
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		\$11.00

BRATTLEBORO—ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Christmas box	\$8.00	
Junior Appropriation	3.00	
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		\$11.00

BURLINGTON—ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$22.48
Easter box.....	12.27
Junior Appropriation.....	10.00
United Offering.....	5.00

 \$49.75

ENOSBURG FALLS—ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

Christmas bo	\$ 6.75
Easter box.....	19.00
Box for Kurn Hattin Homes.....	2.00
Junior Appropriation.....	5.00

 \$32.75

ISLAND POND—CHRIST CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$3.00
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NEWPORT—ST. MARK'S CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 2.00
Junior Appropriation.....	5.00

 \$7.00

RUTLAND—TRINITY CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$20.00
Easter box.....	14.00
Junior Appropriation.....	3.00
United Offering.....	1.75

 38.75

SHELBURNE—TRINITY CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 5.33
Easter box.....	7.35

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Junior Appropriation..... 5.00

\$17.68

SHELDON—GRACE CHURCH

Christmas box.....\$ 1.25

Easter box..... 3.90

\$5.15

ST. ALBANS—ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

Christmas box..... 2.00

Easter box..... 10.50

Junior Appropriation..... 1.00

\$13.50

ST. JOHNSBURY—ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Christmas box.....\$ 7.82

Easter box..... 15.54

Junior Appropriation..... 2.50

United Offering..... .30

\$26.16

SWANTON—HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

Easter box..... \$5.00

VERGENNES—ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Eastr box..... \$ 3.50

WINDSOR—ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Christmas box..... 5.00

WOODSTOCK—ST. JAMES' CHURCH

Christmas box.....\$ 3.50

Easter box..... 16.00

Junior Appropriation	3.00	
United Offering	5.00	
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		\$27.50
Making a total of		\$455.04

SUMMARY

Valuation of Domestic Boxes	\$382.49
Money for Miss Jackson	50.00
For the deficit of Woman's Auxiliary	7.50
United Offering	15.05
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	\$455.04

Respectfully submitted.

LENA N. JONES,
Gen. Sec. of Junior Auxiliary

REPORT WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS BURLINGTON DISTRICT

Of the six organized Branches of the Woman's Auxiliary I have visited three during the year, and have tried to keep in touch with the others by letter. There are, I believe, four Junior or Young Woman's Branches in a more or less flourishing condition. For these Branches leaders of devoted, consecrated lives, are not always easily found; and only those who are at the same time deeply religious and also tactful, can counteract the worldly influences swaying our young people of to-day. Among the older Branches the work has gone on much as usual. "St. Paul's" Burlington sent a Box to Rev. Francis Dayton, New London, Wisconsin, valued at \$106.00, besides contributing to the District Box. The Young Woman's Auxiliary sent a Box to Miss Milliken of Wakefield, N. H., valued at \$13.00 another to "St. Mary's" on the Mountain, Sewanee, Tenn., valued at \$7.50. The Junior Auxiliary of Burlington sent two Boxes during the winter, one valued at \$22.48, the other valued at \$12.27. Besides contributing to the District Box, the Auxiliary in Middlebury sent two others value \$18.02.

Shelburne sent two other boxes valued at \$25.32 besides their contribution to the District Box.

Five of the Branches contributed to the District Box sent in December to "Emerald Hodgson" Hospital, Sewanee, Tenn. valued at \$49.90. The amount for the "General Fund" sent from the District for the year ending May 31st, was \$196.20. For the United Offering \$75.15. (More came in later, but how much I do not know.) At the last Annual Meeting it was voted to omit twenty-five dollars for the "Mt. Echo" from the appropriations, but that each of the six Districts should pledge new subscriptions to the amount of four or five dollars. This District raised \$6.25 in this way and sent to the Mr. Leach. On March 4th I met the members of the Auxiliary in Shelburne and gave, as best I could, the substance of the splendid address given recently at St. Paul's, Burlington, by the Rev. Mr. Clark of the Church Missions House. A District meeting was held in Vergennes on Tuesday, September 26th, when the offering at the Holy Communion was \$6.41. Besides clergy of the District, we were so fortunate as to have with us Bishop Bliss and Rev. Mr. Holmes of Richford, all of whom gave us helpful and inspiring addresses. It seemed to me a particularly good meeting, the proof will be in the more earnest, diligent, self denying work of the winter.

In the way of study I think there is improvement throughout the District. If classes are not practicable readings to stimulate interest always

are so. And the third phase of our work after all is the most important. In the present age and condition of the world prayer is our greatest need as well as our most effective weapon in the Auxiliary work.

ANNIE T. SMITH,

Vice President

Burlington District

November 12th, 1916.

WINDSOR DISTRICT

In the Windsor District there are seven active branches and four Junior branches. During the year most of the branches had some kind of study or program meetings. Some of the branches meet every month while others meet only during Lent and do the sewing for their box work at that time. Windsor District secured nineteen new subscriptions for the Mountain Echo and sent four dollars to Bishop Hopkins Hall for bed linen, as was agreed upon at the last annual meeting.

Since the executive meeting in June every branch has responded to the appeal the vice-president sent out to reduce the deficit. No district meeting was held as an institute had been planned for May; but Miss Tillotson, who was to conduct it, was obliged to cancel the engagement owing to ill health. In September she had not improved enough to come to Chester so it seemed expedient not to have any meeting at that time. I have visited three branches in the District and one outside, besides having charge of my own branch. This last year more interest has been shown in the United Offering, more boxes being used than ever before.

Respectfully Submitted,

EMMA P. WILLIAMS

CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

1. Current Periodicals Sent Regularly	74
2. Contributors of Current Periodicals	40
3. Bibles, Testaments, Etc.	
4. Prayer Books and Hymnals	1 doz.
5. Books—Theological and Secular	65
6. Tracts and Catechisms	
7. Odd Magazines and Papers	350
8. Christmas and Easter Cards	500 each
9. Picture Cards and Calendars	
10. Carols and Music in Books or Sheets	
11. Pictures, Games, Scrap Books and Miscellaneous	2 doz.
12. Boxes, Etc. Contets Not neeoted	2 bbls.
13. Traveling Libraries	
Money sent, total \$12.00	

Respectfully submitted

LOUISE M. REYNOLDS

Vermont Correspondent of the C. P. C.

REPORT OF THE ST. ALBANS DISTRICT

My report of the St. Albans District will be very brief as I did not take up the work of the office until the lenten work was well started.

An excellent contribution was sent in for the St. Ann's Mission at New Brookland, S. C. The value of the two barrels sent covers \$129.50. St. Albans sent their contribution separate as to this same Mission.

On May 17th a District meeting was held in Richford. Although a very stormy day we had about forty women representing their branches from five parishes. Six branches were not represented, the heavy rain and bad roads having kept many away.

At nine o'clock a service of Morning Prayer and Holy Communion with a sermon by Bishop Bliss. The business followed immediately. Reports were read from the five branches represented and the Junior Branch (Enosburgh Falls). Our subject for the meeting was S. P. G., Study, Prayer and Giving. Miss Lucy Torrey from Burlington read a most excellent paper on Study Classes, telling of experiences with them as tried in the Auxiliary in Burlington. The text book used was "Then and Now". "Social results of the Church's work," by Margaret Jeffreys Hobart. It was suggested that our branches take this book for study class work where classes can be formed.

Miss Wheeler spoke on the question of giving. She gave a clear account of the financial condition of the Auxiliaries in this Diocese, and told us that it was only by study and earnestness in prayer that we could know or feel the true privilege of giving, both of ourselves and our means.

We had the great pleasure and privilege of having Miss Ellen S. Ogden, Principal of Bishop Hopkins Hall, to tell us of the aims of the School and the life of the girls there.

Intercessions at noon were offered by Bishop Bliss.

After a vote of thanks to the members of the Richford Parish we adjourned. The ladies of the parish served an excellent lunch in their parish rooms.

On June 22d I attended the semi-annual meeting in Montpelier. I have only visited three branches. I am sure much more can be accomplished if the Vice President can visit the several branches. There are many things she takes for granted they know, which, if present, she would find in talking over the work are not known. For instance, in one of our larger branches I found that they had no blue boxes in the parish and wanted to know how the United Offering was collected and sent.

The Highgate branch has reorganized.

Respectfully submitted,

ELIZABETH H. HUTCHINSON,
Vice President of the St. Albans District.

REPORT OF RUTLAND DISTRICT

There are at present ten active Branches of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Rutland District; one Young Woman's Branch and five Junior Branches. Castleton, West Rutland and also Sherburne, which was formerly counted as a Branch—have contributed nothing either in money or box work during the past year.

All but one of the active Branches have contributed to the General Fund and the stronger Branches have given in response to some special appeals, especially Bennington, which gave generously to the Fund for Belgian Relief.

Four of the Branches do not report having given anything to the United Offering. It must be a matter of great regret to them that they had no share in that magnificent offering for Woman's work at the recent Triennial, and that it is in a measure due to their failure that the offering from Vermont was smaller than that sent three years ago. But of course we all realize that in many cases the members of the Auxiliary are the chief supporters of the Church and help to meet the apportionment for Missions in their respective parishes.

Nearly every Branch did wonderfully well in the way of boxes. A fine personal box was sent the Rev. James Flockhart of South Dakota by Trinity Mission, Rutland. Table and bed linen was sent Bishop Hopkins Hall from St. Peter's Bennington, and Trinity, Rutland. A District Box to which nearly every Branch contributed was sent Miss Mollie Maddox, Charlottesville, Virginia, for use in the Missions in which she is at work. One box was sent St. Andrews, Tennessee. The Branch at Brandon maintains a box at Monterey, Tenn., so raises money for that purpose, instead of doing box work.

All the Branches, I believe, either open or close their meetings with prayer or a short service and the majority of them have readings on Missionary topics, or Mission study during a part of the year.

Efforts were made to increase the number of subscriptions to the *Mountain Echo* chiefly in Bennington and Rutland.

A District meeting was held in St. Luke's Church Fair haven on Epiphany. It was well attended by members of the Auxiliary in that section, though not by the District generally.

Bishop Bliss celebrated the Holy Communion and preached an admirable sermon at the morning service. He also made an address in the afternoon on the work which is being done in some of the Mission centers of the Diocese and the possibilities and opportunities which exist for extending that work. Deaconess Mary Tileston gave a very useful talk on Prayer, which was followed by a practical and inspiring address by the Rev. Thorn-

ton F. Turner. The meeting came to a close at Evensong which was said in the late afternoon. The Rector and members of St. Luke's parish gave a hearty welcome and cordially entertained those who came from out of town.

Mrs. Frederick C. Williams, Vice President of the Windsor District met the women of Trinity Church, Rutland. shortly before Lent, and gave a helpful and enlightening talk on the United Offering. The Blue Boxes were distributed and I hope it was the means of awakening more interest and bringing in more money than before from that Parish for the United Offering.

A fair amount of work has been done in this District during the past year, though not all the Branches have done as well as formerly.

If only each Branch and each member could be aroused to the possibilities of the work with the opportunities for study and the necessity for Prayer, it would mean new life to the Church as well as to the Auxiliary in Vermont.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY DE FOREST WEEKS.

MONTPELIER DISTRICT

Our excellent Annual Convention was held at Barre May 19th with a good attendance, and well sustained interest. Bishop Coadjutor Bliss gave an illuminating address on some parishes and missions not well known in the Diocese. Their worthy struggles to exist and their loyalty to The Church is touching and pathetic. Rev. F. Barnby Leach gave a stirring address along missionary lines.

Rev. W. J. M. Beattie and Rev. T. S. Ockford conducted a Question Box of about forty slips, which proved a very enjoyable number on our program; these questions were handed in by the different members present.

Miss Wheeler, our president, spoke of the needs of service, and of more and earnest help financially to meet the expected deficit.

The District Secretary, Mrs. J. W. Vaughn, read her report which was received with hearty thanks.

The District President spoke of the need of a more prompt reporting of full names of new officers in parish branches, and of the work done.

The reports of the Auxiliaries and the Juniors were good, Barre giving a well written report. Montpelier and Northfield gave verbal reports. We hope for a strong Junior Branch in Websterville soon.

Mrs. C. D. Mather read a paper on "Our United Offering Missionaries." Mrs. F. G. Howland read a paper on "Hearty Desire for Service and for Mission Study."

The women of The Good Shepard looked well after the music, and the hospitable lunch served to all.

The Offerings of ten dollars paid for the programs, postage and part traveling expenses of speaker, and left three dollars to send to the treasurer Miss Sheldon to apply on the deficit.

Our Lenten work this year was for The Emerald Hodgden Hospital, Sewanee, Tenn. A large barrel full of clothing, bedding etc., was furnished by the District.

All meetings are opened with s Service, and readings from "The Spirit of Missions," "The Churchman" and "The Living Church".

Barre keeps to her usual Mission Study. Tracts and leaflets have been distributed. I have visited, corresponded with and phoned to branch officers and all seem interested, and willing to give as much time to the work as very busy women could possibly bestow.

The financial report of the District has been given by Miss Sheldon.

MRS. G. B. B. DENNY,
Montpelier District.

November 14, 1916

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS

NAME

Article I.—This association shall be known as the Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions.

OBJECT

Article II.—Its object shall be the acquirement and diffusion of missionary intelligence and the increase of missionary activity among the women of the Church in the Diocese.

OFFICERS

Article III.—The officers of the Branch shall be a President, as many Vice-Presidents as there are Missionary Districts in the Diocese—one for each District—a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, A General Secrtary of the Junior Auxiliary, a Treasurer, and the Secretary of the Church Periodical Club. These shall, together, constitute the Executive Council.

ELECTIONS

Article IV.—(1) To office: Officers shall be severally elected by ballot at each annual meeting; the mode of nomination shall be defined in the By-Laws. (2) To membership: Applications approved by the Executive Board shall be presented after roll call at the annual meeting by the Corresponding Secretary.

DUTIES OF OFFICERS

Article V.—It shall be the duty (a) of the President to preside at all meetings of the Branch and its Executive Council (except when the Bishop of the Diocese is requested to preside ex-officio), to appoint from the newly elected Vice-Presidents a First -Vice President, to appoint all the committees save when the Assembly claims the right to do this, and to do all else usually appertaining to her office; (b) of the First Vice-President, to perform the duties of the President in her absence; (c) of all the Vice-Presidents to act under the President as Directors of the Branch in their respective districts—their duties as such being defined in the By-Laws—and to prepare for each annual meeting synopses of work done during the year in their districts. (d) of the Recording Secretary, to give notice of all general meetings of the Branch and make necessary arrangements with the railroads, to keep a roll of the delegates in attendance and a record of such meeting, to be printed

annually; (e) of the Corresponding Secretary, to conduct the correspondence of the Branch with the affiliated associations, the Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary and others, to send out blanks for application for admission, credentials, reports, etc.; to prepare for each annual meeting, and to do all else usually appertaining to her office; (f) of the Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary, to stimulate the interest in, and knowledge of, missions, and to unify the missionary work of the children of the Church, both for objects within and without the Diocese; (g) of the Treasurer, to take charge of all funds of the Branch; to pay out the same upon its order or that of the Executive Council; to prepare a report for each annual meeting and to do all else usually appertaining to her office. (h) It shall be the duty of the Executive Council to arrange the business for each annual meeting, posting the same beforehand in the porch of the church where held, and to arrange in general the work of the Branch.

PRIVILEGES OF OFFICERS

Article VI.—The officers of the Branch shall be entitled, at all meetings, to all privileges of the floor and to the right of voting. The privilege of the floor will belong to past officers.

ELIGIBILITY AND REPRESENTATION

Article VII.—(1). To membership: Any organization of women of the Church in the Diocese presenting satisfactory credentials shall be eligible to membership in the Branch, to which it shall report its missionary work, except such as is done in its own parish. The first organized society in each parish may send three, and those subsequently formed, two delegates to the annual meeting; but no delegate shall be entitled to a seat until her credentials have been accepted.

(2). To office. Any member of the society being a communicant of the Church shall be eligible to any office in its gift, but no member shall hold more than one office at a time.

(3). Delegates from Junior Branches will not vote under sixteen years of age.

MEETINGS

Articles VIII.—The annual meeting of the Branch shall be held on such days of September, October or November as the President may appoint. The semi-annual meeting of such Diocesan officers and delegates to the previous annual meeting as may be able to attend, shall be holden on the day and at the place where the Diocesan convention is held.

QUORUM

Article IX.—A majority of delegates present shall constitute a quorum for amendments to its constitution.

AMENDMENTS

Article X.—(1) Amendments to the Constitution of the Branch must be presented on paper at an annual meeting and be voted upon at the next annual meeting.

(2) Amendments to the By-Laws may be presented and voted upon at any general meeting, but all the By-Laws must accord with the Constitution.

BY-LAWS

1—Nomination

The officers of this association shall be nominated from the floor.

2—Appropriations

The appropriations for the year shall be made at the annual meeting, at which time an Auditor shall be appointed by the President.

3—Reports

Each organization in the Branch shall fill out report blanks for the year's work ending with the first day of June and send them to the Vice-President of the district to be by her forwarded to the Corresponding Secretary without delay.

4—Annual Directors

The duties of the Vice-Presidents shall be to direct the work in their respective districts; to form classes for missionary study; to disseminate missionary literature; to visit and encourage existing societies and to form new ones where none exist, and to arrange for such district meetings as shall subserve these purposes. They shall obtain the President's approval of their plans of work, and shall from time to time, confer with her about them.

5—Delegates

The names of the delegates to the annual meeting shall be sent as early as practicable, both to the Recording Secretary and to the Secretary of the organization which is to entertain the Branch.

6—Vacancies

In case of a vacancy arising in any Diocesan office, the place, shall be filled by the Executive Council until the next annual meeting.

**DATES OF ANNUAL MEETINGS OF THE VERMONT BRANCH OF
THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS**

- June 1879 Bellows Falls, Mrs. Charles Clement, President.
June 1880 Montpelier, Mrs. Charles Clement, President.
June 1881 Burlington, Mrs. Charles Clement, President.
June 1882 Rutland, Mrs. T. A. Hopkins, President.
June 1883 St. Albans, Mrs. T. A. Hopkins, President.
Oct. 1884 Rutland, Mrs. T. A. Hopkins, President.
Oct. 1885 Vergennes, Mrs. T. A. Hopkins, President.
Sept. 1886 Brandon, Mrs. T. A. Hopkins, President.
Oct. 1887 Bellows Falls, Mrs. T. A. Hopkins, President.
Oct. 1888 Burlington, Mrs. T. A. Hopkins, President.
Nov. 1889 St. Albans, Mrs. H. H. Baxter, President.
Oct. 1890 Rutland, Mrs. H. H. Baxter, President.
Oct. 1891 St. Johnsbury, Mrs. H. H. Baxter, President.
Nov. 1892 Chester, Mrs. L. M. Gray, President.
Oct. 1893 Woodstock, Mrs. L. M. Gray, President.
Oct. 1894 Burlington, Mrs. L. M. Gray, President.
Sept. 1895 Bennington, Mrs. L. M. Gray, President.
Oct. 1896 St. Albans, Mrs. L. M. Gray, President.
Oct. 1897 Bellows Falls, Mrs. E. P. Gilson, President.
Nov. 1898 Rutland, Mrs. E. P. Gilson, President.
Oct. 1899 Montpelier, Mrs. E. P. Gilson, President.
Nov. 1900 Bennington, Mrs. T. B. Foster, President.
Nov. 1901 Middlebury, Mrs. T. B. Foster, President.
Oct. 1902 Northfield, Mrs. M. L. Woolsey, President.
Sept. 1903 Brattleboro, Mrs. M. L. Woolsey, President.
Nov. 1904 Enosburg Falls, Mrs. M. L. Woolsey, President.
Oct. 1905 Burlington, Mrs. M. L. Woolsey, President.
Oct. 1906 Bellows Falls, Mrs. M. L. Woolsey and Mrs. Tyler, President.
Oct. 1907 St. Albans, Miss C. R. Wheeler, President.
Sept. 1908 Rutland, Miss C. R. Wheeler, President.
Oct. 1909 Montpelier, Miss C. R. Wheeler, President.
Nov. 1910 Bennington, Miss C. R. Wheeler, President.
Oct. 1911 St. Albans, Miss C. R. Wheeler, President.
Oct. 1912 Woodstock, Miss C. R. Wheeler, President.
Sept. 1913 Burlington, Miss C. R. Wheeler, President.
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Nov. 1914 Enosburg Falls, Miss C. R. Wheeler, President.
Oct. 1915 Brattleboro, Miss C. R. Wheeler, President.
Nov. 1916 Montpelier, Miss C. R. Wheeler, President.

