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Woman's Auxiliary
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THIRTY-NINTH ANNUAL MEETING
of the
**VERMONT BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE
BOARD OF MISSIONS**

REPORT OF THE RECORDING SECRETARY

The thirty-ninth annual meeting was held in St. Andrew's Church, St. Johnsbury, Tuesday and Wednesday, October 2-3, 1917.

TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 2

Evening Prayer was said at seven forty-five by the Rector, the Reverend Alfred P. Grint. The sermon was preached by the Reverend Arthur M. Dunstan, of Tilton, N. H.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

Holy Communion was celebrated at seven o'clock in the morning by the Rector.

Morning Prayer was said at nine o'clock, followed by a second celebration of the Holy Communion at nine-thirty o'clock, with the Right Reverend George Y. Bliss D. D. as celebrant.

The business session was opened at 10:15 c'clock with Bishop Bliss presiding, at Miss Wheeler's request. All credentials were reported as properly signed. The roll call showed there were 45 delegates from the Women's Branches, 2 from the Young Women's Branches and 2 from the Junior Branches; 49 delegates from 25 Branches.

Delegates

Arlington, St. James—Miss Abbie A. Hard, Mrs. Albert Buck.
Barre, Church of the Good Sheperd—Mrs. N. J. Roberts, Mrs. F. W. Howland, Mrs. S. N. Parker, Mrs. Ned Carter.
Bennington, St. Peter's—Mrs. Joseph M. Ayers, Mrs. William H. Wills.
Brandon, St. Thomas'—Mrs. Clara I. Brown, Mrs. C. A. June.
Bellows Falls, Immanuel Church—Mrs. F. D. Butterfield.
Brattleboro, St. Michael's—Mrs. George Sercombe.
Burlington, St. Paul's—Mrs. G. W. Davenport, Miss Cornelia Underwood. Young Woman's Branch—Deaconess Louisa, Mrs. Charles Davis
East Fairfield, St. Barnabas'—Mrs. George Lloyd.
Enosburg Falls, St. Matthew's—Mrs. J. H. Mears.
Hardwick, St. John the Baptist, Junior Branch—Mrs. William Garner.

Highgate, St. John's—Miss Susan Rixford.
Lyndonville, St. Peter's—Mrs. J. C. Stephenson, Mrs. T. D. Blaisdel
 Mrs. Clayton Libbey.

Manchester, Zion Church—Mrs. H. N. Shaw.

Middlebury, St. Stephen's—Mrs. Grace Brown.

Milton, Trinity Church—Mrs. H. E. Powell.

Montpelier, Christ Church—Mrs. P. F. Blodgett, Mrs. C. D. Waters

Newport, St. Mark's—Mrs. David Addison, Mrs. J. M. Cunningham.

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

Shelburne, Trinity Church—Mrs. W. Hayes Mitchell, Mrs. R. L.

Sanders.

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

Springfield, St. Mark's—Mrs. F. C. Williams, Mrs. Warren Fisher

Swanton, Holy Trinity—Mrs. Edward S. Stone, Mrs. Florence Gates,

Mrs. Horace M. Bell.

St. Johnsbury, St. Andrew's—Mrs. Thomas Farrell, Mrs. William

Boynton, Mrs. L. N. Smythe. Junior Branch—Mrs. S. C. Currier.

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

Mrs. J. F. Ulery.

Windsor, St. Paul's—Miss Elizabeth Murphy, Miss Kathleen Davis

Reports of the various Districts were read as follows:

Burlington—Miss A. T. Smith.

Rutland—Mrs. Clara Brown.

Windsor—Mrs. F. C. Williams.

Montpelier—Mrs. George B. B. Denny (read by Mrs. Blodgett),

St. Albans—deferred.

St. Johnsbury—Mrs. A. P. Grint.

The report of the Corresponding Secretary was read by Mrs. George Y. Bliss. It was approved and accepted.

The report of the Treasurer up to June 1, 1917 was read by Mrs. Whitney for Miss Alice G. Sheldon. It was accepted. Mrs. Whitney then read that part of her report for next year which included the money received since June 1st.

No report was given from the General Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary, Mrs. William Jones.

The report of the church Periodical Club was read by Miss Wheeler for Mrs. Reynolds.

Miss Wheeler, the President, then read her annual address.

Noon-day prayers were then said by the Bishop Coadjutor. Prayers were offered for Mrs. Jones in her affliction and for Mrs. Hutchinson in her anxiety, also for Mrs. Charles E. Parker, who has gone to her rest within the last year.

At the suggestion of Mrs. Mead of White River Junction, the deficit (which had been reduced since June 1st, to a little over \$80.00)

was raised by those present, leaving a clean financial slate with which to begin the year. The president then appointed the following committee on appropriations:—Mrs. Blodgett, Montpelier, chairman, Mrs. Sanders, Shelburne, Mrs. Brown, Brandon, Mrs. Butterfield, Windsor; Mrs. Lance, Northfield and Mrs. Dyas, Windsor.

Election of Officers

The election of officers, by ballot, then followed, with Mrs. Lance and Mrs. June acting as tellers. The officers chosen for the year ensuing were:—

President, Miss Constance R. Wheeler, Burlington.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. William H. Wills, Bennington.

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

Treasurer, Mrs. Fred N. Whitney, Northfield.

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

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

Auditor, Mr. Charles F. Chapman, Woodstock, appointed by the President.

Vice Presidents:

Burlington District, Miss Annie T. Smith, Burlington.

Rutland District, Mrs. Clara I. Brown, Brandon.

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

St. Albans District, Mrs. F. S. Hutchinson, East Berkshire

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

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

As there was a short time before the noon recess, Bishop Bliss asked Miss Jackson of Brandon and of Porto Rico to tell of her work in Porto Rico. By request she read "America" in Spanish. Her account of the epidemic of measles in the winter of 1916-17 and of the leper colony there, brought a sympathetic response from those who listened.

The Rev. Dr. A. P. Grint, rector of St. Andrew's 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.

Deaconess Louisa, chairman of a special committee appointed by Miss Wheeler, announced that the money pledged for the Sagada Mission had been raised.

The amendments to Articles III and V. of the Constitution and By-laws, proposed a year ago were adopted after discussion. Article III now has the words "Educational Secretary" inserted after "a Corresponding Secretary", Article V, the new clause under (f)—"of the Educational Secre-

tary to visit parishes in the interest of Mission Study and as far as possible to promote Normal Study classes."

The report of the Committee on Appropriations was read by Mrs. Blodgett, chairman. The report, accepted as submitted, follows:

General Missions	\$300
Diocesan Missions	425
St. Augustine's School, Raleigh (Miss Elmendorf's work)	275
Printing, Postage and Expenses of Speakers	100
Expenses of Officers	100
Bishop Hopkins Hall	100
Diocesan Altar Guild	25
Porto Rico	25
Junior Auxiliary, Porto Rico	25
Junior Auxiliary, Honolulu	25
Total Amount of Appropriations	<hr/> \$ 1400

Because of the change recently made in the church fiscal year, action regarding the time of the annual meeting was considered necessary. After some discussion, the following amendment to the Constitution was presented:

That Article VIII be amended by substituting for the words "September, October or November," the words "April, May or June." This amendment comes up for action at the next year's meeting.

The following resolution was adopted: "Resolved that the next meeting be held on the Wednesday after the second Sunday in May, on advice of the President."

The invitation extended by the Windsor District to hold the fortieth annual meeting at Windsor was accepted.

The following resolutions were read by Miss Smith: "We of the Diocesan Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, wish to place on record an expression of the great loss sustained by the Auxiliary in the death of Mrs. Charles E. Parker of Vergennes, long Diocesan Treasurer, always a loyal friend and faithful worker in the Diocese. Mrs. Parker will be greatly missed. No one can fill her place; but we may all strive to do more and better work than ever before, as our best memorial to Mrs. Parker." The resolutions were accepted and the secretary instructed to incorporate them in her report and that a copy be sent to Mr. Charles E. Parker.

The following resolutions were read by Deaconess Louisa: "The Vermont Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, assembled in St. Johnsbury on October 3, 1917, would send to Mrs. William F. Jones, their most loving sympathy in her great sorrow, deepened by the appreciation of all that Mrs. Jones has been to the children of the Junior Auxiliary in Vermont. We can express our true and tender sympathy in no better way than by assuring

her that as a memorial of the beloved daughter to whom the gates of Paradise have so recently opened, we will so strive to guide our children of Vermont that they may be found children of the Heavenly King."

The resolutions were accepted and the secretary instructed to incorporate them in the report and that a copy be sent to Mrs. William F. Jones of Woodstock.

Mrs. Mead spoke briefly on the work of her committee among the isolated women of the Diocese. Mr. Garner spoke in explanation of the need of such work.

Bishop Bliss read a letter from Bishop Lloyd, respecting the Apportionment to General Missions, and urged that the delegates arouse interest in their parishes on their return.

This closed the business of the meeting, and Mr.s Ayers moved that a rising vote of thanks be extended to the Parish and District of St. Johnsbury for the generous hospitality given.

At four o'clock addresses were given: Mrs. A. B. Hunter spoke of her work at St. Augustine's, in particular explaining the relation of St. Agnes' Hospital to the community rather than the school. Dr. Hunter, in a most interesting talk, treated of the economic problems of the South and of the need for a higher development of the colored race.

Miss Grace Lindley, General Secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions, was the last speaker of the afternoon. Her true depth of feeling and sincerity of purpose stirred everyone present to a renewed sense of responsibility and privilege, as she spoke of the critical position of our Church and of our work in this time of war, and made a plea for our support of Christianity.

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

At 7:30 a missionary meeting was held at which Bishop Bliss presided. Dr. Hunter spoke of his work at St. Augustine's. The Reverend George W. Davenport showed the close relation between activity in Missionary work and the periods of war in history, and closed with what seemed to be the watchword of all the meetings, a call to greater effort in our Missionary work in spite of increasing demands made upon us because of the War.

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

Respectfully submitted,

HAZEL M. WILLS,
Recording Secretary.

ADDRESS OF THE PRESIDENT**MY DEAR FRIENDS:—**

I wonder how many of the Vermont Auxiliary have been following (in thought) "the Pilgrimage of Prayer" which began the first day of Advent 1916 and is still going on in the United States—this week in San Joaquin and Sacramento, and next week in Oregon, and Olympia bringing it to the Pacific Coast, whence it goes on to Alaska and Honolulu and completes the Christian year in our Missionary Districts in the East. The Vermont week in this year of prayer came with that of Western Massachusetts in the second week in Advent. Our Vermont Auxiliary did not keep this week as generally as I wish it might have done, yet we did observe it in Burlington and in a number of other Branches, and a blessing has followed our work this year, a special blessing, which is doubtless owing to the continued prayers offered in the United States for the Auxiliary throughout the year. For this we must thank God and our Sister Branches.

It is our business as an organization of church women to assist the Board of Missions which means to help the Church as a whole do her great work of bringing all mankind to the knowledge of the love of God in Jesus Christ our Lord. This is a time when every one thinks of and plans undertakings in a large way. Our government in the matter of finance alone is calmly speaking of billions where we used to be excited over millions. We are told that people, especially men, are really interested only in large things. Well, nothing is so vast as the Missionary program of the Church:—the proposal to bring all people of all nations and races together into the Life of God, and that Life is limitless. We used to be laughed at for trying to do anything so great. I think the laughter is dying away now and we are watched with more respect, certainly with more serious expectations.

What is the Auxiliary as a whole and the Vermont Branch in particular going to accomplish during this coming year? The world is looking at us to see whether we are not going to collapse under the strain which all are feeling more and more. But the way of the Cross is the way of Life to the Christian and our Lord leads us in it. We have much to do in this great undertaking with our hands, our minds, our hearts. Let us begin with the invigorating work of prayer. We have seen something of what intercessory prayer can accomplish. Let us each work for others this year through prayer, let us struggle to pray as our Lord prayed and so keep His new commandment and love others as He has loved us. We need to meet together and pray in groups as well as individually. We should ask our Rectors to give us opportunities for this. We need "to pray without ceasing." If we begin with real prayer then everything we undertake in raising funds, in preparing boxes, in study of the Mission field will prosper because it will all be enriched by love. And nowhere can we pray so deeply as

when united with our Lord, we plead His sacrificial love in the Sacrament of the Altar.

The present condition of the world is a bugle call to those who have "put on Christ." Let us rise to our opportunities.

CONSTANCE R. WHEELER.

**REPORT OF THE
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY
FROM MAY 1916 TO MAY 1917**

BURLINGTON DISTRICT

BURLINGTON—ST. PAUL'S

Box, Rev. C. E. Huntington, West Allis, Wis.....	\$110.00	
Case Malted Milk, Miss Jackson, Porto Rico.....	11.00	
		\$121.00

YOUNG WOMAN'S BRANCH

Box, Christmas Gifts for Sunday School Rev. F. J. Buttery, Norwich, Vt.....	\$ 20.00	
Box of Candy, Miss Alice I. Milliken, Wakefield, N. H.	1.25	
Sagada Mission, Philippine Islands.....	4.38	
		\$25.63

MIDDLEBURY—ST. STEPHEN'S

Box, Rev. Victor Renville, Peever, S. D.....	\$ 5.88	
For District Box, Helen Dunlap Memorial School Winslow Ark.....	18.72	
Armenian Relief (Special).....	4.00	
		\$28.60

MILTON—TRINITY CHURCH

For District Box, Dunlap School.....	\$ 9.36	
		\$9.36

SHELBURNE—TRINITY CHURCH

For District Box, Dunlap School.....	\$ 25.00	
Sagada Mission.....	\$ 5.00	
		\$30.00

SHOREHAM—ALL SAINT'S

For District Box, Dunlap School.....	\$ 7.00	
		\$ 7.00

VERGENNES—ST. PAUL'S

For District Box, Dunlap School.....\$ 19.00

\$19.00

Total for District.....\$240.59

MONTPELIER DISTRICT

BARRE—CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

District Box, St. Elizabeth Mission, Hunter Hall, Va. \$ 5.05

Deaconess Stewart, car fare..... 1.80

St. Andrew's School, Sewanee, Tenn..... 1.00

\$ 7.85

MONTPELIER—CHRIST CHURCH

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....\$ 36.40

St. Barnabas' Hospital, Salina, Kansas..... 1.00

Miss Jackson, Porto Rico..... 5.00

Deaconess Stewart..... 2.00

\$ 44.40

NORTHFIELD—ST. MARY'S

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....\$ 15.00

\$15.00

WEBSTERVILLE—ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST'S MISSION

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....\$ 1.50

\$1.50

Total for District.....\$ 68.75

RUTLAND DISTRICT

ARLINGTON—ST. JAMES'

For District Box, Sagada Mission.....\$ 10.00

\$ 10.00

BENNINGTON—ST. PETER'S

Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 24.00
Green Mountain Valley Mission (Special).....	10.00
Cora Brown, Portland, Me.....	2.00
Sagada Mission.....	10.00
Miss Jackson, Porto Rico.....	15.00
Rev. McVeigh Harrison, Tenn.....	1.00
St. Barnabas Hospital, Salina, Kansas.....	1.00
Mission Church, Denver, Col.....	1.00
Alice Forbes, Los Angeles, Cal.....	1.00
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\$ 65.00

BRANDON—ST. THOMAS'

For District Box, Sagada.....	\$ 6.00
Scholarship for Boy, Monterey, Tenn.....	50.00
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\$56.00

CASTLETON—ST. MARK'S

No report.

FAIR HAVEN—ST. LUKE'S

No report.

HYDEVILLE—ST. JAMES'

For District Box, Sagada Mission.....	\$ 3.00
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\$3.00

MANCHESTER CENTER—ZION CHURCH

Box Sagada Mission.....	\$ 5.00
For Sagada Mission and Miss Jackson.....	6.00
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\$ 11.00

POULTNEY—ST. JOHN'S

For District Box, Sagada Mission.....	\$ 25.00
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\$ 25.00

RUTLAND—TRINITY

For District Box, Sagada Mission.....	\$ 13.90
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Box, Deaconess Stewart	25.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 38.90
Total for District		<hr/> \$208.90

ST. ALBANS DISTRICT

EAST BERKSHIRE—CALVARY CHURCH

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 25.00	
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EAST FAIRFIELD—ST. BARNABAS

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 5.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 5.00

ENOSBURGH FALLS—ST. MATTHEW'S

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 42.00	
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HIGHGATE CENTER—ST. JOHN'S

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 27.40	
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ISLE LA MOTTE

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 10.25	
Industrial School, Bishop Brent Fund	1.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 11.25

MONTGOMERY—ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	5.00	
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RICHFORD—ST. ANN'S

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 31.00	
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SHELDON—GRACE CHURCH

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....\$31.25
 Box, Epiphany Mission, Sherwood, Tenn..... 10.80
 Paradise Home, Nashville, Tenn..... 1.00

\$ 43.05

ST. ALBANS—ST LUKE'S

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....\$ 29.40
 Miss Jackson, Porto Rico..... 5.00

\$34.40

SWANTON—HOLY TRINITY

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....\$ 35.00
 Miss Jackson, Porto Rico..... 4.00

\$ 39.00

Total for District.....\$263.10

ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT**CONCORD—ST. JAMES' MISSION**

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....\$ 9.00

\$ 9.00

HARDWICK—ST. JOHN BAPTIST'S MISSION

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....\$ 18.90

\$18.90

ISLAND POND—CHRIST CHURCH

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....\$ 25.00

\$ 25.00

LYNDONVILLE—ST. PETER'S MISSION

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....\$ 5.00

\$5.00

ST. JOHNSBURY—ST. ANDREW'S

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 75.00
St. John's School, Corbin, Kentucky.....	40.00
Sagada Mission.....	3.35

\$118.35

NEWPORT—ST. MARK'S

For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 20.00
Sagada Mission.....	5.00

\$25.00

Total for District.....

\$201.25

WINDSOR DISTRICT

BELLOWS FALLS—IMMANUEL CHURCH

District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 17.34
Christmas Box, Sunday Schools in Island Pond and Canaan	5.44
Sagada Mission.....	13.92
For Box, Rev. E. A. Christian, Oklahoma.....	5.00
Miss Jackson, Porto Rico.....	2.00
St. Augustine's, Raleigh.....	.50

\$44.20

BRATTLEBORO—ST. MICHAEL'S

For Box, Rev. E. A. Christian.....	\$ 16.00
St. Mary's in the Mountains, Sewanee, Tenn.....	2.75
St. Andrew's St. Andrew's Tenn.....	17.20
Freight on Periodicals, Rev. P. C. Manzer, Windsor Vt.....	.80

\$36.75

BETHEL—CHRIST CHURCH

No report.

CHESTER—ST. LUKE'S

For Box, Rev. E. A. Christian.....	\$.80
For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va., inc. Express.....	37.05
Miss Jackson, Porto Rico.....	2.00

Sagada Mission, Special.....	3.30	
		<u>\$43.15</u>
RANDOLPH—ST. JOHN'S		
For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 7.00	
		<u>\$7.00</u>
ROYALTON—ST. PAUL'S		
No report.		
SPRINGFIELD—ST. MARK'S MISSION		
For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 14.00	
For Box, Rev. E. A. Christian.....	1.00	
Deaconess Stewart.....	15.00	
		<u>\$ 30.00</u>
WHITE RIVER JUNCTION—ST. PAUL'S		
For District Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 12.00	
		<u>\$ 12.00</u>
WINDSOR—ST. PAUL'S		
Box, Hunter Hall, Va.....	\$ 25.00	
		<u>\$ 25.00</u>
WOODSTOCK—ST. JAMES'		
For Box, Rev. E. A. Christian.....	\$ 10.50	
Miss Jackson, Porto Rico.....	2.00	
For District Box, Hunter Hall Va. inc. freight.....	69.64	
Sagada Mission.....	5.00	
		<u>\$ 87.14</u>
Total for District.....		<u>\$285.24</u>
TOTAL AMOUNT OF MONEY AND BOX WORK BY DISTRICTS		
Burlington District.....	\$240.59	
Montelelier District.....	68.75	

Rutland District.....	208.90
St. Albans District.....	263.10
St. Johnsbury District.....	201.25
Windsor District.....	285.24

\$1267.83

Respectfully submitted,

KATHERINE L. BLISS

Corresponding Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

Ascutneyville, Vt. June 16, 1917

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, 1917.

We began the year with a deficit of \$162.22 due on our pledge for Diocesan Missions, which amount was largely made up. We close the year with a deficit of \$304.16 on our pledge for Diocesan Missions.

Receipts for the 1915-16 deficit are as follows:

BURLINGTON DISTRICT

Burlington.....	\$ 59.75	
Middlebury.....	10.00	
Burlington District Meeting.....	2.26	
	<hr/>	\$ 72.01

ST. ALBANS DISTRICT

East Berkshire.....	\$ 7.30	
Swanton.....	2.70	
	<hr/>	\$10.00

RUTLAND DISTRICT

Bennington.....	\$ 15.00	
	<hr/>	\$15.00

WINDSOR DISTRICT

Bellows Falls.....	\$ 8.00	
Brattleboro.....	8.00	
Chester.....	2.00	
White River Junction.....	3.00	
Springfield.....	2.00	
Windsor.....	12.00	
Woodstock.....	5.00	
	<hr/>	\$40.00
Total for deficit.....		\$137.01

Receipts for General Fund

Cash on hand.....	\$ 2.78
Accrued interest on check account.....	1.25
Offering at Annual Meeting.....	53.03
Mrs. W. S. Webb.....	400.00
Junior Auxiliary.....	59.25

\$516.31

BURLINGTON DISTRICT

Burlington, St. Paul's Church.....	\$ 77.00
Burlington, Young Women's Branch.....	25.22
Middlebury, St. Stephen's Church.....	6.53
Shelburne Trinity Church.....	50.00

\$158.75

MONTPELIER DISTRICT

Barre, Church of the Good Shepherd	\$ 12.60
Montpelier, Christ Church.....	40.00
Montpelier, King's Daughters'.....	5.00
Northfield, Geo. and Ellen Nichols Fund and Mrs. Cushman.....	15.00
Montpelier District Meeting.....	2.00

\$74.60

ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT

Concord, St. James' Church.....	\$ 1.50
Hardwick, St. John Baptist Church.....	7.00
Lyndonville, St. Peter's Church.....	13.52

\$22.02

ST. ALBANS DISTRICT

East Berkshire, Cavalry Church.....	\$ 5.86
East Fairfield, St. Barnabas' Church.....	7.00
Enosburg Falls, St. Matthew's Church.....	17.65
Highgate, St. John's Church.....	3.00
Isle LaMotte, Miss Montgomery.....	3.00
Richford, St. Ann's Church.....	14.40

Sheldon, Grace Church, (for Sagada \$1)	5.27
Swanton, Holy Trinity Church	2.30
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\$58.48

RUTLAND DISTRICT

Arlington, St. James' Church	\$ 14.41
Bennington, St. Peter's Church	50.00
Bennington, For Sagada	25.00
Brandon, St. Thomas' Church	15.70
Hydeville, St. James' Church	3.65
Manchester Center—Zion Church	5.00
Middletown Springs, St. Margaret's Church	2.00
Rutland, Trinity Church	44.11
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\$159.87

WINDSOR DISTRICT

Bellows Falls, Immanuel Church	\$ 57.00
Brattleboro, St. Michael's Church	28.53
Brattleboro, for Bible Woman in China	5.00
Chester, St. Luke's Church	5.00
Chester, for Bible Woman in China	1.00
Springfield, St. Mark's Church	10.00
White River Junction, St. Paul's Church	4.52
Windsor, St. Paul's Church	30.00
Windsor, for Bible Woman in China	10.00
Woodstock, St. James Church	25.00
Bethel, Christ Church	20.00
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\$196.05

Sum of Receipts for deficit and General Fund	<hr/> \$1,323.09
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SPECIALS:

Shelburne, for Church Periodical Club	\$ 5.00
Shelburne, for Archdeacon Wentworth	2.00
Rutland, for Deaconess Stewart's work	10.00
The Committee for Sagada, P. I.	200.00
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\$217.00

UNITED OFFERING RECEIPTS SINCE OCTOBER 1916

Burlington Young Women's Branch	\$ 9.21	
Middlebury	3.95	
Barre	2.01	
Montpelier	10.00	
Hardwick	1.40	
Lyndonville	3.12	
St. Johnsbury	4.75	
Enosburg Falls	10.00	
Bennington	17.00	
Hydeville	2.35	
Bellows Falls	12.50	
Springfield	5.75	
Windsor	6.48	
Woodstock	20.00	
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		\$108.52
Junior Auxiliary	\$ 4.95	
Accrued interest03	
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		\$4.98
Sum of United Offering		<hr/>
		\$113.50
Sum of all Receipts		\$1,653.59

DISBURSEMENTS

To Spencer W. Hinds, Treas. bal on 1915-16 pledge for Diocesan Missions	\$165.00
To Spencer W. Hinds Tr., on 1916-17 pledge for Dio. Mis.	95.84
To speaker's expenses at Annual meeting Dr. W. H. Jeffery's	35.00
Deaconess Goodwin	20.00
To Northfield Publishing Co., Annual Report and envelopes	50.50
To Mrs. K. L. Bliss, Sec'y. for postage and printing	5.50
To Grace Lindley, Sec'y, for general Missions	675.00
To Ellen S. Ogden, Prin for Bp. Hopkins Hall	100.00
To Geo. Garden King, Treas., for Anvik Church, Alaska	51.25
To Geo. Gordon King, Treas., for St. Agnes' School Kyoto, Japan	25.00
To Rt. Rev. C. H. Brent for Boys School Sagada, P. I.	300.00
To Geo. Gordon King, Treas., for Deaconess Stewart's work in China	10.00

To Church Periodical Club.....	5.00
To Archdeacon Wentworth.....	2.00
To Ottawaquechee Savings Bank acct United Offering.....	113.50
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Sum of all disbursements.....	\$1,653.95

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT OF
ALICE G. SHELDON, TREASURER

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$ 2.78
General Fund.....	1,320.31
Special Funds.....	217.00
United Offering, since October 1916.....	113.47
Interest on United Offering.....	.03
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	\$1,653.59

DISBURSEMENTS

Expenses.....	\$111.00
General Missions.....	675.00
Diocesan Missions.....	260.84
Special Funds.....	493.25
Cash in Bank acct. United Offering.....	113.50
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	\$1,653.59

Receipts for the United Offering up to the Triennial Convention in October 1916 were reported in the last Annual Report. See page 27.

SUMMARY OF ACCOUNT OF
ALICE G. SHELDON, TREASURER
VERMONT BRANCH WOMAN'S AUXILIARY FOR THE YEAR 1916-17

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand.....	\$ 2.78
Cash in bank account of United Offering.....	547.15
Interest on United Offering Account.....	7.67
General Fund.....	1,320.31
United Offering.....	352.73
Special Fund.....	217.00
	\$2,447.64

DISBURSEMENTS

Expense.....	\$111.00
General Missions.....	675.00
Diocesan Missions.....	260.84
Special Fund.....	493.25
United Offering.....	794.05
Cash in bank account United Offering.....	113.50
	\$2,447.64

Woodstock, Vt. June, 27, 1917

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

CHARLES F. CHAPMAN
Auditor.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE GENERAL SECRETARY OF THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY

The work of the Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary during the past year has been most interesting and the reports from the different Branches have been inspiring, but the work had its anxieties and responsibilities.

Twenty Branches have reported meetings held during the year and the result of the work was most satisfactory. The value of the boxes sent is not as large as last year, but that is due more to the advanced prices than to lack of interest. Two boxes have been sent as usual, one at Christmas to Miss Pauline Colby, Onigum, Minn., which included gifts not only to the Indian children, but also to the very old Indian men and women. This box was valued at \$125.55.

The Juniors of Vermont really claim Miss Colby for their own missionary. Her letters interest them and they are always so happy to work for her.

The Easter box was sent to Miss Clementine Rowe, Epiphany Mission, Sherwood, Tenn., valued at \$128.04. The work Miss Rowe is doing at once enthused the Juniors and well it might for she is accomplishing much in bringing happiness to the children in the Mission by teaching them, how to live as Christian children and telling them of Christ's love for them.

Last October at the Triennial at St. Louis, Miss Lindley told the Junior leaders of an important change that might be made in the Junior Auxiliary and asked that the experiment be made in the next three years. The new Junior plan is this—to unite the Junior Auxiliary with the Sunday School, an organization which includes all the children of the church. It would encourage missionary instruction in the Sunday School. Several leaders of Junior Branches in this Diocese are in favor of the change, no report was given that the experiment had been tried but perhaps in the fall it may be attempted.

Some of the Branches are to take up the work for the Red Cross during the summer which is most commendable but when the Junior work begins in the fall I trust time will be found for the work of the Church.

I appreciate so much all that has been accomplished by the Directresses to help make such a good record for the year and I know they find it a privilege to tell the Juniors of the real missionary spirit and about the work our missionaries are doing, the time is so well spent.

The money raised by the Branches was most satisfactory. \$56.25 was given to Rev. Mr. Chapman towards the repairs on the Church at Anvik and \$5.00 for St. Agnes School at Kyoto and \$4.95 for the United Offering.

BARRE—CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

Christmas box.....	\$ 2.50
Easter box.....	2.00
Junior Appropriation.....	10.00
United Offering.....	1.50
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\$16.00

BELLOWS FALLS—IMMANUEL CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 5.85
Easter box.....	5.00
Junior Appropriation.....	4.00
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\$14.85

BENNINGTON—ST. PETER'S CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 3.00
Junior Appropriation.....	2.00
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\$5.00

BRATTLEBORO—ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH

Easter box.....	\$ 15.00
Junior Appropriation.....	5.00
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\$20.00

BURLINGTON—ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 15.00
Easter box.....	12.00
Junior Appropriation.....	2.75
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\$29.75

ENOSBURG FALLS—ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 10.40
Easter box.....	13.15
Junior Appropriation.....	5.00
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\$28.55

HARDWICK—ST. JOHN BAPTIST

Christmas box.....	\$ 8.68
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\$12.68

\$6.00

\$12.00

\$20.00

\$14.00

\$16.05

SHELDON—GRACE CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 1.25
Easter box.....	10.85
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\$12.10

ST. ALBANS—ST. LUKE'S CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 2.00
Easter box.....	12.00
Junior Appropriation.....	2.00
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\$16.00

ST. JOHNSBURY—ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 9.94
Easter box.....	15.45
Box sent to Wuchang, China.....	2.62
Junior Appropriation.....	2.50
Deaconess Stewart.....	1.00
United Offering.....	.45
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\$31.96

VERGENNES—ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 5.00
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WINDSOR—ST. PAUL'S CHURCH

Easter box sent to Rev. B. Thorn, Oneida Mission.....	\$5.00
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WOODSTOCK—ST. JAME'S CHURCH

Christmas box.....	\$ 21.88
Easter box.....	10.00
Junior Appropriation.....	5.00
St. Agnes School, Kyoto.....	3.00
United Offering.....	3.00
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\$42.88

Making a total of.....	<hr/> \$323.41
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SUMMARY

Valutaion of Domestic boxes.....	\$253.59
Valuation of Foreign boxes.....	2.62

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Rev. Mr. Chapman's work in Anvick.....	56.25
St. Agnes School, Kyoto, Japan.....	5.00
Deaconess Stewart's work in Hankow, China.....	1.00
United Offering.....	4.95

\$323.41

Respectfully submitted

LENA N. JONES

Gen. Sec. of Junior Aux.

REPORT OF SEMI ANNUAL MEETING

Burlington, Vermont, June 19, 1917

The semi-annual meeting of the Executive Council was held at the Rectory of St. Paul's church, Burlington, on the afternoon of June 19th. The meeting was called to order by the president. After prayers were said the reports of the various vice presidents were then read by Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Grint, Mrs. Hutchinson and Miss Smith.

Deaconess Louisa then reported on the special offering of \$300.00 for the Sagada Mission, which she said had been raised. The secretary also read a letter from Bishop Brent expressing appreciation to the Woman's Auxiliary of Vermont.

The resignation of Miss Alice Sheldon as treasurer was read and accepted with regret. A vote of thanks to Miss Sheldon for her untiring efforts was extended. The resignation of Mrs. Whitney as recording secretary was read and accepted. Mrs. Whitney was then elected treasurer.

The various vice presidents voluntarily agreed to make an effort to raise the \$304, necessary to make up the deficit for Diocesan missions which the Auxiliary now faces.

Mrs. A. P. Grint of St. Johnsbury extended to the Auxiliary an invitation to hold the annual meeting with the St. Johnsbury branch the first week in October.

This concluded the business of the day and the meeting adjourned.

ERVAL M. WHITNEY, *Recording Sec.*

REPORT OF THE BURLINGTON DISTRICT

There is little opportunity for the work of the Woman's Auxiliary in the Burlington District to develop, as far as an increase in the number of Branches is concerned.

Besides the six existing Branches in four parishes and two missions there are only two places—Winooski and East Middlebury—where another is possible; in neither of these, so far has it been thought advisable to extend the Auxiliary. I have been obliged to keep in touch with the different Branches chiefly by correspondence. On the 7th of this month I met with the Auxiliary of Trinity Parish, Shelburne; it was an all-day meeting, a very good thing with which to begin the year. A celebration of the Holy Communion at 11 o'clock; then, after a delightful picnic lunch on the lawn, came a very successful business meeting. Also, I was invited to visit the Junior Auxiliary of Burlington, and was happy to give them a little Lenten talk just before Holy Week. I believe that there are younger Branches of the Auxiliary under some name in four Parishes.

The one district meeting of the year was held last week in Burlington on September 27 and was a rare occasion. About seventy-five were present to listen to splendid addresses by both Bishops and by four of the clergymen of the District; each one of the speakers was, perhaps, at his best. The deepest interest was manifested through both sessions, and I am sure there will result from the inspiration received at this meeting better work this winter; more consecrated service.

The larger part of the Box work was for the Helen Dunlap Memorial School at Winslow, Arkansas, combined value about \$70.00. Burlington and Shelburne sent also to Mr. Mabley \$16.73 in money. From St. Paul's Burlington the Woman's Branch sent to Rev. Mr. Huntington, Diocese of Minnesota, a box valued at \$110.00; and to San Juan, P. R., \$11.00 worth of condensed milk for the children. The Young Women's Branch in Burlington sent to two New England Missions boxes of which the combined value was \$21.25. The Juniors of St. Paul's did Box work to the amount of \$27.00; they realized \$15.00 from a cake and candy sale, they sent \$2.50 to Mrs. Jones for Mr. Chapman's work in Alaska. The Young Woman's Branch has contributed splendidly to General Missions, as you will hear from another report.

The Treasurer's report in June showed that this District had contributed towards the deficit 1915-16, (\$189.76), \$72.01 towards General Missions \$158.75, and from two branches \$13.16 had been received for the United Offering. It was also reported in June that a deficit of \$304.00 on this year's Diocesan Fund existed. Each of the six districts was asked to

raise \$50.00 to wipe out this deficit before this annual meeting. I am glad to report that from every parish and mission in my district something has been given, either by Branches or by individuals, so that the Treasurer has from the Burlington District \$73.00, a part of which can be credited to us for future use if the other Districts have been equally successful. If we may not "lengthen the cords" in this District, "the stakes may be strengthened." I should like to give a record of our ideals—for we have "ideals." For instance, we hope that there may be meetings of the Auxiliary every week, certainly every two weeks, from September to May; that time only will lack to tell of all the interesting events in the Mission fields of which one has heard or read; and that the general tone of the meeting will make personal gossip impossible. That for the members of the Auxiliary the *necessary expression of their love for the Church and its Head*, will be through the work which they can do in the Auxiliary to extend the knowledge of them to others. Is it too much to hope that these ideals may be realized?

I cannot close this Report without reference to the loss sustained by us in the death last April of Mrs. Charles E. Parker of Vergennes. In this District she will be especially missed. In the Auxiliary Mrs. Parker worked untiringly as long as health permitted; for with her the Church was no side issue, it was her life. No one can fill her place, but we can all seek to do more and better work from the example of Mrs. Parker, thus giving to her the most fitting memorial.

Respectfully submitted,

ANNIE T. SMITH,
Vice president Burlington District.

September 25th, 1917,

WINDSOR DISTRICT

Windsor District cannot report more branches than last year; but the Randolph branch which has not done any active work for the last few years was interested enough this year to ask for work and sent a box of clothing to St. Elizabeth's Mission in Virginia, and we hope that their interest may continue and they soon be counted as one of our active branches. Most of the branches worked for Miss Montgomery and splendid boxes of new and second hand clothing were sent to her. Four of the branches united in sending vestments including a new cassock, surplice, green stole and a second hand white stole to the colored clergyman in Oklahoma.

The District responded very well to the special call for the Sagada Mission and several sent extra gifts of money to Miss Jackson in Porto Rico; and all the branches responded to the vice-president's appeal for help toward the deficit. I have been able to make only one visitation during the past year, and that was to Bellows Falls.

I am sorry more did not make note of the "Week of Prayer" but I think it may have been because the idea was somewhat new and as Vermont week came so early we did not realize what was expected of us. It was with great regret that I had to give up our District Meeting. In the spring I was unable to think about one but hoped for one in September, and started early in August to write to speakers but unfortunately every one I wrote to was on a vacation and instead of days it took weeks to get replies and as the replies were in the negative I found it was too late to do any more about it before the annual meeting.

I am sure that the United Offering boxes are being used more than ever although they are not used in every parish as yet; but I think it is because the members do not fully understand the meaning of them rather than because they are indifferent. It still seems impossible to start Missionary Study Classes; but all the branches either have a program meeting or some reading which is a step in the right direction. In spite of the many calls for money and the work for the Red Cross I feel from reports and letters which I have received that the interest in missions in Windsor District has not decreased, but is slowly gaining.

Respectfully submitted,

EMMA P. WILLIAMS.

REPORT OF THE RUTLAND DISTRICT

Soon after the Annual meeting at Montpelier, where I was elected Vice-President of the Rutland District in place of Mrs. Weeks, who is away from the Diocese, I was taken suddenly ill and removed to the hospital. My work was kindly taken by Miss Wheeler and Mrs. Bliss, who sent out the appeals in time for the "Lenten Work", and packed the District Box, valued at \$72.00, which was sent to the Church Missions House in New York for Sagada. Mrs. Bliss wrote me it was a very nice one. I attended the semi-annual meeting at Burlington in June and since then have corresponded with nearly all the branches in the District calling their attention to "the important notice" in the August number of the Mountain Echo, in regard to the deficit, and to the circular letter sent out by Miss Wheeler, urging that delegates be sent to the Annual meeting at St. Johnsbury. There are at present eight active branches and three Junior branches in the District. Grace Church, Forestdale, reports their Auxiliary given up, but their Guild gave towards the deficit.

St Margaret's, Middletown Springs has given up the Auxiliary. Nothing has been done for over a year. It was impossible to go on with the work for lack of members. Some of the branches have given nothing to the United Offering this year, which is a matter of regret.

Bennington has done excellent work this year, and I had hoped a District meeting could have been held there before the Annual Meeting. Perhaps one can be arranged for later in the year. Some of the branches have given more to the General Fund than they did last year.

I have not visited any of them, but feel sure if the Vice President could visit each branch in her District, better work and more of it could be accomplished.

Respectfully submitted,

CLARA I. BROWN

Vice President, Rutland District.

MONTPELIER DISTRICT

In January we had Deaconess Stewart in our District. She gave two very excellent and instructive addresses at each parish; all both young and old enjoyed her exhibits of Chinese articles, clothing and fancy and useful pieces.

The Pilgrimage of Prayer was observed with the Holy Communion, very impressively, conducted by the clergy of local churches.

During the Lenten season we worked for St. Elizabeth's Mission, Hunter Hall, Va. In the large barrel went 14 dresses, twelve for girls and two for women, they were new, made of good gingham and prettily trimmed with white and colors. One dozen white cooking caps, and aprons, two dozen sheets and pillow slips were especially appreciated and much needed. Many other good articles were contributed. The Juniors, made a fine contribution, all made themselves. This barrel reached its destination safely and has been duly acknowledged.

Our annual district meeting was held in May at Northfield with a good attendance; speakers were our President and Rev. F. Barnby Leach. As usual our President gave us just the information, and kind helpful talk we most needed. Rev. F. B. Leach gave an address on Prayer, which was earnest and eloquent, and indeed we felt that we could, and would, give lavishly of Prayers during these troublesome days of world conflict now raging, fierce and deadly.

Mrs. Beattie, arranged and conducted a very stirring visit with our Bishops, Paragraphs were read as called for, by the leader, all to the point with flashes of wit, as needed during these changing times. Mrs. Mather of Montpelier read an enthusiastic paper on "Our Work."

The Reports of our Auxiliaries and Juniors were good and showed earnest endeavor.

Rev. T. S. Ockford officiated at Holy Communion, and he was very kind and helpful during the meetings. Mrs. J. W. Vaughn, our secretary for many years, who served with faithful ability had to resign owing to her removal to Burlington District.

Mrs. L. R. Rickert of Barre was elected District Secretary, she kindly accepted and served through the day.

Offerings paid all expenses and a few dollars were sent to the General Fund. The women of Northfield were smiling and bountiful in hospitality.

We expect to go to Websterville for our next annual meeting, Montpelier reports two Junior Branches in good standing.

Miss Virginia Toole and Miss Louise Gridley are at the head of each respectively.

MRS. G. B. B. DENNY,
Vice President.

REPORT OF THE ST. JOHNSBURY DISTRICT

It was with great pleasure that I resumed the care and over-sight of this St. Johnsbury District, but with some misgivings. Still I shall hope for the best.

We, the District of St. Johnsbury, feel honored at being the first District to unite all together as one in entertaining the Woman's Auxiliary's Annual Convention. From every source enthusiastic co-operation was tendered, and it is with great pleasure that to-day we, as one large Parish, welcome all our guests into our midst.

There are five active Branches in the District, North Troy and Morrisville, we hope will come in with Canaan later. There is a Branch in Morrisville, but it has been inactive this past year.

All the Branches in the District have done splendid work in every way, and given liberally to different objects.

Three barrels and one large package were sent by the District to St. Elizabeth's Mission, Hunter Hall, Va. The active Branches contributing liberally.

Hardwick, in addition to their contribution to the District barrels valued at \$18.90 have given "Contribution toward fund to send representative from Hardwick to learn Red Cross dressings \$1.00."

General Fund, \$7.00. Diocesan Missions \$2.40, United Offering \$1.40

Island Pond has been active in many lines. Their contribution to the District barrels was valued at \$25.

Diocesan Missions \$2.00 and to the United Offering \$3.00.

Morrisville, I regret to say has no report, but hopes next year to send encouraging news.

Lyndonville has been also very active in every way. Their contributions to the District barrels was a check of \$5, sent direct to St. Elizabeth's Mission. Their United Offering was \$3.10 and to General Missions \$13.52.

Newport's contribution to the District barrels was valued at \$20, Sagada Technical High School \$5, and United Offering \$10.

Concord gave as their portion to the District barrels, articles valued at \$9.00, General Missions, .50 and United Offering \$1.00.

St. Johnsbury, The Missionary work for the past year has been rather interesting in many respects. On January 8th we had a most delightful visit, and entertaining and instructive talk on China, its progress and outlook, from Deaconess Stewart. She showed many articles from China which planted more securely her words in our memories. Lent being our special season for Missions work, found us all actively engaged. Our ladies attended the meetings well and accomplished much, both for local and outside Mission work. The St. Johnsbury contribution to the District barrels

was valued at \$75. A box of clothing to St. John's School at Corbin, Kentucky, valued at \$40. For Sagada Mission \$3.35. United Offering \$4.75 and for General Missions \$13.51. Making a total of \$201.25, value of barrels sent from this District.

We, also, through this season, which has been the custom for many years, had readings from the Spirit of Missions and Living Church.

The Spirit of Missions, in addition to being taken by a few, is circulated among those who do not individually subscribe for the magazine.

No report from Canaan.

I am happy to report that North Troy, with only five church families, has one enthusiastic delegate here today, and I feel sure with this little band, we shall soon hear of good results from her earnest seed sowing.

Respectfully submitted,

MARTHA J. S. GRINT,

Vice President of the St. Johnsbury District.

REPORT OF THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

Current Periodicals sent regularly	62
Contributors of Current Periodicals	13
Books, Theological and Secular	50
Money sent, total	\$8.50

Respectfully submitted,

LOUISE M. REYNOLDS,

Vermont Correspondent of the C. P. C.

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, an Educational Secretary, General Secretary 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 Educational Secretary, to visit parishes in the interest of Mission Study and as far as possible to promote Normal study classes, (g) of the Secretary of the Junior Auxiliary, to stimulate the interests 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; (h) 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. (i) 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

Article 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.

