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Report of the President.

Since the last annual meeting of this diocesan branch the great gathering of the Woman's Auxiliary at the time of the Triennial meeting of the General Convention of the Church has been a delightful realization. It is a matter of deep regret that so few members of our Diocesan branch could be present. The occasion was in every way so inspiring—the influences so potent to enlarge our conceptions of the work—to show what has been done in the past—what is desired for the future—as well as the very best methods for the advancement of the objects for which the Auxiliary exists. This last was set forth in the addresses and counsels of those whose lives are devoted to the work, and is always an interesting feature of the helpful discussions among the members of the various diocesan branches. Though it was not possible to be present, I followed with deepest interest every detail of the Auxiliary meetings—through the daily papers of Minneapolis, sent by the thoughtful kindness of Dr. Moore, the Rector of Trinity Church, supplemented by a letter from Mrs. Swope, of St. Matthews Parochial Branch, Wheeling—a letter breathing the enthusiasm and deep interest of the scenes she was privileged to share and describe. Later on the Reports of Diocesan Branches gave evidence to the full of the influence of that

remarkable occasion. The intensity and earnestness of feeling, and the renewed consecration of the officers, were plainly apparent as they chronicled these events for their less fortunate constituents, and urged a like feeling and effort, a more aggressive work and more devoted personal endeavor upon each individual member. Through these sources we have all felt the joy of that solemn hour when the United Offering of the Woman's Auxiliary was presented. From the \$20,000 given to the Endowment Fund in 1892, in 1895, with a leap that startled and thrilled at the thought of what, through God's blessing, the efforts of christian women had accomplished, it sprang to the large sum of \$55,370 for the endowment of a Missionary Bishopric.

I cannot part from this subject without a fuller record of a time and scene which should be treasured in the thought of every member of the Auxiliary as an incentive for working days to come. To do this I extract from the Report of the President of the noble sister Branch of Connecticut, a branch foremost and indefatigable in manifold effort for Missionary work at home and abroad in every possible form of energetic service.

It fairly takes one's breath to read the yearly roll of the "labors abundant" of this Branch—"boxes," "pledges," "specials," that in value reach up into the thousands, surmounted, as they were, last October by the splendid capsheaf of \$3,854.50, as their quota of the United Offering.

Mrs. Colt, President of the Connecticut Branch, says: "The sun never shone more brightly than on the fresh October morning when a large

company of women assembled at half-past nine o'clock, in Christ Church, St. Paul. They had come from nearly every diocese of this vast country to join in those prayers and praises and thanksgivings. Every sitting was occupied, and every heart thrilled with emotion as the beloved and venerated Bishop of Minnesota, in an eloquent address, welcomed us to those fair twin cities, Minneapolis and St. Paul.

At its close, and while the gifts, which spoke of loving service and self-denial, were being gathered, most of these in receptacles rich and rare, wrought in fair colors of needlework, the choir sang the offertory hymn. How I wish I had the power to picture that scene for you as I can, even now, see it. Every face glowed with intense feeling, and, while again and again rang out the words,

"On thine altar laid we leave them,
Christ present them, God receive them."

there were few eyes not dimmed, and no heart but that echoed that cry, and longed to give a truer and a more loving and consecrated service than ever before.

It was laid upon the altar in the magnificent gold alms basin, the gift of the English Church to ours in 1852. This basin is always used at the sessions of the General Convention, and was loaned for this occasion.

Then, in reverent order, those women went forward to receive the symbols of our dear Lord's passion ; and none who had the blessed privilege of participating in that sacred service but will remember it while life lasts.

At the close of this service all were asked to go to the building where the afternoon session was to be held, and where the most generous luncheon was prepared for about fifteen hundred persons, and I am very sure that a like number were never served with such promptness and comfort. We can learn a great deal from the manner in which our Minnesota sisters provided for their guests. Tickets were given to all the delegates and officers, and it was requested that they should first be served, as the room only seated four hundred and fifty.

Next came the afternoon session; papers were read and addresses made, but all eyes were often turned, with eager interest, to the door, through which the committee who were counting the offering would enter, for we did not yet know its amount.

Time passed and no report came, and there was a little feeling of anxiety at the delay. But, when at last the committee came and we were told that it was the large amount which had caused this delay, can you not imagine the tearful joy with which we heard the announcement that this offering, *our* offering, was nearly \$54,000. It was made up to that sum within a few moments, and it now amounts to \$55,370.

Then there arose from those fifteen hundred voices, and very grateful and happy voices they were, the song

“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts,
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost”
Amen.

Our own West Virginia share in this offering seems indeed insignificant, compared to the more munificent sums on record. But we must take into consideration that the \$271 contributed came from six parish branches only—and that one of these branches gave a little more than half of the amount.

So much has been said in the past about the need of Auxiliary organization—and so little result has followed—that it would seem nearly useless to touch upon the subject again. And yet, we cannot believe that any word said—however imperfectly said—where God's work is the object—and faith in His promises the impelling power to utter that word—*can* be useless. *Why* can we not have this general organization? Surely there is no parish, and no individual member of the church in that parish, that has not a sense of the necessity that follows upon membership—the absolute necessity of doing something to advance the Master's cause. “Work while it is day”—is the injunction—“for the night cometh.”

And for women, there is no better medium—no more telling way to contribute effort than through the Auxiliary. It is a working body so systematized that nothing is lost. There are so many channels of usefulness, and these so wisely administered, that every merest mite goes straight to its mark. And the work can be chosen and designated out of the many objects for which the Auxiliary is working as may suit the preference of the contributor: domestic and foreign missions, boxes for poor Missionaries within the home

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mission field, scholarships, pledges for help in innumerable directions, for those who are struggling to take the gospel to the heathen around us, and to the same class in States and Territories more needy even than our own—how often these objects have been enumerated! Can we be content when we think of all this—and believe in our Master—and yet remain at ease? Let us be assured there is work awaiting each of us—and that work involves no neglect of other duties—no interference with obligations arising from the ties that bind the family—and when we assume our share of this work, be it much or little, we will find that it enriches instead of impoverishing—that we are strengthened for all duty, and fitted for every effort by the uplifting unselfishness which leads us to the enlarging of our endeavors for the Kingdom of Christ, outside the hampering limit of merely personal interests.

It is pleasant to note that there is a revival of interest in one or two places where the Auxiliary seemed languishing, if not extinct. From Huntington, Mrs. Ensign, Vice-President of the Kanawha Convocation Branches, writes: "I am sure you will be glad to know that we have at last succeeded in organizing a Junior Auxiliary. We have three different branches or chapters, the older girls of the Parish, the younger ones, and a boys chapter, all under very efficient leaders, and we hope to grow into a large missionary society. By our Rector's advice our work for the first six months will be for missions in our own Diocese. After a while I hope to interest them in other work." Later she adds "the Junior

Auxiliary is steadily increasing." Clarksburg, Christ Church, has a recently organized Ladies' Aid Society, which does some missionary work, though not regularly enrolled as a Parochial Branch. We trust it may, later, unite with the Auxiliary, believing such union will make it more effective, more uniform and systematic in effort. An application from Christ Church Wellsburg, through Rev. Mr. Christman, for information in regard to the Auxiliary, gives promise that it will be added to the list. These instances are mentioned as showing the slight increase of interest in the Auxiliary since our last report, and inspire the hope that there is growth and advance, though scarcely perceptible.

At our meeting in Charles Town last June, the subject of subsidiary aid to the wholly inadequate fund placed in the hands of the Bishop for Diocesan Missions, was at Mrs. Peterkin's request, put before the Diocesan Branch. Her project is that each communicant should be asked for a yearly contribution of 25 cents for this fund, over and beyond the usual collections and donations for the purpose. It was our very great comfort and pleasure to have the General Secretary's cheering presence and kind wise counsel at this meeting. Miss Emery warmly seconded this proposition, and was in so many ways helpful, and inspiring through the treasures of her large experience, together with her trained ability, and the welding power of efficient leadership that we cannot too highly appreciate her kindness in yielding to our urgent entreaty to be with us. This Supplementary Diocesan Fund is collected

chiefly through the Auxiliary, and we would emphasize the need of a still more thorough *per annum* canvass of communicants throughout the Diocese, to obtain its full benefit, remembering that it is added to that part of our work which is considered pledged and *permanent*.

Shortly after the adjournment of the General Convention I received a letter from Miss Stuart, of Alexandria, President of the Virginia Branch, asking that we unite with the Dioceses of Virginia and Southern Virginia in the effort to insure the lives of three of our Missiquaries to Brazil. She wrote: "All our foreign Missionaries have to insure their lives before they leave this country, that they may have something for their families in case of death. It subtracts just that much from their salaries, never too large. Mr. Cole, Secretary, urged me to help them by relieving them of this burden if I could.

It seemed to me that our Three Virginias could assume it, and that we might ask your assistance, as Bishop Peterkin is so interested in Brazil, and has the Episcopal supervision of that distant mission. In a later letter she adds: "Southern Virginia has assumed \$50 for Mr. Morris, *our* Virginia \$50 for Mr Brown, and it will be a very great help if West Va. will do what she can for Mr. Meems." The Bishop strongly endorsed this project and with characteristic generosity and unselfishness proposes to give \$20 if we will raise the remaining \$30. Some small contributions have been received for this purpose, and if each of our 8 branches will do something in this direction the amount can soon be raised.

I beg your consideration of this matter, and I hope that hereafter the effort will be made to pledge the entire amount, relieving the Bishop of any portion of it. The demands upon him are so many and so various, and so unfailingly acceded to, that it would seem in his view that *no* denial is considered possible, except the denial of *self*.

In this summary of work which appeals to us, I cannot omit the claims of the Church Periodical Club. It is such an *easy* way of doing good. We do not take from our pleasures, we do not subtract one iota from our enjoyment of the magazine which gives new impetus to thought and freshens our intellectual life, or the Church paper, which is such a help in keeping more keenly alive our interest in the Church's welfare, and prevents us from losing touch with its progress and development throughout Christendom and *heathendom*. We have all this for ourselves with the added privilege of "passing on" this intellectual and spiritual pabulum to those who need it as sorely as we do, who are every whit as benefited, and as thoroughly appreciative, but who can only obtain the help and the enjoyment through the work of the Church Periodical Club.

The cost to us is the postage, and the little trouble of preparing the package for the mail. Are we doing what we can in this way? Can we turn from the doing of the "little things" which are in our power, which belong to His service, and of which he has said: "These ought ye to have done?"

I have referred, at some length, to the results of the United Offering of 1895 for the Endowment

of the Missionary Bishopric. We cannot begin too soon to gather in the offering for 1898. The object should appeal especially to women—that object being to accumulate a sum for the training and support of woman Missionaries. Whatever may be thought or urged as to the capability of woman in other spheres, there can be but unity of opinion on this point, her fitness for, and her efficiency, her self-sacrifice, and her *power* in Missionary work. And the need is so great, the call so urgent, that more may be sent into the field. Let us heed this call, the way to do this is placed so definitely before us. The mite boxes can be had for the asking, and if only the "mighty cent"—as some one calls it—be the maximum of daily giving, and each one of us gave that with unfailing certainty throughout the three years, the result would prove as the great branching tree, springing high and broad from the planting of the tiny mustard seed.

A great Canon of the English Church, when applied to for something suitable as a motto for the opening year, said: "Two lines of Robert Browning, simple and self evident as they may seem, are capable of furnishing a source of inexhaustible hope, and a rule of wise *endeavor*, 'God, Thou art love, I build my faith on that.'" This line, he says contains the ultimate ground of all fortitude and consolation. The other is, "Take one step onward and secure that step," the rule involved in St Paul's, "This one thing I do." It is only old Bible truth throughout crystalized afresh in the beautiful words of a Christian poet. Let us blend them into one motto for our own

encouragement and trusting that infinite love, go forward, believing that the "onward step" in our work, guided by His Spirit, will be a "step secured," for and through, continual advance.

MRS. W. H. SMALL, *President,*
West Virginia Diocesan Branch, Woman's Auxiliary.

**Report President Parish Branch, Trinity Church,
Parkersburg.**

I take pleasure in again submitting the annual report of the work done by the Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary in Trinity Church, Parkersburg, W. Va. We sent a large and valuable box in September, 1895, valued at \$125 to Rev. G. F. Beaven, Hillsboro, Md. In October the little town of Williamstown (twelve miles distant but in our parish) was visited and a sub-branch of our Branch was organized with ten members with the understanding that when we began our large box in May, they would help us with work and money. In January, 1896, we responded to an urgent appeal from Miss Emery, and determined to send an Easter box before Easter, it was done and a very nice box was gotten up and sent to Rev. Dr. Harrison, Demopolis, Alabama. The actual cost of this box was \$50, but some articles were contributed which made it amount to quite \$75.

During the past year a plan has been started

by the Woman's Auxiliary which asks 25 cents from each communicant throughout the Diocese for Diocesan Missions; to be personally collected by members of the Auxiliary, wherever they had a branch, and in all other places by some earnest church-woman who was willing to do this much toward this great and endless work in our weak and struggling diocese. It has met with gratifying results, the amount raised being now \$266.50, and it is noteworthy that the most remote and smallest places responded more readily and thoroughly than the larger and well established parishes. This fund is to be raised *annually* and sent in at our Church Council in June as Woman's Mite to Missions.

I think therefore from these statistics that I have a right to feel encouraged in our work and I cannot close without saying how much I am indebted to the members of our parish branch for their ready aid and hearty cooperation in all that is undertaken.

May we feel each year more closely bound together in our work, and appreciate more fully the glorious privilege accorded us of being "Workers together with God."

MRS. GEO. W. PETERKIN.

Bishop's House, Parkersburg, W. Va., May, 1896.

**Report of the Junior Branch to the Woman's Auxiliary,
St. John's Church, Charleston, W. Va.,
From June, 1894, to June, 1895.**

The Junior Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions was organized the second Monday in June, 1894, at 7:30 o'clock in the evening in the Chapel of St. John's Church.

A constitution was adopted and Director, President, Vice-President, Treasurer, Corresponding and Recording Secretary and Directors Committee elected.

It was resolved to have meetings the second Monday in each month to discuss the Church's Missions in foreign fields.

The meeting opened with a short, simple service. Papers containing information about the natural features of the country under discussion, the condition, habits and religion of the people, and the work and progress of our Mission, were prepared and read by the young people.

The Round Robin was also very instructive. An interesting letter was read from Bishop Penick on the African Mission, and at several meetings remarks were made by the Rector.

Large maps, kindly made by a member, assisted by some of the boys, helped greatly in the study.

Among the pleasant features of the meeting were recitations and songs by the infant class

about Missions or the country under discussion.

The meetings closed with a hymn and prayer. Ice cream and cake were served occasionally after the meetings. There were ten meetings held during the year. The countries chosen for discussion were Alaska, China, Africa, Japan, Brazil, India and the Indians of America.

The number of members was thirty-three—a majority being children. Each member agreed to pay ten cents per month dues.

Dues collected amounted to \$37.80. A contribution of \$40 was received from the Watchful Circle of King's Daughters in July, 1894.

A box was sent to Rev. Norman B. Harris, Marianna, Florida, in July, 1894. It contained articles of clothing for his wife and himself, household supplies and a check for \$15—total value being \$60.00.

LOUISE F. JACKSON,
Corresponding Secretary

Sept. 14, 1895.

Report of Work by West Virginia Diocesan Branch,
June, 1895, to June, 1896.

VALLEY CONVOCATION.

CHARLES TOWN—Zion Church :

Foreign, - - - - -	—
Domestic, - - - - -	\$15.00
Specials, - - - - -	—
Boxes, 1; value, - - - - -	150.00

The box was sent, April 13, 1896, to Rev. Upton B. Bowden, Napoleonville, La.

The money, \$15, to St. Andrew's Chapel in the mountains, Jefferson county, W. Va., January 18, 1896.

JUNIOR AUXILIARY—CHARLES TOWN.

Brazilian Mission, - - - - -	\$50.00
St. Andrew's Chapel, - - - - -	15.00
United Offering (1895), - - - - -	5.00
Brazil Life Insurance for Missionary, - - - - -	3.50

MARTINSBURG—Trinity Church :

Foreign, - - - - -	—
Domestic, - - - - -	—
Specials, Denial Fund, - - - - -	\$1.50
Boxes, - - - - -	—
United Offering, - - - - -	24.00
Mrs. Peterkin's Mite Fund, - - - - -	1.50
Cont. Coal for Poor, - - - - -	3.00

JUNIOR AUXILIARY—MARTINSBURG.

United Offering, - - - - -	\$9.00
Mission Sunday School, - - - - -	41.11
Insurance, Missionary to Brazil, - - - - -	2.00
Diocesan Missions, - - - - -	2.00
Toward Building Chapel, - - - - -	26 00

Martinsburg reports no boxes sent to Missionary, but a good deal of clothing made and distributed to the poor.

MIDDLEWAY :

Foreign, - - - - -	—
Domestic, - - - - -	—
Specials, United Offerings, - - - - -	\$2.00
Boxes, - - - - -	—

SHEPHERDSTOWN—Trinity Church :

Foreign, - - - - -	—
Domestic, - - - - -	—
Specials, - - - - -	—
Boxes, 1; value, - - - - -	\$28 00

Sent to St. John's Church, South Dakota, February 7th, 1896.

KANAWHA CONVOCATION.

CHARLESTON—St. John's Church :

Foreign, Insurance Missionary to Brazil, - - - - -	—
Domestic, - - - - -	\$10.00
Specials, United Offering, - - - - -	16.34
Boxes, - - - - -	—
Woman's Mite (Mrs. Peterkin), - - - - -	37.00

JUNIOR AUXILIARY.

Box sent Mrs. P. Saunders, Hunters Hall, Franklin Co., Va., December 12, 1895,	\$14.66
Toys, books and candy for 18 boys and 40 girls.	
To Mrs. Wm. Quarrier for box sent by Woman's Auxiliary, -	\$15.00
For Armenians (to Miss Emery) February 15, 1896,	12.00
Box, Rev. C. P. Brown, Nebraska, value,	100.00
Box, Rev. J. C. Huske, North Carolina, value,	45.00

Members 41. Meetings held second Monday of each month from October to June at 7:30 p. m. in Chapel of St. John's Church.

HINTON—Ascension Church :

Foreign, - - - - -	—
Domestic, (Woman's Mite), -	\$4 75
Specials, - - - - -	—
Boxes, 1 ; value, - - - - -	40 00
To Rev. S. Wells, Minnesota, (for Mission), April, 1896.	

HUNTINGTON—Trinity Church :

Foreign, - - - - -	—
Domestic - - - - -	—
Specials, for United Offering, (from Mrs. Ensign) - - -	\$2 00
Boxes - - - - -	—

TRINITY PARISH BRANCH—HUNTINGTON.

Life Insurance Missionary to	
Brazil, - - - - -	\$5 00

JUNIOR AUXILIARY—HUNTINGTON.

Foreign, - - - - -	—
Domestic, - - - - -	—
Specials, Missionary Endowment	
(from Mrs. Ensign) - - -	\$ 2.00
Boxes - - - - -	—
Woman's Mite to Missions, - -	11.50

NORTH WESTERN CONVOCATION.

CLARKSBURG—Christ Church :

Foreign, - - - - -	—
Domestic, Woman's Mite, - -	\$10 00
Specials, United Offering, - -	5.75
Boxes value, - - - - -	80.00
To Rev. J. T. Woods, Moundsville, Feb 28, '96.	

WHEELING—St. Luke's Church :

Foreign, - - - - -	—
Domestic, - - - - -	—
Specials, - - - - -	—
Boxes, 2, value, - - - -	\$253.35
To Rev. A. B. Perry, Abilene, N.	
Texas, Nov, 1895, value -	178.25
To Rev. Benj Allston, Union,	
South Carolina, Jan. 24, 1896,	
value, - - - - -	75.00
To United Offering, - -	20 00

WHEELING—St. Matthews Church :

Foreign - - - - -	—
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Domestic, (Diocesan) - - -	\$ 52 00
Specials, Deficiency in Missions	15 00
Boxes, 2, value - - -	160.69
Endowment Fund - - -	53.50
Pledges, Southern Florida, - -	25.00
Endowment Fund by Missionary Children's League - - -	10.00
To Rev. T. W. Jones, (box), Bed- ford City, Virginia, Dec., '95	145.69
Rev. Mr. Chrisman, (box), Wells- burg, West Va., Dec., 1895 -	15.00
Insurance, Missionary to Brazil, May, 1896, - - -	5.00

TRINITY CHURCH—Parkersburg:

Foreign, Life Insurance Mission- ary to Brazil, - - -	\$ 5 00
Domestic, - - -	—
Specials, to Missionary Endow- ment, - - -	140.00
Woman's Mite to Missions -	55.75
Boxes, 2, value, - - -	200 00
One to Rev. G. F. Beaven, Hills- boro, Md., September, 1895,	125.00
One to Rev. Dr. Harrison, Dem- opolis, Ala., Jan., '96, value	75 00
To Bishop Brook's work in Oak- lahoma, by a member of Trinity Parish Branch -	10 00

TAVENNERSVILLE—(Connected with Trinity
Parish):

Woman's Mite to Missions -	6 50
	—
	\$617.25

**Memorandum for Woman's Auxiliary, from
Bishop Peterkin.**

Twenty-seven Clergy reported, five Clergy yet to report. In nine Parishes the work of the Woman's Auxiliary sum up \$807.00, of which \$50 66 is reported as by Junior Auxiliary.

WOMAN'S MITE TO MISSIONS (in the Diocese).

AMOUNTS RECEIVED.

Berkeley Springs, through Mrs. H. H. Hunter.....	\$1 75
Crescent, through Mrs. W. R. Johnson.....	2 50
Henton, through Mrs. Van Antwerp.....	4 75
Moundsville, through Mrs. Bruce.....	5 00
Elm Grove, through Miss Jennie Caldwell.....	5 00
Morgantown, through Miss E. A. G. Lowrie.....	1 75
Charleston, from Major T. L. Brown.....	1 00
Long Reach, from Miss Louise Wells.....	20
Mrs. A. J. Ryan.....	1 09
Point Pleasant, from Mrs. M. L. Smith.....	1 00
Parkersburg, through Mrs. Peterkin.....	55 75
Wheeling, through Miss Gertrude Lamb.....	52 00
Fetterman, through Miss Kate Smith.....	2 00
Sistersville, through Mrs. Virginia Roonce.....	3 00
Union, through Mrs. McNeen.....	8 50
Okonoko, through Miss Edna Russell.....	2 25
Ripley, through Miss Proyler.....	2 50
Pomeroy, through Miss Maud Parsons.....	3 50
White Sulpher Springs, Mrs. Patterson.....	4 75
Keyser, Miss Minnie West.....	4 00
Grafton, Mr. Wm. Queok.....	1 25
Miss Sadie Good.....	2 00
Miss Villa Morelang.....	1 50
Liverpool, (West Va.), Miss Margaret McPherson.....	2 00
Fort Spring, Mrs. E. P. Huddleston.....	1 05
Ravenswood, Mrs. Mary L. Green.....	1 00
Moorfield, Mrs. Wm. H. Shearer.....	2 50
Charleston, Kanawha County, Mrs. R. D. Roller.....	37 00
Point Pleasant.....	13 50
Hartford City.....	25
Poca.....	75
Bruce Chapel.....	3 00
Camden, Mrs. J. S. Spencer.....	1 50
St. Andrews Mission, Wheeling, through Mrs. Jackson.....	3 00
Clarksburg, through Mrs. Sibley.....	10 00
Middleway, through Mrs. S. S. Evans.....	5 00
Kenova, through Miss Rachel Coe.....	2 25
Lee Town, through Miss Georgette Strider.....	2 75
Summit Point, through Miss Robinson.....	4 00
Martinsburg, through Miss McSherry.....	1 50
New Martinsville, through Mrs. Newman.....	3 50
Shepherdstown, through Miss Helen Pendleton.....	5 00
Huntington, through Mrs. Crary.....	1 10

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Statistics.—Clergy, 28; Parishes and Missions, 48; Baptism Infants, 285; Adults, 77; Total, 362; Confirmed, 320; Communicants, 3,454, last reported, 3,309, increase, 145; Marriages, 99; Burials, 175; S. School Teachers, 403; Scholars, 3,325; Parish Schools, Teachers, 43, Scholars, 199; Contributions, \$69,420.96.

INSTITUTIONS.

Theological Seminary and Episcopal High School [see Diocese of Virginia.]

The Sheltering Arms Hospital, Orphanage and Home, Paint Creek, Rev. R. D. Roller, D. D., Chaplain, Thomas S. Hening, M. D., Supt.

Woman's Auxiliary, Mrs. W. H. Small, Pres., Parkersburg.

The Nineteenth Annual Council will meet in Trinity Church, Moundsville, on the first Wednesday in June, 1896.

PARISHES, MISSIONS, AND CLERGY.

Alderson, Messiah, 14 George W. Easter.

Ansted, Redeemer, 19, F. A. Meade.

Berkeley Springs, S. Mark's 28, W. T. Leavell. (P. O. Hedgeville.)

Beverly and Elkins, 6.

Bluefield, Transfiguration, 36, N. F. Marshall.

Blue Ridge, Christ, 15, P. D. Thompson.

Bramwell, Holy Trinity, 27, N. F. Marshall.

Brooke Co., St. Johns, 40.

Buckhannon, Grace, 18, W. H. Burkhardt.
 Bunker Hill, Christ, 12, Henry Thomas.
 Charleston, Kanawha Co., S. John's, 294, R. D. Roller, D. D.
 (West) S. Luke's, R. D. Roller, D. D.
 * Charles Town, Jefferson Co., Zion (309), W. L. Gravatt, W.
 P. Chrisman.
 S. Philips Chapel, (colored) 18, B. B. Tyler.
 Clarksburg, Christ, 86, D. F. Forrest, D. D.
 Clover Lick, Emmanuel, 12, A. K. Fenton.
 Cresap's Valley, Grace, 11, J. F. Woods.
 Duffield's, Good Shepherd, W. H. Neilson, D. D.
 Elizabeth and Newark, 10, J. F. Woods.
 Elm Grove, S. Paul's, 19, R. R. Swope, D. D.
 Fairmont, Christ, 62.
 Fort Springs, Holy Comforter, 5, Geo. W. Easter.
 Grafton, S. Matthias', 43, Chas. C. Pearson.
 Harper's Ferry, S. John's, 38, W. B. Everett.
 Hartford City, 5.
 Hedgesville, Mt. Zion, 77, W. T. Leavell.
 * Hinton, Ascension 34, F. A. Meade.
 Huntington, Trinity, 168, John S. Gibson.
 Kenova, Grace, 6, John S. Gibson.
 * Leetown, S. Bartholomew's, 36, A. J. Willis.
 Leroy, Whittle, 13, C. M. Campbell.
 Lewisburg, S. James', 9, L. R. Combs.
 Mannington, S. Andrew's, 14.
 * Martinsburg, Trinity, 180, Henry Thomas.
 * Middleway, Grace, 52, A. J. Willis.
 Montgomery, Calvary, 27, John R. Joyner.
 Moorefield, Emmanuel, 24, Geo. A. Gibbons.
 Morgantown, Trinity, 34, Chas. C. Pearson.
 Moundsville, Trinity, 48, B. M. Spurr.
 Mountain, S. Andrews, 2, W. L. Gravatt.
 New Martinsville, S. Ann's, 20, B. M. Spurr.
 Okonoko, Trinity, 12, G. A. Gibbons.
 * Parkersburg, Trinity, 232, S. S. Moore, D. D.
 Memorial Chapel of Good Shepherd, S. S. Moore, D. D.
 Point Pleasant, Christ, 58, Robt. U. Brooking.
 Bruce Chapel, 20, R. U. Brooking.
 Powelton, S. David's, 20.
 Princeton, Heavenly Rest, 15, N. F. Marshall.
 Ravenswood, Grace, 13, C. M. Campbell.
 Ripley, S. John's, 20, C. M. Campbell.
 Ripon, S. John's, 38, P. D. Thompson.
 Romney, S. Stephen's, 15, G. A. Gibbons.
 Ronceverte, Incarnation, 19, L. R. Combs.
 St. Alban's, S. Mark's, 46, John R. Joyner.

St. Mary's, 11.
 Scary, S. John's, 1, John R. Joyner.
 Shepherdstown, Trinity, 132, W. H. Neilson, D. D.
 Sistersville, St. Paul's, 19.
 * Summit Point, Holy Spirit, 43, A. J. Willis.
 Sutton, Elk River Mission, 21, W. H. Burkhart.
 Tavennersville, Christ, S. S. Moore, D. D.
 Union, All Saints, 43, George W. Easter.
 Volcano, Emmanuel, 5.
 Wellsburg, Christ, 40, J. F. Woods.
 West Columbia, 5, Robt. U. Brooking.
 Weston, S. Paul's, 110, W. H. Burkhart.
 * Wheeling, S. Luke's, 182, Jacob Brittingham.
 * S. Mathew's, 305, R. R. Swope, D. D.
 White Sulphur Springs, S. Thomas', 16, Geo. W. Easter.
 Williamstown, Christ Memorial, 26, S. S. Moore, D. D.
 Willow Island, S. John's, 14.

STATIONS.

Addison & Mingo, 5.	Keyser, 6.
Bayard, 6.	Lewiston, 7.
Belington, 5.	Milton, 1.
Buffalo, 4.	Monongah, 2.
Camden, 14.	Mt. Carbon, 5.
Caperton, 4.	New Cumberland, 5.
Coalburg, 8.	Nuttalburg, 5.
Davis, 10.	Paint Creek, 2.
Elkhorn, 15.	Pocatalico, 2.
Elkins, 7.	Shaw, 4.
Frazier, 1.	Simmons, 7.
Gauley, 5.	Smithtown, 8.
Glencoe, 2.	Spencer, 9.
Guyandotte, 10.	Spruce Run, 1.
Huntersville, 5.	Waverly, 4.
Keeney's Creek, 20.	Winfield, 2.

NON PAROCHIAL CLERGY.

* Foster, John T.
 * Having Parocial Branches.

