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“With good will doing service.”

DIOCESE OF WEST VIRGINIA
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MINUTES OF THE THIRTEENTH ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese was held at Charles Town, Thursday, June 7th, at 10 a. m., in the Parish House of Zion Church. The Bishop Coadjutor conducted the opening services, and after the hymn, "Jesus Shall Reign," and prayers, and a short address of welcome, he made a strong appeal to the Auxiliary for the Sheltering Arms Hospital. He stated that a new building had been determined upon, having become a necessity, and it was the intention now to build an up-to-date hospital, which they hoped would be ready for use in about a year. He asked that the Auxiliary should during the coming year work towards furnishing the linen for it. This, he stated, would cost about \$500.

The Dean of the Seminary, Dr. Crawford, was then introduced, and after a general talk upon the work of the Auxiliary, he stated that not a young man from West Virginia would enter the next class at the Seminary. After suggesting that the influencing young men towards the ministry and the mission fields, and the training them for such work should be as much a part of the work of the Auxiliary as the supporting them after they are in the field, he made a plea for the Seminary. He proposed that if the West Virginia branch should not feel able to undertake alone the support of a scholarship, which would cost \$250 per year, we might unite with the branches of the other two Virginia dioceses, so we could support a man together.

The Auxiliary then adjourned to the Church for morning prayer.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

At 2 p. m., in the Parish House, the Auxiliary was called to order by Mrs. Peterkin, the Diocesan vice president, the president, Mrs. Aschman, being in Europe. After the singing of the hymn, "O Zion, Haste," the Rev. Mr. Barnes, of Fairmont, offered prayers for missions, and the roll was called, delegates responding as follows:

Charleston, St. John's, 1; Pt. Pleasant, Christ, 1; Fairmont, Christ, 2; Parkersburg, Trinity, 2; Wheeling, St. Matthew's, 4; Wheeling, St. Luke's, 1; Berkeley Springs, 2; Charles Town, 12; Hedgesville, 2; Martinsburg, Trinity, 9; Middleway and Lee Town, 3; Shepherdstown, 1.

A number of others came in later.

Upon motion of Mrs. Douglas, of Martinsburg, the reading of the minutes of the last meeting was dispensed with, and the acting president read the yearly report. The secretary's report followed and afterwards the treasurer's. The treasurer, Mrs. Peterkin, at the conclusion of her report stated her intention of resigning the office. The vacancy will be filled by the Bishop's appointment.

Miss Fish, the Woman's Missionary, then read her report of her work in and about the Sheltering Arms Hospital and vicinity.

The custodian of the United Offerings having been detained by sickness, her report was read by Mrs. W. H. Smith, Jr., of Parkersburg. Miss McSherry's report of the Eastern Convocation was then read by Mrs. McSherry, of Martinsburg.

The report of the secretary of the Junior Auxiliary followed and afterwards that of the Little Helpers, or Babies' Branch.

The report of the correspondent of the Church Periodical Club was the last one heard, and then Mrs. Brittingham, of St. Luke's, Wheeling, offered the following resolution:

"Whereas, From the secretary's report it is shown that a deficit exists in our Auxiliary apportionment to the Board of Missions, and it is further shown that eleven Parish branches have contributed nothing during the year towards the work of the Board of Missions, a committee of three be appointed, Mrs. Peterkin, chairman, to apportion among these branches the sum necessary."

After some discussion and an explanation of the object by both the president and the secretary, the resolution was carried. The committee appointed by the chair consisted of Mrs. Peterkin, Miss Brady and Mrs. Brittingham.

Mrs. Beale, of Pt. Pleasant, then made an appeal for the furnishing of three rooms in the new rectory now building there. St. Matthew's, Wheeling, pledged the furnishing of a bedroom, Clarksburg and Martinsburg each pledged \$5.00.

Miss Washington, of Charles Town, stated that she understood that a list of the linens needed for the hospital had been furnished by the Bishop and asked that the secretary read the list and receive pledges. This was done and about half the quantity needed was pledged and the Auxiliary expressed the hope of raising all that was needed during the year.

Mrs. Brittingham then referred to the Dean's appeal for a scholarship and offered a resolution that the secretary be instructed to correspond with the auxiliaries of Virginia and Southern Virginia, asking them to unite with us in the support of a scholarship for three years, each to pay one-third each year. Carried.

A resolution of thanks to the Auxiliary of Charles Town was then offered by Mrs. Brittingham; and the Rev. Mr. Alfriend, of Zion Church, gave a hearty word of greeting and invited the Auxiliary to a tea that afternoon at the rectory.

After the hymn, "From Greenland's Icy Mountains," and the benediction by the Rev. Mr. Alfriend, the meeting adjourned.

FANNIE P. BRADY, *Secretary*.

June 8, 1906.

VICE PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

It is a great pleasure to greet you at this yearly gathering of the West Virginia Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary, coming as you do from every part of our mountain Diocese, and it is a most inspiring thought as I look over this assembly and remember that one common purpose has brought us here—

“Not for selfish praise or glory,
Not for objects nothing worth,
But to send the blessed story
Of the Gospel o'er the earth.”

Let that be the keynote, then, of this meeting—that we have a *real purpose* in coming, and that we are here to learn from each other more and more of the blessed story of the gospel, and how we, just simple, earnest Christian women, can best do the work that lies before us for this coming year. There is so much to be done and the laborers are few and far between; but we must always remember that though “Paul planted and Apollos watered, God alone can and does give the increase.” Our beloved president, as most of you are aware, was ordered to Europe this past winter for a complete change and rest, and I am glad to be able to report her condition as most encouraging at last accounts, so that at the expiration of the time we trust her health will be completely restored. Of course, under these circumstances, Mrs. Aschman was unable to go around the Diocese, as she hoped, last year, to visit the Auxiliary branches, so that the reports will show only two new branches, I believe. This past year, though, has shown greater activity and more real vigor among those branches already established, and we, who have been laboring in the Auxiliary since its inception in West Virginia, sixteen years ago, feel now that we can relax a little of the tending and fending that has been necessary, as we are really able to stand now, and in some cases walk alone. I mention this, for though

in one way it is not well to have any pride in what has been accomplished, on the other hand we ought to feel a pardonable pride that our growth, steadfast and upward, has been so great in just sixteen years, and God grant that in the next sixteen it will have quadrupled.

Among other work that the Auxiliary as a body is asked to do is the giving of \$100,000 annually, undesignated, to the Board of Missions, and our quota of that is \$175—surely not a heavy burden divided among twenty-two branches. I mention this that it may be knowledge disseminated, for some branches seem to be ignorant of it. It should be sent in before August 31, 1906, to Miss Julia Emery, Church Missions House, New York.

At these annual meetings we must bring before the Auxiliary different aspects of the work, so now let me ask you individually, as well as collectively, to try and learn more about missions during this coming year. If each branch would study some work in the mission field more interest would be sure to come, for knowledge brings interest, and as our intelligent interest increases so does our desire that others should know what we do, and help us in the great work before us.

The aim and scope of the Auxiliary is that by the blessing of God's spirit, working in and through us, every baptized woman in our church will feel impelled to acknowledge her individual responsibility to God and her fellow-man by aiding in every way in her power the spread of Christ's kingdom among men. Is this Utopian, or can it be realized? Most assuredly it can be, if all members of the Auxiliary rouse up and do their duty. Let each woman present try to interest one other woman, so that one step will be taken towards this grand result.

In reviewing our work for the past year we see that boxes have been sent, money raised, meetings held, and all that is well, very well; but behind all this there is a spiritual side to our work—by far the most important and the one, I fear, most often overlooked. If we prayed more earnestly for our Auxiliary members, for our rectors and the parishes, our bishops and the diocese, the church throughout the world, the missionaries at home and abroad, we would gain more spiritual insight into what our Heavenly Father wills us to do, and be more ready to do it—in a word, be more spiritually-minded and more like our divine Master.

Let us avail ourselves of this inestimable privilege of approaching our Heavenly Father in prayer, for—

“More things are wrought by prayer
Than this world dreams of. Wherefore let thy voice
Rise like a fountain for me, night and day.
For what are men better than sheep or goats
That nourish a blind life within the brain,
If knowing God, they lift not those hands of prayer,
Both for themselves and those who call them friends?
For so the whole round earth is every way
Bound by gold chains about the feet of God.”

MARION S. PETERKIN, *President Pro Tem.*

SECRETARY'S REPORT

At the last annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary in Clarksburg, \$176.00 was pledged by the branches there represented towards furnishing the Chapel of the Good Shepherd at Paint Creek, Kanawha County, and your secretary was instructed to ask the branches not represented for enough to make up the \$200.00 desired. In response to her letters \$34.00 was given from the Women and Juniors, thus making \$210.50 in all.

From Clarksburg your secretary went upon invitation to Fairmont and there addressed a full meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of Christ Church at the residence of Mrs. Zach Robertson. It was a great pleasure to meet such an interested and enthusiastic band of workers. The Auxiliary is now represented in this parish by branches in all three of its departments—the Women's, Juniors' and Babies' Branch.

From Fairmont, at the invitation of the Rev. Mr. Marley, I went to Morgantown and met the women of Trinity Parish, with a view to organizing a branch of the Woman's Auxiliary there. This parish, having recently become independent, now wished to join in the general work. A branch of the Woman's Auxiliary was formed and \$20.00 given immediately to missionary objects as reported in the year book of 1905. A branch of the Little Helpers, or Babies' Branch, had already been in operation in this parish for some years.

At the Rev. George A. Gibbons' invitation, I then went to Romney and met in his parlor representatives from every family in his parish. They expressed interest in the work of the Auxiliary, and felt that while they were not fully prepared to organize at that time, they would hope to do so in the near future. A Babies' Branch, under Mrs. Parsons, has been doing well there for more than a year.

The next day I went with Mr. Gibbons to Moorefield and met the women of that parish at the church. They decided to organize a branch at once, subscribed for the *Spirit of Missions*,

and expected to have a branch of Juniors hold their meetings with the women.

Last year we were asked for \$275 as our apportionment of the \$100,000 which the Auxiliary resolved at its general meeting in San Francisco (1901) to give to the Board of Missions to help it in its work. The Board's fiscal year, we all know, ends August 30, and, for the first time, the Auxiliary reached the sum at which it had aimed and gave the Board towards appropriations \$103,042.89.

Miss Emery's statement for West Virginia is as follows:

BRANCHES		To Board	Special	Boxes		Total outside Diocese	Diocese		Total Diocesan Work
				No.	Value		Money	Boxes	
Women	.20	\$155.00	\$178.50	1	\$140.72	\$474.22	\$673.59	12	\$689.18
Juniors	.16	136.12	109.00	1	10.00	255.12	110.95	9	54.83
		\$291.12	\$287.50	2	\$150.72	\$749.34	\$784.54	21	\$744.01
									\$1,528.55

From this we see that we gave \$291.12 to the Board, and of this sum the Juniors and the Babies' Branch gave \$136.12.

This year the women are asked for \$175 and the Junior Department and the Babies' Branch for \$150—\$75 each.

I have in my possession reports from the various branches and have made a tabulated statement of all gifts in money or boxes during our year just past. I hope you will permit me to call your attention to the fact that so far the Auxiliary, as a whole, has not met our requirements in that direction. Eleven branches have given nothing at all towards the work of the Board of Missions. They have given well in other directions, but we must not lose sight of the fact that we are first and primarily an Auxiliary to the Board, and we must meet our obligations to it first before answering special calls, which are often very appealing.

Since September first, the Woman's Auxiliary has given \$179.50, the Juniors, \$63, and the Babies' Branch \$31.29, making \$273.79 in all, and leaving us \$51.21 short.

Of course, we have until September first to make this up, and as West Virginia as a Diocese has a most honorable place in the church, having never failed to meet her apportionment, I trust such action will be taken that the Woman's Auxiliary shall not be found wanting.

May I again call your attention to the *Church News* as a

medium of communication between the branches of the Auxiliary. We aim to have in it each month some items of general missionary interest and some news of our own Auxiliary. It is earnestly hoped that all members of the Auxiliary may be counted among its readers, and its value would be greatly increased if officers would send reports of methods which have proved helpful to them and to their branches.

Respectfully submitted,

FANNIE P. BRADY, *Secretary.*

June 7, 1906.

TREASURER'S REPORT

For Central Fund as given in reports of parish branches.....	\$56 00
Paid on Year Book of 1905	9 00
Stationery	4 00
Programmes for Council	1 00
Balance for Year Book of 1906, etc.....	42 00
Total	\$56 00

For life insurance of Brazilian Missionary; paid Miss Emery.....	51 50
For General Missions, forwarded to Miss Emery.....	\$62 00
For reading room at Gassaway, forwarded to Rev. W. H. Meyers..	\$76 45

FOR SUPPORT OF THE WOMAN'S MISSIONARY.

October, 1905, Wellburg	\$ 1 00
October, 1905, Miss E. Gardner	1 00
October, 1905, Mrs. E. H. Peterkin.....	1 00
October, 1905, Miss Peterkin.....	5 00
November, 1905, Fairmont Woman's Auxiliary.....	35 00
November, 1905, Mrs. Joseph Bryan.....	5 00
November, 1905, Huntington.....	10 00
November, 1905, Martinsburg.....	34 25
December, 1905, Bramwell	5 00
January, 1906, Charles Town.....	15 00
January, 1906, Mrs. Paddock.....	5 00
February, 1906, Mrs. E. H. P.....	1 00
February, 1906, Wellsburg	8 50
February, 1906, Huntington.....	10 00
April, 1906, Hedgesville.....	5 00
April, 1906, Mrs. Stewart	5 00
April, 1906, Wheeling, St. Matthew's.....	100 00
April, 1906, Lee Town.....	5 00
April, 1906, Shepherdstown	1 00
April, 1906, Weston.....	7 50
May, 1906, Wellsburg	1 00
May, 1906, Romney	5 00
May, 1906, Okonoko	1 00
May, 1906, Clarksburg.....	1 50
May, 1906, Charleston	25 00
May, 1906, Point Pleasant.....	5 00
May, 1906, Ripley, Mrs. Starcher.....	1 00
May, 1906, Parkersburg.....	34 50
Total.....	\$333 25

MARION S. PETERKIN, *Treasurer Woman's Auxiliary.*

Parkersburg, W. Va., May 31, 1906.

REPORT OF BRANCHES

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY

1905-1906.

BERKELEY SPRINGS, ST. MARK'S.

President—MRS. S. L. BREESE.*Vice President*—MRS. C. C. PEARSON.*Secretary and Treasurer*—MRS. E. GILPIN.

To Board for General Missions.....	\$ 5 00
Diocesan Missions	5 00
Gassaway	5 00
Bishop's Special Fund	5 00
Virginia Seminary Scholarship	5 00
Woman's Missionary	5 00
United Offering	1 50
Chapel at Paint Creek	3 00
Three boxes for Sheltering Arms Hospital.....	75 00
Total.....	\$109 50

BROOKE COUNTY, ST. JOHN'S.

For United Offering.....	\$1 50
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CHARLESTON-KANAWHA, ST. JOHN'S.

President—MRS. W. S. LAIDLEY.*Secretary*—MRS. NEIL ROBINSON.*Treasurer*—MRS. J. LYNN RICHARDSON.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 40.

Box to Sheltering Arms Hospital.....	\$ 20 00
Box to Sheltering Arms Hospital.....	30 00
Expenses of Woman's Missionary to Council.....	14 50
Sheltering Arms for screens.....	16 00
Chapel at Paint Creek.....	10 00
General Missions	14 00
Central Fund	4 00
Woman's Missionary	25 00
Brazil and Boise	1 00
Hospital at Porto Rico.....	6 00
Brazilian life insurance.....	10 00
United Offering	36 02
Total.....	\$186 52

Report of the Thirteenth Annual Meeting

CHARLES TOWN, ZION.

President—MISS WASHINGTON.*Secretary*—MRS. J. S. ALFRIEND.*Treasurer*—MISS M. L. CRAIGHILL.

Box to Missionary in Diocese.....	\$ 70 53
General Missions	10 00
Brazilian life insurance	5 00
Diocesan Missions through Bishop Gravatt.....	100 00
Woman's Missionary	15 00
Central Fund	2 00
United Offering	13 00
Total.....	\$215 53

CLARKSBURG, CHRIST.

President—MISS S. S. PAGE.*Secretary*—MRS. J. W. BROWN.*Treasurer*—MRS. J. J. DUNCAN.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 18.

Box to Missionary in Diocese	\$ 72 15
Box to St. Andrew's on the mountain.....	25 00
Brazilian life insurance.....	5 00
United Offering	29 53
Central Fund	4 00
Gassaway	6 00
Chapel at Paint Creek	10 00
Woman's Missionary	1 50
Total.....	\$153 18

FAIRMONT, CHRIST.

President—MRS. N. B. HENSHAW.*Secretary*—MRS. PRESTON CROWELL.*Treasurer*—MRS. W. T. HARTMAN.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 36.

Central Fund	\$ 8 00
Brazilian life insurance.....	5 00
Boise	1 00
General Missions	20 00
Chapel at Paint Creek.....	20 00
Bishop Van Buren for hospital	10 00
Bishop Rowe, Alaska	25 00
Rev. E. I. Lee, Hankow.....	10 00
Bishop's Special Fund.....	25 00
Orphanage, Tokyo, Japan	30 00
Support of Woman's Missionary.....	35 00
Box for distribution in Kanawha County.....	150 00
Gassaway	8 75
Mt. Mission, Sewanee, Tenn.....	17 00
Total.....	\$364 75

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HEDGESVILLE, MT. ZION.

President—MRS. W. B. LINGAMFELTER.

Secretary—MRS. P. C. MYERS.

Treasurer—MISS KILMER.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 12.

Box to Missionary.....	\$10 00
Chapel at Paint Creek.....	5 00
Gassaway	2 50
United Offering	8 75
Woman's Missionary	5 00
Bishop Peterkin's Special Fund.....	2 50
Central Fund	2 00
Total.....	\$35 75

HUNTINGTON, TRINITY.

President—MRS. JOHN S. GIBSON.

Secretary and Treasurer—MRS. ELY ENSIGN.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 14.

Chapel at Paint Creek.....	\$ 2 00
Box for Sheltering Arms.....	57 46
Boise	1 00
Brazil	1 00
Brazilian life insurance.....	5 00
United Offering	7 24
Central Fund	4 00
Bishop Peterkin's Special Fund.....	21 50
Woman's Missionary	20 00
Total.....	\$119 20

MARTINSBURG, TRINITY.

President—MRS. JOHN S. DOUGLAS.

Secretary—MISS SARAH MORGAN.

Treasurer—MRS. JOHN H. DOLL.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 30.

Debt on Parish House.....	\$ 53 05
Gassaway	4 00
Chapel at Paint Creek	10 00
Communion linen for Christ Church, Bunker Hill.....	10 00
Brazilian insurance	3 50
General Missions	20 00
United Offering	44 60
Central Fund	3 50
Woman's Missionary	34 25
Two boxes to St. Andrew's on the mountain.....	43 50
Total.....	\$226 40

*Report of the Thirteenth Annual Meeting*MIDDLEWAY AND LEE TOWN, GRACE AND
ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S.*President*—MRS. I. H. STRIDER, Lee Town.*Secretary and Treasurer*—MISS SOPHIA BATES, Middleway.

Box to Sheltering Arms.....	\$23 00
Chapel at Paint Creek	5 00
Central Fund	2 00
Woman's Missionary	5 00
United Offering	4 75
Total.....	<u>\$39 75</u>

MOOREFIELD, EMMANUEL.

President—MRS. P. W. INSKEEP.*Secretary*—MRS. W. H. SHEARER.

Box for St. Andrew's on the mountain.....	\$12 00
Sheltering Arms Hospital	1 00
Good Shepherd Chapel, Paint Creek.....	1 00
Total.....	<u>\$14 00</u>

MORGANTOWN, TRINITY.

President—MRS. JOHN CRANE.*Secretary*—MRS. FRED TRUSCOTT.*Treasurer*—MRS. JOHN TILTON MARLEY.

Diocesan Missions	\$\$ 5 00
Bishop's Special Fund	5 90
Total.....	<u>\$10 90</u>

PARKERSBURG, TRINITY.

President—MRS. GEO. W. PETERKIN.*Secretary*—MRS. W. W. GEORGE.*Treasurer*—MRS. S. S. MOORE.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 38.

One box to Missionary in Diocese.....	\$ 75 87
Paint Creek Chapel	25 00
Bishop Van Buren's Hospital	10 00
One box to Sheltering Arms.....	82 25
Bishop Brewer, Montana	11 50
Gassaway	21 00
Brazilian life insurance.....	5 00
General Missions	30 00
For collecting Mission envelopes.....	5 00
Central Fund	4 00
Woman's Missionary	37 50
Total.....	<u>\$307 12</u>

POINT PLEASANT, CHRIST.

Secretary and Treasurer—MISS IRENE BOWYER.*President*—MRS. J. M. H. BEALE.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 16.

Central Fund	\$ 6 00
American Bible Society	1 00
Brazilian life insurance	2 00
Hospital, Porto Rico.....	2 50
Bishop Tuttle Memorial Building, Boise.....	1 00
Bishop of San Francisco.....	5 00
United Offering	9 25
Bishop Peterkin's Special Fund.....	5 00
Paint Creek Chapel	4 00
Woman's Missionary	5 00
Total.....	\$40 75

RIPON, ST. JOHN'S.

President—MISS M. M. ISBELL.*Secretary*—MISS M. A. ALLEN.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 17.

Woman's Missionary	\$ 6 00
Gassaway	1 20
Central Fund	3 00
Brazilian life insurance	2 00
General Missions	4 15
Paint Creek Chapel	1 00
United Offering	6 39
Total.....	\$23 74

SHEPHERDSTOWN, TRINITY.

President—MISS JULIA B. GROVE.*Secretary and Treasurer*—MISS GROVE.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 7.

United Offering	\$1 00
Diocesan Missions	1 00
General Missions	2 20
Total.....	\$4 20

SISTERSVILLE, ST. PAUL'S.

President—MRS. J. NORRIS.*Secretary and Treasurer*—MRS. W. J. DePUE.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 14.

Box to Sheltering Arms.....	\$12 50
United Offering	2 97
Total.....	\$15 47

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WELLSBURG, CHRIST.

President—MRS. MARTHA MAHON.*Secretary*—MISS ELIZABETH DAVIDSON.*Treasurer*—MRS. E. D. IRVINE.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 15.

Box to Sheltering Arms Hospital.....	\$25 00
Japan	1 00
Hospital in Porto Rico	2 50
General Missions	5 00
United Offering	30 28
Chapel at Paint Creek	5 00
Central Fund	2 00
Gassaway	3 00
Woman's Missionary	9 50
Total.....	<u>\$83 28</u>

WESTON, ST. PAUL'S.

President—MRS. A. G. GRINNAN.*Secretary and Treasurer*—MRS. A. A. WARREN.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 16.

Box to Sheltering Arms Hospital	\$20 00
Central Fund	2 00
Brazilian life insurance.....	2 00
General Missions	12 00
United Offering	15 00
Diocesan Mission (Chester).....	2 50
Diocesan Mission (Gassaway).....	2 50
Paint Creek Chapel	5 00
Woman's Missionary	7 50
Total.....	<u>\$68 50</u>

WHEELING, ST. LUKE'S.

President—MRS. L. E. SANDS.*Secretary and Treasurer*—MRS. BRITTINGHAM.

One box to St. Andrew's on the mountain.....	\$100 00
Henry Morrell Scholarship	45 00
Brazilian life insurance.....	5 00
Chapel at Paint Creek	10 00
Central Fund	4 00
Total.....	<u>\$164 00</u>

WHEELING, ST. MATTHEW'S.

President—MRS. W. S. BRADY.*Secretary*—MRS. D. W. HOWARD.*Treasurer*—MISS LAMB.

Box table glassware to Mrs. Cameron Mann for missionaries in North Dakota	\$ 20 00
Box to Missionary in Arkansas.....	108 10
Christmas box to Sunday School near Middleway.....	9 00
Box to Sheltering Arms Hospital	85 00
Brazilian life insurance	5 00
General Missions	30 00
United Offering	189 00
Chapel at Paint Creek.....	35 00
Gassaway	25 00
Central Fund	5 00
Woman's Missionary	100 00
Mrs. A. R. Hoare, Alaska	13 00
Total.....	\$624 10

WILLIAMSTOWN, CHRIST MEMORIAL.

President—MRS. GEO. W. HUNTER.*Secretary*—MISS GEORGIA H. BEESON.*Treasurer*—MISS WINIFRED BEESON.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 12.

Rectory Fund	\$29 50
Parish work	3 50
One box Sheltering Arms Hospital.....	2 50
One box magazines, Sheltering Arms Hospital (freight).....	82
Hospital in Porto Rico.....	2 00
General Missions	2 00
Brazilian life insurance	1 00
Chapel at Paint Creek.....	2 00
Gassaway	2 00
Diocesan Missions	5 50
Central Fund	2 00
Total.....	\$52 82

TABLE OF MONEY CONTRIBUTIONS AND BOXES WITH VALUATIONS, 1905-1906

WOMAN'S AUXILIARY	WORK OUTSIDE DIOCESE					WORK WITHIN DIOCESE				TOTALS
	To Board of Missions under Appropriation	To Board of Missions in Specials	No. Boxes outside Diocese	Value of Boxes	Total Amount outside Diocese	Diocesan Work Money	No. Boxes within Diocese	Value of Boxes	Total Amount in Diocese	Total Contributions
Berkeley Springs	\$ 5 00	\$ 6 50	...	...	\$ 11 50	\$ 23 00	3	\$ 75 00	\$ 98 00	\$ 109 50
Charleston	14 00	53 02	...	...	67 02	69 50	2	50 00	119 50	186 52
Charles Town	10 00	18 00	...	...	28 00	117 00	1	70 53	187 53	215 53
Clarksburg .....	...	34 53	...	...	34 53	21 50	2	97 15	118 65	153 18
Fairmont	20 00	98 00	...	...	118 00	96 75	1	150 00	246 75	364 75
Hedgesville .....	...	8 75	1	\$ 10 00	18 75	17 00	...	...	17 00	35 75
Huntington .....	...	14 24	...	...	14 24	47 50	1	57 46	104 96	119 20
Martinsburg	20 00	48 10	...	...	68 10	61 75	2	43 50	105 25	173 25
Middleway and Lee Town .....	...	4 75	...	...	4 75	12 00	1	23 00	35 00	39 75
Moorefield .....	...	...	...	...	...	1 00	2	13 00	14 00	14 00
Morgantown .....	...	...	...	...	...	10 90	...	...	10 90	10 90
Parkersburg	35 00	26 50	...	...	61 50	87 50	2	158 12	245 62	307 12
Point Pleasant	20 00	20 75	...	...	20 75	20 00	...	...	20 00	40 75
Ripon	4 15	8 39	...	...	12 54	11 20	...	...	11 20	23 74
Shepherdstown	2 20	1 00	...	...	3 20	1 00	...	...	1 00	4 20
Sistersville .....	...	2 97	...	...	2 97	...	1	12 20	12 20	15 17
Wellsburg .....	...	33 78	...	...	33 78	24 50	1	25 00	49 50	83 28
Weston	12 00	17 00	...	...	29 00	19 00	1	20 00	39 00	68 00
Wheeling, St. Luke's	45 00	5 00	...	...	50 00	14 00	1	100 00	114 00	164 00
Wheeling, St. Matthew's	30 00	207 00	2	128 10	355 10	165 00	2	94 00	259 00	614 10
Williamstown	2 00	3 00	5	...	10 00	11 50	2	3 32	14 82	24 82
Totals	\$199 35	\$611 28	8	\$138 10	\$943 73	\$831 60	25	\$892 28	\$1,815 88	\$2,759 61

JUNIOR DEPARTMENT

1905-1906.

BRAMWELL, HOLY TRINITY.

President—MISS EMILIE SCHOEN.*Secretary*—MISS SALLIE TABOR.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 6.

Juniors' United Gift, Hospital, Shanghai.....	\$1 00
Diocesan missionary work	5 00
Total.....	\$6 00

CHARLESTON, ST. JOHN'S, DIVISION I.

President—MISS ELLEN B. ROLLER.*Vice President*—MISS ALMA McCONIHAY.*Secretary*—MISS LILLIAN LAIDLEY.*Treasurer*—MISS CHARLOTTE WOODMAN.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 16.

St. Paul's College, Tokyo	\$ 5 00
Gassaway, W. Va.....	5 00
Parish Mission, Charleston	5 00
Garments	1 50
General Missions	1 00
Total.....	\$17 50

CHARLESTON, ST. JOHN'S, DIVISION II.

President—MISS ANNA TAYLOR.*Secretary*—MISS PAULINE McCONIHAY.*Treasurer*—MISS JANET S. LAIDLEY.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 10.

Box to Sheltering Arms Hospital.....	\$ 3 00
Good Shepherd Chapel at Paint Creek.....	9 94
St. Paul's College, Tokyo.....	1 00
For the United Offering	6 18
Total.....	\$20 12

CHARLES TOWN, ZION.

President—MRS. FRANK BECKWITH.*Secretary and Treasurer*—MISS LUCY AMBLER.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 20.

Hospital in Shanghai, China.....	\$20 00
St. Paul's College, Tokyo.....	40 00
Box for Indians	4 00
Total.....	\$64 00

Report of the Thirteenth Annual Meeting

CLARKSBURG, CHRIST.

President—MISS FREDA KANE.*Secretary and Treasurer*—MISS FLORRIE JACKSON.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 12.

One box to West Virginia Missionary.....	\$ 5 00
Parish Mission	11 85
Total.....	\$16 85

ELM GROVE, ST. PAUL'S.

President—MRS. C. E. WOODS.

One Christmas box for Mission near Middleway, W. Va.....	\$2 50
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FAIRMONT, CHRIST.

President—MISS CAROLINE BARNES.*Secretary*—MISS MARY CROWL.*Treasurer*—MISS ROBERTA FLEMING.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 10.

Newly organized; no report.

HUNTINGTON, TRINITY.

President—MRS. JOHN S. GIBSON.*Secretary and Treasurer*—MRS. GIBSON.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 5.

Eight towels, Sheltering Arms Hospital.....	\$ 2 00
One box Mrs. Buford's Hospital, Virginia	15 69
St. Paul's College, Tokyo, Japan.....	1 00
Bishop Peterkin, for Special Fund.....	15 00
Chapel at Paint Creek.....	1 50
Reading room at Gassaway.....	1 00
Total.....	\$36 19

MARTINSBURG, TRINITY.

President—MRS. SPRAGUE BISHOP.*Secretary and Treasurer*—MISS NANNIE MORGAN.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 12.

Box to Mt. Zion Mission for Christmas.....	\$13 10
To Mt. Zion Mission, cash.....	5 00
Box to Sheltering Arms Hospital.....	10 00
Chapel at Paint Creek.....	1 00
St. Paul's College, Tokyo.....	2 00
Total.....	\$31 10

PARKERSBURG, TRINITY.

President—MISS JULIA MOORE.
Secretary—MISS CAROLINE POWELL.
Treasurer—MISS FRANCES MOORE.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 12.

One Christmas box for Sunday School at Standard.....	\$ 15 00
One box of pictures for Sheltering Arms.....	2 00
Bishop Peterkin's Special Fund	10 00
For organ at chapel at Paint Creek.....	15 00
Diocesan Missions	25 00
Gassaway	7 00
Japanese famine sufferers.....	5 00
St. Paul's College, Tokyo.....	2 00
Ichang School, China	60 00
For hymnals for Alaska.....	1 50
Mountain Mission	5 00
Disabled Clergy	5 00
Total.....	<u>\$152 50</u>

RAVENSWOOD, CHRIST.

President—MISS VIOLA NOWELL.
Vice President—MISS AMY MOORE.
Secretary—MISS MARGARET MOORE.
Treasurer—MISS RUTH SHOCKY.

One box for Christmas to Sunday School at Fairview.....	\$3 00
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WHEELING, ST. ANDREW'S.

President—MRS. T. J. O. CURRAN.
Secretary—MISS JULIET SMITH.
Treasurer—MISS BERTY DAVIS.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 10.

One Christmas box for Mission near Middleway.....	\$ 5 50
Scholarship in St. Mary's Orphanage, Shanghai.....	30 00
Total	<u>\$30 50</u>

WILLIAMSTOWN, CHRIST MEMORIAL.

President—MRS. E. J. SKIDMORE.
Secretary—MISS JESSIE I. MORRISON.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 12.

Rectory Fund	\$12 50
Bishop Peterkin's Special Fund.....	2 00
St. Paul's College, Tokyo.....	2 00
Total.....	<u>\$16 50</u>

Report of the Thirteenth Annual Meeting

WHEELING, ST. LUKE'S.

President—MISS LAURA BEAUMONT.*Secretary*—MISS HELEN WEISTLING.*Treasurer*—MISS HELEN MUHLEMON.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 7.

Boys' Day School in China.....\$12 00

WHEELING, ST. MATTHEW'S, DIVISION I.

President—MISS GREY MILLER.*Secretary*—MISS LAURA BENDER.*Treasurer*—MISS CELIA BACHTLER.

NUMBER OF MEMBERS, 22.

Christmas box to Mission in Boise.....	\$25 00
Christmas box to Boone County, W. Va.....	10 50
Christmas box to Sheltering Arms Hospital.....	10 50
To Bishop Funsten	15 00
To Bishop Van Buren for hospital.....	5 00
To Miss Dodson's salary, Shanghai.....	50 00
To chapel at Paint Creek.....	5 00
To lot at Chester, W. Va.....	25 00
Total.....	\$146 00

WHEELING, ST. MATTHEW S, DIVISION II.

Three boxes of clothing to St. Andrew's Mission.....	\$20 00
Christmas box to St. Andrew's Mission.....	20 00
Chapel of Good Shepherd, Paint Creek.....	2 00
Central fund	2 00
Total.....	\$44 00

TABLE OF MONEY CONTRIBUTIONS AND BOXES WITH VAUATIONS, 1905-1906

JUNIOR AUXILIARY	WORK OUTSIDE DIOCESE					WORK WITHIN DIOCESE				TOTALS
	To Board of Missions under Appropriation	To Board of Missions in Specials	No. Boxes out- side Diocese	Value of Boxes	Total Amount outside Diocese	Diocesan Work Money	No. Boxes with- in Diocese	Value of Boxes	Total Amount in Diocese	Total Contributions
Bramwell.....		\$ 1 00	...	...	\$ 1 00	\$ 5 00	...	...	\$ 5 00	\$ 6 00
Charleston, Div. 1	\$ 1 00	5 00	1	\$ 1 50	7 50	15 00	...	...	15 00	22 50
Charleston, Div. 2		7 18	...	...	7 18	9 94	1	\$ 3 00	12 94	20 12
Charles Town		60 00	1	4 00	64 00					64 00
Clarksburg						11 85	1	5 00	16 85	16 85
Elm Grove, St. Paul's.....							1	2 50	2 50	2 50
Huntington.....		1 00	1	15 69	16 69	17 50	1	2 00	19 50	36 19
Martinsburg.....		2 00			2 00	1 00	3	28 00	29 00	31 00
Parkersburg.....		68 50			68 50	67 00	2	17 00	84 00	152 50
Ravenswood.....							1	3 00	3 00	3 00
Wellsburg.....						1 00				1 00
Wheeling, St. Matthew's, Div. 2						4 00	4	40 00	44 00	44 00
Wheeling, St. Matthew's, Div. 1	50 00	20 00	1	25 00	96 00	30 00	2	21 00	51 00	147 00
Wheeling, St. Andrew's		30 00			30 00		1	5 50	5 50	35 50
Wheeling, St. Luke's.....	12 00				12 00					12 00
Williamstown		2 00			2 00	12 50			12 50	14 50
Totals.....	\$63 00	\$196 68	4	\$46 19	\$306 87	\$174 79	17	\$127 00	\$300 79	\$608 66

REPORT OF BABIES' BRANCH.

Amount received as follows:

Charleston, January 13, 1906.....	\$ 4 86
Parkersburg, March 7, 1906.....	1 00
Morgantown, March 7, 1906.....	7 68
Romney, January 31, 1906.....	3 77
Fairmont, January 31, 1906.....	8 40
Wheeling, May 26, 1906.....	7 91
Charles Town, April 17, 1906.....	17 15
Wellsburg, May 1, 1906.....	4 11

This was sent as follows:

General Missions, undesignated.....	\$31 29
For St. John's Chapel, Tokyo.....	12 91
Kindergarten Akita, Tokyo.....	10 68
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	\$54 88—\$54 88

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF THE JUNIOR AUXILIARY

At the last annual meeting we had reports from eleven branches of the Junior Auxiliary. Today we have reports from sixteen. This is a distinct gain and very encouraging. The new reports are from Clarksburg, St. Luke's and St. Andrew's, Wheeling; Elm Grove and Ravenswood.

Fairmont reports that they organized in March, have only had three meetings, and hope to send a report next year.

In December last, upon invitation of the Rev. Mr. Brittingham, I had the pleasure of meeting some young women of St. Luke's, Wheeling, at the rectory, looking towards the organization of a branch of Juniors. They took for their work the support of a boys' school in China for part of a year. This is an interesting work for Juniors, and being a gift under appropriation of the Board, counts on our Auxiliary apportionment.

Last year the united gift of the Juniors was for the furnishing and equipping of the children's ward in the new hospital at Gankin, China; \$500 was pledged and \$1,400 given. So this year it was deemed possible to raise \$2,000 for building two rooms in St. Paul's College, Tokyo, to be known as the Junior Auxiliary class-rooms. Towards this object I have pleasure in stating that the West Virginia Juniors gave \$55, as follows:

Zion Church, Charles Town.....	\$40 00
Trinity, Parkersburg	2 00
Ravenswood	2 00
Huntington	1 00
Trinity, Martinsburg	2 00
Williamstown	2 00
Charleston, Division 1	5 00
Charleston, Division 2.....	1 00
Total.....	<u>\$55 00</u>

The \$40 from Charles Town was sent direct to Miss Emery; the other sums I received and forwarded.

Towards the United Offering the Juniors have so far only sent me \$8.16; of this \$6.18 came from St. John's, Charleston, this year. I hope that they will keep it in mind and each branch give something towards it during the next year. I have sent out ninety Junior boxes this year, and I don't know exactly how they are used. It seems to me it would be well to use them for the United Offering. At our last triennial meeting in Boston the Juniors of West Virginia, having been so recently organized, sent only \$9. If we keep it in mind, we can surely send a worthy gift to Richmond.

The Juniors of West Virginia are asked each year to send the Board of Missions, either undesignated or in gifts under appropriation, \$75. A glance at the tabulated statement which will be found printed in the Year Book will show that we gave \$63 only. We must do better next year by seeing that more gifts come under "appropriation."

So far our report has dealt entirely with the offerings. Let us never forget that the object of the Auxiliary is threefold: Prayer for missions, study for missions, and work for missions; and the prayer and study should come first. We are far behind many other Diocesan branches in the matter of having study classes, so far as I know. Great stress is being laid upon that phase of the work, and it is reasonable; for, as it has been well said, "In order to arouse men to missionary enthusiasm it is necessary to acquaint them with the missionary enterprise."

Helps for study classes may be had from the Church Missions House, and the Rev. Everett P. Smith, the Educational Secretary, 281 Fourth Avenue, invites all to call upon him for advice and assistance along this line. With intelligent work upon the part of the leaders, enthusiasm may easily be aroused among the children.

The Sunday School Auxiliary shows what the children can do, and the knowledge that they can raise \$123,000 in six weeks for the cause of missions is most stimulating. Is it too much to expect that when our children, fully instructed, take their places as the men and women of the church, that the cause of missions will never lag, but the work of the church at home and abroad will be carried on with enthusiasm?

FANNIE P. BRADY, *Secretary Juniors.*

June 6, 1906.

REPORT OF SECRETARY OF THE BABIE'S BRANCH

The Diocesan Secretary of the Babies' Branch of the Woman's Auxiliary submits the following report:

Since the present Secretary took charge in January of this year seventy-two boxes have been distributed, thirty-six of these being for new work and the remainder to replace old boxes and for new members in old branches.

There are eleven branches organized in the Diocese, as follows:

Charleston—MISS CARROL ROLLER, Director.
Parkersburg—MRS. H. H. MOSS, Director.
Morgantown—MRS. LEWIS D. BEALE, Director.
Wellsburg—MRS. E. D. IRVINE, Director.
Romney—MRS. G. W. PARSONS, Director.
Fairmont—MRS. W. T. HARTMAN, Director.
Wheeling—MISS MARY VARDY, Director.
Charles Town—MRS. W. W. COE, Director.
Weston—MRS. A. G. GRINNAN, Director.
Bramwell—MISS SARAH FAIRCHILD, Director.
Point Pleasant—MRS. J. W. C. HESLOP, Director.

From eight of the above named branches very encouraging reports have been received. The Fairmont Branch, organized in September, 1905, has thirty members, fourteen of them being Babies and sixteen Little Helpers. They meet once a month, with regularity, and have a good attendance. Since their organization they have collected and packed three boxes—one of three hundred magazines, which went to Miss Fish at the Sheltering Arms Hospital; one of books and toys, and one of scrap-books which the Little Helpers made. There were books and toys enough for Christmas gifts for one hundred children.

The Rev. Mr. McDonald sent a list of the names of twenty-five children who would enjoy Sunday School papers and maga-

zines, and so each Little Helper has a mountain child whose heart is gladdened by a slight missionary effort—this in addition to the money contributed in the mite boxes, which amounted to \$8.40.

The Charleston Branch has thirteen members, who meet regularly, and assisted the Juniors to send a box to Paint Creek.

The Morgantown Branch has seventeen members, and its director has made application for more boxes for new members.

The Charles Town Branch makes the splendid showing of twenty-nine members, with an offering of \$17.50.

For the year your Secretary is pleased to report one new branch at Martinsburg with fifteen members, and the prospect of two others being formed—one at Hedgesville and one at Harper's Ferry.

To summarize, we have twelve branches organized; eight have made reports to the Secretary. Offerings for the year have amounted to \$54.88, which have been distributed as follows:

General Missions	\$31 29
Font, St. John's Church, Tokyo.....	12 91
Kindergarten at Akito, Tokyo.....	10 68
Total.....	<hr/> \$54 88

ELISABETH DOUGLAS, *Diocesan Secretary*.

REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF THE UNITED OFFERING

Up to the present date of June 1, 1906, the following returns have been made by our different branches in the Diocese of West Virginia, for the Woman's United Offering for Missions:

Parkersburg, Trinity Church.....	\$129 78
Clarksburg, Christ Church	50 53
Martinsburg, Trinity Church	77 85
Middleway, Grace Church	9 72
Ripon, St. John's Church	10 45
Sistersville, St. Paul's Church.....	8 09
Carbon and Wake Forest Auxiliary Branch.....	6 50
Weston, St. Paul's Church.....	15 00
Charleston, St. John's Church.....	36 02
Berkeley Springs, St. Mark's Church.....	1 50
Brooke County, St. John's	1 50
Wellsburg, Christ Church	30 28
Hedgesville, Mt. Zion Church.....	8 75
Pt. Pleasant, Christ Church.....	9 25
Huntington, Trinity Church	7 42
Charles Town, Zion Church.....	13 00
Ripley, Auxiliary Branch.....	4 00
Interest paid by Central Banking and Security Company on above amounts at 4 per cent.....	3 66
June 1, 1906, total held by custodian.....	\$423 30
Total to date reported as held by Branch at Fairmont.....	49 65
Total to date reported as held by Branch at St. Matthew's Church, Wheeling	189 25
Sum total.....	\$662 20

Respectfully submitted,

MARY E. RATHBONE, *Custodian.*

June 1, 1906.

REPORT OF MANAGER OF THE EASTERN CONVOCATION

Our outlook is encouraging. We report for the year one new branch of the Woman's Auxiliary at Moorefield and two new branches of the Little Helpers, at Martinsburg and at Hedgesville.

In 1895 the Woman's Auxiliary in this Convocation numbered only three branches—the Juniors two. Today the Women have eight branches, the Juniors two, and the Little Helpers, or Babies' Branch, three. The interest in all departments of work is increasing, as shown by the gains in the yearly reports.

Respectfully submitted,

M. G. McSHERRY.

REPORT OF CORRESPONDENT OF THE CHURCH PERIODICAL CLUB

Number of current and secular periodicals sent, 106; number of books, theological and secular, sent in four; number of books (theological and secular) sent in from traveling libraries, 253; number of odd magazines and papers sent, 1,704; number of boxes, barrels, and packages sent out by Diocesan branches, contents not noted, 15. Total amount of money contributed since last report, \$163.17.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. H. SMITH, JR.

June 1, 1906.

