

Thirty-Seventh Annual Report
of the
Western Michigan Branch
of the
Woman's Auxiliary to the Board
of Missions



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Fourteenth Annual Report
OF THE
JUNIOR AND BABIES BRANCHES



Annual Meeting in Grace Church, Grand Rapids
May 11, 1917

Original Poem

(Original poem given by one of the members of St. James Church,
Milwaukee, at their 65th anniversary.)

Once more we meet, as we have met before,
With thankful hearts aglow with friendly cheer,
Telling our blessings and achievements o'er,
And drawing closer with each passing year.

And some there are who are not here to-day,
Whom we have gladly welcomed heretofore;
Yet we believe they are not far away,
And, missing them, we do but love them more.

What though the labor and the stress be hard?
This work will last when many things are gone;
This is our heritage to keep and guard,
Nor must we lose the ground that has been won.

Then let us rise and gird ourselves anew,
With souls united and with hearts at peace;
What has been done before, we still can do;
May love, devotion, effort, never cease.

Diocesan Officers

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THE RT. REV. JOHN N. McCORMICK, D. D.
Grand Rapids

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Mrs. James P. Brayton.....516 College Ave., S. E. Grand Rapids

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The President's Annual Report

Another year with its opportunities, and blessings has passed.

How have we used these opportunities, and in what spirit have we accepted these blessings?

Have we measured up to the opportunities that have been ours? Never before perhaps, in the lives of any of us here today, has there been such *chances*, and such *need*, for service, and self sacrifice for others.

Bishop Rowe once said, that he had found it difficult to find *men* for his work, but that he had been blessed with some of the best *women* the church had ever produced.

It is the fashion nowadays, to take the position, that if only we women were allowed to run things, the long delayed millenium of the race, would soon be ushered in.

Some of the ablest and most eloquent of our sex are devoting their best energies, to the great task of securing for us certain privileges.

But are we women striving to be prepared for that day, and are we in this vital crisis, of our National history, endeavoring to live up to the highest ideals of our womanhood?

Are we truly doing our very best for humanity, and for ourselves?

Twice blessed are we to be living under the protection of a flag that has ever stood for peace. A flag, on which it has been said, the sun never sets, for when the last rays of the setting sun are touching its drooping folds, in the Philippines, the *morning* sun is gilding its *stars*, in Porto Rico.

We women have a duty to our country, and a duty to our church as well, but not alone to our own Parish or Diocese, but to the whole church.

This wonderful gospel of ours was not given to us alone, but to all the world, and that is why we women of the Woman's Auxiliary have a sacred trust to perform, in helping to carry it into all lands, and to all peoples.

Go preach the gospel to all nations, is as binding on us today, as it was in the days when our Lord gave this command to His disciples, and so it is a privilege for me to be your President, because you, as members of the Woman's Auxiliary, are striving to carry out this command of our Saviour, and to give to others, the same blessed privileges, that you yourselves have received and enjoyed.

I had said that I could not serve as your President, not through any lack of interest in missionary work, but because I felt there were many other women in our Diocese, of broader experience in missions, who were far better fitted than I to assume the duties of President. But during the past year I have endeavored to give to your service, enthusiasm and energy to the limit of my ability.

And to you this morning I come, bringing a record of some of the visits I have made and some of the work that I have tried to accomplish.

In the very hot days of June and July I commenced my official duties by writing over sixty letters in long hand, many of which were to church women who are not members of the Woman's Auxiliary. I hoped in this way, that it might be possible to interest them in our missionary aims.

I have distributed leaflets bearing on missionary subjects and also many copies of the Spirit of Missions. I regret to say that I have received comparatively few replies to these letters, but I still have faith that the seed sown, may yet bring forth fruit.

August 15th, in company with Archdeacon Huntington, I went to Bowens Mills, where an Auxiliary Branch was organized. The meet-

ing was held at the home of Mrs. Garbett, officers were elected—Mrs. F. B. Raymond, being chosen President. This branch at their first meeting voted a small sum to the United Offering. Mr. Huntington's mother accompanied us and added much to the interest of the meeting with her talk on missions. We made the trip in Mr. Huntington's Ford car, and though I have heard it intimated since that the Archdeacon did not *always* arrive on schedule time, when he journeyed in that car, the fates were propitious to us, and we met with none of the mishaps that had been Mr. Huntington's lot on other occasions.

I called a meeting of the Dioscesan officers at St. Mark's Parish House, September 18th, as it seemed desirable that if possible, some misconceptions regarding the Bishop's League, should be corrected.

Bishop McCormick attended the meeting, and was of great assistance to us. All the members of the Board, with the exception of our faithful Treasurer were present at the meeting. To our regret she was ill and unable to come. Mrs. McBride, always so thoughtful for others, served tea at the close of the meeting.

September 27th, I wrote letters to the Auxiliary Presidents reminding them of the semi-annual United Offering meeting.

October 3rd, I visited the Hastings Branch. The meeting was at the home of Mrs. Goodyear. Mr. Bates talked to the women in a most interesting manner about missions. It was a pleasure on this occasion to meet a former Dioscesan President, Mrs. Robinson.

October 9th to October 23rd was spent in St. Louis at the wonderful Convention. I hope every woman present will strive to go to Detroit in 1919.

October 27th, I attended a meeting of Grace Church Auxiliary, and while listening to Mrs. Johnston's talk, lived over in pleasant memories, the scenes she described of that inspiring Triennial.

November 3rd, at my own Auxiliary, St. Mark's, I gave a report of the St. Louis meeting.

November 4th, I was a guest of the Kalamazoo Branch, and was gratified to learn that the members were making a special effort to increase their membership. I recommend this, to *all* our branches, for the power of accomplishing more and better work, will be vastly increased by this means.

November 10th, I visited and talked of the Triennial, to the women of St. Philip's Mission. The women of both the Guild and Auxiliary were present at the meeting and I was delighted with the business manner in which they conducted their affairs.

November 16th, I met with the Women's Guild of St. Paul's Church, and talked to them of St. Louis and missions.

For six weeks after this, I was ill and unable to carry on any church work.

January 3rd, I was present at a meeting of the Muskegon Branch. With your former splendid Diocesan President, Mrs. Hume, at its head, you can easily imagine what a power for good this Auxiliary must be in Muskegon.

January 5th, it was my pleasure to accept an invitation from the Woman's Auxiliary of Battle Creek. All the Auxiliary women there belong to the Women's Guild, and will it not be a happy day for us, if some time, all the church women will also be members of the Auxiliary.

January 6th, I was a guest at the Epiphany luncheon of *our* Grace Church. It was such an inspiration to hear of the faithful work of Mrs. Ewing, one of their oldest members, in earning money for the Epiphany fund. It was touching to see the unselfish spirit of Mrs. Ewing and her friend, in striving to give, each to the other, the credit of raising this money.

January 10th, was spent at St. Joseph and it was delightful to meet the members of this branch, as well as Mr. and Mrs. Worger-Slade, and some of the Auxiliary women who came over from Benton Harbor. The meeting which was an interesting one, was held in their pleasant parish home.

January 23rd, at Grace Church, with other Auxiliary women, I enjoyed the inspirational talk by Mrs. Biller of South Dakota, and I feel that after hearing Mrs. Biller tell of conditions there, we shall all take a greater interest in South Dakota than ever before.

February 7th, I went to Marshall, and on this occasion the women of the Church Guild and the Auxiliary held their meeting together. The spirit of co-operation between the two societies is beautiful to see. The Guild was planning to help out the Auxiliary in any line of work they took up during Lent.

February 15th, I met with the Ionia Auxiliary Branch, and for 29 successive years has this branch been in existence. Imagine the devotion and faithfulness of the women who have belonged to it. The President, Mrs. Vosper, entertained the meeting at her home.

February 27th, I addressed and mailed ninety annual reports, to church women and clergymen.

March 7th, I had the pleasure of attending an afternoon meeting of the Belding Branch. The women there are doing such good work, and their earnestness and devotion to the church under difficulties were a lesson to me.

April 13th, I went to Niles and it was very gratifying to see pleasantly situated here, as Rector of this old Parish, Rev. Harold Holt, who was a former St. Mark's boy. We had a most helpful meeting, missionary and other topics were discussed.

May 1st, I was present at a breakfast given in honor of Bishop McCormick.

May 3rd, we organized an Auxiliary Branch at Grand Haven. As nothing seems too hard for the faithful women there to do for their church, I am expecting splendid results from this new Auxiliary. My father and mother were among the faithful few who worked hard to establish St. Johns Church at Grand Haven, so it made me very happy to find the church there in a prosperous condition.

In closing, there is one work I wish to recommend for your special consideration for the coming year, and that is the Bishop's League. This fund, as we all know, is for the furtherance of the church work in our Diocese, and therefore it is a matter for which all church people are in a measure personally responsible, for no one, even if he is as able and willing as our Bishop, can build up our Diocese without co-operation and money.

I earnestly hope that all our Auxiliary Branches when making their pledges today will each make a definite pledge to the Bishop's League. This will assist our Bishop in keeping open the silent churches, and in strengthening the weaker places in the Diocese.

And now, dear friends, the volume containing the records of our last year's work is almost completed. With the close of this annual meeting we open the first chapter of a new volume, and as we turn the leaves, wherein is to be recorded, each day's work, let us write a record of increasing love and devotion to our Master's cause, and thus aid in extending His influence, wider, and deeper throughout the entire Diocese of Western Michigan.

Blest be the tie, that binds
Our hearts in Christian love
The fellowship of kindred minds
Is like to that above.

Recording Secretary's Report, of the Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting

The Thirty-seventh Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Western Michigan, was held in Grace Church, Grand Rapids, May 11, 1917.

The Bishop and four clergymen were in attendance. Eighteen Parish Branches were represented by thirty-one delegates and thirty-seven guests, making a total of seventy-three.

Miss Emery, from the Church Missions House, N. Y., was our honored guest, and attended all our meetings and stayed the following day for the Junior Meetings.

The Rt. J. N. McCormick was the celebrant at the Holy Communion assisted by the Rev. G. P. T. Sargent of Grace Church, Grand Rapids, and the Rev. J. H. Feringa of Grand Haven.

The Business meeting was called to order in the Parish House by the President, Mrs. James P. Brayton; after roll-call of the Branches and a word of welcome by Mrs. Collins Johnston of Grace Church, the President gave the report of what had been accomplished during the past year and made suggestions for the present year.

Miss Wilkes, the Corresponding Secretary, reported not so many boxes sent as usual, but since the Annual Meeting reports have come showing that there were twenty-eight boxes sent with a valuation of \$889.02.

The Treasurer's report was very satisfactory. More money has been sent in since the report was made up, making a total now of \$1,749.93 as having passed through her hands during the year.

Mrs. E. H. Hunting, Treasurer of the United Offering, gave a very interesting report of "The United Offering Service" held in St. Louis. Western Michigan's part in that offering being \$1,350. There is on hand \$75.07 towards the next United Offering to be made in Detroit in 1919.

Mrs. Johnston, the Educational Secretary, told of the Study Class and Summer Conferences.

Mrs. Lockton gave a report of the Junior and urged that more interest be taken in this branch, and Mrs. Sullivan explained the work of "The Little Helpers" and wished that a branch might be started in each Parish or Mission.

Mrs. Boltwood, chairman of the "Bishop's League," stated it was hoped that the object of the "Bishop's League" would be better understood this coming year. Its object is to provide funds for the Bishop to use in the Diocese. The resolutions in regard to the "Bishop's League" as made at the Officers' Conference held in St. Mark's Parish House, Sept. 18th, were read.

Mrs. Hillyer gave an interesting account of the Church Periodical Club, and told of the need of books, magazines, and papers to be sent to the Army camps.

Bishop McCormick made an address at noon; in which he said that he hoped that the Woman's Auxiliary would see fit to continue the "Bishop's League" and through this league to assure the Convention that hereafter Western Michigan would not need to ask for money from the board of Missions for work in the Diocese.

During the afternoon meeting the following resolutions were presented by Mrs. Johnston and adopted:

That it is the judgment of the Woman's Auxiliary of Western Michigan, that the Diocese should relieve the Board of Missions of the yearly apportionment made to Western Michigan, and the women of the Diocese should do all in their power to raise an equivalent fund for "The Bishop's League." These resolutions to be presented to the Convention.

Five minute talks relating to the Triennial, held in St. Louis, were given by Mrs. Hume, Mrs. Hunting, Mrs. Sargent, and Mrs. Lockton.

Miss Emery in her quiet way, spoke of the educational side of missions, which includes study classes, conferences and the Junior plan. Then of the privilege of giving of our money and prayers.

The Officers elected for the present year are:

President—Mrs. James P. Brayton, Grand Rapids.

First Vice-President—Mrs. Thomas Hume, Muskegon.

Second Vice-President—Miss Mary Torrance, Grand Haven.

Third Vice-President—Mrs. Edgar Hunting, Grand Rapids.

Fourth Vice-President—Mrs. Collins Johnston, Grand Rapids.

Fifth Vice-President—Mrs. F. B. Sullivan, Battle Creek.

Secretary of the Church Periodical Club—Mrs. Frances Hillyer, Grand Rapids.

Treasurer—Mrs. F. B. Eaglesfield, Niles.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Cora Wilkes, Allegan.

Recording Secretary—Miss Bessie Newell, Kalamazoo.

A vote of thanks was extended to the ladies of Grace Church for their kind hospitality.

The President announced that Group Meetings would be held in the following places:

First Group—St. Mark's, Grand Rapids.

Second Group—St. Paul's, St. Joseph.

Third Group—St. Thomas', Battle Creek.

Mrs. Thomas Hume extended an invitation from Muskegon that the next Annual Meeting be held there. It was moved and seconded that the invitation be accepted.

A reception was given in the Parish House of Grace Church in the evening for the Bishop and Mrs. McCormick and Miss Emery.

Respectfully submitted,

BESSIE S. NEWELL,

Recording Secretary.

^S Diocesan Meetings for the Year

Group Meeting, St. Paul's, St. Joseph, October.

Group Meeting, St. Thomas, Battle Creek, November.

Group Meeting, St. Mark's, Grand Rapids, December.

Annual Meeting

St. Paul's, Muskegon, May, 1918.

Treasurer's Report

Of the Woman's Auxiliary for the year ending May, 1917.

COLORED SALARY FUND

Pledge, \$100.00.

Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	\$60.00
Marshall, Trinity	15.00
Niles, Trinity	25.00
	\$100.00

BISHOP GILLESPIE SCHOLARSHIP

In St. Margaret's School, Tokio, Japan. Pledge, \$40.00

Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	\$40.00
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BISHOP McCORMICK SCHOLARSHIP

In St. Mary's School, Rosbud, So. Dakota. Pledge, \$60.00

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	\$60.00
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ELLEN E. ROBINSON SCHOLARSHIP

In St. Elizabeth's School, Standing Rock, So. Dakota.

Pledge, \$60.00

Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	\$60.00
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DR. CUMING SCHOLARSHIP

In St. Elizabeth's School, Standing Rock, So. Dakota.

Pledge, \$60.00

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	\$60.00
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SARAH K. BANCROFT SCHOLARSHIP

In St. Hilda's School, Wuchang, China. Pledge, \$50.00

Coldwater, St. Mark's	\$10.00
Grand Rapids, Grace	5.00
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's	5.00
Ionia, St. John's	20.00
Petoskey, Emmanuel	10.00
	\$50.00

JULIA A. HADLEY "MEMORIAL"

In Training School for Bible Women, Hankow, China.

Pledge, \$50.00

Grand Rapids, Grace	\$20.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	30.00
	\$50.00

C. C. AND C. G. COMSTOCK "MEMORIAL" FOR MEDICAL WORK IN ALASKA

Pledge, \$40.00

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's; paid by Mrs. L. Boltwood	\$40.00
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TEACHERS SALARY FUND IN ALASKA

Pledge, \$30.00

Allegan, Good Shepherd	\$30.00
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FOR THE NURSE'S SALARY FUND IN ALASKA

Pledge, \$100.00

Grand Rapids, Grace	\$100.00
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**FOR THE SUPPORT OF A BOY AND GIRL IN THE
PHILIPPINES**

Grand Rapids, Grace, Epiphany Fund.....\$80.00

ESTHER M. EAGLESFIELD SCHOLARSHIP

In St. Mary's School, Rosebud, So. Dakota.

Pledge, \$60.00

Muskegon, St. Paul's.....\$60.00

JOSEPHINE E. WHEELOCK SCHOLARSHIP

In Girls' Training School, St. Paul's River, Africa, Pledge, \$25.00

Hastings, Emmanuel.....\$25.00

"JULIA COT" FUND

For the Support of a Bible Woman in Shanghai, China.

Pledge, \$30.00

Grand Rapids, Grace S. S.....\$5.00

Allegan, Good Shepherd, S. S..... 5.00

Grand Rapids, St. Paul's S. S. and W. C..... 7.00

Niles, Trinity Sunday School..... 2.00

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's S. S..... 5.00

Saint Joseph, St. Paul's..... 6.00

\$30.00

FOR BISHOP PAYNE'S DIVINITY SCHOOL

Pledge, \$10.00

Grand Rapids, St. Philip's.....\$10.00

GENERAL MISSIONS, UNDESIGNATED

Allegan, Good Shepherd, Miss Wilkes.....\$50.00

Marshall, Trinity..... 10.00

South Haven, Epiphany..... 5.00

\$65.00

**SPECIAL OFFERINGS THAT COUNT ON THE
APPORTIONMENT**

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity for Work in Alaska.....\$10.00

Petoskey, Emmanuel for Work in Alaska..... 10.00

Petoskey, Emmanuel, One Day's Income..... 4.00

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity for Poor Whites..... 10.00

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity for Oneida Indians..... 5.00

\$39.00

**SPECIAL OFFERINGS THAT DO NOT COUNT ON
ANY APPORTIONMENTS**

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's, for St. Luke's Hospital, Tokio, Japan \$200.00

Grand Rapids, Grace, for a Nurse in Anvik, Alaska..... 10.00

Battle Creek St. Thomas, for Bishop Roots Hospital, Wuchang,

China 50.00

Grand Rapids, Grace, for Rev. B. R. Allsbaugh's work among
deaf mutes..... 2.00

Petoskey, Emmanuel, for St. Paul's Normal School, Lawrence-
ville, Va..... 2.00

Petoskey, Archdeacons work in Montorey, Tenn..... 2.00

Paid by Mrs. E. O. Chase.....\$266.00

FIFTH PROVINCIAL FUND

"Milwaukee Plan"

Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	\$1.00
Grand Rapids, Grace	1.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	1.00
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	1.00
Marshall, Trinity	1.00
Muskegon, St. Paul's	1.00
Niles, Trinity	1.00
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	\$7.00

DELEGATES EXPENSE FUND

Cash on hand Oct. 10th 1916	\$ 7.58
From Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	1.60
From Grand Rapids, Grace	2.00
From Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	3.00
From Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	10.00
From Marshall, Trinity	1.00
From Muskegon, St. Paul's	3.30
From Petoskey, Emmanuel	1.50
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	\$29.98

BISHOP'S LEAGUE FUND

Diocesan Work

Ackley Institute	\$ 6.00
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	20.00
Belding, Holy Trinity	5.00
Coldwater, St. Mark's	5.00
Charter Members of Bishop's League	10.00
Grand Rapids, Grace	65.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's	125.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's, Campbell Fair Guild	50.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's, May Party	51.00
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's, Miss Anderson	5.00
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's	25.00
Marshall, Trinity	8.00
Mount Pleasant, Mrs. A. E. Gorham	1.00
Ionia, St. John's	10.00
Niles, Trinity	15.00
Petoskey, Emmanuel	10.00
South Haven, Epiphany	10.00
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	\$421.00

Diocesan Assessments

Traverse City, Grace	\$20.00
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CONTINGENT FUND

Receipts

Cash on hand June 1st, 1916	\$ 4.40
From Mrs. J. P. Brayton	5.00
Sept. 8, St. Joseph, St. Paul's	1.00
Feb. 14, Marshall, Trinity	2.50
April 7, Ionia, St. John's	1.80
March 6, Mrs. J. P. Brayton for printing reports	26.50
April 25, Coldwater, St. Mark's	2.50
April 27, Niles, Trinity	2.00
Petoskey, Emmanuel	1.50
May 1, Battle Creek, St. Thomas'	1.60

May 1, Kalamazoo, St. Luke's.....	5.00
May 7, Muskegon, St. Paul's.....	3.30
May 7, Grand Rapids, Grace.....	2.00
May 7, Grand Rapids, St. Mark's.....	6.00
May 7, Grand Rapids, St. Paul's.....	1.00
May 7, Hastings, Emmanuel.....	1.50
Offerings at Annual Meeting.....	26.00

\$93.60

CONTINGENT FUND

Disbursements

Diocesan Dues, Fifth Province, 1915-16.....	\$ 5.00
March 7, 1917, Printing Reports.....	26.50
May 2, Printing Programs.....	3.25
May 9, Diocesan Dues, Fifth Province, 1916-17.....	5.00
May 12, Miss Julia C. Emery, Expenses.....	15.00
Secretary's Expenses.....	2.00
Postage and Supplies, Etc.....	5.00

\$61.75

Balance cash on hand.....\$31.85

\$93.60

REPORT OF THE LITTLE HELPERS, "BABIES BRANCH"

Receipts

Battle Creek, St. Thomas'.....	\$6.95
Grand Rapids, Grace.....	5.95
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's.....	5.15
Hastings, Emmanuel.....	3.12
Ludington, Grace.....	.25
Niles, Trinity.....	.58
South Haven, Epiphany.....	4.25
St. Joseph, St. Paul's.....	1.50

\$27.75

Disbursements

For General Missions.....	\$ 5.95
For General Missions.....	4.25
For Font.....	1.00
For Kindergarten at Odate, Japan.....	16.55

\$27.75

MRS. F. W. SULLIVAN, *Secretary.*

Value of Boxes Sent Out of the Diocese From May 1916 to May 1917.

Allegan, Grace.....	\$ 35.00
Coldwater, St. Mark's.....	215.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's.....	230.53
Grand Rapids, Grace.....	23.23
Ionia, St. John's.....	33.00
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's.....	52.00
Marshall, Trinity.....	27.00
Muskegon, St. Paul's.....	25.00
Niles, Trinity.....	56.37
Petoskey, Emmanuel.....	101.56
St. Joseph, St. Paul's.....	30.33

Total valuation.....\$889.02

Number of boxes sent.....28

CORA H. WILKES, *Corresponding Secretary.*

Dear Auxiliary Women,

Your ed. secretary was fortunate in being a member of Miss Eva D. Corey's class at the Triennial, on Latin America. Miss Corey gave us new visions and a broader meaning, of Mission Study. One idea emphasized was that Mission Study is not only for the Women's Auxiliary, but for the whole church.

In connection with Mission Study I wish to speak of the value of the Summer conferences for all departments of the churches work and am hoping that many of our parishes will send representatives to Lake Geneva, our nearest place. This is perhaps the greatest means the church has of arousing interest and getting first hand information of our missionary fields and is a marvelous source of inspiration.

I asked through the Church Helper that all branches holding Study and Reading Classes report to me. Only one has answered—faithful, Petoskey. They have studied "The King's Highway," Mrs. Peterson—leader with an average attendance of eleven.

Grace Church held a class of Latin America with an average attendance of seven. St. Mark's, St. Philips, and St. Paul's of Grand Rapids have also studied Latin America.

All the messages and notices from Church Mission House have been duly forwarded to branches. I have received and sent out information concerning study classes and program material.

Our new church paper, the Witness, has had most valuable suggestions for my work. It would be helpful for every president to take this paper as well as our indispensable and interesting Spirit of Missions. Please use your influence to have a copy of Spirit of Missions in your City Library and also placed in the hospitals for the nurses.

The question of interesting the younger people has been solved in some of our branches by giving Missionary plays. "The Vision of St. Agnes" was given at Grace Church. Please use your influence to have one Sunday each month devoted to missions if there is not now such a plan in practice.

Our need in the Auxiliaries and outside is a deepening of prayer life. Perhaps these troublous times will bring this home to us.

Let us pray for more co-workers that they may desire to study the work of extending Christ's kingdom on earth and know that it is the highest privilege of Christian women to learn how to know God's work and then do it willingly and cheerfully.

ALMA S. JOHNSTON,

Ed. Sec. Western Mich.

United Offering Report

On hand May 1916.....	\$986.000
Presented at Triennial Oct. 12.....	\$1,350.00
Received Since Triennial	
Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor.....	\$10.35
Trinity, Niles.....	10.94
St. John's, Ionia.....	14.71
Emmanuel, Hastings.....	5.00
Grace, Grand Rapids.....	13.73
St. Thomas', Battle Creek.....	10.96
Trinity, Marshall.....	6.59
St. Paul's St. Joseph.....	2.79

Respectfully submitted, \$75.07
GRACE D. HUNTING,
Diocesan U. O. Treasurer.

Officers of the Parish Branches of the Woman's Auxiliary

Allegan—Good Shepherd

The Rev. Otway Colwin.....Rector
Mrs. Otway Colwin, Cor. Pine and Monroe.....President
Miss C. R. Wilkes, 633 Marshall St.....Sec'y and Treas.
Meetings first Thursday in each month from Oct. to May.
Members, 12. Organized in 1880.

Battle Creek—St. Thomas'

The Rev. W. J. Lockton.....Rector
Mrs. S. H. Beardsley, 86 Groveland St.....President
Mrs. James Threapleton, 91 Cherry St.....Sec'y and Treas.

Benton Harbor—Holy Trinity

The Rev. A. Worden-Slade.....Rector
Mrs. B. F. Eastman, Cor. Fair and Briton St.....President
Mrs. Alfred Emerson, 606 Colfax Ave.....Secretary
Mrs. G. I. Falkinham, 481 Packard St.....Treasurer
Meetings first Thursday of each month.
Members, 12. Organized, 1909.

Coldwater—St. Mark's

The Rev. John Hewitt.....Rector
Miss Kate Davis, 16 So. Freemont St.....President
Mrs. G. Van Valkenburg, 88 Marshall St.....Sec'y and Treas.
Meetings first Friday of each month.
Members, ??? Organized, 1897.

Grand Rapids—Grace

The Rev. G. P. T. Sargent.....Rector
Mrs. Collins H. Johnston, 347 Madison Ave.....President
Mrs. Jacob Kleinhaus, 246 Jefferson.....Treasurer
Meetings fourth Friday of each month.

Grand Rapids—St. Mark's Pro-Cathedral

The Very Rev. Francis F. White.....Dean
Mrs. R. W. Butterfield, 227 Paris Ave.....President
Miss Ida E. Lewis, 139 Clifton Place, N. E.....Sec'y and Treas.
Meetings first Thursday of each month.
Members, 74. Organized ??

Grand Rapids—St. Paul's

The Rev. David Huntington.....Rector
Mrs. Irvir Hopkins, 739 College Ave.....President
Miss Clara Norris, 738 California Ave.....Secretary
Miss Ethel L. Leboer, 1512 Robinson Place.....Treasurer

Grand Rapids—St. Philips Mission

The Rev. David Huntington.....Priest in Charge
Mrs. Stanley Barrett, Hotel Stanford.....President
Mrs. Edna DeLyms, 908 Eastern Ave. S. E.....Secretary
Mrs. Clarence Perkins, 656 Pleasant Ct.....Treasurer
Meetings first Monday in each month.
Members, ?. Organized, 1914.

Hastings—Emmanuel

The Rev. Drayton R. Blaske.....Rector
Miss Rosella Goodyear, 202 So. Broadway.....President
Mrs. F. D. Bennett, 331 W. Court St.....Secretary
Mrs. Anna McOmber, 302 So. Broadway.....Treasurer
Meetings first Tuesday of each month.
Members, 16. Organized ????

Ionia—St. John's

The Rev. Albert R. Mitchell.....Rector
Mrs. James Vosper, 329 East Main St.....President
Mrs. Ida Abbott Vaughn.....Sec'y and Treas.
Meetings the first Thursday after the first Sunday in each Month.

Kalamazoo—St. Luke's

The Rev. B. F. P. Ivins.....Rector
Mrs. Norton Pomeroy, Portage Road.....President
Mrs. Arthur Pomeroy, Portage Road.....Secretary
Mrs. Frances Lasher, 621 Pearl St.....Treasurer

Meetings first Friday in each month.

Members, 37. Organized, 1880.

Marshall—Trinity

The Rev. J. Wendell Davis.....Rector
Mrs. Philip S. Joy, 225 N. Grand St.....President
Mrs. Ned Warren, N. Mulberry St.....Secretary
Miss Marguerite Geer, N. Division St.....Treasurer

Meetings first Friday of each month.

Members, 30. Organized, 1902.

Bowens Mills—St John's Mission

Mrs. F. E. Raymond, Middleville.....President
Mrs. G. H. Garbutt, Middleville.....Secretary
Mrs. J. H. Baxton, Wayland.....Treasurer

Organized, 1916.

Muskegon—St. Paul's

The Rev. Walter Tunks.....Rector
Mrs. Thomas Hume, 228 Webster Ave.....President
Mrs. Charles Yates, 11 W. Hartford St.....Secretary
Mrs. George Bolt, 44 Ransom St.....Treasurer

Meetings first Wednesday of each month.

Members, 32. Organized, ????

Grand Haven—St. John's

The Rev. John H. Feringa.....Rector
Mrs. Fred Huttly.....President
Mrs. George Frey.....Secretary
Mrs. Henry J. Boer.....Treasurer

Niles—Trinity

The Rev. Harold Holt.....Rector
Mrs. W. White, Hervirgen Farm.....President
Mrs. F. B. Banberry, 608 Grand St.....Secretary
Mrs. J. M. Jerome, 124 St. Joseph Ave.....Treasurer

Meetings first Wednesday of each month.

Members, 19. Organized, 1891.

Petoskey—Emmanuel

The Rev. Henry Harris.....Rector
Mrs. W. G. McCune, 714 Lake St.....President
Mrs. A. Peters, 623 Woodlawn Ave.....Sec'y and Treas.

Meetings first Wednesday of each month.

Members, 19. Organized, 1891.

St. Joseph—St. Paul's

The Rev. Frederick O. Granniss.....Rector
Mrs. Louise E. Kilborne, 849 Lewis Ave.....President
Miss Jane Pixley, 1701 Niles Ave.....Sec'y and Treas.

Meetings second Wednesday of each month.

Members, 15. Organized, 1906.

Traverse City—Grace

Mrs. McIntyre, 218 East 9th St.....President
Mrs. E. A. Newton, 629 So. Union St.....Secretary
Mrs. E. S. Thrilby, 520 6th St.....Treasurer

Meetings first Wednesday of each month.

Members, 20. Organized, ????

Fourth Annual Report of the Junior Auxiliary

The fourth annual meeting of the Junior Auxiliary of Western Michigan was held at St. Mark's Pro-Cathedral, Grand Rapids, May 12th, 1917.

In the absence of Mrs. Bates from the Diocese, Mrs. W. J. Lockton presided. Twelve delegates and twenty-five guests responded to roll call.

Mrs. Lockton read a letter from Miss Lindley, expressing her appreciation of the work of the Juniors and urging them to greater Missionary zeal.

Minutes of the last annual meeting were read and approved. The Treasurer reported having received \$165.00; expended, \$150.00; balance, \$15.00, report accepted as read.

The Christmas gifts, prepared by the Juniors, (boys as well as girls) for St. John's School, Corbin, Ky., were received from several branches. Mrs. Brayton of Grand Rapids spoke to the Juniors about the Pilgrimage of Prayer, to be observed in Western Michigan, the week of May 20.

Mrs. Sullivan of Battle Creek spoke on the interest of the Little Helpers, as did also Mrs. Eaglesfield of Niles.

Bishop McCormick told of the work recently undertaken in Alaska, by the Rev. Edwin W. Hughes of Grand Rapids as a link connecting Western Michigan with the Missionary field.

Our new President, Miss Mary Torrence of Ackley Hall, Grand Haven spoke to the Juniors and ask for their cooperation with her in the coming year.

Rev. Vercoe conducted Noon-day Prayers.

A very appetizing luncheon was served in the Parish House, after which Miss Emery gave an interesting talk on the great need of spreading the light of the gospel.

The nominating committee presented the names of Miss Florence Platt, Grace Church, Grand Rapids, for Secretary and Mrs. McQuen of Petoskey for Treasurer.

It was moved and seconded that the rules be suspended and the Secretary be instructed to cast a unanimous vote for Secretary and Treasurer. The vote was so cast.

A little Chinese play entitled "A Choice of Evils" was very ably presented by the Juniors of St. Mark's Pro-Cathedral, and greatly enjoyed by all.

A vote of thanks was extended to the Juniors of St. Mark's for their cordial hospitality. Meeting adjourned.

JULIA F. BROWN, *Secretary Pro-Tem.*

WORK REPORTED FOR 1916-1917

Place	Parish	Members	Money	Value of Box
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's.....		40	\$25.00	\$25.00
Grand Rapids, Grace.....		35	\$25.00	\$13.00
Grand Haven, St. John's.....		36	\$40.00
Dowagiac, St. Paul's.....			\$15.00	\$30.00
Hastings, Emmanuel.....			\$10.00	\$15.00
Holland, Grace.....			\$ 7.00
Mt. Pleasant.....		
Petoskey, Emmanuel.....		10	\$ 5.50
Grand Ledge, Trinity.....		16	\$ 4.00
Manistee, Holy Trinity.....		16	\$15.00	
Battle Creek, St. Thomas'.....		23	\$50.00	\$15.00
Marshall, Trinity.....			\$ 6.00

SUMMARY

For General Missions.....	\$909.20
For Diocesan Work.....	441.00
For Special Offerings.....	283.55
In all other funds.....	118.60

Total amount received during the year.....\$1,752.35

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. F. B. EAGLESFIELD, *Diocesan Treasurer.*

