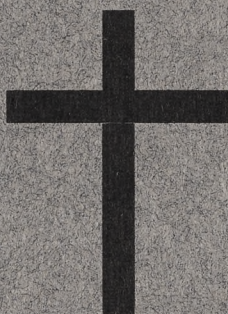


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Thirty-Ninth Annual Report
of the
Western Michigan Branch
of the
Woman's Auxiliary to the Board
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May, 1918—May, 1919

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WESTERN MICHIGAN BRANCH
OF THE
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Sixteenth Annual Report
OF THE
JUNIOR BRANCH



ANNUAL MEETING IN ST. MARK'S CHURCH
GRAND RAPIDS
MAY 23rd, 1919

Diocesan Officers

Bishop

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

President for 1919-1920

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

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Mrs. W. Wyckoff.....Holland

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Mrs. Edgar W. Hunting.....254 College Ave., Grand Rapids

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A Year Book is a record of Memory and a suggestion of Privilege and an incentive to Duty.

*The Right Rev. D. S. Tuttle, D. D., L. L. D.
Presiding Bishop.*

DIRECTIONS

To Parish Secretaries

Write to Diocesan Corresponding Secretary for letters from missionaries asking for boxes.

Send names and addresses of all Parish Auxiliary officers to Recording Secretary and notify her at once of any change.

See that all notices of meetings sent by the Recording Secretary are read by your Rector at church services.

To Parish Treasurers

Send all money through Diocesan Treasurer, otherwise it will not be accredited to Branch in annual report.

To United Offering Treasurers

The United Offering is the thank offering presented at every triennial service of the Woman's Auxiliary. It will be given for Woman's work in the Domestic and Foreign Fields.

Mite boxes will be sent on application, and gifts or pledges received at any time.

IN MEMORIAM

MRS. F. B. EAGLESFIELD
MISS ROSELLA GOODYEAR

President's Report

In beginning my report I wish to thank the officers and members of the various branches for their courtesy, assistance and interest in the work of the Society during the past year. I consider it a great privilege to be associated with the members of the Woman's Auxiliary of Western Michigan in helping to advance the great cause of missions. Never, it seems to me, have our obligations been greater than at the present time to do our utmost and best in advancing the Master's kingdom. Do we all realize that each one of us is a fractional part of this wonderful work, and that only by combining and uniting our efforts can we succeed in impressing upon others the value of the spiritual life. With this annual meeting we are closing a year that has been fraught with anxiety, sorrow, and joy for the people of our land. With joy because the "Lord has blessed His people with peace;" a peace which we trust will bring tranquility once more to a war weary world. It is, however, a joy tinged with sadness and tears as we remember all our splendid American boys who sleep in sunny France and will never come home again. One of our former Diocesan Presidents has given her much loved son in the Great World Revolution for humanity and right and by this exemplified the Christ-like spirit of helpfulness to others. Let us all keep in loving remembrance the name of Lucius Comstock Boltwood, whose young and promising life was sacrificed last October for his country and his flag.

January fifteenth, Mrs. Ester S. Eaglesfield, the faithful treasurer of the Womans Auxiliary for more than sixteen years entered into rest. To her the "brighter day with healing on its wings has come." God in His wisdom has taken her into that "enlarging paradise where lives the life that never dies" and we seem to hear her say:

Now the world is understood,
Now the long, long, wonder ends!
Be ye certain all seems love,
Viewed from Allah's throne above;
Be ye stout of heart and come
Bravely onward to your home!"

With this blessed hope, death is robbed of its sting. In her long years of faithful and devoted service Mrs. Eaglesfield has endeared herself to each of us. We shall miss her loving help and wise counsel in every place, but remembering her beautiful example of Christian character, let us press forward with greater zeal and fidelity in the missionary work she loved so dearly, and which she was helping us carry forward when she passed out through the sunset gates to the glorious life beyond.

Wednesday last, your President learned with great sorrow and regret, of the death of Miss Rosella Goodyear the faithful and dearly loved President of the Hastings branch of the Woman's Auxiliary.

St. Lukes branch at Kalamazoo, has as its new President, Mrs. Thomas Westnedge, the mother of Colonel Westnedge one of Michigan's most honored heroes.

It has been said by many, and it surely seems to be true, that never in the history of the world has the need been greater for faithful and persistent work for missions than now, nor a time perhaps when the soil into which the seed of missionary efforts can be planted be found more ready to yield a rich and plentiful harvest. In a leaflet

called "Foreign Missions as an English soldier sees them" there seems an exemplification of the truth of this fact. When lying hopelessly ill and just waiting for the final summons, he writes as follows: "It used to be easy to prate about Foreign missions and their uselessness," and he tells how he was led by a passage in John to view them in such a different light—"would to God," he writes, "I had earlier known the new Birth, I envy you fellows who have done so much for the cause, I would gladly die for it now, but it is too late." "Why," he asks, "does our church keep Foreign Missions so much in the back ground?" "How is it that I was left so long to scoff?" His final message is this: "that all who are wise shall work while it is day, remembering the coming night."

Can we not, dear friends, put more of this spirit of service for missions into our work this coming year?

The many demands of the war interfered with our missionary aims and projects during much of 1918 and it seemed to be more a year of planning and anticipation than of actual accomplishment. But, in spite of the many obstacles, the branches did remarkably well in keeping up their pledges, and Mrs. Eaglesfield wrote me in September, that the offering of \$2,090 given in 1918 was the largest amount ever contributed by the Woman's Auxiliary of our Diocese.

Only one Group meeting has been held this year. Grace Church on December 2nd, held a most profitable and helpful one with Miss Elizabeth Matthews of Ohio as their speaker. It is an actual fact that so prompt was the Auxiliary at Grace in carrying out their plans for this Group meeting, that they succeeded in getting the start of the influenza which later on prevented St. Lukes, Kalamazoo, from holding the one they had planned for in January.

September fifth your President accepted the invitation of the branch at Holland to be their guest at that time. Mrs. Van Sykle, the President, entertained the Auxiliary at her home and it was a very pleasant meeting. I cannot say that it was a profitable one, as having done most of the talking, I am somewhat in doubt about that being true.

April thirtieth the branch of Epiphany Mission at South Haven was reorganized with the following officers:

President: Miss Ida Gibson.

Secretary and Treasurer: Mrs. Norah Hoxie.

Seventeen women were present at the meeting.

Again at our Annual meeting we miss the inspiring presence of our Bishop, but though miles away he has remembered his right hand, as he calls the Womans Auxiliary, and has sent us a greeting, which will later be read to us by our Secretary. As he has remembered us, so let us also remember him, not only in our prayers but when making our pledges this afternoon, let us not forget the Bishop's League. There is such an urgent need in our Diocese for funds to carry on the work of the church and Bishop McCormick who sees and knows it all personally, must often be heart sick and discouraged because of his inability to give greater help to the weak and struggling missions.

In closing, your President begs that each branch endeavor in the coming year to double its membership and in this way double the possibilities of our Bishop being able to oftener provide the beautiful service of the church to the smaller parishes and missions in our Diocese.

(MRS. JAMES P.) EMMA S. BRAYTON,
President.

MINUTES

OF THE

Thirty-Ninth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Western Michigan

The Thirty-ninth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Western Michigan, was held in St. Mark's Church, Grand Rapids, Mich., on Friday, May the Twenty-third. There were six clergymen, twenty-three delegates, and fifty-six guests in attendance.

The Meeting opened with the Celebration of the Holy Communion by Dean Potter, assisted by the Archdeacon, the Rev. L. R. Vercoe. A splendid Missionary sermon was preached by the Dean.

Following the Service, the business meeting was called to order by the President, Mrs. James P. Brayton, who gave a most interesting address, reviewing the work of the year. She reported one group meeting held during the year, at Grace Church, Grand Rapids. Miss Elizabeth Matthews was the speaker at this meeting. The President reported that the branch at South Haven had been re-organized. She also made a strong plea for the Bishop's League.

The minutes of the Thirty-eighth Annual Meeting were read and approved. In the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. W. J. Lockton served as Secretary Pro Tem.

The report of the Treasurer was read by the Treasurer and accepted; and the statement of the Auditor, Miss Alma T. Orth, that the books were correct, was read by the Secretary.

The President appointed a nominating committee for the election of officers for the coming year: Mrs. Konkle of Grand Rapids, chairman; Mrs. Anna M. Powers, Grand Rapids; Mrs. Ida A. Vaughn, Ionia; Mrs. Arthur Pomeroy, Kalamazoo.

The following appreciation and resolution for Mrs. Esther M. Eaglesfield were presented by Mrs. Hume of Muskegon and adopted by the Convention. The Secretary was directed to send a copy to the family.

"As we meet here on the first annual meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary, to which our dear Mrs. Eaglesfield will not come, I wish to express the sentiments we all feel in the great loss we have sustained, both personally as well as an Auxiliary.

We shall miss her presence, her cordial smile and hearty greeting; but the loss to the Auxiliary is greater than ours. Her keen mind and acute business ability, her grasp of the detail of the official position which she has filled so admirably for so many years, her love for the Church, and devotion to all its services and channels of usefulness, her fidelity to the Auxiliary even when her weakness was evident to all who loved her. These things can never be forgotten.

We shall miss her in our councils; her cheery presence, her exact information, her patience and unflinching devotion; but we must think, not of our loss, but her gain.

"Death hides, but it cannot divide;
Thou art but on Christ's other side:
Thou with Christ and Christ with me,
And so together still are we."

Let us then take up the task fallen from her dear hands, and in faith go on with the Master's work.

In behalf of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Board of Missions for Western Michigan, I wish to offer this resolution:—

WHEREAS, Almighty God has removed from our earthly sight, our dear friend and fellow-worker, Esther M. Eaglesfield, we bow in submission to His Decree.

THEREFORE, be it resolved, that we, the Officers and Delegates to the Thirty-ninth Convention of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Board of Missions of Western Michigan, do hereby acknowledge our great indebtedness to Esther M. Eaglesfield for her patience, foresight and careful attention to the business of the Auxiliary, and also express our great sorrow in the loss which we share with her family and friends.

And be it further resolved, that these resolutions be placed upon our minutes, and a copy be sent to the bereaved family of our friend and fellow-worker.

MARGARET A. HUME.

The report of the Bishop's League was read by Mrs. Lucius Boltwood. She reported two meetings of the League during the year, at which fifty dollars was realized for Diocesan Missions. Interest in the League and prayer for the League was urged and the fact that the League was not for Auxiliary women only, but something for which all organizations of women might have a part, was stressed.

The report of the United Offering was read by Mrs. E. H. Hunting. She urged all hands to renewed effort that the Auxiliary of the Diocese might have the two thousand dollars on which she had to set her heart and which she was confident we were going to have to take to the Triennial in October.

In the absence of Mrs. Collins Johnston, the report of the Educational Secretary was read by Mrs. Sargent. A splendid report from Mrs. Wyckoff on the Junior work was read.

The Nominating Committee reported as follows:

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

Vice-President, Mrs. Thomas Hume, Muskegon.

2nd Vice-President—In charge of Juniors, Mrs. Wm. Wyckoff, Holland.

3rd Vice-President—United Offering, Mrs. E. H. Hunting, Grand Rapids.

4th Vice-President—Educational Department, Mrs. C. H. Johnston, Grand Rapids.

5th Vice-President—Little Helpers, Mrs. Ida Vaughn, Ionia.

Treasurer, Mrs. Wm. Anderson, Grand Rapids.

Corresponding Secretary, Miss Cora Wilkes, Allegan.

Recording Secretary, Miss Bessie S. Newell, Kalamazoo.

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

It was moved and seconded that the report be accepted, and the Secretary cast the ballot for the election of these officers.

Noon-day prayers were said by the Rev. Mr. Rice of South Haven.

An article by Miss Littell on the Hospital at Wuchang, was read by Miss Burnett.

Mrs. Hunting read a letter from Miss Lindley on the United Offering, urging that this offering at this time be a Thank-offering for the close of the war and for the return of our boys.

The President appointed the following committee to nominate the delegates to the Triennial. Mrs. Lucius Boltwood, chairman; Mrs. D. A. Beardsley, Battle Creek; Mrs. Peter J. Danhof, Grand Rapids; Mrs. W. G. McCune, Petoskey; Miss Julia Brown, Marshall.

At twelve-thirty a fine luncheon was served in the Parish House to 120 people.

At 1:30 the meeting was called to order and the members listened to two beautiful numbers on the organ by Mr. Harold Tower. Rev. Harold Holt gave a fine talk on the Returning Soldier, based on his experience with men during the war.

The pledges for the ensuing year were made by the various branches.

An invitation from the Branch at Marshall to be their guests next year was accepted with pleasure.

The committee on nominations of delegates to the Triennial reported as follows:

Mrs. Brayton, Grand Rapids.
Mrs. Wyckoff, Holland.
Miss Richmond, Grand Rapids.
Mrs. Vosper, Ionia.
Miss Wilkes, Allegan.

ALTERNATES:

Mrs. Chase, Petoskey.
Mrs. Ned Warren, Marshall.
Mrs. Westnedge, Kalamazoo.
Mrs. Hume, Muskegon.
Mrs. P. J. Danhof, Grand Rapids.

The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for these names.

A delightful message from the Bishop in France was read by the Secretary. It was moved and seconded that the Convention send greetings to the Bishop.

The Rev. E. L. Souder of Ichang, China, gave a most inspiring talk on mission work in China, telling particularly of St. Joseph's Trade School for Boys.

Archdeacon Vercoe told of his work in the Diocese and roused so much enthusiasm that additional pledges were made for the Bishop's League.

A motion was made by Mrs. Ivins that the President be empowered to appoint delegates to the House of Church Women, should the need arise.

It was moved and seconded that greetings be sent to Mrs. C. H. Johnston and to Miss Bessie Newell.

A rising vote of thanks was given to St. Mark's for their hospitality. Meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

(MRS. W. J.) NELLIE LOCKTON,
Sec. Pro Tem.

THE BISHOP'S MESSAGE TO THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY.

MY DEAR FRIENDS :

At this time of writing it would seem that I may have again to be absent from the annual meeting of the Auxiliary. For many years I have been in the habit of looking forward to these meetings as bright spots in the year. Everyone of them has been a comfort and an inspiration. Indeed I suppose a Bishop at a meeting of his Diocesan Woman's Auxiliary is about in the happiest time and place of his official life. It is, therefore a real deprivation to me not to be with you at the 1919 meeting. There are two compensations, first—the fact that I know you will be thinking about me wherever I am; secondly, the fact that I know you will carry on your work faithfully and intelligently as in my presence, so also in my absence.

The remarkably good showing made by the Auxiliary last year was made in spite of war conditions and of the many important and even imperative appeals for time and strength and money. It was, therefore, a source of gratification and of pride. This year, I am sure you will do equally well. The increasing recognition, usefulness, and responsibility of women in connection with all departments of modern life, means, I trust, not a lessened, but a heightened interest and co-operation on their part in all the affairs of the Church. Our own General Board of Missions has recommended that the Woman's Auxiliary should have direct and full membership on the Board. All over the Church women are being recognized as entitled to an organized and corporate share in activities and also in administration. The splendid associated efforts of American womanhood in all departments of war endeavor and of war sacrifice must be preserved and continued in the operations of religion. As it becomes more and more not merely an auxiliary, but an integral part of the united expression of the organized forces of the Kingdom of God, the womanhood of the Church will become even more zealous, more generous, and more devoted.

I have paid elsewhere a tribute to Mrs. F. B. Eaglesfield, your treasurer, who died during the year, and you will no doubt commemorate her long and faithful labors.

I trust that during the coming year we may extend the Auxiliary to our desired objective,—namely, a working branch in every parish. We are going to try to make 1919 a year of special interest in regard to Diocesan Missions. The appointment of the Rev. L. R. Vercoe as Archdeacon, and the increased activity of the Diocesan Board of Missions are signs of promise. To this promise you have assisted through your contributions by means of the Bishop's League, and it was a pleasure to have this League mark for me my return from France and also the 13th anniversary of my Consecration. I hope

that its good work may be continued, and I also hope that the women of the Diocese will use their influence and exercise their right in seeing that all parochial apportionments and obligations for Diocesan Missions are promptly met. We have made a notable increase during the past year in our offerings for General Missions. We must not forget our primary duty to that portion of His Kingdom to which it has pleased God to call us,—our own, and His own, Diocese of Western Michigan.

The Archdeacon will no doubt speak to you of some of our specific needs and desires, and I only wish that I might be with you to join in your discussions and deliberations.

Praying that you may have a very successful meeting and that God may bless your work, I am,

Affectionately,

Your Bishop,

JOHN N. McCORMICK.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY'S REPORT OF BOXES SENT FROM MAY 1918 TO MAY 1919

Coldwater, box to St. Mary's on the Mountain, Sewnee, Tenn...	\$282.41
Grand Rapids, Grace, Box to Ourida Mission, Wis.....	75.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's, box to Rev. J. E. Dashing Pittsburg	177.25
Ionia, box to Saluda Mission, Virginia.....	28.32
Kalamazoo, box to Epiphany Mission School, Sherwood Tenn..	21.25
Marshall, barrel of Clothing to Rev. H. N. Whipple, So. Dakota	40.00
Petoskey, suit of Clothes to Robert Obashaw, So. Dakota....	2000
Petoskey, box to Miss Willis, South Dakota.....	22.00
Petoskey, Hospital Supplies, Fairbanks, Alaska.....	15.63
Petoskey, Quilts sent to Schools and Hospitals.....	28.26
Petoskey, Christmas box to Sewnee, Tennessee.....	21.78
Petoskey, barrel of Clothing to Lawanceville, N. C.....	75.72
St. Joseph, Scrap Book to Nopala, Mexico.....	2.00
Total	\$809.62

Respectfully submitted,

CORA H. WILKES,

Corresponding Secretary.

Treasurer's Report

of the Woman's Auxiliary for the Year Ending May, 1919.

COLORED SALARY FUND

Pledge \$100.00

Battle Creek, St. Thomas.....	\$ 60.00
Ionia, St. John's.....	14.00
Marshall, Trinity.....	16.00
Niles	10.00

\$100.00

TEACHERS' SALARY FUND, ALASKA

Pledge \$30.00

Allegan, Good Shepherd.....	\$ 30.00
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NURSES' SALARY FUND, ALASKA

Pledge \$100.00

Grand Rapids, Grace.....	\$ 75.00
The C. C. and C. G. Comstock Memorial for medical work in Alaska.	
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's, paid by Mrs. Boltwood.....	\$ 40.00

BISHOP GILLESPIE SCHOLARSHIP

St. Margaret's School, Tokyo, Japan

Pledge \$40.00

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

St. Mary's School, Rosebud, South Dakota

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's.....	\$ 60.00
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DR. CUMING SCHOLARSHIP

St. Elizabeth's School, Standing Rock, South Dakota

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's W. A.....	\$ 55.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's Industrial Band.....	5.00

\$ 60.00

ELLEN E. ROBINSON SCHOLARSHIP

St. Elizabeth's School, Standing Rock, South Dakota

Pledge \$60.00

Kalamazoo, St. Luke's.....	\$ 10.00
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ESTHER M. EAGLESFIELD SCHOLARSHIP

St. Mary's School for Indian Girls, Rosebud, South Dakota

Pledge \$60.00

Muskegon, St. Paul's.....	\$ 60.00
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JOSEPHINE E. WHEELLOCK SCHOLARSHIP

Girls' Training School, St. Paul's River, Africa

Pledge \$25.00

Hastings, Emmanuel	\$ 25.00
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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

SARAH K. BANCROFT SCHOLARSHIP

St. Hilda's School, Wuchang, China

Pledge \$50.00

Coldwater, St. Mark's.....	\$ 10.00
Grand Rapids, Grace.....	5.00
Petoskey, Emmanuel.....	10.00
South Haven, Epiphany.....	25.00

\$ 50.00

"JULIA COT" FUND

For the Support of a Bible Woman in Shanghai, China

Pledge \$30.00

Grand Rapids, Grace S. S.....	\$ 5.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's S. S.....	5.00
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's W. A.....	10.00
Ionia, St John's W. A.....	4.00
St. Joseph, St. Paul's W. A.....	6.00

\$ 30.00

GENERAL MISSIONS, UNDESIGNATED

Niles, Trinity.....	\$ 15.00
Marshall, Trinity.....	14.00
Petoskey, Emmanuel.....	10.00

\$ 39.00

Special Offerings that count on the apportionment. Special Offerings applying on the Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity, for work in Alaska.....	\$ 5.00
Grand Rapids, Grace, for work among the Winnebago Indians, Winnebago, Nebraska.....	125.00
Petoskey, Emmanuel, for Medical work in Alaska.....	5.00
St. Joseph, St. Paul's for mountain work in Winchester, Ky....	1.00

\$136.00

Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity, for work in Alaska.....	5.00
	\$141.00

DIOCESAN MISSIONS

Emmanuel, Hastings.....	\$ 15.00
Marshall, Trinity.....	20.00
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's.....	10.00
St. Joseph, St. Paul's.....	6.00
Benton Harbor, Holy Trinity.....	5.00

\$ 56.00

SPECIAL OFFERINGS THAT DO NOT APPLY ON THE APPORTIONMENT

Church General Hospital at Wuchang, China

St. Joseph, St. Paul's paid by Mrs. Kilbourne.....	\$ 5.00
Grand Rapids, Grace.....	30.00
Holland, Grace.....	35.00
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's.....	5.00

\$ 75.00

SPECIAL OFFERINGS NOT COUNTING ON THE APPORTION- MENT

Grand Rapids, St. Mark's, for the Church General Hospital at Wuchang, China, paid by Miss Burnett.....	\$ 25.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's, paid by Mrs. Butterfield.....	30.00
	<hr/> \$ 55.00

BISHOP'S LEAGUE FUND

Battle Creek, St. Thomas.....	\$ 15.00
Coldwater, St. Mark's.....	5.00
Grand Rapids, Grace.....	30.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's W. A.....	125.00
Woman's Auxiliary Band.....	115.00
Industrial Band	10.00
Bishop's League Supper.....	51.00
Campbell Fair Guild.....	50.00
Kalamazoo, St. Luke's.....	12.50
Holland, Grace	5.00
Muskegon, St. Paul's, paid by Mrs. Hume.....	50.00
Petoskey, Emmanuel	10.00
	<hr/> \$353.50

BISHOP'S LEAGUE FUND

Ionia, St. John's.....	\$ 10.00
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's, paid by Miss Anderson.....	10.00
Bowens Mills, St. John's Mission.....	1.00
Belding, Holy Trinity.....	5.00
	<hr/> \$379.50

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
Niles, Trinity	1.00
Muskegon, St. Paul's	1.00
St. Joseph, St. Paul's	1.00
Marshall, Trinity	2.00
	<hr/> \$ 9.00

CONTINGENT FUND

RECEIPTS

Marshall, Trinity	\$ 5.00
Grand Rapids, St. Paul's.....	1.50
Muskegon, St. Paul's	3.20
Hastings, Emmanuel	1.20
Coldwater, St. Mark's.....	2.50
Niles, Trinity	2.00
Holland, Grace	1.00
Petoskey, Emmanuel	1.50
Battle Creek, St. Thomas.....	1.40
Grand Haven, St. John's	2.80

Grand Rapids, Grace.....	3.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's.....	8.00
Sturgis, St. John's	3.10
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Traverse City, Grace.....	1.50
Ionia, St. John's	1.50
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	39.20
Communion Alms	23.23
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	62.43

DISBURSEMENTS

Paper and Supplies.....	\$ 4.37
Rev. Mr. Souder's expenses.....	25.00
Rev. Mr. Holt.....	3.66
Printing of Programs.....	7.00
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	\$ 40.03

MONEY IN BANK

Delegate's Expense Fund.....	\$ 13.10
Milwaukee Plan	91.00
Bishop's League	49.17
Contingent Fund	22.40
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	\$ 93.67

DELEGATES' EXPENSE FUND

Battle Creek, St. Thomas.....	\$ 1.40
Grand Rapids, Grace	2.00
Grand Rapids, St. Mark's.....	3.00
Marshall, Trinity	2.00
Muskegon, St. Paul's	3.20
Petoskey, Emmanuel	1.50
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	\$ 13.10

SUMMARY

General Missions	\$754.00
Diocesan Missions	56.00
Bishop's League Fund.....	379.50
Special Offerings	136.00
All Other Funds.....	87.53
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Total	\$1,413.03

Respectfully submitted,

IDA E. LEWIS,
Acting Dio. Treas.

FINANCIAL REPORT OF UNITED OFFERING

On hand May 1st, 1918.....	\$270.48
Postage, May 22nd67
On hand May 30, 1918.....	269.81
Received during year ending May 1919:	
St. Thomas, Battle Creek.....	\$ 6.50
Holy Trinity, Benton Harbor.....	15.00
St. Paul's, Grand Rapids.....	15.00
St. Paul's, Muskegon.....	46.52
St. John's, Ionia.....	22.90
Emmanuel, Petoskey	11.35
Grace, Holland	7.08
Trinity, Niles	26.05
St. Paul's, St. Joseph.....	10.00
Trinity, Marshall	17.87
Emmanuel, Hastings	6.12
Grace, Traverse City.....	18.32
Grace, Grand Rapids.....	64.97
Interest	7.52
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	275.20
Cash on hand May 23, 1919.....	545.01
Reported from St. Marks.....	500.00

Total \$1,045.01

St. John's of Grand Haven, St. Mark's at Coldwater and St. Philip's at Grand Rapids, are the only churches not contributing so far this year, who did so last year.

Almost every offering is larger than it was last year showing better work on the part of the Parish U. O. Treasurer. Your Diocesan Treasurer has written over 50 letters and sent out over a hundred boxes.

I feel more hopeful of the \$2000.00 from Western Michigan than I did at Muskegon last year for we have much more in sight than we had at the corresponding date before the last Triennial. It seems human nature for all women in particular, to wait until the time is short to exert their greatest effort and the gathering of the United Offering proves no exception to this rule.

Let me urge each auxiliary member to feel the responsibility of this United Offering and urge others to share in this glorious privilege which has been granted the women of our Church.

Respectfully,

GRACE D. HUNTING,

Treas. U. O. of Diocese of Western Michigan.

EDUCATIONAL REPORT

The letters from various Branches requesting information about study books, programs, etc. were all answered to the best of my ability—also books and pamphlets forwarded.

Literature explaining the Advent Call was forwarded to the Branches through the Executive Secretary from the Church Missions House.

Some conscientious and careful work was done when the Advent Call was carried out, notably in Petoskey, our Star Auxiliary. Further plans will be sent us the coming year for extended Advent Call work—to be called "The Forward Movement." Read leaflet as to duties.

The work of every Branch has been combined more or less with Red Cross work in this year of our war. In many places, study classes and regular programs have been put aside.

Our study book for the past year was on the timely subject of Christian Patriotism, the title being "Our Church and Our Country" by Bishop Burleson. It has been the most interesting book we have studied in some years. St. Marks and Grace—Grand Rapids and Petoskey—have held successful Lenten Classes, using this book.

A book entitled "The Call of a World Task in War Time" by J. Lovell Murray will be found to be an inspirational book for programs at the monthly meetings. It interprets the present world situation in terms of Missionary responsibility. There are questions in the back to help in its use as a text book.

The Educational Secretary would consider it a favor to correspond with any Branch about suggested programs, plays or any educational work, as much information is at her disposal from New York, which might be helpful. Also write the Secretary what educational work has been accomplished during the year in your Branch, so she can fill out the blanks sent on from Mr. Gray.

As one of the best ways of spreading Missionary current events, I would urge all church women to take church papers and magazines, especially the *Church Helper* and *Spirit of Missions*. Read them and speak of interesting bits to your family. Nowadays stories of Missionary workers are put before us by able pens, attractively illustrated and make interesting reading.

May I make a plea for more Auxiliary news to be sent in to the *Church Helper*. I would suggest that a publicity committee be one of next year's committees to be appointed in each Branch. This is an era of advertising.

For some time the C. M. H. has recommended that in each parish in the Diocese there shall be a Parish Educational Secretary chosen who will be the medium through whom the Missionary Educational work of the parish will be carried on. She is expected to see that the study of Missions is carried on in some way in each organization of the church. She reports to the Diocesan Educational Secretary at the end of the year.

(Read suggestions in leaflet.)

I close with a quotation from Mr. Gray who gives a fine definition of Missions. "By missions we do not mean work of a special character carried on in far away lands, but any and all work done for the spread of Christ's kingdom. Whenever people are without the advantages of Christian influence, whether it be next door to you or ten thousand miles away, they should be classed among those in need of a missionary."

ALMIRA S. JOHNSTON.

REPORT OF THE BISHOP'S LEAGUE

May 22, 1919.

The Bishop's League in spite of the war, has continued its existence during the past year. Our honored President of the Woman's Auxiliary has aided and strengthened it in every way.

Two notable occasions were celebrated at St. Mark's, Grand Rapids. We gave a dinner to welcome Bishop McCormick home from overseas, on one of the most intense days of July. It was held down stairs in the Parish House, and many people outside the Parish were glad of the opportunity to greet and hear our gifted Bishop, and in spite of the heat, we had a very large attendance and an enjoyable time. The Bishop gave the address of the evening.

Feb. 14th we had another dinner, this time to celebrate the 13th anniversary of the Consecration of Bishop McCormick. Toasts were given by members from each Society in the Parish. A wonderful Valentine in rhyme, by our talented Past-President, Mrs. Johnston, aroused much admiration and enthusiasm. Dean Potter enlivened us by acting as Toast-master and Archdeacon Vercoc assisted in making the evening pleasant by a bright talk. We made fifty dollars each time for Diocesan Missions.

It has been suggested by one of our members that if we prayed regularly for our Bishop's League, it would aid in its growth, and we could uphold and strengthen our Bishop's good work throughout the Diocese.

It seems as if each Guild in the Diocese, not just the W. A. Branches, should be interested enough in the missionary work in our own State to give something to this cause. Our Campbell Fair Guild has given fifty dollars each year for this object, for many years, and the smaller societies could give according to their ability.

Ten dollars has just been given by St. Paul's, G. R.

This afternoon the Archdeacon will tell of his interesting work but he needs the help of more of us, and it surely should be very near to the heart of each of us.

(MRS. LUCIUS) ETTA C. BOLTWOOD.

Officers of the Parish Branches of the Woman's Auxiliary

Allegan—Good Shepherd

The Rev. Otway Colwin, Cor. Pine and Monroe.....Rector
Mrs. Otway Colwin, Cor. Pine and Monroe.....President
Miss C. W. Wilkes, 213 Hubbard St.....Secretary and Treasurer
Meetings first Thursday in each month from Oct. to May.
Members 12. Organized in 1880.

Battle Creek—St. Thomas

The Rev. W. J. Lockton, 53 Elizabeth St.....Rector
Mrs. D. H. Beardsley, 86 Groveland So.....President
Mrs. H. W. Atkins, 84 Fairview Ave.....Secretary and Treasurer
Meetings first Thursday in each month.

Belding—Holy Trinity

Mrs. A. M. Hall.....President
Mrs. Claude Warner.....Secretary
Mrs. M. B. Willoughby.....Treasurer
Organized in 1907.

Benton Harbor—Holy Trinity

Mrs. B. S. Eastman, Cor. Fair and Britton.....President
Mrs. Alfred Emmerson, 606 Colfax Ave.....Treasurer
Mrs. Geo. Falkingham, 481 Packard Ave.....Secretary
Meetings first Thursday of each Month.
Organized in 1909.

Bowen's Mills—St. John's Mission

Mrs. F. A. Raymond, Middleville.....President
Mrs. G. H. Garbutt, Middleville.....Secretary
Mrs. J. H. Baxton, Wayland.....Treasurer
Organized 1916.

Coldwater—St. Mark's

The Rev. Geo. Moore.....Rector
Miss Kate L. Davis, 16 So. Freemont St.....President
Mrs. Gifford Van Valkenburgh, 88 Marshall St.....Secy and Treas.
Meetings first Friday of each Month.
Organized 1897.

Grand Haven—St. John's

The Rev. Feringa, 521 Lafayette St.....Rector
Mrs. Fred Huty, 25 Franklin St.....President
Mrs. Gro. Frey, 210 So. 5th St.....Secretary
Mrs. Henry J. Boer, 214 Franklin.....Treasurer
Meetings every fourth Thursday.
Organized May, 1917.

Grand Rapids—St. Mark's Pro-Cathedral

The Very Rev. L. F. Potter.....Dean
Mrs. R. W. Butterfield, 231 Paris Ave.....President
Miss Frances Burnett, 617 Fountain St.....Secretary
Miss Ida E. Lewis, 626 Alwood St.....Treasurer
Meetings first Thursday of each Month.
Organized 1876.

Grand Rapids—Grace

The Rev. G. T. P. Sargent, 306 State St.....Rector
Mrs. Peter J. Danhuff, 1400 Bemis St.....President
Mrs. M. F. Burlingame, 140 Campbell Place.....Secretary
Mrs. Jacob Kleinhans, 246 Jefferson Ave.....Treasurer
Meetings first Friday of each Month.
Organized before 1890.

Grand Rapids—St. Paul's

The Rev. Wilfred A. Munday.....Rector
Miss Elizabeth Anderson, 537 Front St.....President
Miss Clara Norris, 758 California St.....Treasurer
Mrs. Vance Emmons, 2026 Horton Ave.....Secretary
Meetings first Monday of each Month.
Organized 1903.

Grand Rapids—St. Phillip's Mission

The Rev. Wilfred A. Munday.....Priest-in-charge
Mrs. Bessie Barnett, 731 Sheldon St.....President
Mrs. Mamie Smith, 815 Baxter St.....Secretary
Mrs. Louise Gains, 826 Sherman St.....Treasurer
Meetings first Monday of each Month.
Organized 1914.

Hastings—Emmanuel

.....Rector
.....President
Mrs. Eva D. Crowell, 138 W. South St.....Vice-President
Mrs. E. D. Bennett, 331 West Court St.....Secretary
Mrs. Anna McOmber, 302 S. Broadway.....Treasurer
Meetings first Tuesday of each Month.
Organized May 27, 1874.

Holland—Grace

The Rev. William Wyckoff, 102 W. 13th St.....Rector
Mrs. J. E. Murray, West 11th St.....President
Mrs. Robert Huntley.....Secretary
Mrs. L. B. Hicks.....Treasurer
Meetings last Thursday of each Month.
Organized September 1917.

Ionia—St. John's

The Rev. A. R. Mitchell.....Rector
Mrs. James Vosper.....President
Mrs. A. Engleman.....Secretary and Treasurer
Meetings first Thursday of each Month.
Organized 1877.

Kalamazoo—St. Luke's

The Rev. F. B. F. Ivins, 122 So. West St.....Rector
Mrs. Mary Westnedge.....President
Mrs. Claude Carney, 218 W. Walnut St.....Secretary
Mrs. E. D. G. Russell, 828 Oak St.....Treasurer
Meetings first Thursday of each Month.
Organized 1880.

Marshall—Trinity

The Rev. A. M. Ewert.....Rector
Miss Julia Brown, W. Hanover St.....President
Mrs. Ned Warren, 422 Mulberry St.....Secretary
Miss Marguerite Geer, N. Division St.....Treasurer
Meetings first Friday of each Month.
Organized 1902.

Muskegon—St. Paul's

The Rev. Walter F. Tunks, Third St.....Rector
Mrs. Robert Reetz, 1009 Sanford St. Muskegon Hts.....President
Mrs. R. E. Rice, 153 Fourth St.....Secretary
Mrs. Harry Bradley, Lake St.....Treasurer
Meetings first Wednesday of each Month.
Organized 1894.

Niles—Trinity

The Rev. Harold Holt.....Rector
Mrs. W. White, Hervirgen Farm.....President
Mrs. F. P. Banberry, 608 Grand St.....Secretary
Mrs. J. M. Jerome, 124 St. Joseph St.....Treasurer
Meetings first Wednesday of each Month.
Organized 1891.

Petoskey—Emmanuel

The Rev. W. J. Datson.....Rector
Mrs. W. G. McCune, 714 Lake St.....President
Mrs. A. Peterson, 623 Woodlawn Ave.....Secretary and Treasurer
Meetings last Wednesday of each Month.
Organized 1890.

St. Joseph—St. Paul's

The Rev. F. O. Granniss, 1314 Niles Ave.....Rector
Mrs. F. O. Granniss, 1314 Niles Ave.....President
Miss Jane Pixley, 1701 Niles Ave.....Secretary and Treasurer
Meetings 2d Wednesday of each Month.
Organized 1906.

Sturgis—St. John's

Rev. D. H. Blaske.....Rector
Mrs. C. Lockwood.....President
Mrs. E. Sitz.....Secretary
Mrs. H. B. Mowlton.....Treasurer
Organized 1918.

South Haven—Epiphany

The Rev. Kenneth I. Rice, 322 Erie St.....Rector
Miss Ida Gibson, 425 Indiana Ave.....President
Mrs. Paul Hoxie, 1012 Phoenix St.....Secretary and Treasurer
Meetings last Wednesday of each Month.
Re-organized April 30, 1919.

Traverse City—Grace

The Rev. J. K. Coolidge, Washington St.....Rector
Mrs. Carrie McIntyre, 218 East 9th St.....President
Mrs. Myrtle Paige.....Secretary
Mrs. Marie Moon.....Treasurer
Organized 1895.

REPORT OF JUNIORS

You know that in making any report on a child there are two things on which stress is always laid,—one is growth, the other is development. As the Junior Auxiliary is a child, the child of the Woman's Auxiliary, this report will lay stress on those same things—growth and development. First then, as to growth. We are several branches taller. During Lent a live, vigorous branch was started at Grand Haven and has been meeting each week for study and work. There is also a new branch at Saugatuck. It is not yet formally organized, but the girls have been there for a long time and at last we have a leader. They will have a delegation at the meeting tomorrow and will start at once with the work. Ionia has also taken up Junior work during the past year. Now of course no child grows uninterruptedly and we have suffered a little setback in the loss of the Manistee branch, but our loss is another's gain, since the same girls are now doing G. F. S. work. After all a Friendly Society is not greatly removed from a Missionary Society. They are both friendly, but the scope of their ministrations is different. So much then for growth. One branch lost and three gained.

A healthy child is always active and I am able to report favorably in that respect. The activities of each branch will be reported in more detail by their delegations tomorrow. The diocesan activity took the form of a box with joyful and useful gifts for children of the Shoshone Indian Reservation.

Now as to development. That has been quite steady and satisfactory, principally along the lines of the New Junior Plan. This, as you may know, is the plan which was put out for trial by the last General Convention. The General Board of Religious Education and our own Diocesan Board as well, have recommended that it be given a fair trial in every parish. The plan is really the extension, by means of weekday activities of the Church School teaching. It plans to so put this teaching into operation that each class and every child in that class shall do, through the week or at some time during the year, the things that have been taught during the Sunday session of the school. And it does not limit the activities to the Domestic and Foreign Missionary field, but teaches five fields of Christian service—the parish, the community, the diocese, the nation and the world. We know that the well rounded Christian life must at one time or another, or coincidentally, "love it's neighbor as itself" in each of these five fields. We grown people are able to work this out for ourselves, working individually or with some established society in this field, and maybe with another society in that. But the child has little sense of proportion and must be watched lest he become one sided. So the New Junior Plan aims to co-ordinate in the Church School all the teaching

and training of the young life of a parish. This does not mean that no work is to be done outside of the Church School, but that the School shall keep in close touch with such work, and in a way Mother it. All money raised by any class or organized society, such as the Junior Auxiliary, shall pass from that class or society to the Church School Treasury, thence to be sent to it's proper destination, Diocesan officer of said society, special object of interest or Parish Treasurer as the case may be.

It is not a change in Junior work, but a broadening of it—a broadening to include every child in the parish in its work and to comprehend each of the five fields in its service. Toward this ideal our Juniors are reaching. We are developing along this line in a number of our parishes. Some are following the plan completely, others only in part, as they are able. Some are studying missions at their weekday sessions, some on Sunday, but at least the study of missions and work for missions is slowly but surely assuming the place of importance it deserves, and we hope that in the young people of today a generation of strong mission workers is being prepared for the future.

Respectfully submitted,

JANE A. WYCKOFF,

President of Juniors.

