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—The Christian Union, March 27, 1884.
ANNUAL MEETING.

Were this an obituary instead of the report of an emphatically live organization, much should be made of the large and appreciative audience which filled the North Church of Bridgeport on the morning of Tuesday, May 13th; much should be said of inspiration gained and resolutions made; much praise should be meted out. But the New Haven Branch seemed, on this its thirteenth anniversary, as hardy and vigorous as ever; new buds were shown to have developed; indeed, new growth was found on nearly every shoot; the few exceptional boughs which had apparently been dwarfed during the year were judiciously pruned, and at its next anniversary we may expect the whole Branch to show uniform and healthful growth.

It was a new departure for an annual meeting of the New Haven Branch to be held in Bridgeport, but at the close no one felt it had been a rash venture.

At ten o'clock Mrs. Hart called the ladies to order. The reading of the minutes of the last meeting was omitted, and we had at once the pleasure of listening to Mrs. Palmer's cordial greeting and Mrs. Hart's reply, uniting ourselves in a warm expression of fellowship by singing "Kindred in Christ."

Misses Hart and Rice then read selections of scripture on the three suggestive and connected topics, God's
word is unfailing; His word affirms the triumph of the gospel; Our responsibility in this triumph; closing with the blessed promise of kinship to the faithful: "For whosoever shall do the will of my Father which is in Heaven, the same is my brother and sister and mother."

Mrs. Candee offered an earnest prayer, thanking God for the assurance already given that He is blessing our efforts, and claiming even greater fulfillment of promises in the days before us.

The Reports of the Recording and Corresponding Secretaries, which each year bring a few new words of encouragement, were read by Mrs. Cady. Several hundred ladies, delegates from the four counties of the Branch, entered the church just in time to gather from the Treasurer's Report the cheering statement that our Mission Circles have this year made an advance of six hundred dollars, and that the outlook for the treasury is good. Mrs. Hart, however, apparently fearing a little too much self-gratulation and consequent inertia on our part, ventured to read an extract from a private letter of our Treasurer in which we all discerned a little minor cadence: "So many auxiliaries have done better than last year that had all done as well as usual our gain would have been large." This destroyed all unhealthful complacency.

Our message which came from the Mother Board at Boston through Miss Child was soul-stirring. Who is so cold as not to be warmed into enthusiasm on hearing that she is herself an inspiration to others! When Miss Child assured us that she came to us with a new delight each year, expecting to gain much inspiration, courage and zeal to carry back to Boston, even suggesting that our motto must be those grand words of St. Paul, "Be ye steadfast, unmovable; always abounding
in the work of the Lord;" when she thanked us for our response to all the calls issued from Boston, encouraging us by the news that ours was the first Branch to respond to the circular letter sent out in behalf of the Morning Star; when she thanked us so warmly for the check received from New Haven but a few days ago; when our hearts had been stirred by these things, we were eager to hear the "large things" she had to ask—"your daughters." Miss Child referred to the special pressure from India, where ten more women are absolutely needed on mission ground at once.

The intense feeling of solemnity and responsibility caused by this address was deepened by a solo, "Not ashamed of Jesus," sung by Miss Shelton.

The reports of auxiliaries in Fairfield and New Haven counties were read by the vice-Presidents, who seemed to agree in thinking that the coming year would be one of rapid advance in both work and giving.

The singing of the third selection on the programme, "Say not, 'for the harvest wait,'" was followed by an address by Mr. George W. Leitch, one of the Board's assistant missionaries in Ceylon, who was obliged by family matters to return to this country during the past year. Mr. Leitch's object was to familiarize us with the work of his sisters in Manepy, it being representative mission work. He began his address with an earnest plea to mothers to consecrate their children to Christ, and to train them day by day earnestly and prayerfully for His service; instancing his own mother who not only gave her children to the Lord but fitted them for His work. Mr. Leitch and his sisters first conceived the idea of giving themselves to Foreign Mission work while teaching the Freedmen directly after the war, their feeling being that there were far more chances
that the colored people at the south would hear the gospel than that it would reach the people of heathendom. He spoke of the educational work in Ceylon; of the one hundred and eighty schools in which from nine to ten thousand children are taught. Though these schools are mainly supported by Government grants, the teachers are nearly all native Christians, and the schools in the different sections are in charge of the missionary at the nearest station. The great desire in these schools is to learn English; this opens the way for a daily Bible lesson which is always a strong element in mission work, bearing fruit more perceptibly than the preaching of the missionaries.

Mr. Leitch's address was necessarily interrupted by the noon Promise and Praise service. Mrs. Backus introduced us to the thought, "They praised the God of Israel," by saying that after looking during the morning at the general forward movement all over the world it was a very natural thing to turn from this earthly side to the contemplation of the Master in whose name and strength and for whose glory this gain had been made; and so for a few minutes we would "look at this Saviour who ministers sight and hearing and life, and give utterance to our repressed thanksgiving in prayer and praise."

The chapels of the North and South Churches were most hospitably opened for our reception and entertainment at half-past twelve o'clock, and we were refreshed by an abundant collation and an hour of informal intercourse.

The afternoon session was opened at two o'clock by the singing of Miss Child's hymn, "Light for the Nations! Light!" which was followed by the report of the Nominating Committee and the election of officers for
the ensuing year, in whose behalf Miss Gilman offered an earnest prayer.

Cordial greetings were then extended by the Hartford and Eastern Connecticut Branches through their Presidents. Miss Gilman's closing words were very pleasant, referring to the undercurrent of sympathy connecting all the branches of the Foreign work: "Rejoice and give thanks for this fellowship! Let us continue to love one another, 'for love is of God.'"

Reports from auxiliaries in Middlesex and Litchfield counties were then read by the Vice-presidents, who gave favorable reports of a growing intelligence in mission work in these counties.

After the singing of "My Faith looks up to Thee," Miss Hinsdale offered prayer for the auxiliary societies; that more zeal and wisdom in this great cause be given them, and that from sitting together in heavenly places we might all go out into the world and to our work with new strength and courage.

A solo, "Come unto Me," was listened to with pleasure, after which Miss Clarkson, recently from Japan, was introduced. No report of Miss Clarkson's address can give any idea of its force. She said that the first week of last January was the twenty-fifth anniversary of the week of prayer and of Christian work in Japan; at that time special prayer was offered for an outpouring of the Holy Spirit, which received speedy and unmistakable answer. The extreme zeal of some of the recent converts was cited as sometimes affording amusing trials to the missionaries' temper and humility, as when two young boys visited one of our missionaries, desiring to pray with him that he might obtain the fulness of peace which they had themselves so recently found. Miss Clarkson represented the progress of mission work
in Japan as truly marvelous. It has been so hard to reach the old mothers, but, after years of prayer and waiting, this is being accomplished, and whole families are coming to Christ. Persons of high rank are begging admittance to the Sunday schools; churches are being established free from debt; in Osaka a reading circle somewhat like the Chautauquan has been formed; native Christians are obliged, in certain districts, to undergo considerable persecution from the government, but they do undergo it, and suffer bravely; these things show great gain. In closing, Miss Clarkson spoke an earnest word in behalf of Japan to the young ladies, pleading for their thoughtful consideration and assistance, and urging that, if possible, some should devote themselves personally to this field.

Extracts of letters from Miss Gleason and Mrs. Schneider, from Constantinople, were read by Miss Prudden, in which not only our sympathy and aid, but our prayers were implored. Mrs. Hart said that such requests could not be overlooked, and Miss Child offered an earnest prayer for the many who have renounced the joys of home and country and have offered themselves as living sacrifices unto the Lord.

Mrs. Hart made a report of great interest concerning the resolution offered last year by the New Haven Branch and forwarded to Boston with a view of ameliorating the condition of suffering widows in India. The Boston ladies deemed it wise to confer with women across the sea, which conference resulted in a correspondence between Lord Shaftsbury and Edward Perrin, extracts from which were read. Lord Shaftsbury states that social evils are much harder to legislate upon than ecclesiastical, and that for the English government to interfere with the child marriages or the condition of
widows in India would be highly impracticable. His plea is for an increase of missionaries and for the vigorous pushing of Christianity which, he says, is the remedy for this evil.

The second hymn on the programme was then sung as a duett, in the chorus of which many of the ladies joined.

If it be not out of the province of one who is simply recording the facts of the day, we would enter a little protest against the feeble and spiritless singing of both morning and afternoon. Where so many earnest women inspired by one idea, and feeling a thrill of sympathy in the very atmosphere are gathered together as filled the North Church at our last annual meeting, from the very singing of the hymns should arise a power and inspiration for us all to carry into each meeting of the year. Let us "Sing forth the honor of His name; make His praise glorious."

Mr. Leitch continued his address of the morning, giving many interesting details of educational mission work in Ceylon, rousing genuine enthusiasm over the conscientious tithe-giving of the heathen converts, as well as over the rigid economy practiced by many of our missionaries in order that part of their salaries may be devoted directly to their work. Mr. Leitch closed his remarks by saying, "The churches are as yet only playing at missions, as you would all realize could you see the grand openings on the fields."

It was voted that the President appoint the Nominating Committee for next year. Delegates were elected to attend the Annual Meeting at Boston in the autumn. Comprehensive resolutions of thanks were offered to the ladies of Bridgeport for their welcome and hospitality. After these and a few minor matters of
business had been attended to, Mr. Leitch offered prayer. After singing "Praise God from whom all blessings flow," we went out into the broader, more trying world of daily toil and service. Did we carry a living inspiration with us? Let this year's work answer. 

MRS. P. M. SNYDER.
We are told that when the Danish sculptor, Thorwaldsen, returned to his native land with those rare and wonderful works of art, chiseled with patient toil and glowing inspiration in Italy, the servants who unpacked the marbles scattered upon the ground the straw which was wrapped around them; the next summer flowers like those in the gardens of Rome were blooming in the streets of Copenhagen.

It seems but a few hours since we said "good evening" at our last annual meeting, but we know that those hours are days, weeks and months, and that wrapped in them are deeds chiseled in imperishable marbles by the Divine Sculptor through our feeble instrumentalities, that shall live on and on throughout all eternity. God grant that as we to-day, for the thirteenth time, unfold the wrapping, seeds may fall which shall produce flowers of amaranthine beauty to enrich the garden of our Lord.

Very mercifully has our Father dealt with the officers of the Branch, although some changes have been inevitable.

We have been obliged to accept the resignations of Mrs. J. B. Bonar, one of our efficient Litchfield County Vice Presidents, and from our Co-operative Committee, Miss N. F. Gay, Mrs. O. H. White, Mrs. G. T. Ladd, Mrs. E. C. Kimball and Mrs. Cyrus Northrop.

The monthly meetings of the Branch have been unusually interesting during the entire year. In addition
to the reports of the Treasurers and Secretaries, and the letters from Missionaries we have had addresses from Miss Annie Ross, Home Missionary of the Presbyterian Board, Mrs. Mudge of Lucknow, India, of the Methodist Board, Mrs. DeForest previous to her departure to resume her work in Japan, Mrs. Logan, from Micronesia, Miss Evans, from North China, and Miss Landfeer, a teacher at the Hugenot Seminary, South Africa.

The following sentences from letters received from the auxiliaries show an increasing love for the work, and an appreciation of the helpfulness of the meetings; their own auxiliary meetings, county meetings, and the annual meeting of the Branch."

"I enjoyed the annual meeting so much." "I do so want the report of that May meeting to stir up our ladies at home as the meeting did those who were present." "Our room was full of interested listeners, and all felt it to be a good meeting." "A larger attendance than usual gladdens our hearts; I hope that more will be present next week." "Who shall estimate this one influence for good in thus meeting together?" "Surely influence has no nights, and keeps no Sabbaths."

The Bureau of Intelligence continues to be a most important agent in the Home work. Hundreds of missionary letters have been sent to auxiliaries and mission circles.

Extracts from letters in return will prove that these letters are gladly received. "I have been much interested in the letter which you sent, but have delayed its return as I wanted one or two sick ones to see it." "Thanks for the letter; our Pastor read it at the Sabbath School Concert last night." "We are in the midst of study about women's work, and I want all the information that I can get; especially of the work of the New
Haven Branch.” “We are all taking hold with new zeal.” “We hope to raise more money than ever before.”

The annual County meetings, which were held in the autumn, were characterized by an unusual degree of fervor and missionary zeal. Together with the usual reports of auxiliaries there were suggestive papers, missionary letters and addresses by missionaries who were present: Mrs. Leonard, formerly at Marsovan, Turkey; at the Middlesex County meeting, held at Higganum, Oct. 10; Mrs. Joseph Cook, at the Litchfield County meeting, held at Lakeville, Oct. 18; Miss Proctor, from Aintab, Turkey, and Miss Landfeer, a teacher at the Hugenot Seminary, South Africa; at the New Haven County meeting, held at Meriden, Oct. 25; Mrs. Hume, Foreign Corresponding Secretary of the Branch, and formerly a Missionary in India, and Mrs. Logan, from Micronesia, at the Fairfield County meeting, held at Ridgefield, Nov. 2. A marked feature of these meetings is the devotional meeting. At the Middlesex County meeting a praise and thank-offering service brought into the treasury one hundred and eleven dollars.

In June a neighborhood meeting was held at Sharon, to which twelve auxiliaries were invited. There was a large attendance and much interest manifested.

Our President and Home Secretary each sent New Years' letters to the auxiliaries, expressing sympathy with them in the work, and also giving helpful suggestions.

A complete set of maps has been given to the Branch, which will be of great service in studying the mission fields.

The reports of the monthly meetings which are sent to each County Vice-President out of New Haven, by Miss May Hart, are much appreciated by them, and call forth warm expressions of gratitude.
The Mission Circle Department shows strength and vigor. Its Secretary says:

"The interest among most of our Mission Circles grows deeper as well as broader, year by year. This depth is shown by the larger number of those who are working because they love the work rather than for some favorite leader or their own 'good times.' More of the young ladies' Circles are finding the Sunday meeting a source of added spiritual strength, and are coming to think it a privilege rather than a duty to attend."

Two local union meetings, one at Bridgeport and the other in New Haven, have proved what inspiration may be gained from one another. Both were enthusiastic and stimulating. The suggestion that the young ladies should unite in a New Years' thank-offering was so generally adopted as to account, in many cases, for the ready response to the recent call for money for the new Dispensary in North China. Four hundred dollars they have pledged toward this object in addition to their usual work.

The Childrens' Circles have been quickened by their interest in the new "Morning Star," and it is hoped that they will be ready to assume shares in its running expenses through the coming years of its usefulness. Our youngest stockholder is a baby-boy of three months, whose contribution has already been given that he may be "headed toward the missionary work," as his mother remarked.

Six names have been dropped from our list, but the loss is not wholly disheartening. One has graduated into the ladies' society, and two others still exist in direct connection with the American Board, leaving but three that have really died. The work has broadened on the other hand by fourteen new circles.
The young ladies' force have received vigorous and promising additions from Stratford, Norfolk, Wallingford, Second Church, Fair Haven, and the Humphrey Street Church, New Haven; while by the process of division which multiplies, Milford, New Britain and Meriden have given us each a band from the older members of the childrens' circle.

The childrens' army has been recruited by "Buds of Promise," in Goshen, "Willing Workers," in Danbury, "Pearl Seekers," in the Park Street Church, Bridgeport, "Alpha Band," Stratford, and "Acorn Band," in the Church of the Redeemer, New Haven, and a circle in the College Church.

Reorganization has brought forward the Sunbeams of West Haven, and the Young Ladies' Mission Circle of East Haven with all the vigor of new societies.

Mention should be made of the two leaflets which are the outcome of the Mission Circle Department—Miss Eastman's "Best ways of raising money in Mission Circles," and Miss Prudden's "Junior Forces."

The children's Fast Day Service, held in New Haven, has become one of the regular meetings of the Branch, and, aside from the pleasure which the children derive from it, it may be considered an important factor in awakening interest in the work of foreign Missions.

A large audience, composed in a great part of children, gathered at the Centre Church last Good Friday afternoon to listen to the attractive programme, which consisted of Scripture reading, prayer, remarks by the Chairman, Dr. W. W. McLane, of the College Street Church, singing by a chorus of boys, recitation by a bright-faced little boy of "The Children's Crusade," concert exercise on Micronesia, and an address by Capt. Bray, of the ship Morning Star. Captain Bray held the close attention of the
children as he told them about "Your Ship," and "perhaps we may sail past New Haven, and if you say to stop here, so that you can see your ship, I shall have to obey orders, for I am your captain." One little mite of a boy was heard to say, as there was a slight noise which prevented him from hearing, "I wish those children would keep still, for I want to hear my Captain."

The record of the year thus presented marks growth in interest, depth of feeling, and a stronger sense of individual responsibility. Several auxiliaries have been quickened, and one added to our number; but we touch a minor chord when we still must say that there are churches within our borders in which there is no auxiliary, and also, that there are still Christian women whose names are not enrolled as members of our auxiliaries. In view of this we each should ask with great earnestness, "What can I do?" If we do this with sincere prayer for guidance when we come again to tell the yearly story, there will be both flowers and fruit from the seeds which fall to-day.

Mrs. S. L. Cady.
REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

Sixteen years ago, posted up in Japan, you might have seen the Royal Edict, just where it had been two hundred and thirty years, which read thus:

"So long as the sun shall warm the earth, let no Christian be so bold as to come to Japan; and let all know, that the king of Spain himself, or the Christian's God, or the great God of all, if he violate this command, shall pay for it with his head."

To-day, 1884, there are eighty-eight Protestant churches in Japan, with more than seven thousand members, and other thousands convinced of the truth of Christianity. A marvelous change in sixteen years! This is gratifying not only in the numbers; but the choicest of spiritual blessings have fallen on these churches. A year ago, during a conference of the Christians at Tokio, telegrams reached America saying: "The day of Pentecost has surely come to Japan," and there was, indeed, a true pentecostal season, marked by an extraordinary spirit of prayer, forgiveness, and Christian love, so that even the heathen exclaimed, "What a change." Within a month we have heard of a second revival in Japan.

Our missionary, Mrs. DeForest, who was with us at our last meeting, and with her husband and children has since returned to their work, writes: "We met with an
enthusiastic welcome, and rejoice to find a most delightful spirit among the Christians, proving the depth and power of the revival."

Neighborhood meetings have been established in many localities. Often fifty, of all ages, gather for the female prayer meeting; and in hundreds of homes, morning and evening, the sound of prayer and praise is heard.

A native pastor, a talented man, was invited to speak in a mass meeting and replied, "If it is for Christ Jesus I will, but I have no strength to waste upon other matters."

The new year, which is always ushered in with festivities, was opened this year in many quarters with prayer meetings which continued in different places all day. Mrs. DeForest's letter closed with saying, "I pity the good people of America, who cannot see with their own eyes, the great work going on in Japan."

China, which contains one-fifth of the world's population, has offered almost insuperable barriers to Christianity. Yet in the few years since the country was opened to foreigners, different missionary societies,—in all over thirty,—have pressed into each opening until almost every province has some Christian mission. The Protestant Church in China numbers now at least thirty thousand. The American Board's mission has twenty-five churches, some of them quite self-reliant and aggressive. One of the associates of our beloved missionary, Miss Andrews, located at Tung Cho, North China, writes, "I cannot begin to tell you how much I owe to the daily example of such a consecrated life as Miss Andrews' has been. Although absent in America on account of her health, two or three years at one time, she has had more or less to do with everything
that has been begun at Tung Cho. With a little frail body, she astonishes us with the amount of work accomplished. She is thoroughly consecrated, lives in the spirit of prayer, and is an earnest seeker of souls. Her work has been largely for the women, not one coming to our homes to live, for ever so short a time, who has not profited by her instructions; while the little girls also, have been taught by her. At certain seasons she visits the villages, going from house to house. But, perhaps, where her teaching has told the most has been in the school, where she has almost from the first had classes in Bible study. She has also had much to do in forming the characters of the theological students, for she is a rare Bible scholar."

In a recent religious awakening six young married Chinese women, who had been under Miss Andrews' teaching were converted; and these with other ten were received into the church. The women's prayer meetings have been a very important means of strengthening and developing the Christian characters of those who attend. They have a missionary society of their own which includes every woman in the church; and their contributions support a Bible woman in India. Miss Andrews, in addition to other duties, visits the Dispensary where she reaches sin-sick souls with the gospel remedy.

Medical work, among Chinese women and children, has been greatly blessed. Miss Dr. Holbrook, a well educated missionary physician from Rockland, Mass., has opened a Dispensary under very favorable auspices in Tung Cho, for which the Woman's Board of Missions is erecting a new building at a cost of fifteen hundred dollars.

The girls' boarding school at Foochow, the "little
paradise” of the celestial empire, where six of our choicest pupils are being educated, is very promising. There are twenty boarders in the school, three of them studying medicine under Dr. Whitney. The standard of study has been raised; and the girls, in turn, teach a small school in the mission compound, thus at once bringing into use the education they have acquired. A disaster, too common in our missions, has befallen this school; Miss Newton, the principal, has been laid aside by overwork. This is the more to be regretted as there has been great religious interest in the school. Four have united with the church and others give good evidence of conversion.

The Chinese Missions have recently lost in the death of Prof. S. Wells Williams one of their best friends. Perhaps no other man has done more for China in life, work and gifts.

One of our missionaries said in a recent letter, “The birds sing as I never heard them sing in former years, but it may be my soul has more ears to hear than formerly,” and again, “I am intensely glad over what the Lord is doing in India.”

If to-day our ears are tuned and our hearts gladdened by the same Holy Spirit, we too must rejoice over the triumphs of Christianity among the two hundred and fifty millions of that land. Progress in a country where ninety-eight languages are spoken, and which has such a history and such religious as India, means vastly more than in most mission fields.

The Government has an educational system that provides primary education for all who will avail themselves of it. It also supports colleges with medical and philosophical departments, in all the presidencies. Generous grants are made to mission schools, for boys or
girls of certain grades; and best of all the people, even the women, are beginning to value and improve these opportunities.

The example and influence of Pandita Ramabai has seemed to awaken the women of high caste to a new life, practically severing the chains of exclusion; while the mission schools by a thorough education and Christian training have raised multitudes of the lower castes.

The girls' boarding school in Ahmednuggar is the largest school of the kind supported by the Woman's Board in India, having one hundred and fifty scholars. A full course of four years is required for graduation, which qualifies for teaching. The pupils are all required to do their cooking and house-work. The past year they made uncommonly fine progress in singing, giving at the last public examination a dialogue sung in Sanscrit scholks. The singing was inimitable, and a good specimen of native "high art" in music. The examinations were very satisfactory, and "the girls conducted themselves most praiseworthy." A heathen editor who was present, expressed in his paper great gratification at what education had done for these "low caste" girls. He might better have said Christian education. Twenty-one members of this school were recently received into the church, among these were some of the seventeen girls whom the New Haven Branch supports. This school is under the care of the Misses Fairbank and Harding.

Mrs. Hume, our missionary in Bombay, Western India, writes: "Our work is enlarging in every department; we need four times as many workers and should be crowded then. Several times when pressed beyond measure to find some one who would in our extremity take up certain duties, help has come in some unex-
pected way and we have taken it as God's method of answering your prayers for us. In my heart to-day have been thoughts of your annual meeting a month hence, and, first of all, I beg you will join us in thanksgivings for our many mercies. Our own family, except the baby, has had better health than in any previous year. Our new and comfortable house has been a constant blessing. Small pox wrought great ravages in Bombay last spring, and two of our Christian day scholars died. One of the boarders was attacked, but recovered. This made it necessary to disband the school for several weeks. But in June we reorganized, when the standard was raised and the school has been very prosperous. The numbers have reached ninety-nine, crowding some classes into the veranda and two into the mission house. The pupils are all taught, beside school routine, to do their own work and take up practical duties, thus removing all lines of caste. There has been a marked seriousness, especially among the girls; and three have been received into the church. This is one of the New Haven Branch schools. The boys and girls have each a mission circle. The former is called "Well Wishers of the People," the latter "Ten Times One." They meet weekly and are very enthusiastic over the "earning to give." The Sabbath school and Bible classes of men and women are working wonders among old and young. Two poor working women committed to memory the 119th Psalm in a month, and one, the mother of five children, who does her own work, learned the Epistle to the Hebrews and repeated it from beginning to end in just half an hour without one repetition or mistake. All this was done by keeping the Bible open before her while occupied with her household duties.
The Balbodh Me\ya, which Mrs. Hume conducts, is the only Christian paper for children in the Mahrathi language. Some generous donations in the line of illustrations sent from America have helped to make this a very popular paper.

The Madura Mission in Southern India has just held a semi-centennial celebration at their oldest and central station. A tabernacle was erected to accommodate two thousand people, over which waved the English and American flags. An arch was erected and the old heathen historic city of Madura rang with Christian music as never before; while the processions from surrounding villages and the schools marched with banners and musical instruments to the place of gathering. Two days were occupied with the services, which consisted of memorial papers, addresses by missionaries and natives, and exercises by the children. The meeting closed with a grand thank offering and the communion service where at least one thousand sat down together.

The reports and statistics were a grand response to those who are asking "Watchman, what of the night?" One church in thirty years has increased from forty-seven to five hundred and sixty members; while others have a similar history.

Mrs. Capron's desire to bring a thousand women in Madura under her teachings and influence has been fulfilled; many more also through her medical labors, have been brought to know something of the truth. Mrs. Capron claims that "there can be no more delightful work than is found among the responsive young girls. Our Lord Himself responds to the young heart that turns to Him, and many a school girl in the early morning looks heavenward as she repeats the morning words, "I am the bright and morning star," and "They that seek me early shall find me."
The death of Mr. Rendall and the return of Miss Rendall to America has deprived the Madura Boarding School for girls of the valuable superintendence and instruction it has had for years. The standard of the school has been raised and the "Government Grant in Aid" received for a highly creditable examination. There are seventy pupils this year, of whom ten belong to the New Haven Branch. Nine of the last graduates have been employed as teachers, a number have expressed a desire to unite with the church, of whom six have been received during the year.

The Pulnai orphanage for the famine waifs, has been removed with Mr. and Mrs. Chandler to Battalagunde, but we still continue to hold a share in this school.

In Ceylon, one of the oldest missions of the American Board, the churches and some of the largest schools are supported entirely by the natives. They send out their own colporteurs, Bible Readers, and companies of Christians, who support and mainly conduct Sabbath schools, local meetings, and sacred kirthans among the heathen. They have their Blue Ribbon Army, Circulating Libraries, and this year in ten of the largest Sabbath schools they had Christmas trees. While preparing for the holidays children were heard on every side, in lane and field, school and home, singing Christmas choruses, or repeating texts and hymns. The Christians are very active and are beginning to realize that no church, or family, or soul is impoverished by giving to the Lord. The vacuum thus produced is the very place the Holy Spirit is waiting to fill. One church has doubled its membership in three years; and one hundred inquirers are waiting to be received. Their Sabbath schools are a most important agency. The teachers prepare themselves with all our "Home Helps," having the Interna-
tional Lessons translated into Tamil; Peloubet's Notes are also used. All the scholars, old and young, repeat the Golden Texts.

The marvelous power of one consecrated life was strikingly manifested, during the recent illness and death of Miss Agnew, one of the older missionaries. Although a plain, modest woman, she had proved her love to the people by laboring among them forty-four years without once visiting her native land. Her funeral services were attended by Government officers, native officials, missionaries, native pastors, teachers, catechists and an immense crowd of both Christians and heathen.

The Oodoxpitty Girls' Boarding School is one of the oldest institutions, and has sent out some of the most valuable helpers. Last year the school had thirty pupils, seven of whom are supported by our auxiliaries. We have also two Bible women in this mission.

In Turkey, we have three missionaries: Mrs. Williams, now in this country for her health, Mrs. Schneider in Constantinople, and Mrs. Bond, our medical missionary in Monastir, European Turkey. Mrs. Williams has been so long at the head of the Constantinople Home that it is difficult to think of this school into which she has woven so much of her consecrated life and wise counsels without her. But she assures us that the Misses Hamlin and Patrick, with others recently sent out, are fully competent to take its management. There are at present one hundred pupils, of whom more than half are boarders and the school-room is filled to overflowing. Girls of eight different nationalities live together in perfect harmony, even the eight from Turkish families. Two of the latter are beautiful girls, who have attended four years regularly and are among the most obedient and
interested learners. To all who visit the school it is a marvel that children of so many nationalities and religions should be so happy in a school where Christian influence and training are prominent features. All learn English; but the Bible is taught to each in her native tongue.

Mrs. Schneider has a true mission house, in the center of Constantinople, to which all classes and ages come for instruction in the Word of God, given by herself and her associates in several languages. She has opened two coffee rooms in different parts of the city, where a welcome awaits Greeks, Turks, Armenians and other nationalities. Bibles, tracts, and other Christian books, and all the available papers lie upon the tables. Pastors and helpers give such time as they can to discussions upon Christian themes in these rooms where crowds gather. Mrs. Schneider’s Sabbath school in her own house is one of the most interesting ever found in that old Mohammedan metropolis. Old men and young, women and children, often as many as one hundred and forty, come there to study the Bible. In one room are fifty Turkish-speaking men, in another twenty Armenians; in a third a class of Greeks. Miss Gleason gathers a large class of women in her own room; another lady takes the girls; while the infant class is gathered in an adjoining house. Mrs. Schneider seems to have a new lease of life for carrying on this extraordinary work; and all who pray “thy kingdom come,” should give her work one special petition.

Throughout Turkey, one of the most wretchedly governed countries in the world, crushed and impoverished by corrupt Mohammedan officials, Protestant Missions have quietly carried their Bible and their principles into every important center, from Persia on the east to the
Adriatic on the west, from the Indian Ocean and Mediterranean on the south to the Danube and Black Sea on the north. The dead faiths of the Oriental churches are being vitalized; Moslems awakened; and the whole fabric of society is being shaken and renewed.

European Turkey is successfully resisting the duplex oppression of Russia and Turkey; the kingdom of Bulgaria is emerging from under the influence and power of the dominant races; while best of all, the people in many places have been visited with a work of grace and the Christians greatly revived. In one village (Ruyledere) a small company of believers resolved to build a church with a parsonage, when every one put their hands to the work; even women and children carried bricks and mortar. The result is a large strong house, by far the best in the town.

Mrs. Bond says of their removal to Monastir: "It has been like the uprooting of a tree, only time will establish us in the new place, but in it all we feel sure of our Heavenly Father's approval, and this is our comfort." Monastir shared in the recent revival, which reached the school as also the entire community. Pupils came one by one quietly to the teachers to be instructed about their soul's welfare, and in one of their prayer meetings fifty girls spoke. All the people seemed hungry for the Word of God. Mrs. Bond's medical work opens up unlimited opportunities for telling of Jesus. She gives many instances of bitter opposers who have become warm friends and some of them true Christians, as the result of prescriptions and care for the sick. She says: "The simple earnestness of these inquirers is beautiful. They receive the truth like little children; but they, and we all need your prayers."
The church in Marsovan, Western Turkey, has enjoyed a precious quickening resulting in much penitence and humbling before God. The reconciliation of brethren long estranged has proved a great blessing. The Girl's Boarding School shared in this revival and was never larger or more satisfactory than it is now. There are sixty girls in the school, more than half of them boarders. Ten of these are supported by the New Haven Branch. The return of their good teacher, Anna Felician, after two years in America, has proved a great comfort and valuable aid. She has entered actively into all kinds of Christian work; and to the great joy of the mothers has organized two Kindergartens which the people support themselves.

Nectar, one of the earlier graduates of the Marsovan school, and for several years a New Haven Branch beneficiary, has just completed a Concordance in the Armenian language. It is a book much needed, as there was nothing of the kind. She gave all her possible leisure when teaching, and after she was married, to this work. When it was completed she wrote to a friend: "With my feeble pen I cannot make known the trials and difficulties of these five and a half years over this work; and I do not wish to if I could. I have done it for the Lord. He knows the sighs and tears it cost me. I look not to men for my reward."

The New Haven Branch supports four girls in Miss Twichell's school in Broosa. Most thrilling reports of the religious interest in this school have reached us. The girls have all been seeking Christ and now with a sweet spirit are trying to win others into the kingdom.

We support one scholar in Miss Closson's school in Talas. Most encouraging reports come from this school. In ten years sixty-two girls have united with the church, and forty of the graduates are teaching.
The New Haven Branch has nine village day schools in Turkey taught by graduates of the girls' boarding schools. One of the missionaries says: "To be a teacher in a village school in Turkey means to be a home missionary, Bible reader, teacher and pastor, all in one."

Our oldest and much honored missionary, Mrs. Edwards in South Africa, has been relieved of the care of the seminary to which she has given the best of her missionary life. Her work is now in the villages where she has established schools and gathers congregations of a hundred or more from the kraals. She visits and counsels the women in their own homes, many of whom have been her pupils in the seminary. She has unbounded influence with those she has trained, and her motherly influence will be a great blessing to all the families thus reached.

Mr. and Mrs. Richards assist Miss Price in the care of the Inanda Seminary, which has been more than full with fifty scholars. Mr. Tyler writes of the great joy with which the girls received the Zulu Bibles "which have just come to them in their own tongue." He says further, "These girls seem to have stepped a long way out of the darkness of heathenism, and prove by their explanations that they know better than ever what the light means and what an infinite blessing has come to them through the gospel." "The tidy intelligent girls that leave this Christian home seem," one of the missionaries says, "like other beings from those who came to us three or four years ago, with the wild manners and half wild dress of Kraal girls." We support eleven girls in this, the oldest boarding school in the Zulu mission. Its graduates, many of them now wives and mothers, are everywhere recognized by their striking contrast in life, dress and manners to their sisters.
Mrs. Gulick said in a late letter from Spain: "It is only eleven years since we came to this mission, where our single handed efforts have been specially owned of the Lord. The Board has five stations, with a number of out stations. Some three hundred children are under instruction. Several thousand copies of Bibles and gospels were sold last year, and the progress of the truth was proved when, in November, Spain joined in celebrating a Luther Festival. Now the gospel can be preached in every part of the land of the Inquisition."

The Girls' Boarding School, the "Mt. Holyoke of Spain" at San Sebastian, we rejoice to say, is in a new and commodious building; has twenty-three pupils, most of them earnest Christians. Two of these are supported by the New Haven Branch. Mrs. Gulick says: "We could have fifty pupils immediately, if we could be assured of as many free scholarships."

Some of the ladies of the New Haven Branch must remember the late Mrs. Schauffler's letters, full of tender pleadings for good pastor Schubert's school at Kraabenschitz in Austria; as also her beautiful words of acknowledgment when, ten years ago, requisite funds were sent. Now that the dear woman rests from her labors we may profitably ask if there is not a new and still tenderer meaning to her entreaties for aid for the same institution. Pastor Schubert himself writes, "The few have become many. Sixty girls are crowded into the building and thirty more have applied for whom there is no room." The sacrifices of pastor Schubert and his wife for this school have been most remarkable; and now they are really rejoicing over results. One teacher says, "There are twenty-four in my class, and nearly all love Jesus." Many a heart rejoices to-day over what these pupils and the families they reach with the torch of divine truth are doing in the land of Huss.
A peculiar and important work is accomplished in most of these countries by the native Christian Bible women, who go from village to village, or house to house, with the primer and Bible, doing a grand work. Mrs. Capron writes that in Madura seven hundred and twenty-six women have received Christian instruction from these workers during the year in their own houses; and two hundred and fifty-three of them are already reading the Bible. Fifty-four have removed to other localities, but all took Bibles with them; and many of the pupils testify to the comfort they get from it in times of trial. One poor woman taken ill with cholera in the night said to her mother that in their loneliness they must turn to the Lord; and recalling a verse she had learned, added: "That is the language of heaven, and heaven's king has worded it so that we can understand it;" when she kept repeating: "God so loved the world," etc.

The Bible women often tell with surprise how God reveals to them the right words to answer cavilers, or to comfort and encourage those who need. To one of them a learner said: "You Christians treat your Bible as if it were a live thing." In Madura alone the Bible women have had sixteen thousand listeners. One in the Marathi mission had last year two hundred and five places where she gathered the women for instruction and reported four thousand hearers. The New Haven Branch supports eight of these faithful workers in the Marathi mission; two in North China; two in Madura; three in Ceylon, one in Bombay, and two in Turkey. All bring similar reports to those given. It is not that these assistants are always the choicest converts, although great care is taken in selecting and training them for their duties, but the kind of work they are
doing, with the great need they feel of more than human wisdom, prudence, and love, drives them to the true source of Christian power.

A peculiar charm rests upon the name "isles of the sea" and "gems of the ocean." About two thousand of these jewels are comprised in the four groups we call Micronesia. The old enemy held full possession of these beautiful little islands until thirty years ago, when the first missionaries went to them. They were inhabited then by savages of the lowest type, many of them cannibals. It was a risk of life to go among these peoples; yet our missionaries, with no possible way of escape and under great privations, took up their abode among them, won their confidence, reduced their languages to writing, taught them to read and write, translated the Bible or portions of it into the native tongues, and have introduced many of the arts of civilized life.

More than one hundred of the Micronesian islands have now accepted Christianity; and about fifty churches have been organized. They have houses, schools, and churches of their own. In no part of the world have greater triumphs of grace been wrought, than among these islanders. Their only highway is the ocean; and for the missionaries, with their helpers, the little ship "Morning Star" is almost the only conveyance and means of communication with the rest of the world. The old ship, as is well known, now plying back and forth with missionaries, teachers, books, clothing and food of all kinds, as also the yearly mail, is nearly worn out; and the children are to have the privilege of building a new one. Those who contribute through the New Haven Branch have promised to give five hundred dollars towards the new "Morning Star;"
and have taken two hundred dollars worth of permanent shares in its running expenses. As it is to be the children's property it will be built of the best material, equipped with an engine and fine outfit, and officered with good men.

We have reason to thank God today for the privilege of a share in our Lord's work for the redemption of Africa, Turkey, India, China, Japan, Ceylon, Austria, Spain, and the isles of the sea. Still more shall we praise Him when we see those whom we have helped to bring out of darkness, coming "from the east and from the west, from the north and from the south, to sit down with us forever in the kingdom of God.

Mrs. H. D. Hume.
COUNTY REPORTS AND ABSTRACTS.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY—NORTHERN DIVISION.

The annual meeting of Fairfield County was held at Ridgefield, November 2d, 1883. Fourteen towns were represented by delegates and twenty-six societies and circles by reports. The reports of the mission circles were of especial interest, showing that the work is gathering recruits from the young ladies, and the girls and boys of our county.

Mrs. Logan, of the Micronesian Mission, was present, and told us of the spreading of the Gospel story amid the Islands of the Sea, and the wonderful changes it was making among their awakening population. Despite her brave, strong spirit, we felt the loneliness of the missionary life upon those far-off coral isles and have borne ever since upon our hearts her account of the patient, sorrowful waiting for the "Morning Star."

Letters have been received from time to time during the winter from many societies, recording new interest and encouragement from the date of the Ridgefield meeting.

Bethel.—Since the annual meeting in November, the monthly meeting has been renewed with good attendance and increasing interest.

Brookfield Centre.—This society, though small, sends its subscriptions with commendable regularity. They keep up the monthly meetings, claiming the promise where even "two or three" are gathered in His name.
**Danbury.**—The report at the annual county meeting showed enthusiasm and success. Unfortunately I have obtained no later information. A thriving Mission Circle of girls and boys was started last fall.

**Easton.**—Owing to severe weather and the scattered population, meetings have been discontinued during the winter. With the opening spring they hope for renewed interest.

**Georgetown.**—No report has reached us from this society because of the absence of officers.

**Monroe.**—This society reports little progress for the past year, but a new hope for the year to come.

**Newtown.**—No regular meetings are held. The contributions, though small, are reported as regular and according to the means of the givers.

**Redding.**—Meetings are held and well attended, the outlook is hopeful. The secretary writes “thanking God, we take courage.” The “Ready Folks” are all alive and enter into the spirit of missionary work with the splendid enthusiasm of girls and boys.

**Ridgefield.**—This society sustained a great loss in the death of their devoted president, Mrs. Kendall. Regular and interesting meetings are held and the prospect is very encouraging. Several active members have been removed by death, but those who are left have taken up the burden and bear it nobly. The hearty welcome given by the Ridgefield ladies to the annual county meeting will long be remembered throughout the county.

**Trumbull.**—Meetings are held quarterly. Continued interest in the work is shown by the contributions which are cheerfully given.

Cordelia Sterling.
Bridgeport reports enlargement of gifts, increase in interest, with constant sympathy and cooperation with their many mission circles. At their annual meeting in January they were permitted to rejoice in the joint contribution of over one thousand dollars given to the foreign work. Their mission circles held a union meeting in January last which was full of interest and helpfulness. Miss Landfear and Miss Evans addressed the young ladies, and Miss Prudden asked for special contributions for the Tung Cho Dispensary, N. China. The North Church circle has increased in membership and they still feel that their weekly prayer meetings are an especial help and blessing to them. They have been aiding the ladies of the auxiliary in sewing for Miss Evans. They have not had entertainments for the purpose of raising money, but recently they had a very successful missionary sociable, to which the gentlemen were invited. The church parlors were prettily decorated and the entertainment consisted of an hour devoted to missionary exercises, followed by refreshments and a “good time generally.” An admission of ten cents was asked to cover expenses, so it was called “A Dime Sociable.” “The Cheerful Workers” have kept on with “unabated interest.” The members all have “Little brown Jugs” at home in which to put their pennies, and each gives two cents at every meeting. The Park Street “Mission Circle” say “we are decreasing instead of increasing, both in interest and members,” but “we still work and hope, and pray.” In spite of discouragements they have taken a share in the Tung Cho Dispensary, in addition to their regular contributions, and
have organized a new mission band, called "The Pearl Seekers."

The young ladies of the South Church Mission Circle have commenced holding their meetings on Sunday. They say, "we recommend Sunday meetings by all means. Our circle is a pleasure to us all now," and "we never have had so general an interest." The "Mission Dew Drops" have a continually increasing interest in their work. They had their jug-breaking and happy counting of the contents just before the departure of their faithful leader, who has removed from the city, transferring the care of the circle to other hands.

_Darien._—The society held sixteen distinctly missionary meetings through the year. At two of these meetings Mrs. Thomas Gulick and Mrs. DeForest were present and thrilled their hearts with earnest words. They have been stimulated to greater effort by fresh letters from different mission stations. The young ladies have prepared some interesting papers on the missions in India. A "thank offering box" has found a place at their gatherings, to be a monthly reminder of what they owe unto their Lord. They held two prayer meetings during the week of prayer and a special one at the time of the annual meeting of the Board in Boston. The leader of the mission circle writes: "This has been one of the most successful and happy years of the society." Their funds have been raised mainly by weekly pledges and the skillful use of their needles, a "garden party" having been their only entertainment. They have obtained subscriptions to the "Missionary Herald" and "Life and Light," thus securing for themselves a fine cloth map of the world. They have each for their own use a "sacrificing box" for special thank offerings. At the meetings which were largely attended an increase of devotional spirit was manifest.
Greenwich.—Monthly meetings have been held regularly, notwithstanding frequent storms. No missionary has been with them, but they have faithfully encouraged home talent in the preparation of papers. Stirring reports from branch and county meetings brought to them by delegates, with here a little and there a little from live missionary letters have kept their hearts beating warmly for the Master's cause. The circle "Beams of Light" are steadily increasing in numbers and earnestness. As their meetings are held in the evening, it was thought desirable to gather the children in the afternoon of the same day. This plan has been very successful, over sixty being present one afternoon, and what is better than all, the children are encouraged to earn their money.

Norwalk.—The secretary says, "we have continued about the same as to numbers." Their Sunday School mission circles are much interested in the Morning Star. One pleasant feature of their report is the receipt of several "thank offerings" given in almost every case after the union of some loved one with the church. There is no special word from the Junior circle and Sunbeams, but they are both flourishing. The young ladies' circle was merged into the auxiliary last year, and none has since been formed to take its place.

New Canaan.—During the winter, meetings have been called regularly and some have been present at each. They are considering the subject of a beneficiary, and feel that when this is satisfactorily arranged greater interest will be manifested. They are also hoping that some seed thought may be dropped into the hearts of their young people which will spring up and abound for the future strengthening of missionary work in their community.
North Stamford.—Though few in numbers, much interest is felt by those who attend the meetings. Their president has removed during the year, but her place is filled by an efficient vice-president. A slight increase in gifts over last year is reported.

Stamford.—This society has met with some discouragement in the removal of their president, and can report no increase of membership. They have found the mission studies of great help in their meetings, which are held regularly and the attendance is fair. Their young ladies are so actively engaged in home work that they as yet see no opening for a mission circle.

Stratford.—This society has been wonderfully blessed in large additions, owing to a special invitation and direct personal effort with the ladies of the church. Each member has been benefited by the meetings, and helped to appropriate the promise “he that watereth shall also be watered himself.” During the year two mission circles have been formed—one for young ladies, the other for little girls. The young ladies’ circle has rapidly increased in numbers. Meetings are held once in three weeks. They are very enthusiastic and their earnestness promises much for future results. They have been working for Miss Peet, who goes as a missionary to China. The Alpha Band was the immediate outgrowth of the County meeting at Ridgefield. A little girl there conceived the idea of such a work, went home full of the thing, and would give her friends no rest until she and her little mates were squarely started in this direction. They are being taught by their leader to take each her part in their meetings.

Stanwich.—When this circle was organized, it was supposed the children would carry it through, but as they did not, the older ones took hold of the work and it is now in a prosperous condition.
South Norwalk.—The study of Japan in connection with our missions has resulted in a good degree of interest. A willingness to read and prepare papers has been shown. Like others they have had disappointments, yet feel that God is showing them not to rely too much on human means. The secretary says, “I am truly thankful that our interest in missions is growing.” The young people are giving very efficient help, and in time we may expect a strong mission circle as the outgrowth.

Sound Beach.—Right here we enter upon our list a new auxiliary, and to these friends we extend a hearty welcome from the Branch. They organized in March with a membership of ten, which has increased four-fold. The secretary says, “We feel rather ignorant and helpless, but expect love and strength will increase as knowledge of the work is gained.

Westport.—The secretary says, “We have no marvelous things to tell, but the good hand of our God has been with us.” The use of “Mission Studies” has added much to the interest of the meetings. Miss Evans was with them in the summer and stirred them to greater faith and good works. Their minister has also helped them much. They have adopted a Bible reader under Miss Evans’ care. They expect a deeper inspiration in their work, and realize that the cause is getting a firmer hold upon their hearts.

Wilton.—Though their membership is smaller than formerly, they report increased contributions. The secretary writes, “We have concentrated our forces and done good work for our treasury.” They mourn the loss of some very efficient laborers, but the work goes on and their love knows no diminution. Their mission circle, “The Light Bearers,” have also decreased in numbers, but they do not give up. As the weather becomes
pleasanter they hope for a better attendance and larger membership. Their initiation fee is ten cents, and each gives one cent at every meeting.

MRS. N. E. GLEASON.

Litchfield County—Northern Division.

Canaan.—The average attendance at the meetings has been good, taking into account our scattered population and many stormy days. "The Bible in all lands" is taken and distributed.

Colebrook.—Unusual difficulties have prevented them from fulfilling the necessary pledge of an auxiliary the past year, but in future promise themselves the satisfaction of sustaining this relation.

Falls Village.—The church in Falls Village depend on the ladies to keep their church building in repair, and they sometimes feel discouraged about their society. But they have received help in unexpected ways, and their meetings are interesting. The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" are doing well. Good seed is being sown there which will bring forth fruit."

Harwinton.—The meetings are well attended with the same interest, and new members are occasionally added.

Morris.—Each member of the society has a field assigned for the year. Not only direct missionary intelligence, but the customs and habits of the people are narrated. The Secretary writes: "It is astonishing how full of China, Japan, India and Africa the secular newspapers are when one's eyes search for such intelligence."

New Hartford.—"We are sure that these meetings help keep alive our own zeal, and we hope by prayer,
effort and contribution the cause of missions is helped forward a little."

Norfolk.—The society is prosperous. At their annual meeting more than fifty were present. The Secretary writes: "We consider our distinctive work this year the formation of the 'Young Ladies Mission Band.' They meet once in two weeks, in the evening. Each member repeats a Scripture text, and missionary and devotional exercises are followed by sewing, and later, simple refreshments. The "Hillside Gleaners" feel their responsibility in the withdrawal of the older ones, and are earnestly at work. The "Mountain Wide Awakes," a society of little boys, have been active. They are working in brass. The treasury shows that all these societies are in earnest, and it is a cheering outlook that sixty or more young people in one of our towns have their eyes toward the foreign field.

Northfield.—This society has adopted a new feature this year, that of passing around a contribution box, for the penny taken from the postage. The increase of money gifts from former years is cheering. The "Steadfast Workers" have been faithful during the last year, and have found the missionary letters both helpful and interesting.

Salisbury.—"The County Meeting roused much interest in missions; but the most effective thing that has been done was the sending a package of envelopes and an earnest appeal to every woman in the congregation." The "Lakeside Workers" of Lakeville, joined the Branch early in the summer.

Sharon.—The average attendance at the monthly meetings is very good. The envelope system is the most successful in obtaining money gifts. The meeting in June was enjoyed, and felt to be of profit.
“Busy Bees” are at work, meeting once in two weeks, and are making fancy articles for a fair.

South Canaan.—The society is about the same in numbers and interest. They continue to meet with the Falls Village society.

Thomaston.—The Secretary writes that the missionary spirit holds good.

Torrington.—The interest continues, and the meetings are well sustained. The “Highland Workers” are proving themselves workers in every sense of the word. Last fall they gathered chestnuts, selling the same for five dollars. The girls make patchwork, and the boys work faithfully at picture puzzles, which have been sent to Anna Felician at Marsovan. All the members take part in reading and recitations, and are now studying mission work in “Africa.” Much enthusiasm is manifested by all.

Torrington First Church.—During the winter the meetings have been held on the Sabbath, and when they were limited for time, they have taken two Sundays. The Secretary writes: “The County Meeting in Norfolk in 1881 is one of the white days in my life.”

Torrington Second Church.—“An increased interest has been shown in the work, in the contributions, regular and special, and in subscriptions to the Missionary pamphlets and periodicals. Our hearts have warmed with love and tenderness as we have talked and prayed together concerning the extension of the Kingdom of Christ.”

Watertown.—Last July this society held its tenth annual meeting, and the treasurer reported seven hundred dollars as the amount raised since their formation. They do not rely on missionary letters as much as formerly, as each one brings their mite of information to each meeting.
Winsted.—The growth of this society is slow. The meetings are interesting, and the union of the two churches in this work constitutes a pleasant religious union each month. The “Mountain Daisies” meet once in two weeks, and are very faithful.

Miss M. P. Hinsdale.

Litchfield County—Southern Division.

The societies in the southern part of the county feel deeply the loss of Mrs. Bonar. Two new mission circles have been formed during the year—one in Cornwall and the other in Goshen.

Bethlehem.—The meetings have been held semi-monthly until the severity of the weather compelled them to discontinue for a few weeks. “Willing Hands” have followed the subjects in the Day Spring, of which there are twenty-five copies taken. They have also studied the “Morning Star” and its work. Some of the older girls have joined them this year.

Bridgewater.—The secretary writes: “Through the blessing of our Heavenly Father, we look back thankfully and forward hopefully. We rejoice for the blessings that have come to us through our meeting together, and that so good a degree of interest has been manifested. The average attendance at meetings is twelve.”

Cornwall.—“We have not been able to keep up meetings during the winter, but hope to re-commence them before long.”

Ellsworth.—The meetings commenced with unusual interest, but have been much interrupted by sickness in the families of its members. The “Golden Links” have been more successful in raising money than last year,
and intend to begin another with more interest and resolutions to hold regular meetings.

Goshen.—"I think I can report an increased interest in the meetings. A mission circle called "Buds of Promise" has been formed during the year, which has increased from twelve to fifty members, and have raised $75. There seems to be a growing interest in mission work."

Kent.—The meetings are held regularly and "Mission Studies" used with profit. Every female member of the church is invited annually to contribute to the society. The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" are active and have been much interested in Pastor Schubert's school in Bohemia for which they contribute.

Litchfield.—"There have been regular quarterly meetings with fair attendance, but not as large as it ought to be." The "Daisy Chain" are educating a pupil in Harpoot, and beside the sum sent annually for this object, they have money in their treasury, the result of a lawn party, and contributions from friends as well as from their own members. They are earnestly at work and much interested. They have just sent a box of fancy articles to Miss Seymour in Harpoot.

Milton.—The meetings are regular and interesting and the hour spent each month in this work is profitable and proves a blessing to its members. The sum sent to the cause is less on account of church repairs, but the interest continues.

New Milford.—"We have sustained a great loss in the removal of our president, Mrs. Bonar, and feel that in many ways our work has not progressed much, but a few are deeply interested and our meetings have been helpful and interesting." The "Excelsiors" are much interested in Miss Holbrook's work and have contrib-
uted to that as well as to Pastor Schubert’s school. “Golden Links” continue their gifts to aid the mission work.

*New Preston.*—At the monthly meetings extracts are read from “Life and Light” and from the “Bible in all Lands.”

*North Cornwall.*—Some of the ladies contribute annually, but there is no fully organized society. The “Mission Bank Society” have continued their meetings with a good degree of interest during the year.

*Roxbury.*—Each meeting is very interesting, the secretary writes, and although the attendance is not large, those who attend are amply repaid.

*Sherman.*—No report from this society has been received.

*Warren.*—The scattered community and need of church work, have been allowed to prevent meetings, but the contributions will probably continue them auxiliary.

*Washington.*—Only two meetings have been held during the year; the money gifts are the same as in other years.

*Watertown.*—The severe weather has prevented the meetings from being as frequent as usual.

*Woodbury, North Church.*—For ten years they have sustained a pupil at Udupitty, Ceylon. Their monthly meetings are precious to those who attend.

*Woodbury, First Church.*—The meetings are held regularly and the interest maintained.

*Miss M. P. Hinsdale.*
We bring our report with gladness that all our auxiliaries have had some small share in the year's work in the Lord's vineyard, yet with humility that it has been so small. The testimony of those who have labored is, that they have reaped while they have sowed, finding in their own hearts enlargement and blessings.

Our young ladies in many circles are inquiring what is their part of the work, and are making fuller consecration of their lives to the service of their risen Saviour. The County gathering held in October with the Higgenum auxiliary was an inspiring meeting. Our senior Vice-President sent stirring appeals to every auxiliary in the county to come to the meeting with thank-offerings and praise for what God had wrought in all lands. As we gathered at the church we felt a secret sense of His presence, which continued through the day. The exercises of the morning were of interest, but I will only speak of the special service of the afternoon in which all had been invited to take a part. A basket was placed on the platform in the morning for contributions, into which was dropped throughout the day offering after offering from absent ones, as well as those present. The pastor led us in this thank-offering service in prayer and selections of Scripture. When the notes from the basket were opened treasures were revealed. The least silver coin was made large by the accompanying promise: "The smallest things Christ will receive."

Somewhat larger gifts came with the prayer: "May this thank-offering, small though it be, help some soul to see Jesus more clearly."

The still larger offerings with the sentiment: "The women of heathen lands, from the depths of their degra-
dation, appeal to you from the heights of your privileges." Promises were again and again brought forth. "For if there be first a willing mind it is accepted according to that a man hath and not according to that he hath not."

Words of approval met us, "She hath done what she could."

When all the offerings were counted there arose from every heart a hallelujah, for one hundred and eleven dollars had been cast into the treasury of the Lord. With one of the envelope exhortations we will close this report, though half has not been told. "Ever may we be looking to God to implant the principle, then we may depend upon it we shall abound in the practice."

Cromwell.—A favorable report comes from this auxiliary. Five "Missionary Teas" were held during the winter, with India as their subject of study. These were social, pleasant gatherings, and helpful in the missionary interest. Two of last year's members have ceased from their labors, and two are lost to the circle by removal.

East Hampton, First Church.—There is reason for thankfulness here that while changing pastors and making some home improvements, they have kept their mission dues up to about their usual standard. Owing to some sickness and inclement weather the meetings for prayer have not been quite as frequent as in the past. Already they are forecasting the coming year with plans of increased usefulness. The young ladies are listening with attention to fervent words of duty from their new pastor's wife.

East Hampton, Union Church.—This auxiliary is small, and there is very little room for growth, as the Sabbath church services are discontinued, most of the members attending the South church. They express the
hope that in the coming year they may meet oftener for prayer and mutual help.

**Middlefield.**—The members of this society, though scattered, show increased zeal, having added largely this year to their usual contribution.

**Middle Haddam.**—This band is lessened by removals and deaths, so there are but few left to plead and claim the promises, yet they are doing what they can. Their efforts during the fall and winter have been directed principally to helping forward the interest of the monthly concert. Mrs. Crosby, one of the most efficient workers, received her discharge from earth's labors in April. It is said of her she was always in the right place. Her dying message to her co-workers was: "Be faithful, your time is short." The "Whatsoever Band" held an entertainment last spring. Many of the members are in school, so that the meetings have not been held regularly through the winter. They manifest their continued interest by planning new work for the spring.

**Middletown, First Church.**—The meetings have been well attended and for each has been prepared a carefully written paper on the History of the American Board work, dividing the time by decades. In the autumn the pastor addressed a large audience, giving many facts concerning woman's work, gathered at the annual meeting in Detroit. Though we have gained fifteen new members we have lost more by removal from town and by death than any previous year. Our young ladies are interested in Dr. Mary Holbrook's work in Tung Cho, China. The "Ten Times One Society" gave a magic-lantern entertainment in the winter, and each boy gave a birthday offering of as many cents as he is years old. In addition to their pledges they have taken eleven shares in the new Morning Star, and most of them have
taken other shares in connection with their Sunday-school classes. They have held seven meetings. The Gleaners have increased their contribution the past year, and the elder young ladies have set apart an hour each week for social prayer, agreeing to lead the meetings in turn. Most of them have heretofore only prayed in secret.

**Middletown, South Church.**—The "Mission Teas" organized by Mrs. Hill were developing an interest and knowledge of the branch work which was very hopeful; but with her removal in the spring the work languished for a time. But we can speak of a bright outlook for the future of the circle. The new pastor's wife brings energy and winning influence, added to an inherited love for the mission work. This auxiliary is already reorganized, and some plans made for the coming year.

**Portland.**—The meetings have been interrupted, but there are earnest friends of the cause here, and we trust they will come up to their privileges of having a part in the united praying and praising, as well as giving.

**Westchester.**—They report a membership of twenty-five, with twelve meetings, and an average attendance of eleven. They study the mission papers as if they had a personal interest in each station. The report says: "The cause of Christ in heathen lands has a strong hold on our hearts." The prospects are encouraging. The field is widening to an extent that excites our gratitude, also our fears, lest we as Christians shall be tardy in entering the mission field as fast as God prepares the way. The "Willing Workers" close their second year with a more than doubled membership, and report an increase of interest, and also financial prosperity. Ten meetings have been held during the year. We may look for good work from them.

**Mrs. J. Webster Tuck.**
Middlesex County—Southern Division.

Centerbrook.—The meetings of this auxiliary have been more enjoyable and profitable the past year than ever before. There exists an intelligent interest in mission work among its members, and the hope is entertained that a larger number may be won to this good work.

Chester.—"The plan given in 'Life and Light' has formed the basis of study for our meetings. Much interest has been added to them by the effort on the part of individual members in gathering missionary intelligence connected with the different fields considered."

Clinton.—The secretary writes: "Circumstances forbid any extended report of our auxiliary at this time. The attendance at our meetings has been small, but those who have been present have been much interested."

Deep River.—Monthly meetings have not been sustained the past year. But there are individuals who love the cause and remember it by their prayers and by their gifts.

East Haddam.—"This society has just entered upon its twelfth year, and its members gratefully acknowledge the privilege of being permitted to share in this blessed work. We have not been without discouragements, but there has been a decided increase in knowledge of and love for this department of labor. The reward received far exceeds our gifts. The young ladies of the 'Phoenix Band' voted at their last annual meeting to meet with the ladies' society, but the special appeal for Miss Dr. Holbrook's Dispensary inspired them to raise, in addition to their usual sum, enough for a share in this building."

Essex.—The auxiliary was reorganized in January last, and the secretary reports progress. Much interest is
manifested, and all seem anxious to do something for the cause.

_Haddam._—The reports indicate a rapidly increasing knowledge of the heathen world. Africa has been made a special study. An officer writes: "We have followed the East and West Central Missions from the start, so that we now feel well acquainted with the people and the missionaries, and we are anxious to hear from them as we do from our personal friends, and our prayers reach after them differently from knowing them in this way." Another writes: "We have been led to feel that God is guiding us and that God's glory is the principal thing to be considered in these meetings. This feeling has held us together very strongly." The young ladies' Mission Band has been merged into the Auxiliary, where they will doubtless prove a help and inspiration.

_Higganum._—This society seems never to lack material or interest for its meetings, which are well attended. Their systematic study of missions has laid a good foundation for missionary knowledge. The Shining Stars continue to grow in brightness and numbers. An entertainment, "A Dairy Maid's Supper," yielded them quite a sum. They have basted patchwork to be sent to Marsovan for Miss Anna Felician's pupils. The circle contributed to the enjoyment of the county meeting by an exercise in which they personated different heathen nations.

_Killingworth._—"This auxiliary retains its interest in missionary work, though we have not increased in membership or contributions the past year."

_Millington._—They report irregular attendance, owing chiefly to the scattered population, but to the few who have been present at the monthly hour of prayer the seasons have been pleasant and profitable.
Saybrook.—"At the last annual meeting it was proposed to change from monthly to quarterly meetings, making an effort to have them more attractive than when held monthly. Thus far experience has proved the wisdom of the change, by a larger attendance, as well as in other ways. The Seaside Mission Band reports a membership of forty-one. The children seem interested, though some are too young to attend the meetings. They have raised their usual sum for a scholarship."

Westbrook.—The number of members reported is small, as also the attendance at meetings. A large number of missionary magazines are circulated, and the opportunity for obtaining information from various fields is abundant. Thus closes another year of service; and though our record falls far short of what we hoped for, we still feel encouraged. The novelty of the work has in a measure passed away and the Christian women of our churches are taking hold of it in earnest, with willing, loving hearts. We cannot doubt this when we hear such expressions as the following: "I feel very grateful for our society; it has been the means of doing good that nothing else could." "I think the 'Life and Light' exceedingly interesting, and should think every woman who is a Christian would like to read it." "Thank God that we who are on the western side of life are permitted to see this day and join in this work." "We have no reason to be discouraged." "I notice a missionary spirit is growing in our church among the young, and among the young men, as the monthly concerts give evidence." We believe our county meetings are invaluable helpers; they are gaining ground in the hearts of our workers, as is indicated by this testimony from an officer of one of our auxiliaries: "The October meeting increased the general interest. If it were not
for these outside influences I am afraid we should lose our strength and faith. They are like showers of rain; everything is refreshed."

Mrs. S. McCall.

New Haven County—Eastern Division.

We come to this feast to-day rejoicing that we can see in our auxiliaries an increasing interest and a more intelligent knowledge of this work if we cannot bring enlarged gifts or numbers.

Cheshire.—The Secretary writes: "The meetings have been interrupted by the illness of our President, but we have determined to hold them regularly in the future."

Guilford, First Church.—While some of the officers are unable to fill their places this year we are sure their hearts are in the work, and they will lend their aid to the newly added ones, and we look for great blessings to attend their united efforts.

Guilford, Third Church.—The fields of India, China, Japan, Sandwich Islands and Turkey have been studied with much interest. They were happy in listening to Mrs. DeForest, of Japan, and Mrs. Belden, of Samakov, who gave interesting accounts of their work and of the manners and customs of the people.

Madison.—"At the close of this eleventh year we are greatly encouraged with the continued interest and efforts of our numbers. We are privileged to support the same useful native teacher, Miss Felician, in Marsovan." The "Willing Hearts" have never failed since their organization, to send the full amount for their pledged work.
Meriden, First Church.—The report for the past year is of a good attendance at all the meetings, an increasing interest in mission work, and consequent increased intelligence on the subject of missions, and a cheerful and prompt response to the call for papers on various topics, which show careful and laborious research. Missionaries by their presence and letters have given reality to our work, by telling us of their own. Among special blessings we count the continuous prosperity of our mission circles, which now number three in consequence of the reorganization of a band of young ladies, fresh, enthusiastic, hopeful and ready for work. The year has been overshadowed to us by the death of two of our number, Mrs. Catlin, one of our earliest officers, and Mrs. Pierson, our old and efficient Home Secretary. The loss to us is unspeakable. We can only pray "that the Lord of the harvest will send more laborers into his harvest."

Meriden, Centre Church.—The society of this church has continued its meetings through the year with unabated interest. Many valuable papers have been written and read. The "Willing Workers" are doing good work. A new circle has recently been organized among the young ladies.

North Branford.—The Secretary writes: "I am glad to be able to report our meetings kept up and the pledged amount raised. Our numbers are few, but we will not be discouraged, but pray God to incline the hearts of more of the ladies to help carry forward this blessed work."

Northford.—This society is without a President, and illness in the families of the active workers has prevented them from holding regular meetings.

North Madison.—"Our meetings, which are held
monthly, are both interesting and profitable, and although few in number, we can claim the promise: "Where two or three are gathered —" A fresh letter from Mrs. DeForest was listened to with great interest, and our last meeting was the best we have ever had."

Wallingford.—Circular letters and postals were sent out at the commencement of the year to secure pledges of contribution, but with what success we cannot tell till the close of the year in June. A Young Ladies' society has been organized during the year.

NEW HAVEN COUNTY—WESTERN DIVISION.

Ansonia.—The monthly meetings of this society have been held, with one or two exceptions, regularly through the year. We have held our meetings with the Methodist Missionary Society alternately. We find the meetings more interesting as we learn what they are doing for the Master.

Birmingham.—This society has lost four members by removal and death the past year.

Derby.—The usual contribution has been sent to the treasury. New voices are being heard in the meetings, thus adding to their interest.

East Haven.—The annual meeting was held in October. There have been two quarterly meetings since, which were made interesting by readings from "Life and Light" and missionary letters. Though not numbering as many members as formerly, they hope to send as much money to the treasury. The "Helping Hands" Mission Circle disbanded in September, and in its place another was formed for the young ladies and girls. They
meet once a week, on Saturday afternoons, and their interest in mission work increases.

Middlebury.—"We regret apparent indifference to missionary work, but we know that in some of the quiet, retired homes there are sacrifices and prayers that must meet the approval, 'She hath done what she could.' The 'Hillside Gleaners,' though making a good contribution, seldom meet, as a number of their leading members are away at school."

Milford.—The secretary reports "a year marked by a steady growth of interest. The stirring words of Mrs. DeForest at our June meeting created a deep impression. Papers have been well prepared by the different members on China, which has been our subject the past year. The abundance of missionary intelligence brought into our meetings has been unlimited and unusually interesting. We feel that the number of members and the amount contributed is little evidence of the interest or spirit which pervades our meetings. It has been the filling and outpouring of the heart, of which He saith, 'Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh.' The 'Ivy Vine' is active and meets regularly every two weeks."

Mount Carmel.—A small gain in numbers is shown. In September, Mrs. DeForest met with them, and meetings were continued regularly through the year.

Naugatuck.—Interest among the few who attend their regular meetings is manifest.

New Haven: Center Church.—During the winter a letter addressed to the ladies of the Center church was printed and sent to each lady in the church: This has resulted in an increase of interest, as shown by contributions, a larger number of members, and more subscribers to "Life and Light." This society has adopted
Mrs. Edward Hume as their missionary, and expect to pay the amount necessary for her support.

Church of the Redeemer.—The society has continued the plan of holding quarterly meetings inaugurated last year, with a fair degree of success. All who attend the meetings bear testimony to their interest. Once a month the young ladies of this church gather for a missionary meeting, and numbers, interest and contributions increase from year to year. They use the envelopes for monthly pledges with marked success, and have the January meetings an occasion for thank offerings, making the causes for thankfulness at the various mission stations the subject of the meeting. Twenty out of twenty-five were present the stormiest Sunday of the winter to hear about Dr. Holbrook's work in China. Out of a recognized need has sprung another mission circle, the Acorn Band, which has from the beginning steadily increased in numbers and interest. Two-thirds of its members are subscribers to the "Day Spring.”

College Street Church.—Nothing new is reported.

Davenport Church.—This auxiliary has gained in numbers and interest the past year. The mission circle is in a very prosperous condition; they hold meetings regularly every week excepting through the warm weather, giving an occasional entertainment, in which they have been very successful.

Dwight Place Church.—This society also reports an increasing interest in missionary work. The Fairbank Circle has gained five members since last May. In February they celebrated their second anniversary. Mr. Fairbank met with and addressed them, giving an interesting talk on Ahmednuggar and his sister's work.

Fair Haven, First Church.—The secretary makes note of having very faithful collectors—a very import-
ant but not always pleasant office. The young ladies' society are doing a good work.

Fair Haven, Second Church.—No meetings were held during the winter, but they hope the prospect is brightening. A society of young ladies has recently been formed, as well as a children's circle.

Howard Avenue Church.—Everything in this society is about as in former years. There is growth, however, as a circle of young girls has been formed.

Humphrey Street Church.—The Young Ladies' Mission Circle is a flourishing society, meeting once in two weeks, on Sunday afternoons.

Temple Street Church.—This auxiliary sustains its former good record and looks forward with hope to its increasing growth and efficiency.

United Church.—We look with great hope upon the union of the auxiliaries of the former North and Third churches into one, but as yet they have not completed their new organization. The mission circles have become one, and will doubtless prove doubly efficient. The circle at Mrs. Cady's school is continued, with very tangible results.

Yale College.—This society rejoices in the formation of a new mission circle. Its meetings are well attended.

Orange.—No report has been received, but they contribute about as usual to the treasury.

Prospect.—In this mission circle the "Gleaners," a faithful few, as is the case with older societies, maintain their interest through all discouragements. During the summer their meetings were held quite regularly, twice in a month. Owing to the illness of the pastor's wife and the unfavorable winter the meetings were for awhile discontinued, but the interest has not been lessened by the vacation. Early in the year Miss Sears, from Mar-
din, spent several weeks in Prospect and interested the girls in her familiar talks about her Turkish scholars.

South Britain.—Nothing has been heard from this society.

Southbury.—No special interest is mentioned.

Waterbury, First Church.—Some of the ladies attend the monthly meetings faithfully. The contribution was larger than usual, owing to a gift from the children's society.

Waterbury, Second Church.—The number attending the monthly meetings is small.

West Haven.—The secretary says their meetings have been interrupted by the weather and other causes, but when a few who love to hear of God's wonderful dealings in other lands have met, our hearts have been warmed and we have paid more earnest heed to the oft-repeated request of the laborers at the front, "Pray for us." The two mission circles maintain their semi-monthly meetings with a good degree of success. These two bands of young people form our brightest outlook for the growth of a missionary spirit in our midst. In the meetings of the Young Ladies' Circle articles from "Life and Light" and missionary letters are listened to with a most intense interest. One member remarked: "I can never be a missionary, for I can never write such interesting letters." The Missionary Sunbeams were re-organized last September. No Saturday has proved too stormy for some of the brave children. Through rain and ice, sleet and snow, some have found their way to the place of meeting every fortnight since they banded together.

Westville.—The young ladies' circle in this church is wide awake. In addition to their pledged work they have raised enough money to make their president a life member of the Board.
Whitneyville.—This society takes no backward steps. Their last meeting was more largely attended than usual.

Woodbridge.—An increase in membership is reported.

New Britain, Center Church.—There are a larger number of members than ever before. For information on mission work they have studied the questions in "Life and Light." At every meeting there is a call for "current events," which is very generally responded to. The members are on the look-out for missionary intelligence as they read papers and magazines, and bring their clippings or written paragraphs to the meetings. These notices of the wonderful events that are everywhere taking place in the mission world bring a real life and enthusiasm into their meetings. Frequent letters from Mrs. Schneider tend much to hold the auxiliary together. The "Little Givers" are active and constant.

New Britain, South Church.—At a late meeting of this auxiliary a ten years' review was given by the secretary. Though often discouraged by the little accomplished, she showed conclusively that the small gifts in the aggregate make the large ones. Within ten years five mission circles have been formed, four of which are in active service. More than seventy-five girls and boys are being educated in them to know of missionary work and take part in it. The receipts of the mission circles in these ten years have been $1,263. This, added to the contribution of the ladies' society, makes nearly $3,700 paid to the treasury of the Branch.

Mrs. C. C. Foote.
TREASURER'S REPORT.

*New Haven Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions
in account with Julia Twining, Treasurer.*

*New Haven, May 13, 1884.*

**DR.**

- Balance from account of 1882 and 1883, $1,132.21
- Donations of missionary funds from auxiliaries, $7,710.08
- " " mission circles, 2,566.89
- Donations of missionary funds from Sunday schools, 236.05
- Donations of missionary funds from miscellaneous sources, 214.30
- Collections for expenses at Branch monthly meetings, $106.72
- Collections for expenses at County meetings, 108.11
- Donations for expenses and receipts from advertisements, 188.50
- Sale of reports and leaflets, 10.94
- Deposit for expenses in savings bank with interest, 121.87
- **Total,** $12,390.67

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- Missionary funds paid to Treasurer of W. B. M. Boston, $11,193.57
- Expenses of missionaries to address meetings, $87.25
- Postage and other incidental expenses, 115.97
- Printing, 194.55
- Sending out annual reports, 17.27
- **Total,** $415.04
- Deposit in savings bank, 121.87
- Balance in bank, 660.19
- **Total,** $12,390.67

Amount of legacies sent direct to Boston about $6,000.00.

*Actual receipts for the year, $11,258.46.*
RECEIPTS FROM AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Ansonia, .......................................................... $63.00
For scholarship at Foochow.

Bethel, .......................................................... 60.00
For SaguNabai Bible reader in India and towards constituting life member Mrs. H. L. Slack.

Bethlehem, .......................................................... 35.00
For scholarship at Marsovau.

Birmingham, .......................................................... 36.00
For Miss Andrews' salary, $100 from Mrs. Nathaniel S. Worden to constitute life members Mrs. Annie E. Dyer, Mrs. Emma D. Anderson, Mrs. Mary E. Canfield, Miss Mary E. Stillman, $25 each from Mrs. C. Mc. Beecher, Mrs. Robert J. White, to constitute themselves life members. $25 from Mrs. Henry Elliot to constitute life member Miss Harriet A. Hawley.

Bridgeport, .......................................................... 481.14
Towards Mrs. Edward Hume's school, Bombay.

Bridgewater .......................................................... 50.00
Towards Mrs. Edward Hume's school, Bombay.

Brookfield Center .......................................................... 13.63
Towards scholarship at Foochow.

Canaan .......................................................... 20.00
Towards scholarship at Foochow.

Centerbrook .......................................................... 30.00
Towards the salary of Vesuvasum.

Cheshire .......................................................... 27.00
Towards the salary of Vesuvasum.

Chester .......................................................... 37.00
Complete life members Mrs. H. H. Clark and Mrs. W. N. Clark, Senior.

Clinton .......................................................... 44.30
Constitute life member Mrs. Geo. W. Hull.

Cornwall .......................................................... 22.00
Towards scholarship at Marsovau.

Cromwell .......................................................... 85.35
For Naaperahasen and constitute life member Mrs. Myron S. Dudley.

Danbury .......................................................... 125.00
Towards Mrs. DeForest's salary and complete life members Miss Caroline A. Seeley, Mrs. Oliva F. Rider.

Darien .......................................................... 60.00
Towards salary of Mrs. DeForest.

Deep River .......................................................... 21.00
Derby,................................................................................. $52.50
East Haddam,........................................................................... 89.00
$25 from Mrs. E. T. Reed to constitute life member Mrs. Catherine T. Gillette, $25 from Mrs. E. W. Chaffee to constitute life member Miss Nellie Chaffee.
East Hampton, First Church..................................................... 30.00
Constitute L. M. Mrs. E. P. Root.
East Hampton, Union Church.................................................. 10.00
East Haven............................................................................. 49.37
Easton.................................................................................... 12.00
Ellsworth............................................................................ 38.80
Falls Village........................................................................... 10.00
Goshen.................................................................................. 30.00
Greenwich........................................................................... 136.42
For scholarship at Constantinople Home.
Guilford, First Church............................................................. 40.00
For Subabai Bible reader in India.
Guilford, Third Church............................................................ 29.50
Haddam.............................................................................. 30.25
To complete life member Mrs. A. H. Hayden.
Harwinton............................................................................. 40.00
Towards Mrs. Edward Hume's school, Bombay.
Higganum............................................................................ 57.00
Kent....................................................................................... 53.00
For scholarship at Foochow and constitute life member Mrs. John Spooner.
Killingworth........................................................................ 27.00
Constitute L. M. Mrs. E. P. Nichols.
Litchfield............................................................................... 136.54
For Drupatabai Bible reader in India and constitute life members Mrs. Charles Symington and Mrs. Clara F. Hay.
Madison.............................................................................. 110.00
For the support of Miss Anna B. Felician at Marsovan.
Meriden, First Church................................................................ 135.00
For Bible reader at Poutingfoo and for scholarship at Ahmednuggar and Madura, and towards Mrs. Bond's salary, $25 from Mrs. E. I. Merriman to constitute life member Mrs. Oliver Rice.
Meriden, Center Church........................................................... 68.00
For bible reader Kasubai and constitute life member Mrs. E. A. Winslow.
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For two schools near Aintab, one scholarship each at Marsovan, Ahmednuggar and Inanda, a Bible reader in India Gungabai, two shares in Dr. Holbrook’s Dispensary, $25 from a friend to constitute life member Miss Ida L. Gridley, $25 from a friend to constitute life member Mrs. E. A. Putnam, $25 from a friend to constitute life member Miss K. M. Mansfield, $20 “a thank offering,” $10 from Mr. Selah B. Goodrich “in memory of his wife,” $0.10 each month “in memory of a little boy.”

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For salary of Mrs. Edward Hume, Bombay, $25 from Mr. Thos. R. Trowbridge, Jr., to constitute his wife life member.

$50 from Mrs. H. B. Bigelow, for Mrs. Edward Hume's School at Bombay, $25 (found after her decease laid aside), from Mrs. B. F. Hague, for school in Ceylon.

For support of Bible Reader Excipet.

$25 from Mrs. Burdett Hart to constitute life member Miss Fannie L. Rice, $25 from Mrs. Sarah Morris to constitute life member Mrs. Martha Foster.

To constitute life member Mrs. Lois Bradley.

$13 from Mrs. O. H. White to complete life member Mrs. M. L. Q. Wetherell, $25 from Miss Lucy Baldwin to constitute herself life member, $25 from Ladies' prayer meeting for "Morning Star," $5 from a family of children for "Morning Star."

Toward scholarship at Ahmednuggar

$1 for "Morning Star."

For a scholarship at Constantinople Home.

Towards Mrs. DeForest's salary, $10 for "Morning Star."

For a scholarship at Ahmednuggar.

For Bible Reader in India, Bhagubai.
Northford, ................................................................. $39.50
  For a scholarship at Madura.
North Madison, ................................................................. 10.20
  Towards salary of Mrs. DeForest.
North Stamford, ................................................................. 12.00
Norwalk, ........................................................................... 200.00
  Towards salary of Mrs. Williams.
Orange, ........................................................................... 19.05
  Towards a scholarship at Marsovan.
Portland, ........................................................................... 34.50
  For scholarship at Marsovan.
Redding, ........................................................................... 25.00
Ridgefield, ........................................................................... 40.00
  Towards support of Tsangunabai, Bible reader at Bombay.
Roxbury, ........................................................................... 39.00
Salisbury, ........................................................................... 128.50
  $25 from Mrs. A. H. Holley to constitute life member
  Mrs. Laura W. Holley of Torrington.
Saybrook, ........................................................................... 87.61
  $25 from Mrs. Ann Pratt to constitute herself life member.
Sharon, ........................................................................... 48.89
Sherman, ........................................................................... 13.00
Southbury, ........................................................................... 13.00
  Toward school at Kalgan, China.
South Canaan, ................................................................. 10.00
South Norwalk, ................................................................. 75.00
Stamford, ........................................................................... 60.62
  For salary of Salveen at Bitlis.
Stratford, ........................................................................... 53.00
  Scholarship at Foochow.
Thomaston, ........................................................................... 39.00
Torrington, ................................................................. 27.60
  To constitute Mrs. W. O. Barber life member.
Torrington, First Church, ........................................................ 26.00
  Towards Mrs. DeForest’s salary.
Torrington, Second Church, ................................................ 40.00
Trumbull, ........................................................................... 40.00
  For a scholarship at Marsovan.
Wallingford, .......................................................... $93.90
  For a scholarship at San Sebastian, Spain.

Warren, ............................................................ 37.00
  $25 from Mrs. Burton Gilbert to constitute life member
  Mrs Geo. S. Humphrey.

Washington, ....................................................... 42.00
  Towards salary of Mrs. Bond.

Waterbury, First Church, ......................................... 55.00
  Towards salary of Mrs. Bond.

Waterbury, Second Church, ....................................... 85.00
  Towards salary of Mrs. Edward Hume.

Watertown, ......................................................... 150.00
  For Bible reader Zahouhi.

Westbrook, .......................................................... 41.00
  Towards Bible reader $20 from Mrs. Nancy Perry for
  Ahmednuggar.

Westchester, ....................................................... 22.00
  Towards a life member.

West Haven, ......................................................... 80.00
  Mrs. S. P. Beardsley to constitute life member Miss
  Nellie L. Peet.

Westport, .......................................................... 40.00
  For Bible Reader Waug-nai-nai, Tungcho, China.

Whitneyville, ..................................................... 50.00
  For Bible reader Zahouhi.

Wilton, .............................................................. 100.00
  For a scholarship each at Foochow and Inanda, two
  shares in Dr. Holbrook's Dispensary, and for general fund.

Winsted, ............................................................ 212.42

Woodbridge, ......................................................... 20.00
  For a scholarship at Ahmednuggar.

Woodbury, First Church, .......................................... 10.00

Woodbury, North Church, ......................................... 25.00
  For scholarship at Codoopitty, Ceylon.

Ansonia, "Ruby Circle," ........................................... $ 20.00
  For scholarship at Ahmednuggar.

Bethlehem, "Willing Hands," ...................................... 5.00
Bridgeport, “North Church Sunday School,”............................... $30.00.
For scholarship at Inanda.

Bridgeport, North Church “Young Ladies’ Mission Circle,”................... 50.00.
$30 for scholarship at Pulney, $10 general fund, $10 one
share in Dr. Holbrook’s Dispensary.

Bridgeport, “Park Street Church Mission Circle,”.......................... 40.00.
For scholarship at Ahmednuggar and one share in Dr.
Holbrook’s Dispensary.

Bridgeport, “South Church Mission Circle,”.............................. 110.00.
For two Scholarships at Ahmednuggar, two shares in Dr.
Holbrook’s Dispensary, Baizabai Bible reader in India,
and constitute life member Miss Jennie S. Bissell of Kent.

Bridgeport, “South Church Dew Drops,”............................. 54.55
$30 for Pastor Schubert’s school, $10 for Ahmednuggar,
$14.55 for “Morning Star.”

Darien “Busy Bees,”.......................................................... 29.25
$25 for school in Hogh, Turkey, $4.25 for “Morning Star.”

East Haddam, “Phoenix Band,”.............................................. 40.00.
Towards a scholarship in Constantinople Home and one
share in Dr. Holbrook’s Dispensary.

East Haddam, Sunday School Class, Miss Bronnell,...................... 11.00.
For school at Bombay.

East Hampton, “First Church Mission Circle,”........................... 10.00.
For “Morning Star.”

East Haven, “Helping Hands,”........................................... 21.04
For a scholarship at Ahmednuggar.

Ellsworth, “Golden Links,”................................................... 20.00

Falls Village, “Young Ladies’ Mission Circle,”.......................... 15.00.
Towards scholarship at Pastor Schubert’s school.

Goshen, “Buds of Promise,” ............................................ 35.00.
For a scholarship at Inanda.

Greenwich, “Bearers of Light,”........................................... 60.07
$30 for a scholarship at Inanda.

Haddam, “Young Ladies’ Mission Band,”.................................. 5.00.
Towards Ahmednuggar school.

Towards a scholarship at Marsovan.

Kent, “Young Ladies’ Mission Circle,”................................. 50.00.
$30 for Pastor Schubert’s School, $20 for Mrs. Edward
Hume’s school at Bombay.
Lakeville, "Lakeside Workers," ........................................... $10.00
Litchfield, "Daisy Chain."................................................ 40.00
For scholarship at Harpoot.

Madison, "Willing Hearts,".............................................. 30.00
For Antony Ammal, Madura.

Meriden, First Church, "Cheerful Givers,"................................. 80.00
For a scholarship at Harpoot, for 1883 and 1884.

Meriden, First Church, "Boys' Mission Band,"........................... 25.00
For Mrs. Edward Hume's school at Bombay.

Meriden, First Church, "Young People's Missionary Society,"......... 100.00
For ten shares in Dr. Holbrook's Dispensary.

Meriden, "First Church Sunday School,"................................ 50.00
For a scholarship at Broosa.

Meriden, Centre Church, "Willing Workers,".............................. 50.00
For a Scholarship at Broosa.

Middlebury, "Hillside Gleaners,"......................................... 30.00
For a scholarship at Inanda.

Middle Haddam, "Whatsoever Band,"...................................... 25.00
For a scholarship at Ahmednuggar.

Middletown, First Church, "Gleaners,".................................. 50.00
$10 for a share in Dr. Holbrook's Dispensary, $40 for a scholarship at Marsovan.

Middletown, First Church, "Ten Times One,".............................. 12.00

Milford, "Ivy Vine,"...................................................... 50.00
For Mrs. Edward Hume's school at Bombay.

New Britain, Center Church, "Little Givers,"............................ 22.28
New Britain, South Church, "Banyan Seeds,"............................. 10.00
New Britain, South Church, "Little Helpers,"......................... 10.00
New Britain, South Church, "Standard Bearers,"....................... 20.00
New Britain, South Church, "Young Ladies' Mission Band,"........... 56.00
New Haven, Church of the Redeemer, "Aurora,"......................... 140.00
For a scholarship each at Harpoot, Inanda, Ceylon, four shares in Dr. Holbrook's Dispensary.

New Haven, Church of the Redeemer, "Acorn Band,"..................... 5.50
New Haven, Davenport Church, "Mission Circle,"....................... 40.00
For Ahmednuggar scholarship.

New Haven, "Davenport Church Sunday School,"........................ 60.00
For a scholarship each at Marsovan and Ahmednuggar.
New Haven, Dwight Place Church, "Fairbank Circle," $25.00
For a scholarship at Ahmednuggar.

New Haven, Fair Haven First Church, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle," $30 for three shares in Dr. Holbrook's Dispensary, $18 for Mrs. Martha Benjamin, Bible reader at Oodooville. $15.55 for school at Bombay.

New Haven, Fair Haven First Church, " Helpers," $37.85
For "Morning Star."

New Haven, Fair Haven Second Church, "Quinnipiac Circle," $5.00
For running expenses of "Morning Star."

New Haven, Humphrey Street Church, "Splinters of the Board," $40.00
For a scholarship at Madura and one share in Dr. Holbrook's Dispensary.

New Haven, North Church, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle," $70.00
For Pastor Schubert's school, of which $30 from Mission Circle at Mrs. Cady's school, $10 for a share in Dr. Holbrook's Dispensary.

New Haven, North Church, "Mrs. Cady's Kindergarten and Mite Box," $24.53
$13.50 for "Morning Star," remainder for Miss Hume.

New Haven, Third Church, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle," $70.00
For scholarship at Broosa, $30 for school at Bombay.

New Haven, Yale College Church, "Mission Circle," $15.17
For "Morning Star."

New Milford, "Excelsior," $50.00
$30 for Pastor Schubert's school and $20 for two shares in Dr. Holbrook's Dispensary.

New Milford, "Golden Links," $15.00
Norfolk, "Hillside Gleaners," $66.00
For a scholarship at Madura, $25 for Mrs. Edward Hume's school at Bombay, $11 for Ahmednuggar.

Norfolk, "Mountain Wide Awakes," $66.00
For scholarship at Ceylon, $25 for Mrs. Edward Hume's school at Bombay, $11 for Ahmednuggar.

Norwich, "Mission Bank Society," $33.10
For Mrs. Edward Hume's school at Bombay.

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**MISCELLANEOUS.**

- Middlesex County meeting thank offering for missionary fund, $111.00
- New Haven Branch meeting thank offering for missionary fund, 29.55
- Mrs. Edward Langdon of Plymouth for missionary fund, 10.00
Miss E. A. Langdon, of Plymouth for missionary fund, $40.00
A friend at children's meeting for missionary fund, 1.00
Sale of "Morning Star" certificates, 22.75
Collections at Branch monthly meetings for expenses, 106.72
Collection at Fairfield County meeting for expenses, 31.10
  " Litchfield  " " " 51.20
  "  Middlesex  " " " 13.06
  "  New Haven  " " " 7.75
A friend for expenses, 20.00
Yale College auxiliary for expenses, 4.50
From advertisements in annual report for expenses, 164.00
Sale of leaflets and reports, 10.94

I have examined the above account of the Treasurer of the New
Haven Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions and compared the
items with the vouchers therefor and found the same correct.

New Haven, May 27, 1884.  

Roger S. White, Auditor.
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ACT OF INCORPORATION.

AN ACT INCORPORATING THE NEW HAVEN BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY,
JANUARY SESSION, A. D. 1882.

Resolved by this Assembly:

SECTION 1. That Rebecca W. Hart, Sarah S. Woolsey, Eliza A. Prudden and Hannah D. Hume, their associates and successors, are hereby constituted a body corporate, to be located in the city of New Haven, under the name of "The New Haven Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions," and by that name they may sue or be sued, defend or be defended, in all courts of this State and elsewhere.

Sec. 2. The said corporation may purchase, hold, sell and convey real or personal estate to an amount not exceeding one hundred thousand dollars, to be holden by said society at any one time.

Sec. 3. The objects and purposes of this corporation shall be to collect, receive and hold money given by voluntary contributions, donations, bequests, or otherwise, to be exclusively expended for the christianization of women and children in foreign lands, by supporting such missionaries, teachers, bible-readers and schools and such other missionary work as may be selected by the board of officers, with the approbation of the Woman's Board of Missions located in the city of Boston, in the State of Massachusetts.
SEC. 4. The said corporation may have and use a common seal, and the same may alter and change at pleasure; it may appoint such officers as may be deemed expedient, and may make, ordain and put into execution such by-laws and regulations as shall be deemed necessary and convenient for the well ordering and government of the same, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, the laws of this State, or the laws of the United States.

SEC. 5. This act may be altered, amended, or repealed at the pleasure of the General Assembly.

CONSTITUTION

OF THE NEW HAVEN BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS.

ARTICLE 1. The officers of this society shall be a President, two or more Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, a Corresponding Secretary, two or more Home Secretaries, two or more Assistant Secretaries, a Treasurer, the Chairman of a Coöperative Committee, and an Auditor, to be elected annually. These, with the exception of the Auditor, shall constitute an Executive Committee, five of whom shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

ART. 2. The Executive Committee shall have full power to do all that is necessary to carry into effect the objects and purposes of this society, and may fill vacancies in office during the current year.
Art. 3. The object of this society is to spread the knowledge of the pure gospel among women and children in heathen and nominally Christian lands. It seeks the union of many societies having a common center, and to awaken interest and raise money throughout its limits by the diffusion of missionary intelligence.

Art. 4. All money raised by this society shall be sent to the Treasurer of the Woman's Board of Missions, at Boston, for the purposes of its organization.

Art. 5. The payment of one dollar annually shall constitute membership.

Art. 6. A number of ladies contributing not less than ten dollars annually may form a society auxiliary to the New Haven Branch, subject to its constitution, by the appointment of a President, Secretary and Treasurer who shall constitute a local Executive Committee.

Art. 7. Any number of children or youth contributing annually not less than five dollars may form a mission circle, auxiliary to the New Haven Branch, subject to its constitution.

Art. 8. The annual meeting of this society shall be held on the second Tuesday of May, and at such place as the Executive Committee shall appoint, at which the annual reports shall be presented and officers elected. Regular public meetings of the society for suitable religious exercises, the communication of intelligence and for business, shall be held at New Haven on the second Tuesday of each month of the year, with the exception of May, July, August and September. Also a meeting shall be held in each of the four counties annually.

Art. 9. This constitution may be amended by vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular meeting, notice of the intended amendment having been given at a previous meeting.
BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE I. The Executive Committee shall hold monthly meetings, call special meetings, coöperate in the annual and county meetings, recommend the appropriation of funds, and attend to all other business of the Branch. To them shall be submitted all documents designed for publication, all important letters and the minutes of the Society.

ART. II. The President shall preside at meetings, have a general oversight of the interests of the Branch, and do all in her power to promote its welfare.

ART. III. The Vice-Presidents shall assume the duties of the President when absent and in case of a vacancy in that office, holding themselves ready at all times to do whatever is necessary to promote the well-being of the Branch. Vice-Presidents having special work in the counties shall encourage and stimulate auxiliaries and promote new organizations, make monthly reports to the Executive Committee in person or through the Home Secretaries, prepare county reports annually, and once a year convene a meeting in their respective counties.

ART. IV. The Recording Secretary shall keep accurate minutes of all meetings of the Branch and Executive Committee, presenting them at each succeeding meeting, make a record of or otherwise preserve important documents, transmit votes to whom they may concern, and prepare a report for the annual meeting.

ART. V. The Corresponding Secretary shall write to missionaries and to the parent society, preserve copies of important letters, conduct other correspondence outside of the home work, warn meetings and provide information and speakers for the same.
Art. VI. The Home Secretaries shall present a report of the home work at the monthly meetings, correspond with the county Vice-Presidents and with Auxiliary Societies and Mission Circles, keep a careful record of interesting facts and items gained during the year, including change of officers and names of new societies with the names of their officers, from which record material may be gathered for the annual report. They shall furnish societies and mission circles with missionary letters and papers from the Bureau of Intelligence.

Art. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds according to the vote of the Executive Committee, report the state of the treasury at each meeting, and give a full report at the annual meeting.

Art. VIII. The duties of Assistant Secretaries shall be defined by the Executive Committee.

Art. IX. The Cooperative Committee shall be represented at the Executive Committee meetings by the vote of their chairman, who shall be elected by themselves annually in the month of April. All members of this committee shall be invited to attend the executive meetings that they may be able intelligently to aid the Executive Committee by taking charge of such business as the Board of Officers cannot perform without neglecting specific duties.

Art. X. The financial year of the New Haven Branch shall close with the annual meeting.

Art. XI. Auxiliaries shall be requested to send their annual reports to the Vice-Presidents of their counties the first week in April. These reports shall include the names of officers, number of members both in auxiliaries and mission circles, the names of mission circles and number of subscribers to "Life and Light."
ART. XII. Any person may become a member of the "Missionary Library Association" by the contribution of a book suitable for the uses of the library, or the payment of twenty-five cents annually, each member being entitled to the free use of the library.

ART. XIII. The Executive Committee shall appoint annually the following standing committees, who shall act under their advice: Committees on Beneficiaries, Committee on County Meetings, Committee on Copying Letters, Committee on Hospitality to Missionaries and others, Committee on Publication, including the distribution of reports.

CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

ARTICLE I. This society shall be called the Woman's Missionary Society of ____ ______, auxiliary to the New Haven Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions, Boston.

ART. II. The officers shall be a President, Secretary and Treasurer.

ART. III. The object of the Society shall be the cultivation of a missionary spirit among its members and the collection of money for missionary purposes.

ART. IV. All money raised by this Society shall be sent to the Treasurer of the New Haven Branch.

ART. V. Any person may become a member of this Society by the payment of one dollar annually.

CONSTITUTION FOR MISSION CIRCLES.

ARTICLE I. This Mission Circle shall be called the ______ ________.

ART. II. The officers of this Circle shall be ______ ________.
ART. III. The object of this Circle shall be to learn more about the heathen, and to do more than we have done to send them the Gospel, that they may learn of Christ who died for them as well as for us.

ART. IV. We promise to come together at stated times to hear and read about missions, or to work in some way for the cause, and through our own Treasurer to send our contributions, amounting to not less than five dollars, to the Treasurer of the New Haven Branch of the Woman’s Board of Missions.

ITEMS OF INFORMATION.

The Woman’s Board of Missions is auxiliary to the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions. Twenty-five dollars constitutes an individual a Life Member of the W. B. M.; if given by one person, it may also be applied for a Beneficiary. This may be paid by installments, mention being made with each installment that it is intended for that purpose. One hundred dollars given by a society during the year may constitute a Life Member, and may also be applied for a Beneficiary.

The difficulty of arranging for the support of pupils by name has rendered necessary a plan of establishing scholarships, which can be taken and retained as long as the person or society may desire.

Members of mission circles, desirous of work for their hands at their meetings, can prepare small boxes of patch-work, cut and basted, and scrap-books. These, together with materials for work, such as thread, needles, thimbles and scissors, and remnants of two or three yards of strong print, would be acceptable in all the mission schools. For the schools in Turkey and South
Africa, plain underclothing and calico or gingham sacques and skirts can be made which would be very helpful.

We ask from our auxiliaries original essays, papers, poems, and any letters they may receive direct from missionaries.

More information than can be gained by an occasional book or monthly pamphlet is needed in order to keep pace with the progress of missionary work. We call attention to the Missionary Library, which contains such books as those who love, support and pray for missions need to read, and we hope will eventually comprise all the popular and standard books on missions, missionaries and the countries in which they are located. It now has about one hundred and eighty volumes, mostly valuable books, which subscribers may draw at the close of each monthly meeting, or at other times by applying to Miss McAlister, 254 Crown street. The yearly subscription is twenty-five cents, or the gift of any suitable book which is not already in the library.

Regular meetings are desirable, in which home talent should be cultivated by frequent use. This may be secured by original papers, or histories of missions, to be read at meetings. Any person who will faithfully glean missionary news from every available source will be able to furnish much that is interesting and profitable for any meeting. Missionary letters may be obtained, and judicious attention to music will be found helpful.

The more subscribers you have for "Life and Light," the more interest will be felt. The subscription list of this monthly should be greatly increased, not solely because it is the organ of our own Woman's Board, but because it imparts just the light and inspires the life needed in our home work. We call attention to "Mis-
sion Studies,” to the “Children’s Department” in the “Missionary Herald,” and to the “Missionary Dayspring.”

We earnestly commend the observance of the hour from 5 to 6 p. m. each Sabbath in unison with the time chosen by other Boards, in special prayer for a blessing on missionaries, native teachers, converts, pupils, and all concerned in promoting the work of missions.

The Executive Committee will gladly accept an invitation to hold the annual meeting elsewhere than in New Haven, in the hope of increasing the interest by giving an opportunity to all the auxiliaries to share equally in the privileges of that occasion. In order to reduce the care and labor devolving on the ladies of the churches where the meetings are held, it is proposed that in future only tea and coffee be furnished for refreshment, each lady providing whatever else she may require.

We call attention to the fact that the New Haven Branch is an incorporated body, and we request all members of the Branch who intend to make bequests to Foreign Missions to use the form of bequest on the cover of this report.

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