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THE Seventeenth Annual Meeting of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions was held on Tuesday, May 12th, 1891, in the Collegiate Church, Fifth Avenue and Forty-eighth Street.


After the opening hymn, the Scripture lesson was read responsively. Prayer was offered by Rev. Mr. Farrar.

The Annual Report of the Foreign Corresponding Secretaries was read by Rev. Dr. Coe; the report of the Home Corresponding Secretary by Rev. Mr. Kommers, and the Treasurer's report by Rev. Dr. Coe.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read by Rev. Dr. Hutton.

The drawings, illustrative of missionary work, were explained by Rev. Dr. Cobb.

Rev. Daniel Rapalje, of the Amoy Mission, in his address, cited the favorable conditions of missionary work in China.

A cordial invitation was extended to the audience to adjourn to the chapel where a simple collation was served. The Doxology was sung, and the pronouncing of the Benediction concluded the services.
The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions comes before the Church to-day with its Seventeenth Annual Report. There are doubtless those present whose memories include all the years that lie between this occasion and the earliest of our anniversaries. Recalling the steadfast patience, the diligence, self-denial and faith of the period represented in these toiling years, we, who have been in this work from the beginning, say reverently, "Hitherto hath the Lord helped us!"

Our Reports, as presented by our three Foreign Corresponding Secretaries, contain nothing new or startling, but they reveal, to those who read between the lines, a story of heroic Christian endeavor on the part of those who labor abroad, and of loyalty and devotion on the side of those who pray and give at home. Let the motto of all be henceforward, "In His Name." It is Jesus who leads the van.

We are blessed to-day in the thought of many not here, who have finished their earthly work and gone to dwell where their eyes behold the King in his beauty. Their remembered faithfulness is still our inspiration, and we feel that they sympathize with us now, even more fully than when we saw them face to face.

Our Reports are presented in the order of occupation on the field—China, India, Japan.
CHINA.

China—the land of vast possibilities, godless and lightless, save as our blessed Christ shall constrain us, "by love to serve one another."

Dean Stanley has well said that "not one who feels how dear and sacred is every corner of this earth as the handiwork of God, can be idle or indifferent to the holy privilege of unveiling his blessed will to the eyes and hearts of all men."

It is the will and purpose of our Redeemer that his voice shall be heard through us, to earth's remotest bound, that China, India and Japan shall unite with each follower of Christ in the home land in sharing the glory of our crucified and risen Saviour. Mrs. Fagg writes, "There is so much to be done for the women of China; if our friends at home could see as we see, there would be no second appeal for money and consecrated workers." We must hold the rope at this end.

THE CHARLOTTE DURYEE BIBLE SCHOOL.

Has the names of thirty-two women on its roll, some coming eighty miles to learn to read and take a short course of Bible study. Almost all learn the Romanized Colloquial, and gain in this way much Scripture knowledge. All the sacrifice and drudgery are cheerfully given for the sake of their newly-found Saviour. The oldest pupil this last term was a fisherwoman, whose entire life had been spent on a small boat. Mrs. Kipp writes, "It seemed a hopeless task to awaken any gleam of intelligence in her dull face, but my want of faith was rebuked when she became an interested listener and began the study of our hymns. It was no light task at her age to commit to memory the fifty-nine hymns in our book."

Some of these women endure much persecution. One was reading from a book scorched and partly burned, and, on in-
quiring the cause, I found her husband had put all her books in the fire, that he might, if possible, prevent her becoming a Christian. He was an opium smoker, and had pawned their daughter to pay for this indulgence. But the mother brought the daughter to Amoy that she might be safe with us."

THE GIRLS' SCHOOL

Has over thirty pupils. They seriously miss their beloved teachers, the Misses Talmage. One bright little girl came from her country home early in September, to be ready to enter when school first opened, but she was taken ill and promoted to the higher school above. Mrs. Kipp writes, "On the First of January one of our girls saw her mother for the first time. They were well-to-do people, but the parents did not wish for any more girls, so when Chlinah was born she was placed in a foundling institution. Later she was found out and adopted by a Christian family. The parents thought they deserved credit for not putting her to death."

THE DORCAS SOCIETY OF AMOY

Made twenty-three dollars without any outside donation, and also gave away many articles of clothing. Mrs. Ng, the wife of one of our native pastors, has done much in keeping up this work. She is an earnest Christian, and tells of wondrous ways in which God hears and answers prayer.

THE CHILDREN'S HOME,

Making its object the care of indisposable or castaway babies, has received twenty-four children. With the sad stories behind, and the hopeless outlook before them, surely our hard-worked missionaries are Christ-like as they add this new burden, that in Jesus' name they may "suffer the children to come unto him."
THE HOSPITAL AT SIO-KE,

Under Dr. and Mrs. Otte's care, reports rapid progress. Two thousand nine hundred and eighty-nine patients have been treated at the Dispensary. Three hundred and twenty-eight visits have been made to patients in their homes. Two hundred and eighty-five surgical operations have been performed. And best of all, seven thousand souls in darkness have in this way heard of the "Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world." Dr. Otte has five students under instruction. His one plea is, "Pray for us."

Let me say a word for that unspoken work taken up by our missionaries in the country districts. There the people are in utter ignorance of Christ and his love. I sat fascinated as Miss Talmage told story after story of her own experience along this way. It has been said that "when China moves she will move the world." Nothing but the Gospel of Christ can raise China, and nothing is so imperatively demanded as this Gospel. And God's work in China is advancing. Each Sunday in that great empire thousands of native Christians raise their voices in songs of praise to Christ our King.

In closing this yearly report one question demands the attention of every child of God in the home land, "Lord, what wilt thou have me to do?"

As the privileged friend of our China missionaries, I am impressed with their utter forgetfulness of self. If one wishes to learn of the principles of our Saviour, let her sit at the feet of these women who are bravely doing our work in China, India and Japan. Let us be "fellow-workers with them" in our Redeemer's name, that when He comes "whose right it is to reign," we may share in the joy, as we bless and praise our God, that we were counted worthy "to make men like Christ and earth like heaven."

MARY O. DURVEE,

Foreign Cor. Sec. for China.
INDIA.

Correspondence from India, in recording some of the passing days at our mission stations, is a revelation of labors and watchings and sweet-spirited energies. Quite without intention these letters, by their simple record of facts and of the employments of days, make readers in a Christian land send up new prayers for the spirit of going about and doing good. Wasted or mis-spent time rises in great rebuke before the thought of the work that can be crowded into days.

We would that the report of Woman's work from some of the stations in India might bring us into near sympathy with them, and fill us with a desire "to help those women who are laboring in the Gospel."

MADANAPALLE.

The Boys' School in Madanapalle had last year twenty-six boarders. In such schools in India, the boys, like a family of children, are provided with food, clothing, books, and all the needs of life. This department is under the care of Mrs. Chamberlain, and all the cares that the systematic and economical arrangement of such a household requires devolve upon her. Beside the student life of the boys we can feel the sweet influence surrounding them, when we learn that they are "very willing to give up their Sunday fruit or another day's meat, or have the gruel in the morning instead of the rice-cakes, to raise money for some charity, or to buy a present for a teacher or some school-mate who is going away." Last year, from such self-denial, these boys gave to the Pastors' Fund two dollars and a half, to the Bible Society the same amount, to other objects as they were presented and the balance at the end of the year, five dollars, to the church building fund. At this station they are raising money to build a church in the town. This record of giving will do
more, perhaps, to make us realize the accomplishment and influence of mission work than many statistics of another sort.

"Meeting with the women, visiting in their homes, and looking after the sick," records some of the work that comes upon the missionaries' wives. Last year in Madanapalle there was much illness. "Influenza came in April and very few escaped. In the school, measles broke out and two cases of typhoid fever. Influenza came again with the cool weather, and some very serious cases of other illness. Every morning," writes one of the ladies, "after going to the boys' school, I had to come back to the house and attend to preparing something for a sick boy, or a member of a family, or two or three, for weeks. We were so glad to come to the end of the term and send all the pupils home for a month."

Miss M. K. Scudder writes with cheer of her work. She has under her care a boarding school for Christian girls, for training teachers and zenana workers: a Hindoo girls' school in the heart of the native town: a high-class girls' school thirteen miles to the north, and a similar caste school fifteen miles south of Madanapalle; and zenana work.

Her fellow-workers say Miss Scudder makes no complaint of excessive duties, yet it is most apparent her duties are excessive.

**Bible Women.**

There are six Bible women employed in the villages connected with Madanapalle station. Three of these are supported by funds sent from England. One of these readers was educated in the girls' school. "She is a fine scholar and having a wonderful influence in the village where she is. She, with her husband, is doing a good work in a new village, where the people only within the last two years have become Christians."
VELLORE.

Mrs. J.W. Scudder writes, "The attendance at our Female Seminary has been between sixty and sixty-five. On March 21st, 1890, five girls were married to young men from the Academy. Most of these young wives assist their husbands in school or village work. Six members of the Seminary have united with the Church.

Except during the vacation, the Sunday School taught by the older girls in the Seminary has been kept up without interruption throughout the year. The same may be said of the Friday evening prayer-meeting conducted entirely by the girls. Almost all of the girls who are communicants have regularly attended the weekly female prayer-meeting."

Two bands of "King's Daughters" have been formed in the school, chiefly through the instrumentality of the matron, Mrs. White, who writes in regard to them, "Other Bands of juvenile 'King's Daughters' may be pleased to know that there exist at present two bands at Vellore Seminary. "The Helpful Ten" is of the older girls, and the "Truthful Ten," consisting of twenty of the younger children. Although the influence exerted by them extends over only a limited range, still the example has a salutary effect on the other girls; also each member feels her own responsibility, and it is hoped that by these means all may be taught to live and act 'In His Name.'"

BIBLE WOMEN.

The old Bible reader who has been with us so many years still performs her work faithfully, helping the distressed, comforting the aged, and ministering to the sick. She reports having visited 35 Christian houses, making 452 visits, and spoken to 1112 women; and having made 362 visits in heathen houses, and spoken to 2841 females elsewhere.
Miss J. C. Scudder writes, the Arasamaram and Circar Mandy Street Schools are continuing the good work they did last year. The number of pupils has varied as it always does, but a slight increase is reported. On roll there are in these schools 239, with an average attendance of 169. The Government examinations in July were sustained with fairly good results. We would especially commend the head master of the Arasamaram Street school for his untiring and faithful seventeen years of service.

Mr. Isaac Henry, the Bible teacher in both schools, does efficient work. He is never happier than when he has a class of girls and is expounding to them the beautiful stories of the Bible.

At the prize-giving a number of English ladies graced the occasion with their presence. The fathers and brothers of the pupils always attend the exercises at such times, and it is a pleasure to watch them and see their pride in the attainment of the daughters and sisters.

Several friends in America have sent the children bright-colored advertisement and Christmas cards. A large number are used monthly. Every child who keeps her hair combed and tidy for 15 days of the month is entitled to a card. A great number of the children are thus rewarded each month. We shall be glad to receive such cards from those who have an over-abundance.

Two days in the week, one in each school, are devoted to Bible lessons and Catechism. We have had many little proofs that the truth taught the children has had its effect on them.
ZENANA WORK.

The work does not advance as fast as we desire, nor as it should in such a large town. Twenty-eight houses have been visited during the year by the two teachers. Some houses are visited every day, others on alternate days. The pupils are instructed in secular studies, sewing and fancy work. When lessons are finished the teacher gathers as many women of the household as she can, and either reads to them from the Bible or persuades some pupil to read aloud. The household usually consists of more than one family, as the parents, grandparents and married sons all live together in the same house, hence quite a number of women can be collected. The result of the reading is frequently a talk on religious subjects.

TINDIVANAM.

In the Hindu Girls' School the attendance has been about the same as last year, there being 51 names on the roll. The children have made fair progress.

In the Preparandi School there have been 34 boarders' all conducting themselves well and making commendable progress.

Mrs. John Scudder has devoted a good part of her time and strength to these schools. She has been assisted in her work for the past few months by her daughter, Miss Ida Scudder, who will in the future devote most of her time to the Hindu Girls' School, and to teaching English to the Preparandi boys.

MRS. A. B. CLAFLIN,
Foreign Cor. Sec. for India.
JAPAN.

"Japan is a rainbow of hope," was the prophetic utterance of one of our honored missionaries from that Empire, and the year's retrospection proves the truth of the simile.

A country on the verge of famine, pre-occupied with political affairs, witnessing a spasmodic endeavor to revive Buddhism, and the development of an anti-foreign and anti-Christian spirit, presents a sombre picture in contrast to those years of almost uninterrupted success.

Yet there has been progress, though there is no stirring record of great achievements. One of the encouragements is that the believers who stand firm now will be tried, reliable Christians, able to give a reason for the faith they profess; and a cause for gratitude is, that there are Christian members in the Imperial Parliament, concerning which fact a Japanese says, "God be praised for He hath wrought a wondrous thing among us."

YOKOHAMA.

The Rev. E. S. Booth, principal of "Ferris Seminary," in presenting the Fifteenth annual report writes. "The schools, especially mission schools, have felt the turn in the tide, but in spite of all we have great reason for thankfulness that we have been able to maintain our numbers so well. Total number of pupils enrolled 120, present attendance 104, of whom 48 are Christians." The work of the year has been most satisfactory, teachers and pupils showing increasing interest in their respective departments.

Miss Mary E. Brokaw, who was transferred from the "Jonathan Sturges Seminary," arrived in good time to take Miss Winn's work during her absence in America. Miss Brokaw reports her work, especially with the "A" class to-
be pleasant, as all the members are christians, and seem anx­ious to make good use of all the knowledge obtained. Be­sides teaching, Miss Brokaw has continued Miss Winn's Sat­urday work at Yokosuka, and also her Sunday School in con­nection with the embroidery factory. Within the year there have been three conversions among the pupils. Unfortuna­tely, owing to reverses this embroidery business was aban­doned.

On Saturdays since discontinuing her visits to Yokosuka, Miss Brokaw has had a class for women in the chapel at Tot­suka. Of this she writes, "There has been 'sowing without reaping thus far, but we trust there will be a harvest some­time."

Miss Anna deF. Thompson has had the responsibility of English instruction in the Primary classes, a field where pa­tience is a cardinal virtue. A letter received during vacation from a child who had studied English but five months was encouraging, as it showed unusual inclination to make prac­tical use of a necessarily small vocabulary.

Since September Miss Thompson has been going to Yokosuka on Saturdays to give music lessons to a number of pupils connected with the school which Miss Nami Hamaguchi, a late graduate of the Grammar department, has opened for the daughters of Naval Officers.

Miss Thompson also attends the weekly prayer meeting for women at the Yokosuka chapel. Some non-christians at­tend this service, and one has recently asked for baptism. About a year ago the chapel organ was stolen, and at New Year the people were made very happy on receiving another through the efforts of Miss Winn among her friends in the South.

Miss Mary Deyo teaches from 25 to 28 hours a week, and finds her scholars, "very diligent, and interested in their
work." She also gives instruction in calisthenics and physical training, which has become one of the most satisfactory features in the school work the past year.

Owing largely to the preserving efforts of Miss Deyo, "the King's Daughters," of Japan, have united and formed a general society. It is believed that if this society spreads it will stimulate to personal piety and Christian activity the women of all classes.

The Music Department under the efficient labors of Miss Julia Moulton continues to give excellent results. There are at present twenty-one organ and six piano pupils.

The following incident illustrates the practical utility of the instruction of Mr. Hayashi in drawing. The Principal had been asked to deliver a lecture upon Astronomy, before the Yokohama Literary Society, and having no chart of the heavens, he asked a member of the Senior class, (Astronomy is one of their subjects) to draw a map of the heavens as they would appear in the latitude of Yokohama on the evening of the lecture. A map four feet in diameter was produced, which for excellence and accuracy of execution received the praise of all who saw it.

It is gratifying to record that two of the pupils of the last graduating class have remained as teachers, and have proved capable in all respects.

Seven Sunday Schools have been under the direction of the teachers and pupils, aggregating an attendance of 250. One of these schools is for Chinese boys, another is in the village of Hodogaya, and is under the care of Mrs. Booth.

The foreign correspondence of the pupils has become a very interesting factor in the school life. Taking the "scholarships," and the "residencies" together, nearly all the pupils in the Grammar Department have a foreign correspondent. "The interest manifested on the arrival of the
American mail," writes Mr. Booth, "is beautiful to see, and the fortunate girl, who receives a letter, is envied by her classmates. If the friends at home knew the time and pains expended upon the little letters, or could see the pleasure a reply gives, no one would fail to acknowledge them."

Two of the pupils, and Mrs. Katayama, who served as matron long and faithfully have died. Several of the girls have been very ill; thus prevented from continuing their studies.

The friends of "Ferris Seminary," especially those of Mrs. Iwamoto (Miss Kashi Shimada), the first graduate, will be pleased to know she is winning high encomiums for her literary ability, and at present she is engaged in translating "Little Lord Fauntleroy." In such ways a pure and elevating literature is being prepared in Japan.

On Jan. 19th, the Seminary had a very narrow escape from fire which originated in a small detached building occupied by servants. No one was injured, and the ample water supply saved the Seminary.

NAGASAKI.

The year has been marked with some success for "The Jonathan Sturges Seminary," a slow but sure advance has been made in numbers and average attendance. Present enrollment, 33, of whom 5 are communicants, and 5 others baptized members of the Church.

The school has outgrown its present building, and we have received an application for $1,000 in gold to provide larger accommodations.

In Feb. Miss Brokaw having been transferred to "Ferris Seminary," Miss Irvine had the supervision of the school. In October, she was joined by Miss Lanterman, and since then the responsibility has been shared.
Miss Irvine has given her full time to the school, and corresponded with societies interested in pupils.

Miss Lanterman began teaching immediately on her arrival, and has also given some time to the study of the language.

To meet the demand, more Japanese and Chinese studies have been added to the curriculum, and a more efficient teacher engaged; also a competent instructor in drawing.

Mr. Saito was appointed assistant principal early in the year. In addition to his duties as interpreter and teacher of mathematics and translation, he has taken charge of the Japanese correspondence, and has rendered valuable service by keeping the foreign teachers informed of the interest manifested by the public in the school.

The genial and beloved matron is very capable. Besides a supervision of the boarding department, she has taught a Bible class, and instructed the girls in Japanese sewing and etiquette.

MORIOKA.

The women’s meetings conducted by Mrs. Miller, though smaller than last year, have been kept up with interest. A Benevolent Society comprised mostly of young girls meets on Saturdays. The members pay a trifle weekly, and the funds are used to purchase materials for knitting and sewing; then the articles are sold and the money given to help the poor.

The Sunday School is flourishing. The scholars enjoyed a picnic, and a Christmas celebration. A teachers’ meeting is held weekly, and a few attend who do not go to the regular services.
At our last anniversary we had the pleasure of meeting Miss Carrie B. Lanterman, the 'sister who has gone in our place' to Jonathan Sturges Seminary." On the outward voyage she wrote, "I long to see those dear Japanese girls who are waiting for me."

Mrs. Howard Harris continues her classes in the Meiji Jo Gakko in Tokyo. Mrs. M. N. Wyckoff having returned with her husband to Tokyo, assists in the above school. Our hearts feel tenderly for these parents, who have left all their children in this home-land.

Mrs. N. H. Demarest of the Sou. A Japan Mission, has been obliged on account of her health to return to the more bracing climate of America. In this suspension of active work for the Master, we extend to this sister our sympathy, and pray that in waiting on The Lord, her strength may be renewed.

In the Autumn, Miss M. Leila Winn, who had been spending the Summer at her father’s home in Alabama, wrote, "Having many things to write unto you, I would not write with paper and ink; but I trust to come unto you, and speak face to face," and at our November Managers’ meeting we had the pleasure of welcoming Miss Winn. Since then many of our auxiliaries have been privileged to hear the story of woman’s work in Japan, as "by degrees" it has been told us in a way that has won for the Japanese and "Ferris Seminary," a renewed and abiding interest; and our daily prayer shall be "God bless the Japanese," God bless the missionaries.

"We are living We are dwelling
In a grand and awful time,
In an age on ages telling;
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To be living is sublime.
And the times demand the active co-operation of every member of "this household of faith," in the work of the "Woman's Board of Foreign Missions whose willing benevolence faithfully ministers to the waiting, burdened, famishing multitudes, concerning whom, He who is "The Bread of Life," hath given us command, "Give ye them to eat."

Olivia H. Lawrence,
Foreign Cor. Sec., for Japan.
SEVENTEENTH ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
Home Corresponding Secretary.

For the Year ending May 1st., 1891

The hand of time has closed the record of another year’s most earnest work done by all the societies auxiliary to the Woman’s Board of Foreign Missions; and the Secretary, in presenting this seventeenth annual report, cannot withhold from every helper, congratulations most heartfelt for the steady flow of contributions from zealous workers into the treasury of our Board, for the upbuilding of our Redeemer’s Kingdom in heathen lands. The streams may be small, but they all come from Christian hearts, and with God’s blessing, will be perennial. Think of these streams, there are three hundred and thirty-two of them, having for their source the most unselfish love, and their destiny the bringing of our heathen sisters to the cross of Christ.

Many of our auxiliaries show by their annual reports that they have given more liberally this year than ever before, that their membership has increased, and the interest in the great subject of Missions is, gradually, it may be, but surely growing broader and deeper. Each year God seems to be moving the hearts of the women and children of our Church to more earnest consecration, and the wonderful work now carried on in the cause of Missions seems to be inspired by loving fidelity to the principles of our Christian Church rather than by any mere sense of duty or obligation.

I wish the limits of this report would permit me to speak more in detail of the persistent successful efforts of faithful devoted women in organizing new and efficient auxiliaries in our smaller churches. Allow me, however, to refer to one instance illustrating what such women, and they are very
many, can do. It is most graphically pictured in one of the annexed auxiliary reports. The church was in the wilds of the Catskills, the country rough, the residences scattered, and the house of worship some distance off. Two or three earnest God-loving women of that church resolved to organize a society in aid of Foreign Missions, and in the belief that this was the Master's work commanded by Him, and that He requires of us no work that He has not given us the ability to accomplish, they invited all the ladies to meet at the parsonage one afternoon. It was stormy, and only these courageous three were present. The meeting was postponed to the following week, but with no better success, the same ladies alone attended; but they remembered our Lord's assuring promise and determined to go on, and did; organizing a society that now numbers twenty-four active workers, who have this year sent contributions to both Boards. Its Secretary, in concluding her report, says with great force—"I dare say that there are many like us who would like to start in the work. I wish I could say to all such, 'Do your part, the Lord can and will do His.' I think that was the secret of our success."

This is but one of many societies that have had their beginning in weakness, where courageous women have gone forward against every discouragement, fully believing that God had called them to the work, and where through His strength every obstacle has been conquered and success secured. How fully in sympathy are these Christian women with the belief of some of our most eminent divines, that the heart is not truly converted which does not recognize the claims of Foreign Missions as a part of our allegiance to our great Teacher and King. There are instances where our Societies and Bands have been the means of arousing the entire Church with which they are connected to more active service in every department of Christian work, bringing many hearts to Christ and adding to the membership of these churches; thus showing that God's blessing surely follows faithful labor done in His name. No church can really prosper without a Missionary Society.
In this connection the importance of the “Prayer League” in our Church should not be overlooked. This has become a great power in the cause of Missions, and in the success of our auxiliaries by leading them, especially, to offer definite prayer for God’s guidance in their work, and for individual blessings upon our faithful Missionaries.

“The Manual of Missions,” a gift from the President of our Board to each auxiliary is fully appreciated, and many of the letters received contain expressions of gratitude to the giver, and testify to its great value and importance in the information given concerning our Mission stations. In one of these letters the writer says “The Manual is a treasure and fills a want long felt by our society.

During the year now just closed, forty Societies and Bands have been added to our list. While these are not all new organizations, the few that are not never, have until now, been enrolled as auxiliary to our Board. They are young vigorous helpers. We need them all, and give them a most cordial welcome, trusting that their union with us will be mutually beneficial in the cause so dear to all our hearts.

The increasing numbers of our Auxiliary Societies, and the claims that each has upon the Board, prompted our Executive Committee early last fall to consider the necessity of systematic work throughout the whole church, and it was then decided to appoint two ladies in each classis to serve as a local classical committee; their duties being to arouse a missionary spirit in every church—to aid and encourage established auxiliaries and to promote the formation of new ones where none exist. These committees are now being appointed, and we hope before the work of another year commences, a sufficient number of earnest women will be found eager to engage in this branch of Christian work. Several of these newly appointed committees have already sent in reports; showing the wisdom of the plan adopted. The Board joyfully acknowledge the great assistance of these new helpers, and pray that strength may be given them for the performance of their many duties.

The successes of the past, the bright prospects for the
future, and the holy cause in which we are all engaged furnish us with every incentive to the most unremitting labor, and we must not pause, even until the clear warm light of God's immeasurable love shall burn away the dense mists of ignorance and superstition and arch with his bow of promise the black cloud of heathen darkness.

O, beautiful rainbow all woven of light,
There is not in thy tissue one shadow of night;
Heaven surely is open when thou dost appear,
And bending above thee the angels draw near
And sing "'The rainbow! the rainbow!
The smile of God is here.'"

MRS. A. LORING CUSHING
Home Corresponding Secretary.
NEW AUXILIARIES.

Albany Fourth Reformed Church, N. Y.
Albany Holland Reformed Church, N. Y.
Altamont Reformed Church, N. Y.
Alto Reformed Church, Wis.
Amsterdam Reformed Church, N. Y.
Belleville "Willing Workers" Mission Band, N. J.
Berne Reformed Church, N. Y.
Bloomingburg Reformed Church, N. Y.
"Sunbeams" Mission Band.
Blooming Grove Reformed Church, N. Y.
Blue Mountain Reformed Church, N. Y.
Currytown Reformed Church, N. Y.
Fairfield Mission Circle, N. J.
Flushing "The Girls" Mission Band, L. I.
Fort Plain "Busy Bee" Mission Band, N. Y.
Fultonville Reformed Church, N. Y.
Grand Rapids Second Reformed Church, Mich.
Grand Rapids Third Reformed Church, Mich.
Grand Rapids Fourth Reformed Church, Mich.
High Bridge "Kings Children" Mission Band, N. J.
Jacksonville "Cheerful Givers" Mission Band, N. J.
Kalamazoo Third Reformed Church, Mich.
Millbrook "Willing Workers" Mission Band, N. Y.
Newark Second "Ready Helpers" Mission Band, N. J.
New Brunswick "Campbell Mission Band," N. J.
New Brunswick Second "Young PeoplesMission Society," N. J.
New Kirk Reformed Church, Iowa.
New Prospect Reformed Church, N. Y.
North Hempstead Reformed Church, L. I.
Owasco Reformed Church, N. Y.
Pottersville Reformed Church, N. J.
Raritan "Willing Workers" Mission Band, Ill.
Raritan "Willing Workers" Mission Band, N. J.
Red Hill Chapel, N. Y.
Ridgewood "The Gleaners" Mission Band, N. J.
Rockaway Reformed Church, N. J.
Roxbury Reformed Church, N. Y.
Stone House Plains Reformed Church, N. J.
West Troy Mission Band, N. Y.
Woodside Reformed Church, N. J.
REPORTS OF NEW AUXILIARIES.

Alto Reformed Church, Wis.—The Woman's Missionary Association of the Reformed Church of Alto, Wis., held its annual meeting Jan. 5th, 1891, and unanimously resolved to become auxiliary to the Woman's Board of the Reformed Church. They support a native helper in India for $60 a year. This they will continue to do. What they send more goes into the treasury of the Woman's Board to be devoted to the work which that Board carries on. The society numbers 39; they hold annually three meetings, the annual meeting for election of officers in January, the others in June and September. The distances are too great to meet monthly.

E. F. Kastein, Sec.

Amsterdam Reformed Church, N. Y.—The Mission Society of this church has recently become auxiliary to the Woman's Board, having for its special work, the medical education of a native female in India.

Bloomingburg Reformed Church, N. Y.—An auxiliary to the Woman's Board has been recently organized in this church. The letter from its President, which gives us this glad news says, "We hold our meetings the first Tuesday of each month; and at any time you have something of interest, it will be so pleasant to read it direct from your headquarters. You were so kind in offering to aid us, and if we get started right with enthusiasm, I hope we may have a strong organization."

Blooming Grove Reformed Church, N. J.—Our Society is but a small one, but it is pleasant to think we can be among such a list of workers in the same cause. I think we have great reason to feel encouraged as nearly all the active peo-
ple of the congregation have already become members, and a great many of the young people.

IDA E. DEFREEST.

Blue Mountain Reformed Church, N. Y.—An auxiliary has been recently formed in this church “under the shadow of the beautiful Catskills.”

A letter just received from its Secretary, shows what perseverance and faith can accomplish.

For more than a year the ladies of this church had talked among themselves of doing something for Missions; but it had gone no further. At last they resolved to make the effort. The ladies were accordingly invited to meet at the Parsonage one afternoon; but as it was very stormy three only were present, and the meeting was postponed to the following week with no better success, due to the same cause. Still they were not willing to give up. They “remembered the Master’s promise that where two or three were gathered together in his name he would be with them; and the society was organized with only those devoted three as members. A simple plan of organization was adopted, and they resolved to procure as many members as possible. The dues were only ten cents to join, and five cents every month, so that all might feel able to become members. Again and again meetings were called but the days were so invariably stormy only three or four were present. Soon after Rev. Dr. Verbeck, being in the vicinity, was invited to address them; but as the night appointed was so inclement few were present to hear him. So they struggled on, now and then gaining a new member. Sometimes they would feel quite discouraged and then taking heart again they would make fresh endeavours. On the first day of February last, they held their first formal meeting; twelve were present and there appeared to be a true heart-felt interest taken in the work. There are now Twenty-four members.

This letter from which the foregoing was largely copied concludes—“You doubtless hear of many such experiences as ours, but to us who have known and felt the difficulties and
obstacles in our path, it seems wonderful. I dare say there are many like us who would like to start in the work, but are waiting for more to take hold. I wish I could say to each, do your part the Lord can and will do His. I think that was the secret of our success. The Lord had made it plain to at least three of our number, that the work was necessary. It was clearly our duty to attend to it at once, He would attend to the rest."

This society formed under such discouragements has just sent to each of the Woman’s Boards six dollars and seventy-five cents.

*Fairfield Reformed Church, Children’s Mission Circle, N.J.*
—The Children’s Mission Circle was organized last April with ten members. During the year we have two new ones making a total of twelve. We would like to become auxiliary to the Woman’s Board of Foreign Missions. We hold our meetings monthly and take for our subject the country suggested in the Gleaner. As a special work we have decided to help support a little girl in China. We have already sent $10.00 for that object.

**Miss Sallie Doremus, Sec.**

*Flushing Reformed Church, L. I.*—“The Girl’s Mission Band” of this church, which is a new auxiliary to our Board, seems to have commenced its work with great zeal. It has about sixteen members, who have been busily engaged in work for the Hindoo girl’s school in India.

*Grand Rapids Second Reformed Church, Mich.*—The Woman’s Missionary Society connected with this church has recently become auxiliary to our Board. It has for years supported a male missionary in India, raising and forwarding every year eighty dollars for this object. It is the desire of the society that this sum so raised should be appropriated for this purpose only, and that the surplus whatever it may be should be used by our Board for general work.
Newkirk Reformed Church, Iowa.—A new auxiliary has been organized in this church. The letter announcing this pleasing news says, "The ladies would like to become auxiliaries to the Board. They have pledged themselves to give sixty dollars a year for foreign missions; but they desire to be at liberty to do whatever they wish with what is left."

North Hempstead Reformed Church, L. I.—Concerning the organization of this new auxiliary Miss Ida Schenck its Secretary writes, "Our Pastor called a meeting of the ladies of the congregation for that purpose on the first Wednesday of September last. A sufficient number attended to organize. We resolved to take up offerings at our meetings which are to be held the first Wednesday of every month, and to offer to the families of the congregation the missionary boxes issued by our Board, they who take them, agreeing to deposit a cent a meal, or three cents every day. These boxes are to be opened quarterly and the money divided between the two Missionary Boards. The work is entirely new to us, but I think we are in earnest and we will do our best to make it a success."

Pottersville Reformed Church, N. J.—This society was formed February 25, 1891. We hold monthly meetings when original papers and selections on mission subjects are read, besides various religious services. All who attend the meetings are regarded as members. We shall circulate missionary literature from time to time, such as the tracts of our Boards, and, as far as we can, the "Mission Field" and the "Gleaner." The visit of Miss C. M. Talmage gave the impulse which led to our organization desired by some of us for a long time.

Mrs. R. T. Cook, Sec.

Red Hill Chapel, Auxiliary.—We became auxiliary to the Woman's Board in February of the present year through the solicitation of the home corresponding secretary, and have to acknowledge the receipt of the "Mission Manual" which we are passing around among the members. Our meetings are
held the first Wednesday in each month, but have been very irregular on account of stormy weather. The average attendance has been six, out of a membership of twenty-three. Our contributions to the Woman's Board for the year were eleven dollars, and the treasurer reports five dollars on hand. Our annual meeting held April first, was the most encouraging of the year, and with God's blessing we hope for better things to come.

Mrs. A. H. Baurhryte, Sec.

Rockaway Reformed Church, N. J.—This society held its first meeting February 4, 1890, and monthly meetings have been continued since. Its contributions for this year were seventy dollars, divided between the two Boards.

Woodside Reformed Church, N. J.—The Woodside auxiliary held its first regular meeting April 7th. There were twenty-five ladies present, and considerable interest was manifested. Eighty-five mite boxes have been given out. We have decided to support a bed in Dr. Otte's hospital. One half the amount was raised on the 7th, to secure the bed. We have every reason to believe that our effort will succeed.

Miss M. A. Beach, Sec.
AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Albany First Reformed Church.—This society has a membership of forty-three. Amount contributed to foreign missions $145.25 of which $50.00 goes to Miss Scudder's school, Madanapalle, and the balance $95.25 to the general work. Special contribution (annual) for support and education of Medical Missionary, $20.00. Contributed by S. S. Mission Band for the education of Shanta, $40.00.

Miss Emily D. Sumner, Sec.

Acquackanonk Reformed Church, N. J.—Our roll at present credits us with a membership of seventy. Ten regular monthly meetings have been held, with an average attendance of eighteen. The treasury has exceeded its usual semi-annual standard of one hundred dollars. In August this amount was forwarded to the school at Amoy, under the care and supervision of the Misses Talmage; and at the close of the year, one hundred and ten dollars, was sent to Mrs. E. S. Booth, to aid in her work at Ferris seminary. As in previous years the society has been greatly favored in receiving letters directly from our mission stations in the foreign fields. Sabbath evening May 11th, we were privileged in being addressed by Rev. Dr. Verbeck, of Tokyo, Japan. In our annual survey we have only to record one missing link from this golden chain of Christian workers. September 7th, our secretary, Matilda B. Gaston, was called home. The eight years she held the office of recording and corresponding secretary of this society were to her years of earnest, willing service, for she loved the cause. Only gone before into “his presence where there is fullness of joy.

Anna E. Gaston, Sec.
"Helen E. Ayerigg Mission Band."—We end with this year the fifth as the Helen E. Ayerigg Mission Band. During the year there were ten meetings, with an average attendance of thirteen. We have taken up separately the countries of China, India and Japan, and learned all we could about them by appointing different members to look among books and papers for information concerning the customs, dress and religion of each one. Although we have had no means of raising money other than in the way of dues, donations and birthday offerings, we end this year with a balance of sixty dollars.

We thank God for his care of us during the year that has gone, and trust that he will give us more work to do and more earnestness to carry it out.

MINA GREENLIE, Sec.

Belleville Reformed Church, N. J.—The missionary society at two of their quarterly meetings, were addressed by Rev. A. S. VanDyck, and Miss K. M. Talmage, and it was very pleasant and helpful to us. Fifty-seven of our members contribute to foreign missions. Eighty-two dollars and forty cents, were sent to the Woman’s Board.

C. E. PRESTON, Sec.

Mission Band (same church).—We organized as a mission band called “Willing Workers,” January 11th, 1890, with twelve members to work for both foreign and domestic missions.

The members were to pay two cents a month dues. The officers were to be elected annually. We decided to meet regularly every two weeks, and have exercises consisting of recitations of scriptural verses and articles of missionary intelligence read while we worked. We have had thirty-two regular meetings. We had a lawn party, on the afternoon and evening of July 23, 1890, which was a success, clearing about twenty-seven dollars. We held a Fair, December 12th, 1890, for the sale of fancy articles, made during the year. We realized fifty-three dollars and forty-nine cents. We also had gifts amounting to sixteen dollars, from three different persons.
At our annual meeting in January, we opened a birthday box started seven month's before, it contained one dollar and seventeen cents.

For our work for foreign missions we sent thirty-five dollars, for the support of a bed, in Dr. Otte's hospital, called the "Lizzie Hardman Bed" in memory of Lizzie, who used to belong to our band, but is now dead. We have also just finished some scrap books to send to Dr. Otte.

For domestic missions we sent a communion set costing twenty-five dollars, to a church in Churchville, Minn., also thirty dollars toward the support of a church in Avondale, N. J.

We now have eleven dollars and sixty-seven cents, in our treasury, which together with our donations make a total of one hundred and one dollars and sixty-seven cents, raised during 1 year, 3 months.

Mae. W. Watson, Sec.

Brighton Heights Reformed Church, S. I.—We have recently divided our work; and meet now twice a month. One afternoon is wholly devoted to missions and prayers, and we trust a blessing will follow the earnest effort of the faithful souls who are believing, to work for the Master, surely, then, our membership will be enlarged, and our gifts will be more generous.

Our collections are given monthly through the envelope system, but we have occasionally special donations.

Our interest in the work was greatly enhanced by a kind visit from Mrs. Bainbridge, one hot day last summer. The informal talk on matters of personal observation in Japan and India, was both instructive and helpful.

We also keep up an interest in the monthly subject, as given by the Board, and papers bearing on the subject are read at every missionary meeting.

We hope to enlarge this branch of our work by means of our "Paper Exchange," which circulates weekly and monthly papers from house to house, spreading thereby a knowledge of mission work both at home and abroad. Ten dollars was given for a Bible reader in India.

Miss H. E. Bogert, Sec.
Brooklyn, Church on the Heights.—The monthly meetings, which have been held regularly during the winter, have increased in size and interest. Members have taken an active part in the meetings, reading letters from foreign fields and articles relating to missionary work. Miss Winn, who had recently returned to this country, from the Ferris Seminary, delivered a most instructive and entertaining address at the March meeting. Thirty-seven ladies had the pleasure of listening to her earnest words. The collections average about the same as last year.

ELEANORE BRINSURADE, Sec.

Brooklyn, E. D., First Reformed Church, N. Y.—Our two Foreign Missisionary Societies are in a flourishing condition. The meetings have been well attended, and the presidents have taken considerable pains to make them interesting. During the winter, we had the pleasure of meeting Miss Winn, and enjoyed hearing her talk about her work in Japan. The “Crystal Society” has a new feature. Some gentlemen have been admitted as members, and the experiment has proved very satisfactory.

ROSA R. ATWATER, Sec.

Caatsban Reformed Church, N. Y.—We have just entered our teens, as we close the record of another year and take a retrospect of our work in the past, since that afternoon thirteen years ago, when a band of ladies assembled with much fear and trembling, to form this society. We feel that “The Lord hath done great things for us, whereof we are glad.” We have felt his presence with us during the past year. Bereavement has cast its shadow over us repeatedly, and while new names have been enrolled on the list, none the less are missed, the loved and honored members whose love for the church and our society was so strong, so firm and faithful, and who are now shining in the presence chamber of the King. We have been blessed with a precious work of grace. During the past winter, a number of our dear young people have been gathered into the fold, some of whom were members of our
society. Our meetings have been large, and sustained with zeal and interest. It is our earnest desire to press onward with God's help and blessing, trusting that our future will be characterized with more prayer, increased effort and consecration.

MRS. S. N. FIERO, Sec.

Canajoharie Reformed Church, N. Y.—Our membership is up to the usual number, and I think at least three new ones have been enrolled this year. Our contributions too, are about the same as last year, and goes to the general fund.

Our beloved President, has been confined to the house for a long time by sickness, and as we now have no pastor, our meetings have been irregular and the attendance small. We are about making some repairs to the inside of our church, and hope before long the Lord will send us an acceptable Pastor, and that all our church work will flourish with old time vigor.

Our prayers and sympathies are in the work, and we hope to do more in the future than we have in the past.

MRS. J. C. BEACH, Sec.

Catskill Auxiliary of the Woman's Board Foreign Missions.—The monthly meetings of our Auxiliary have been held regularly during the past year, and have been well attended. Readers have been appointed for each meeting, and articles read concerning the various missions connected with the Reformed Dutch Church in India, China, and Japan. These readings have proved to be, not only entertaining and instructive, but have also awakened a greater zeal in our society for mission work.

RACHEL E. SALISBURY, Sec.

Esopus Reformed Church, N. Y.—Our society was organized in 1886 and numbers, at present, forty-one members.

We are pleased to report that this is an increase in membership since last year.

We have contributed, this year, to foreign missions, forty-nine dollars and thirty-seven cents, forty-seven dollars and
thirty-seven cents of which were sent to the treasurer of Foreign Missions, and two dollars were sent for the education of a female medical missionary in China.

We can truly say we feel encouraged to continue in this great work and are looking forward to a still more successful year.

Lizzie Valkenburg, Sec.

Fairfield Reformed Church, N. J.—This auxiliary was reorganized in May 1889. We hold our meetings monthly at the homes of the different members. A Children's Mission Circle has been formed, which is growing and all the members are working earnestly for the cause.

Our contribution to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions is $18.00, we have also sent the same amount to the W. E. C. of Domestic Missions.

We hope during the coming year others will become interested and join us in the work of the Master.

Hattie A. Morehouse, Sec.

Flatbush Reformed Church, N. Y.—This society has existed since 1879. It was reorganized March 23, 1887.

Have always met once in two months; this year we will hold monthly meetings; hoping thereby to "increase in every good word and work." Forty eight members are enrolled, as contributors to the mission fund. Our contributions for Foreign Missions, during the year just passed, amounted to $22.00, of this amount $20.00 were sent to the treasurer of Foreign Missions, and two dollars were sent for the education of a native female medical missionary in India. An Anniversary was held March 18th; Miss Katharine M. Talmage was with us both afternoon and evening, and addressed a large audience, with earnest, practical, soul-stirring words, from her own personal knowledge of China and its needs. The last great command, came to us with added force, "Go ye into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature." May none fail to heed Mary's injunction to the servants at Cana, "Whatsoever He saith unto you, do it."

Mrs. E. Osterhondt, Sec.
Flatlands Reformed Church, L. I.—For two years our society was auxiliary to the W. E. C. but last year we decided to work for the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions also.

Having two objects to work for, we made an effort to increase our contributions, and succeeded in increasing the amount in the treasury to $156, $26 more than we collected the year before. This sum was evenly divided between the two boards.

Our meetings are carried on as they were, when we were auxiliary to the W. E. C. alone, with the exception of discussions of the needs of the foreign field; papers and pamphlets on the work abroad, being read at each meeting.

Miss R. Jane Ryder, Sec.

Fordham Reformed Church, N Y., Sunergoi Society.—This society, an outgrowth of the Mission Band, was organized October, 1888. We hold two meetings a month, and during these meetings one member reads a book or article aloud while the others work.

In the foreign field we have supported a bed in Dr. Otte's Hospital, Sio-Khe, China. To raise the money for this purpose, we held an entertainment in February. The members are interested in this work, and we hope that many sufferers may be relieved by the money.

Sarah A. Bussing, Sec.

Fordham Mission Band, N. Y.—This mission band was organized in 1884. It consists of thirty members.

Its principal object is to raise funds toward the support and education of Imura Yei, who is being educated at Ferris Seminary, Yokohama, Japan.

And we have also raised money for the Fresh Air Fund; we have sewed for the hospital in New York, and have sent Christmas boxes and clothing to the west. We have very enjoyable meetings every Saturday from 10 to 12 A. M.

Our opening exercises consisting of a prayer, some singing and reading from scripture are carried on by the girls of the band; after which we attend to the work which may be on hand.

Mattie Valentine, Sec.
Freehold 2d Reformed Church, N. J.—Our monthly meetings have been sustained throughout the year. An increased interest is manifested in the growing attendance, the willingness to serve as leaders and the spirit of prayer present in our gatherings.

The contributions for the year show an increase, the total amount collected being $116.20. Included in this is $26. given by the Buds of Promise band and the King's Daughters. The sum has been nearly equally divided between the two Boards.

Thankfully and hopefully we enter upon the work of the coming year.

Jennie A. Perrine, Sec.

Ghent, First Reformed Church, N. Y.—This society has at present a membership of fifty.

Meetings have been held the second Wednesday of each month, with an average attendance of twelve.

Two ladies appointed, read at each meeting, and the selections have been entirely from missionary periodicals.

During the year three of our number have entered into rest. Ten members have been enrolled.

The society receipts amount to fifty-three dollars, to this is added a memorial of ten dollars, and “In memory of Ellen N. Wyckoff, by her children” ten dollars, making a total of seventy-three dollars, which has been forwarded to the treasurer of the Woman's Board.

Our society has completed its tenth year. While the work accomplished has not been all we could wish, still we are thankful for the past, and hopeful and trustful for the future.

Mrs. Charles Tracy, Sec.

Gravesend Reformed Church, L. I.—This auxiliary held its tenth annual meeting November 14th, 1890, and the following sabbath at the public anniversary held in the church, Rev. Mr. Verbeck, of Japan, addressed the meeting, giving us a very interesting account of his work among the Japanese. Our meetings are held on the second Friday in every month,
and an hour is spent in reading missionary matter, prayer and singing.

We have followed the programme in the *Mission Gleaner*, appointing two ladies to read articles bearing on the subject for the month. At two of the meetings we have sent for the *Mission Field*, and had the responsive reading that all might take part, sending the papers to the active members before the meeting. The membership has increased, but the attendance remains the same. Our membership is fifty, and our contributions have increased every year.

We have received a very interesting letter from Miss M. K. Scudder, telling us how our boy Jonah led the Young Peoples Christian Endeavour Society, and very well too. Our girl protege Rachel has been very ill, but has recovered. These letters coming to us direct from India increase our interest in the good work.

The seed is being constantly sown, and we pray for the harvest.

*Mrs. F. E. H. Renand, Sec.*

*Greenport Reformed Church, N. Y.*—We hold our meetings monthly, and though but few in number, yet we always feel that His presence is ever with us, bidding us go forward and possess the land. Our faithful President is always with us at our meetings, and although we average but six, in attendance, yet we never call the meeting a failure.

We have contributed thirty-five dollars, towards supporting our girl at Ferris Seminary, Kuni Matsuyama. We have thirty members at present, seven new members during the year. May we ever follow where He leadeth, and begin the new year with increased vigor, and renewed strength and zeal.

*Mrs. W. B. Walker, Sec.*

*Griggstown Reformed Church, N. J.*—The auxiliary connected with this church, has held monthly meetings during the year, and we are glad to report six new members. We are auxiliary to both the Foreign and Domestic Board, and
have during the year contributed twenty-two dollars and seventy-five cents, to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions. Our money is raised only by contributions, in the way of monthly fees, and is forwarded to the treasurers of the Woman's Board, and the "W. E. C." every three months. We have a "Mission Band" in connection with our society, which sent ($10.00), ten dollars, through Miss Talmage, last November, to a child in Amoy.

MRS. H. W. HOAGLAND, Sec.

Helderburg and Altamont Reformed Churches, N. Y.—The Helderburg Auxiliary has a membership of fifty, with an Auxiliary at Altamont of eighteen members. We hold our meetings the first Thursday of every month; Altamont the last Thursday. Our annual meeting is in June. The two societies are at present working together. Six months of the year are devoted to domestic missions, and six to foreign. We are educating a young lady in India under the care of Miss M. K. Scudder. The people seem to be interested, but our meetings are not large as we are in the country and have long distances to go and often bad roads. Our society has sent to foreign missions during the past year thirty dollars and thirty-five cents, and the Altamont Auxiliary five dollars and sixty-five cents. MRS. M. A. TAGGERT, Sec

High Bridge Reformed Church, N. J.—This society which has for its object the increase of missionary effort and intelligence in High Bridge, and to aid the Boards of domestic and foreign missions, began the year with six members, and ends it with twenty-six.

During the year fifty-eight dollars, and eighty cents, have been raised, of which thirty-seven dollars, and eighty-nine cents, were sent to the Board of Foreign Missions.

The society devoted the fall and winter months to working for domestic missions, and the spring and summer months for foreign missions. A native girl in India has been adopted, and the society pledged itself to educate her at Mrs. Scudder's school in Vellore, India.
The children of the church have been organized into a branch society under the name of the "King’s Children," with thirty-five members. Our society had a hard struggle for a while, but things are beginning to look brighter, and we hope great things for the year 1891.

Miss Mabel Raber, Sec.

Hopewell Reformed Church, N. Y.—Our Auxiliary has done better for the year ending in December than for some time past. We send our money the beginning of each New Year. January 1st, 1891, our Treasurer, Miss Nettie Van Wyck, sent one hundred and fifty-four dollars and five cents. Twenty of this was given by three ladies, thirty dollars and thirty-four cents were realized by a "Missionary Tea;" the rest was given by members of our Auxiliary. A number of the members have joined the "Prayer League" for Foreign Missions. By our prayers we try to help those who, in foreign lands, obey their Lord’s command, "Go preach the Gospel to every creature." Our hope is, that we may be able to do as well in the year to come as during the past.

Anna Van Wyck, Sec.

Jersey City, South Bergen Reformed Church, N. J.—"Forward," was the motto given by our Pastor to his people as they entered the new year.

And forward we have been endeavoring to move during the past nine years of the auxiliary’s existence.

Sometimes we appeared as standing still amid the vicissitudes of a struggling young church, with its changes of members and pastors. But our never-changing Lord and Helper, filled vacant places with other earnest workers. And so in glancing over the past, especially the year ending April 1891, we find we have gone "forward," not only financially, but in the information received and knowledge gained from articles of a missionary character, read at our meetings, and that which has been gleaned from the lips of devoted men and women actually engaged in the foreign field, has cer-
tainly inspired us to go forward and more earnestly to engage in the master's work.

We hold our monthly meetings in connection with the ladies prayer meeting; this adds to the spirituality, which seems a very essential element in missionary gatherings, and the prayers which our missionaries so earnestly crave, are not forgotten.

Mission boxes have been introduced during the past year for the convenience of collectors and contributors. The female membership of our church numbers one hundred and twenty. These were divided among nine collectors, who were requested to inform each of the auxiliary's work; at the same time renewing the request for the one cent a week, with the faint hope that even nickles and dimes might find their way into the mission box. In this we were not entirely disappointed, as at the annual in-gathering, collectors and contributors were in several instances gratified to see how the occasional free will offering had outgrown the penny a week.

We have still a number of persons who prefer to continue giving the regular membership fee of fifty cents per year.

We cannot but feel encouraged when we compare our financial report of last year with the present.

The former giving the figures $33.20, the latter $60.39, proving that we have though slowly yet surely gone "forward."

Anniversary services were held in the church, on Monday March 22d. A sketch of the beginning and progress of our auxiliary, with the annual report was read. Rev. D. Rapalje, was with us, and gave an interesting account of the work in China, more especially in relation to the women and girls. Our young people were well represented, and Mr. Rapalje, in his closing remarks, alluding to this fact, expressed the wish that one or more might be induced to give themselves to the work in foreign lands.

We look to the future for the realization of our present hopes.

"In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand; for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that." MRS. WM. VAN ZEE, Sec.
Jersey City, Bergen Reformed Church, N. J.—To-day brings us to the sixteenth anniversary of our society, and marks the close of another year of mission work. We realize that some things have been left undone which we desired to accomplish; still the year has been a prosperous one. Our meetings have been held regularly the first Wednesday in each month, with an average attendance of thirteen. We have had faithful collectors, who have passed among the ladies of the congregation and gathered the free-will offerings.

The total amount collected for the year is $244.51, disbursements for the year $12.00, which left $232.51; which amount has been sent to the treasurer of the board of foreign missions. Last year the amount was $219.61.

In July last under the auspices of the King’s daughters, and Y. P. S. C. E., an organ was sent to Mrs. Fagg, in China. Later a box was forwarded, filled with such articles as she had said would be helpful in her work. To these gifts we added, real interest and heartfelt prayers that the Lord would continue his blessing on her labors, for the advancement of his kingdom, and that to her be given the power of the holy spirit, and thus shall be qualified for blessed service. Her ever welcome letters are much enjoyed by all, and we trust her earnest words coming from a heart full of love to her Master will not soon be forgotten.

Miss Talmadge has recently spoken in our church, and was listened to with no little interest. She said the work had been begun, and should be carried on, and every effort made tending to shed some ray of light into homes so darkened, and into hearts so comfortless and unhappy. Her talks and appeals were touching, and she brought her claims nearer by having many articles worn or made by the natives themselves.

As a society we feel we have not been standing still—that while our progress has not been rapid, we have grown stronger, and have steadily advanced toward truer Christian lives. The past year has brought us many tokens of God's love. He has enriched us with His peace, we as Christians have the certain pledge of His unfailing care. Let us then be united in
the desire of bringing souls to a knowledge of the love of God

And so we enter on this new year of our organization. Hopeful, earnest, full of zeal to carry forward the work which we have begun, and trusting to make this a year of constantly growing interest, and enlarged resources, that we may accomplish much that shall be enduring in the work for Christ and missions.

MRS. H. CHAMBERLAIN, Sec.

Jersey City, Wayne Street Reformed Church.—In making the annual report of the auxiliary of our church, while we feel that we have passed an encouraging year, still have little of general interest to report. Our society has a membership of thirty-five. Four new members were added through the year, but we are sorry to report the loss of three, one by death, and two by removal from the city. The average attendance for the last year shows an increase over that of the preceding year. We still continue the use of the responsive exercises, which were introduced last year. Before concluding the report I must add that the Mission Gleaner, has twenty-eight subscribers among the members of our society.

CARRIE VAN CLEEF, Sec.

Kalamazoo, Second Reformed Church, Mich.—An encouraging increase of interest and attendance at our meetings has been felt in our society, during the past year. Meetings have been held the first Wednesday of each month, with an average attendance of twenty-five. The Lord in His infinite wisdom has removed from us our beloved secretary. We have this year sent sixty-three dollars, to the Woman’s Board, and trust we have helped a little to send the bread of life to the famishing, that they may know the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom He hath sent.

MISS JENNIE NEWLAND, Sec.

Kingston, Fair Street Reformed Church, N. Y.—At our last meeting March 30th, it was decided to hold our meetings
quarterly, instead of yearly, in order to increase the intelligence, interest and energies of our society; which we must do before we can increase our funds.

We are hopeful that another year of work may do us credit in promoting the good work in the foreign fields.

Our auxiliary report thirty-two dollars, and twenty-five cents, for the year 1890, which we hope may be doubled next year.

Miss Lydia H. B. Deyo, Sec.

Kiskatom Reformed Church, N. Y.—The ladies of this auxiliary have raised the past year fifty-five dollars and twenty-eight cents. Three dollars were applied toward the education of a native physician in India. I have sent a check of twenty-six dollars and fifty cents, to the Woman's Board of Foreign Mission, toward paying the debt of the foreign missionary board.

Our monthly meetings have been sustained, the average attendance being thirteen. As our contributions have been increased we feel encouraged.

To persevere in this work, by the grace of Him whose "strength is made perfect in weakness" is our desire.

Hattie A. Britt, Sec.

Mahwah Reformed Church, N. J.—Our society has grown one year older. Six years we have been engaged in this branch of the Master's work—this prayer should be ours:

"As we grow in years, may we grow in grace."

In the years review we find nothing specially new to record. Meetings have been faithfully carried on, with a few extra meetings during the summer months.

Contributions have not quite reached what they were last year, still we have no cause to be disheartened.

One life member has been added to our number. We cannot fail to be grateful that we have been spared through another year, and that we are permitted to aid in the Master's work. May the service be cheerfully and successfully rendered.

Katie Winter, Sec.
Mount Vernon Reformed Church, N. Y.—The ladies missionary society has held regular monthly meetings during the year, excepting July and August.

At these meetings some letters from home missionaries, have been read, and also articles have been read on the different countries where missionary work is being carried on. It seems as though the instruction we have received about these missionary labors in these different countries, should give us more zeal in our missionary endeavors.

The most of our money contributions have been sent to the boards of foreign and domestic missions.

Our hearts' desire is that God will be with our society, will bless us with a consciousness of His presence, and that we may enter more zealously into the work, and try and do all we can for the advance of His kingdom, doing our work heartily unto the Lord, seeking to do His will, and not our own.

Although the number of ladies who have attended the meetings of the society have been small, still our contributions have not fallen off at all during the year. Our treasurer's report is one of encouragement. Eighty dollars was sent to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions. Looking at all things we think that we may start out for another year of work with renewed energy, thanking God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us.

Jessie Zabriskie, Sec.

Nassau Reformed Church, N. Y.—The close of this year finds the auxiliary society connected with this church, in about the same state as last. Our meetings have been regularly attended, and different mission fields have been treated, which has thrown light upon the various themes under discourse; thus we trust we are advancing in the cause of helping the benighted countries, by contributing so that teachers may be sent to bring them to a knowledge of the true gospel.

One of the ladies has been constituted a life member; also an interesting letter has been received from our pupil in India, giving us a description of his life and work, which
brings a fresh impetus to the members of this society as they feel they are sowing seed which ere long will bring an abundant harvest.

Mrs. John W. Hogeboom, Sec.

Newburg Reformed Church, N. Y.—This auxiliary has little to report this year. Quarterly meetings have been held as usual.

Interesting articles have been read at the meetings about the work in China and Japan.

We have sent forty dollars, to the school at Vellore, for the support of a girl there, and one hundred dollars for the support of a native preacher, at Nalcheruvapalle.

Both the Mission Field, and the Gleaner, are taken in our church.

One deep source of regret is that we have been called to part with our beloved president, (our pastor's wife; our pastor having accepted a call to another church). Full of the missionary spirit herself, she has striven to infuse the same spirit into others. We would thank her most sincerely for her services to this society during the time she has been with us.

Our society has indeed been a great blessing to us, and we feel thankful for the little God has permitted us to do.

G. E. Mackie, Sec.

New Baltimore Reformed Church, N. Y.—For four years we have been supporting a native zanana teacher, at Madanapalle, India, under the care of Miss M. K. Scudder, who has written us several letters and kindly sent us a photograph of this our substitute in proclaiming the gospel. Looking at her good face seems to bring her nearer to us, and make us have a more personal interest in her work. We have lately tried the plan of appointing two ladies to select the subject for each ensuing meeting, and to endeavor to make them as instructive an entertaining as possible. This is the seventh year of our society, and the interest in it continues unabated and we feel that it has proved a blessing not only to ourselves but to the whole church. We hold our meetings monthly, and any one
paying five cents a month is considered a member of the society. By this means the interest becomes more general. We raised last year one hundred and twenty dollars, which we divide evenly between the foreign and domestic boards.

Mrs. A. L. Wickes, Sec.

New Durham, Grove Church, N. J.—Our society numbers forty-two. We have an average attendance of twelve. Our meetings are held monthly on the first Friday of each month, except during July and August.

We have raised during the year one hundred and ninety-four dollars and twenty-six cents, of which forty-eight dollars have been sent to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, and seventy-five dollars to Mr. Van Dyke, for the girls school in the Amoy Mission, China.

Miss Carrie Duryee, Sec.

New York City, Sixth Avenue Reformed Church.—There have been held ten regular, and thirteen business meetings, with an average attendance of forty-one at the former, and eleven at the latter. The boy in India, and girl in Japan, continue to be our beneficiaries, and the reports received of their progress, is ample reward for all the care and cost.

The monthly offerings, which were heretofore given to Ferris Seminary, have been transferred to Dr. Otte's hospital, Sio-khe, China.

Last anniversary Rev. Dr. Verbeck, the pioneer missionary to Japan, gave a most interesting address on the progress of the gospel in that country. February meeting was varied by a responsive reading of missionary facts, and a brief statement of our oldest mission, Amoy, China.

"Medical missions," its strong claims on mission workers, from the gospel standpoint, was presented to us in April, by Dr. Dowkontt. The same evening an original paper entitled "How can we best Serve?" was read by our corresponding secretary.

June meeting savored largely of the doings at "Gen. Synod," and Miss O. H. Lawrence, gave us a bright practical talk on the work of missions in Japan.
During the fall we were addressed by Mrs. Osborne, of Brooklyn, and Rev. Dr. Cobb, foreign corresponding secretary.

In this general summary of what "God has wrought" in and by this society, we desire to make grateful mention of the help received through reading the *Mission Gleaner*, and also the inspiration through letters received directly from the various fields.

Thus ends the report of another year. Can we truly say, as a society and members of *this* Jerusalem, that we have done all we could, to further this great cause? If so, surely we may sing,

"One holy church, one army strong,
One steadfast high, intent
One working band, one harvest song
One king omnipotent!"

Elsie Day, Sec.

*Faith Mission Band, (same church).*—This band has entered its fourteenth year of successful work. The proceeds of the anniversary held last December, amounted to fifty dollars. Thirty dollars of this was sent to India, for the support of Emma Lawrence. Our beneficiary has recently been married, so we think it advisable to assume the support of another girl.

Sarah F. Comings, Sec.

*New York City, Madison Avenue Reformed Church, N. Y.*—We are happy to report an increased prosperity in our auxiliary. Our meetings have been held once a month. We have seventy-one members, and an average attendance of thirty-three. Two who were with us last year have passed away. We have listened to speakers from different fields. "A missionary tea" was given by our president Mrs. Parsons. From the time our first parents were commanded to partake of the fruits of the garden, proffered hospitality always has, and always will be attractive; therefore if it becomes necessary to introduce the social element to attract the ladies, and thus in-
terest them in this work, let it be "missionary teas," if by so
doing, "Whether we eat or drink, we do it as unto the Lord." Miss Winn, from Japan, interested us very much in her ad-
dress upon the customs of the people of that country, and
their progress in christianity. We had the privilege of listen-
ing to Dr. Pierson, on the subject of missions, that great and
inexhaustible theme. Our hearts glowed with missionary
zeal, as he urged us to work more earnestly for the completion
of Christ's kingdom. Oh why do not the laborers come for-
ward to sow the seeds. Our master is waiting for the sloth-
ful ones to awake! Our society has given twenty dollars, to
supplement fifteen dollars, raised by the "Mother's Circle"
of the mission of our church, to endow a bed for one year in
Dr. Otte's hospital, at Sio-khe, China. We have contributed
our annual three hundred and sixty dollars, for the teachers
salary at Ferris Seminary, Japan; and have also paid over to
the treasurer of the Mother society, three hundred dollars.

This year has been more successful financially than the
past, and may we not cease in our efforts until every woman
in our church enlists herself under our banner and works
with us heart and hand.

"In his name,"

MRS. WILBUR BROWN, Sec.

North Branch Reformed Church, N. J.—In reviewing the
past, we find this auxiliary passed its tenth anniversary. Feb-
uary 17th, 1891. Commencing in 1881 with a membership
of fifteen, which now numbers forty. In the ten years we
have donated to the foreign board $434.85.

In 1884 we became auxiliary to the Domestic Board, voting to appropriate all we could raise over fifty dollars, each
year to that Board, and we have receipts for $179.00, from
that source, making a total of $613.85, from the W. M. S.

This too in a rural district with many other demands for
church work upon them. We consider they have "done what
they could," and we have the pleasure of knowing that the
work of the elder ladies, is being supplemented by the younger
members of the community. "The Mission Circle," who are
working with much commendable zeal in the name of the Master.

May the Lord bless the efforts of each and all, and take to Himself the glory.

Mrs. S. J. Vanderbeek, Sec.

Nyack Reformed Church, N. Y.—The auxiliary has held its monthly meetings regularly during the past year. These meetings have been of a devotional character, and have been held in the evening, for a half hour, before the monthly concert prayer meeting. The order of exercise consists of singing, scripture reading in concert, two or three prayers, and items of interest relating to the subject of the month.

When there is any business to transact a special meeting is called.

We take pleasure in sending to the general fund this year, $303.75, of which one hundred dollars is the Margaret Blauvelt memorial.

Mrs. G. F. Blauvelt, Sec.

Kamei-no-ko Circle, (same church),—Since the last annual report we have held meetings every two weeks with but few exceptions. Envelopes have been distributed among the members in order to make their contributions more regular.

In September a Christmas box was sent to Ferris Seminary.

We have had no entertainment this year in order to raise our sixty dollars, but have tried to obtain it by the collections taken at the meetings, by the birthday jug, by the dime helpers and by solicitations.

We have decided that during the next year, we will try to raise the sixty dollars, by our own work and contributions.

Mary E. Van Deventer, Sec.

Paterson Second Reformed Church, N. J.—The ladies missionary society of our church, have had a very pleasant and successful year. We now have twenty-nine members, with an average attendance of sixteen.
Monthly meetings have been held except during the summer; Forty dollars has been sent this year, as was last, for the support of a girl in Mrs. Scudder's school, at Vellore, and thirty-five for a bed in the hospital, at Si-o-ke, India. We have also contributed to W. E. C.

Miss Mary S. Duryea, Sec.

Philadelphia, First and Second Reformed Church, Pa.—This auxiliary has now completed the eleventh year of its work. A year, which as we review it, bears the marks of its kinship to all the years of our lives, revealing both light and shadow. We rejoice in the pleasant intercourse together, and in the preciousness of having been permitted to work together with and for our master; but we regret that our work has not been better and more faithfully done.

The work of the auxiliary has been carried on as in past years—subscriptions have been collected from the members of both congregations, mite boxes have been distributed, and monthly meetings held for conference, and the hearing of the progress of mission work both at home and abroad.

Eight meetings have thus been held, with an average attendance of fifteen managers.

In February we had the pleasure of meeting with and listening to Miss Leila Winn. As was said that evening, "she told us just what we most wanted to know" about the manners and customs of that wonderful nation of the far east.

She gave us, also, in a clear and interesting way, many facts about the work of our faithful missionaries there. The audience which was the largest we ever had at a public meeting, seemed deeply interested.

We have held more public meetings than during any previous year, and we feel that much good has been accomplished in this way.

One new feature in our methods of work is the creation of an expense box, intended to receive the voluntary contributions from the managers; and we have in this way met all our expenses.

At our annual meeting we borrowed a missionary from
the Presbyterian Church, Rev. Mr. Newton, of India. Our treasurer reported $133.00, from subscriptions, and $256.18, from the mite boxes. Of this fourteen dollars, were contributed to the organ fund, for Ferris Seminary, and fourteen dollars, for the debt of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Sara C. Collins, Sec.

Plainfield Reformed Church, N. J.—The Bright Hope Mission Band is not at present in as prosperous a condition as we could wish. We have hopes that Miss Talmage, may give us a talk some time the coming summer, at which time we shall re-organize. A large number of the members have confessed Christ lately.

Next spring I hope to report a prosperous, busy wide-awake Band at Plainfield, N. J.

Margaret A. Stryker, Sec.

Pompton Reformed Church, N. J.—This auxiliary which was organized in 1883, reports another year of quiet and successful work for missions. Although fewer in number than we wish, yet our society has a membership of thirty-eight, and the monthly meetings are rendered exceedingly interesting through the careful selection of extracts which are read, pertaining to the topic of the day. In January, the society as well as many others, greatly enjoyed a lecture given by the Rev. A. S. Van Dyck, who graphically described mission life in China, and also exhibited many curio.

The yearly receipts are divided between foreign and domestic missions; nearly eighty dollars having been forwarded to the former to continue the support of a catechist, and a bible reader, in India—and from the latter, an interesting letter has just been received. Her record for the past year proves that our society though small and weak, has indeed been blessed; and encourages us to begin another with renewed hope and courage.

Ella M. Ryerson, Sec.

Port Jervis Reformed Church, N. Y.—The dates 1885–1890 mark the length of our existence as a society, and a quiet and
helpful existence it has proven itself to be. Month by month we have gathered, doing whatever has come to our notice, and hearing of those who are more publicly engaged in our work.

Our visiting committee did their work carefully, and with success for our membership now numbers one hundred and twenty-four.

The society is supported by the missionary boxes and dues.

During the year the programme planned in the Mission Field, has been carried out, giving much satisfaction to all. We have been auxiliary to the Woman's Board since June 1889; and at our last annual meeting we voted fifty dollars to foreign missions.

CARRIE A. DE WITT, Sec.

Poughkeepsie Reformed Church, N. Y.—There have been ten regular meetings held by this auxiliary during the past year, with an average attendance of ten.

It is pleasant to report an increase of interest in our work the past year. The meetings have been more interesting and instructive than ever before, a regular programme consisting of original papers, selections, music and etc., being carried out at each one, previously arranged by a committee of two ladies appointed by the president.

A new and more systematic method of raising money has been adopted, and instead of relying upon chance collections at the monthly meetings, the congregation has been divided into four districts, upon the ladies in which regular collectors are to call and receive half-yearly subscriptions. However, as this plan has been but recently systematised, the good results of it will not be seen until next year.

DORA S. INNIS, Sec.

Poughkeepsie Second Reformed Church, N. Y.—Our meetings have been held regularly, except during the summer months, and were full of interest. Many letters have been read from different fields, telling us of the good work our
missionaries are doing, and showing us clearly, the need of
more workers, and consequently, more money.

Our afternoon was occupied by our pastor Rev. Mr. Hill,
who gave us a very interesting account of his recent travels
through Syria, and by help of photographs, bringing scenes
and places very vividly before us.

In November, new officers were elected. In January, a
special service was held, and addresses were made by Miss
Winn, of Japan, and Miss Talmadge, of China. They were
both interesting speakers, and the meeting was largely at­
tended. A loan collection of articles from India, China, and
Japan, were exhibited, and added much to the entertainment
of the evening.

Envelopes had previously been distributed throughout
the congregation, and thank-offerings were received amount­
ing to $317.04.

A sale of fancy articles and cake, was held in February,
by the society of King's Daughters of our church, for the
benefit of a preaching place in China. The amount raised
was $31.00.

This was very encouraging, and we hope was the begin­
nning of new life and interest in our little society.

MARY CLAY BOLTON, Sec.

Preakness Reformed Church, N. J.—Our society has twenty­
five members we hold our meeting on the first Wednesday
of each month. They are conducted by the ladies, each
taking her turn. We have raised during the past year $50.31.
Have made one life member of the Woman's Board of For­
eign Missions. Our Society is doing a good work. We be­
long to the two Boards, and have donated about $50 to each
in the past year.

FANNY F. DOREMUS, Sec.

Princetown Reformed Church N. J.—Our auxiliary has fin­
ished another years work, and in reviewing find but little va­
ration from last years report. Monthly meetings having been
held as regularly as weather and roads would permit, and for
the fifth year send twenty dollars, for the support of our pupil in China, together with earnest prayers that she may become useful in the service of her master.

Miss A. E. Fryer, Sec.

Raritan, Third Reformed Church, N. J.—Our society is now auxiliary to the W. B. F. M., and also to the W. E. C.; we have a membership of twenty-eight. The amount of contributions for the year just closing is $145.20. We raised the money in various ways—by membership fees, donations, a supper in March, and by mission boxes given to those willing to take them. From the latter source alone we realized over $55.00. Of the amount raised we send to the W. B. F. M., $111.37.

Mrs. D. H. Amerman, Sec.

Rhinebeck Reformed Church, N. Y.—The Woman's Missionary Society of this church was organized three years ago, and made auxiliary to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, and the Woman's Executive Committee of Home Missions. During its entire existence, there have been monthly meetings, with no adjournment for summer vacations. There has been a good attendance, and much interest shown by the members. The consideration of countries as given in the Mission Field, has been observed, and much help has been obtained, from the suggestions given by Mrs. Horton, in the Mission Field, and Mrs. Cobb, in the Gleaner.

Mite boxes are distributed among the members, and the contents brought to the meetings monthly. We have given this year forty-six dollars, to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions, forty dollars of which is for the support of a scholar in Sturges Seminary, Nagasaki, Japan.

Charlotte W. Berry, Sec.

Saugerties Reformed Church, N. Y.—At this the close of our eighteenth year of missionary work, we are glad to report the society is still steadily moving on and growing in interest and the grace of giving. In November we had the pleasure
of welcoming to our church the Missionary Convention of the Synod of Albany. At the ladies meeting in the Chapel, Miss Winn and Miss Talmadge gave great pleasure by accounts of their work, and Miss Lawrence in her emphatic way summed up the facts and sent them as an appeal to the hearts of those present. Our devotional meetings have been held every month at the homes of the ladies, omitting only one during the week of prayer, when the evening set apart for missions took its place. Two of our lady members read interesting articles and a plea for new members met with the response of two. We also before this had been making a special effort to increase the membership of our society, and now can report a list of sixty names. One social meeting has been given, a Washington tea, at the Parsonage, February 23d, which was thoroughly enjoyed by the one hundred people who were present.

Our mission band still holds its meetings semi-monthly, and all its members are interested and look forward with pleasure to the time of meeting. While we are encouraged by the success of our society in the past, we still hope for greater, and trust the Lord will give the increase more and more.

Annie A. Wilbur, Sec.

Schenectady First Reformed Church, N. Y.—The work in this auxiliary has been carried on successfully during the past year. The regular monthly meetings held during the winter months, have been well sustained, and continued interest manifested by the members. The meetings have been made instructive by articles read, leaning upon missionary work, and letters from those now actively engaged in the mission field. At the February meeting, Miss Talmage was with us, and gave an account of her own missionary life and work in Amoy. Her remarks which flowed from a full heart, were very entertaining and instructive, and could not fail to inspire all with deep interest and courage, to help carry on the blessed work of extending the kingdom of our Lord.

The treasurer reports the receipts for the year, one hundred and twenty-six dollars, sent to the Woman's Board.
We count it a privilege as well as a duty to have been able to help spread the glad tidings abroad, believing that our mite in God’s providence will accomplish something for his glory.

N. V. Lansing, Sec.

Sharon Reformed Church, N. Y.—It is gratifying to report a successful year’s work. Our society has grown somewhat, and we have contributed about ten dollars more to both boards, than last year. We number twenty-six active members, and two honorary.

We contributed to the Foreign Board during the year twenty-one dollars.

We have held ten meetings during the year, two of which were held publicly.

Mrs. W. N. Vrooman, Sec.

Spring Valley Reformed Church, N. Y.—During the last year ten meetings have been held, with a larger average attendance than during any other year of our existence, except one: the year 1888–89, being slightly in advance of 1890–91. Three members have been added to the foreign department.

Intelligence from the mission fields has been regularly brought before us, and many helpful instructive articles have been read. We do not increase in numbers as we would like; neither do our contributions increase according to our desire, but we think the interest is deepening, and gradually extending.

The Rev. Dr. Verbeck, one of our missionaries at Tokyo, Japan, addressed our society at the last anniversary, on the morning of March 23d, 1890. He held the earnest attention of the audience for more than an hour, while he eloquently presented the various aspects of missionary life and work in that field. He also addressed the congregation in the evening; when he imparted further information concerning many features of the work to which he has been devoted for more than thirty years. The personal traits of the people, and the peculiarly favorable character of Japan as a mission field, were prominent points upon which he enlarged.
At our October meeting we enjoyed the presence of the Misses Talmage of Amoy, who favored us with an informal talk about many features of their mission work in China.

During the few years that have elapsed since our society was organized, the world's missionary outlook has undergone marvelous changes. Although heathenish darkness and cruelty still hold countless millions in bondage, yet multitudes of benighted souls have received the light of the gospel and hoary superstition and prejudice are giving away more and more before God's enlightening, converting presence.

Mrs. C. E. Crispell, Sec.

*Stuyvesant Reformed Church, N. Y.*—This society has carried on its work quietly and steadily during another year, and has continued to manifest a practical interest in the cause of foreign missions.

We realize the great need of personal effort on our part to interest others, and it is to be hoped that the meeting together will be the means of drawing us closer to our Saviour, and causing us to work more earnestly for the cause of the heathen.

Our contributions for the year were seventeen dollars and thirty-three cents, for foreign missions. We feel thankful for the little, God has permitted us to do, and hope to continue in his service with increased earnestness.

O. S. Pritchard, Sec.

*Tappan Reformed Church, N. Y.*—This society closes its seventh year with an increase of members on its roll, and an increase of money given, not large, but sufficient to make glad the hearts that are interested in its work.

All its regular meetings have been held with increased average attendance, and three of its members have been enrolled in the Missionary Prayer League.

Interesting letters have been received from India, one from the beneficiary of the auxiliary herself to which she signs her name in English, and in which she tells of the older girls of Miss Scudder’s school going out each sabbath to help teach
the heathen children. This fact is most encouraging because it tells of progress in the direction toward which their education is aimed.

The lesson of this year's record, is that the Lord's work is worth the doing, not only for the promised rewards in the future, but even for the little encouragements that lie thick in the work itself.

C. M. Stephens, Sec.

Upper Red Hook Reformed Church, N. Y.—The “Scudder Memorial” auxiliary has held its regular bi-monthly meetings throughout the year. They have been varied by the Presidents' choosing a lady to arrange and carry out a programme for each time. Excellent leaflets have also been read, deepening our sense of responsibility for dying souls. A great pleasure has come in the assignment to our classis of the Rev. Lewis Scudder and wife for our personal acquaintance with the former, gives an added joy to the work.

The events of the year have been two missionary outings. The one the Missionary Converion at Claverack in May; the other at Johnstown in October. These were largely attended by our community and a source of quickening to our missionary zeal.

While in actual numbers our society has been depleted by deaths and removals, there is as true and steady an interest as ever.

The amount contributed has been $66, used for the support of two Bible-readers.

Anna B. Moore, Sec.

Warwick Reformed Church, N. Y.—During the past year this society has gained ten new members, and has at present a membership of forty-nine larger than ever before since the organization of our society.

It has collected for foreign missions one hundred and nineteen dollars and forty-four cents. On the evening of January 18 last, we had the pleasure of listening to a public address delivered in our new church by a Japanese student,
who gave a very pleasing and instructive discourse, at the close of which he was given the benefit of a collection amounting to $39.31. We are happy to report an increase in membership, which, we trust, is a fore-runner of good things to come, and would close our report with the earnest prayer, that the necessity of the spread of the Gospel and the extension of Christ's Kingdom shall become so impressed upon the hearts of his people, that every member of Christ shall deem it not only a duty but a privilege to work in the vineyard of the Lord, ever bearing with them the ringing words of the child-King, "Wist ye not that I must be about my Father's business?"

Carrie B. Wheeler, Sec.

Yonkers Reformed Church, N. Y.—We continue as a society to meet once a month to talk of the things pertaining to His Kingdom for which we are working and praying. Original papers, an occasional poem or solo, the presence of some speaker from abroad, or visitor from some neighboring society, have combined to make these meetings both enjoyable and instructive. We follow the topic suggested by the Gleaner, and find it very satisfactory.

By means of membership fees, voluntary contributions, church collections and a fair held December last, we have raised for foreign missions alone $149.42 during the past year. $60 has also been contributed to the Foreign Board during the past twelve months by our Mission Band, which at present numbers 172 pupils, 53 of these being boys.

A Mitchell, Sec.
REPORTS FROM THE CLASSICAL COMMITTEES.

CLASSIS OF HOLLAND, MICH.

The cause of foreign missions is truly precious to the women of our western churches; I have never found them unwilling to take up the work. In general many are impressed that it is a sacred duty which they may not shirk. The churches and Sabbath schools also contribute to the foreign work. Our churches are not rich—the home needs are often so great we cannot make our contributions as large as we would like. Our numbers in auxiliaries are not large, but the meetings are precious to the faithful few who attend. It is indeed a blessed work the Master bestows upon us; a privilege in calling us to be co-laborers in hastening the coming of His Kingdom.

Hope Church, Second Reformed, Holland, Mich.—In present, ing our fifth annual report, we cannot say much that is new. Monthly meetings have been regularly held. Average attendance twelve. Five new members have been added during the year. Our meetings have been made interesting by the reading of intelligence upon the topics of the month. The faithful few who have been in attendance have received a blessing. We pray that each one of us, may be enabled to work with greater fervor and more consecration.

Holland, Mich., First and Third Reformed Churches.—During the past year monthly meetings have been held with an average attendance of eighteen.

Devotional exercises, addresses by our President, and information in regard to missions, have formed the character of our meetings. Amount raised the past year for foreign work, one hundred twenty-two dollars—thirty-five dollars of this amount was for the support of a bed in Dr. Otte's hospital, Sio-khe, China.
We enter upon the work of another year with a fervent prayer, that God will accept and bless our efforts for the extension of his kingdom.

MRS. CHRISTINE C. GILMORE,
Classical Committee.

CLASSIS ON HUDSON.

_Hudson Reformed Church, N. Y._—Members 79 contributed during year $74.83. Six meetings held with an increased interest. Mellenville contributed $42.87, and a special gift of $17.00 to the Rev. Lewis R. Scudder.

Gallatin or Mount Ross has no auxiliary, but collectors are appointed who canvass the entire congregation, and this money is sent with the annual collection to the foreign Board.

_Linlithgo_ has a society of 17, but their money is sent to the classis.

_Germantown_ numbers 20. Contributions $16.30. They have but one society here, and the money is divided between the Foreign and Domestic Boards.


MRS. E. C. PERRINE.
Classical Committee.

CLASSIS OF MONTGOMERY.

_Alexandria Bay._—Church of the Thousand Islands reports $32 sent to the Foreign Board, and $3 to the support of medical missionary. The Secretary writes, "We have lost by death and otherwise, some of our most helpful members; yet through the blessing of God, the interest has increased by the addition of other very zealous workers.

_Cicero Reformed Church, N. Y._—This society has lost most of its officers by death, and as they have had no pastor it is almost impossible for them to do any mission work.
The Young People’s Society sent $1 to the support of the medical missionary at Madras.

Owasco Reformed Church, N. Y.—The society in this church reports monthly meetings. The members have so large a share in the support of their own church that it is hard to interest them in missions. Their president has lately organized a branch society. The Treasurer has sent $10 to the W. B. Foreign Mission and something to the support of medical student at Madras.

Owasco Outlet Reformed Church, N. Y.—The society reports $5.50 sent to the foreign Board, and $5 towards the support of medical student at Madras. The Secretary writes, “We are encouraged that the interest in this work is not abated, but though the increase may not be great, it is steadily going on.”

Syracuse Reformed Church, N. Y., reports:—To Dr. Chamberlain, $100; to Mrs. Jared Scudder, $40; to the education of two children in Japan, $120; to support of a Bible reader in Shanghai, $57; for the education of a student under Dr. Chamberlain, $75; for medical student, $15.

Utica Reformed Church, N. Y.—The women’s mission auxiliary has held monthly meetings with about the usual attendance. The interest has perhaps increased by the plan adopted of taking up the missions among different nations each month. We are very much interested in the little girls in India supported by this society and Sunday school, also in Mary Bajauayakuns, the young girl selected by Dr. Chamberlain to fit herself for a medical missionary. The Treasurer has sent to Woman’s Foreign Board $123.50, and for support of medical student $21.

West Leyden Reformed Church, N. Y.—This society is small and not able to do a great deal, but they have sent $3 towards the support of the medical student at Madras.

Caroline Gridley,
Classical Committee,
AUXILIARY SOCIETIES.

Accord Reformed Church, N. Y.
Acquackanonck Reformed Church, N. J.
Acquackanonck Helen E. Aycrigg Mission Band, N. J.
Adams Station Reformed Church, N. Y.
Albany First Reformed Church, N. Y.
Albany First, Golden Rule Mission Band, N. Y.
Albany First Mission Band, N. Y.
Albany Third Reformed Church, N. Y.
Albany Madison Avenue Reformed Church, N. Y.
Albany Madison Avenue, Young Ladies' Band, N. Y.
Albany Madison Avenue, Girls' Mission Band, N. Y.
Alton Reformed Church, Iowa.
Amity Reformed Church, N. Y.
Asbury Park Ref'd Church, N. J.
Astoria Reformed Church, N. Y.
Astoria, C. T. Burroughs Mission Band, N. Y.
Athenia Mission Band, N. J.
Bayonne Reformed Church, N. J.
Bayonne, Mission Gleaners Band, N. J.
Belleville Reformed Church, N. J.
Belleville Willing Workers' Mission Band, N. J.
Bergen Point Reformed Church, N. J.
Bethlehem First Ref. Church, N. Y.
Bethlehem First, Willing Workers' Mission Band, N. Y.
Bethlehem Second Ref. Church, N. Y.
Blawenburg Reformed Church, N. J.
Boonton Reformed Church, N. J.
Bramansville Reformed Church, N. Y.
Brighton Heights Reformed Church, S. I., N. Y.
Brooklyn First Ref'd Church, L. I.
Brooklyn South Ref'd Church, L. I.
Brooklyn Church on the Heights, L. I.
Brooklyn South Bushwick Reformed Church, L. I.
Brooklyn Twelfth Street Reformed Church, L. I.
Brooklyn East District Reformed Church, L. I.
Brooklyn East Crystal Society, L. I.
Brooklyn Bedford Ref'd Church, L. I.
Bronxville Reformed Church, N. Y.
Bronxville Star of Hope Mission Band, N. Y.
Bushnell Reformed Church, Ill.
Buskirk's Reformed Church, N. Y.
Catskill Reformed Church, N. Y.
Catskillan Reformed Church, N. Y.
Coxsackie First Ref'd Church, N. Y.
Coxsackie Second Ref'd Church, N. Y.
Clarksville Reformed Church, N. Y.
Claverack Reformed Church, N. Y.
Constantine Reformed Church, Mich.
Centreville Reformed Church, Mich.
Canajoharie Reformed Church, N. Y.
Canajoharie S.S. Mission Society, N. J.
Chicago First Reformed Church, Ill.
Closter Reformed Church, N. J.
Clover Hill Reformed Church, N. J.
Colt's Neck Reformed Church, N. J.
Cohoes Boght Reformed Church, N. Y.
Cedar Grove Reformed Church, Wis.
Cohoes Reformed Church, N. Y.
Chatham Reformed Church, N. Y.
Coopersville Reformed Church, Michigan.
Dashville Falls Ref. Church, N. Y.
East Greenbush Ref'd Church, N. Y.
Easton Reformed Church, Pa.
Ellenville Reformed Church, N. Y.
Ellenville Young People’s Society, N. Y.

English Neighborhood Ref’d Ch, N. J.

Esopus Reformed Church, N. Y.

Fairfield Reformed Church, N. J.

Flatbush Reformed Church, L. I.

Flatbush Ref’d Church, Ulster Co., N. Y.

Fishkill Reformed Church, N. Y.

Fishkill Brinkerhoff Mission Band, N. Y.

Flatlands Reformed Church, L. I.

Freehold Reformed Church, N. J.

Freehold Buds of Promise Mission Band, N. J.

Freehold King’s Daughters’ Circle, N. J.

Fonda Reformed Church, N. Y.

Fairview Reformed Church, Illinois

Farmer Village Ref’d Church, N. Y.

Franklin Park Ref’d Church, N. J.

Franklin Park Mission Guild, N. J.

Franklin Park Taylor Mission Circle, N. J.

Fordham Reformed Church, N. Y.

Fordham Mission Band, N. Y.

Fort Plain Reformed Church, N. Y.

Franklin Furnace Ref’d Church, N. J.

Franklin Furnace Young People’s Mission Band, N. J.

Flushing Reformed Church, L. I.

Fulton Reformed Church, Ill.

Fallsburg Reformed Church, N. Y.

Fishkill-on-Hudson Ref. Church, N. Y.

Fishkill-on-Hudson Mission Band.

Forest Glen Reformed Church, N. Y.

Ghent First Reformed Church, N. Y.

Gibbsville Reformed Church, Wis.

Grand Haven Ref. Church, Mich.

Grandville Ref’d Church, Mich.

Grahamsville Reformed Church, N. Y.

Gravesend Reformed Church, L. I.

Greenport Reformed Church, N. Y.

Greenpoint Reformed Church, L. I.

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Greenville Mission Band, N. J.

Greenwich Reformed Church, N. Y.

Griggstown Reformed Church, N. J.

Hackensack First Ref’d Church, N. J.

Hampton, North and South, Pa.

Harlem First Collegiate Ref. Church, N. Y.

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Harlingen Reformed Church, N. J.

Harrisson Ref’d Church, South Dakota

Hastings Reformed Church, N. Y.

Helderberg Reformed Church, N. Y.

Herkimer Reformed Church, N. Y.

Herkimer Young Ladies’ Society,

High Bridge Reformed Church, N. J.

High Bridge King’s Children Mission Band, N. J.

High Bridge Reformed Church, N. Y.

High Falls Ref’d Church, N. Y.

Hoboken First Ref’d Church, N. J.

Holland, Mich., Four Churches.

Holland Hope Church Mission Band, Michigan.

Holland Reformed Church, Nebraska

Hollande Ebenezer Ref. Church, Mich.

Holmdel Reformed Church, N. J.

Hope Church, Holland, Mich.

Hopewell Junction Ref. Church, N. Y.

Hudson Reformed Church, N. Y.

Hudson Mission Circle, N. Y.

Irving Park Ref’d Church, Ill.

Jamaica Reformed Church, L. I.

Jersey City, Central Av. Ref. Church

Jersey City First Ref’d Church, N. J.

Jersey City First Ref’d Church, N. J.

Jersey City Lafayette Ref. Church, N. J.

Jersey City Park Ref’d Church, N. J.

Jersey City Bergen Ref. Church, N. J.

Jersey City South Bergen Reformed Church, N. J.

Jersey City South Bergen Society of Christian Endeavor, N. J.
Jersey City Memorial Mission Band, Lafayette Church, N. J.
Jerusalem Reformed Church, N. Y.
Kalamazoo First Reformed Church, Mich.
Kalamazoo Second Reformed Church, Mich.
Kerhonkson Reformed Church, N. Y.
Kingston Fair St. Ref. Church, N. Y.
Kiskatom Reformed Church, N. Y.
Knox Reformed Church, N. Y.
Lawyersville Reformed Church, N. Y.
Leeds' Reformed Church, N. Y.
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Livingston Reformed Church, N. Y.
Lodi Reformed Church, N. Y.
Lodi Ref'd Church Mission Band.
Long Branch First Reformed Church, N. J.
Marbletown Ref. Church, Stone Ridge, N. Y.
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New Brunswick, Suydam Street Reformed Church, N. J.
New Brooklyn Reformed Church, N. Y.
New Baltimore Ref'd Church, N. Y.
Newburg Reformed Church, N. Y.
Newburg S. S. Mission Band, N. J.
New Durham Ref'd Church, N. J.
New Hackensack Reformed Church, N. Y.
New Hurley Reformed Church, N. Y.
New Paltz Reformed Church, N. Y.
New York City Bloomingdale Ref'd Church, N. Y.
New York City Fifth Avenue and 48th Street Collegiate Church, N. Y.
New York City Fifth Avenue and 48th Street Adriel Mission Band, N. Y.
New York City Fifth Avenue and 29th Street Collegiate Church, N. V.
New York City Fourth Street Collegiate Church, N. Y.
New York City, Fifth Avenue and 21st Street Reformed Church.
New York City, Prospect Hill Reformed Church.
New York City Grace Ref'd Church.
New York City Grace Coral Workers Mission Band, N. Y.
New York City, 34th Street Reformed Church, N. Y.
New York Madison Avenue Reformed Church, N. Y.
New York Madison Avenue Reformed Church Mission Band.
New York Sixth Avenue Reformed Church, N. Y.
New York Sixth Avenue Faith Mission Band, N. Y.
New Utrecht Reformed Church, L. I.
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North Branch Reformed Church, N. J.
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Rochester First Ref'd Church, N. Y.
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Schenectady, Rotterdam Reformed Church, N. Y.
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Total number of Auxiliary Societies, May 1st, 1891—334.
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MRS. PETER DONALD, Treasurer,

The undersigned, having examined the foregoing accounts and compared the vouchers, finds the same correct, and that the balance now in the hands of the treasurer is One Hundred and Fifty 74-100 Dollars.

April 30th, 1891.

TALBOT W. CHAMBERS.
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" Asher Anderson ............................................................... Bristol, Ct.
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  " Hannah P. Abbott* ........................................................
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CONSTITUTION.

ARTICLE 1. The Association shall be called the "Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America," and its central point of operations shall be in the City of New York.

ART. 2. Its object shall be to aid the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America, by promoting its work among the women and children of heathen lands; and for this purpose it shall receive and disburse all money which shall be contributed to this Society, subject to the approval of the Board, in the appointment of missionaries supported by this Association, and in fixing their locations and salaries. To the furtherance of this end, it shall also endeavor to organize similar associations in all Reformed Churches, and these associations shall bear the name of Auxiliary Societies to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America, and shall report their work to this Board at such times as the By-Laws may direct.

ART. 3. Each person paying one dollar annually, through an Auxiliary, or directly to the treasury, shall become a member of this Association. The payment of twenty-five dollars by one person, at one time, shall constitute a Life Membership.

ART. 4. The business of this Board shall be conducted by thirty Managers, each of whom shall be a member of an Auxiliary society. They shall be elected annually by the members of the Board, who may be present at the annual meeting; and shall organize on the first Tuesday after their election, by selecting from their number a President, two Vice-Presidents, a Recording Secretary, two or more Corresponding Secretaries, and a Treasurer. They shall have power to elect not more than twelve honorary Vice-Presidents, and to appoint corresponding members, when the object of the Board can be promoted thereby; they shall also have authority to fill vacancies occurring in their body during the year.

ART. 5. There shall be an Executive Committee, composed of the officers and two other Managers, to be elected annually. This Committee shall have
power to transact such business as may require attention in the intervals between the stated meetings of the Managers. Five members shall constitute a quorum.

ART. 6. The annual meeting of the Board shall be held on the second Tuesday in May, in the City of New York, at which time the Managers shall report to the Association the operations, conditions, and prospects thereof; and an election shall be made of Managers for the ensuing year.

ART. 7. A special meeting of the Board may be called at any time by the President, upon the request of the Managers.

ART. 8. This Constitution may be altered at any regular meeting of the Board, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, notice of the intended alteration having been given at a previous meeting.

BY-LAWS.

ARTICLE 1. The Managers shall hold their stated meetings on the second Tuesday of February, May, August, and November, at eleven o'clock, A.M., at such place as they shall appoint. Seven members shall constitute a quorum. Special meetings may be called by the President, upon the request of five members.

ART. 2. The Executive Committee shall meet once a month, at such time and place as the Committee shall decide.

ART. 3. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Board and of the Managers, appoint all committees not otherwise provided for, and perform such other duties as are incident to the office, and shall sign all drafts upon the treasury before they are paid.

ART. 4. A Vice-President shall perform, in the absence of the President, all the duties of her office. The Honorary Vice-Presidents shall have all the privileges of Corresponding Members.

ART. 5. The Treasurer shall receive and hold, and keep an account of all money given to the Board, and shall disburse it as the Managers shall direct. She shall report the state of the treasury at each regular meeting of the Executive Committee, and make a quarterly report to the Managers. Her annual report shall be examined by an auditor appointed by the Managers.
Art. 6. The Recording Secretary shall keep a full record of the proceedings of the Executive Committee and Managers, which shall be read for correction at the close of each meeting, and she shall give proper notice of special and stated meetings.

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the Corresponding Secretaries for the foreign field to conduct the business of this Board with the Board of Foreign Missions, and also with the Missionaries, Teachers, and Bible-readers supported by this Association. They shall prepare the annual report of the Managers; and Missionaries supported by this Association shall report to them.

Art. 8. The Corresponding Secretaries for the home field shall correspond with the churches, and propose the organization of Auxiliary societies, wherever it is possible to awaken an interest in the work for which this Association is formed.

Art. 9. Auxiliary societies shall be required to make an annual report to the Managers, through the Corresponding Secretaries, on or before the first Tuesday in April.

Art. 10. Any Manager who shall be absent from three successive meetings, without giving notice of the reason of her absence, shall forfeit her position, and her place may be filled.

Art. 11. These By-Laws may be amended at any meeting of the Managers, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present; but notice of the proposed amendment must be given in writing at the meeting preceding such vote.

The following Constitutions are recommended for adoption. They can be modified and adapted to the circumstances of different localities:

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CONSTITUTION

FOR

AUXILIARIES

OF THE

REFORMED CHURCH IN AMERICA.

Article 1. This Society shall be called ———— of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America.

Art. 2. Its object shall be to aid the Board in sending out and maintaining Female Missionaries, Bible-readers, and Teachers, who shall work among heathen women and children.

Art. 3. Any person may become a member of this Society by the payment of ———— annually.

Art. 4. The officers of this Society shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually.

Art. 5. The duty of these officers shall be as follows:

The President shall preside at all meetings, and have a general oversight of the work of the Society.

The Secretary shall give notice of meetings, shall record the minutes of each session, and shall prepare the Annual Report. It shall also be her duty to transmit to the Woman's Board the names of the officers of this Auxiliary, a report of its proceedings and condition, whenever necessary, and the Annual Report with that of the Treasurer.

The Treasurer shall report the state of the Treasury at every meeting, and shall remit the funds obtained, at least once a year, on or before the tenth day of April, to the Treasurer of the Woman's Board.

Art. 6. This Society shall hold regular meetings on the ————, and an annual meeting on the ————, to receive and adopt the Annual Report, and to elect officers.
DIRECTIONS FOR FORMING MISSION BANDS.

1. An association of young ladies, formed to aid the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America, shall be called a "Mission Band," and shall be Auxiliary to the Missionary Society of the Church in which it is formed, or to the Woman's Board.

2. Any young lady may become a member of a Mission Band by the payment of twenty-five cents yearly.

3. The officers of a Band shall be a President, Secretary, and Treasurer, who shall be elected annually.

4. The President shall preside at all meetings, and shall have a general oversight of the work of the Band. The Secretary shall keep a record of the proceedings of the Band, and shall make an Annual Report to the Society to which it is auxiliary, or to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church. The Treasurer shall receive and hold all sums contributed, paying the same, at least once a year, to the Treasurer of the Auxiliary of the Church in which the Band is formed, or to the Treasurer of the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church.

5. Each Mission Band must select an appropriate name, not already in use, and report the same to the Society to which its money is sent.

MISSION CIRCLES OF CHILDREN.

1. An association of children remitting money yearly to the Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America, shall constitute a "Mission Circle."

2. Each Circle shall be designated by an appropriate name, and shall appoint a Secretary and Treasurer, to whom due acknowledgment can be returned by the Woman's Board.

Or, if preferred, the following can be adopted:

PLEDGE FOR MISSION CIRCLES.

"We desire to help in sending the Gospel to heathen children, that they may hear of Christ, who died to save them. We promise to give one cent a week to the Missionary Box, and to come together once a month, to hear about Missions, and to work for the cause."
FORM OF DEVISE. (Real Estate.)

I give and devise to The Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America, incorporated by the Legislature of the State of New York, all that certain [here insert a short description of the property devised], with the appurtenances, in fee simple, in trust, to be appropriated and applied, with full powers of sale or mortgage, for the use and benefit of The Woman's Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in America, located in the City of New York.

RATES OF POSTAGE.

On Letters, for each Half Ounce.

To India, via Brindisi, - - - - - - - 5 cents
" " " Southampton, - - - - - - - 5 "
" China, via San Francisco, - - - - - - 5 "
" Japan, " " " - - - - - - 5 "

On Newspapers, for each Four Ounces.

To India, via Brindisi, - - - - - - - 2 cents
" Amoy, China, via San Francisco - - - - - 2 "
" Japan, via San Francisco, - - - - - 2 "

On Pamphlets, Books, etc.

To India, via Brindisi, for each two ounces, - - - - 1 cent
" Amoy, China, via San Francisco, each two ounces, 1 "
" Japan, via San Francisco, for each two ounces, 1 "

On Packages.

To India, via Brindisi, on each two ounces, - - - - 1 cent
" Amoy, China, via San Francisco, each two ounces, 1 "
" Japan, via San Francisco, on each two ounces, 1 "