TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

New Haven Branch

OF THE

Woman's Board of Missions.

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PRESENTED AT THE

ANNUAL MEETING, STAMFORD.

MAY 8, 1894.
Motto

FOR 1894-1895.

"AS THE BRANCH CANNOT BEAR FRUIT EXCEPT IT
ABIDE IN THE VINE, NO MORE CAN YE, EXCEPT YE
ABIDE IN ME. HE THAT ABIDETH IN ME, AND I IN
HIM, THE SAME BRINGETH FORTH MUCH FRUIT."

ITEMS OF INFORMATION.

The next annual meeting of the Branch will be held in New
Haven, on the second Tuesday of May, 1895.

Meetings of the Branch will be held in New Haven, at 3 P.M.,
on the second Tuesday of October, December, February and
April.

Letters from missionaries, manuscript papers, leaflets and
maps; also lesson leaflets on the "Topics for Auxiliary Meet­
ings," given in "Life and Light," can be obtained from Miss
Ellen M. Prichard, 250 Church street, New Haven.

Reports of the annual meetings of societies, all questions or
communications relating to the general work of the Branch,
and requests for pledged work, should be sent to the Home
Secretary, Mrs. J. Preston Strong, 255 Sherman avenue, New
Haven.

Mite-boxes can be obtained from Miss Miranda B. Merwin,
387 Temple street, New Haven.

Any societies who wish information in regard to work for
boxes for missionaries, should write to Miss L. E. Prudden,
372 Orange street, New Haven.

Applications for missionaries to address meetings should be
sent to Mrs. A. B. Miller, 133 Wall street, New Haven.
Address letters with money, to Miss Julia Twining, 314 Prospect street, New Haven. All checks should be made payable to the order of the Treasurer.

Any one person or society contributing annually $25 can use the same for a life membership, and also for a special appropriation, such as the salary of a missionary, Bible reader, etc.

The Missionary Library has about two hundred volumes, which subscribers may draw before or after each meeting, or at other times by applying to Miss Landfear, 125 St. John street. The yearly subscription is twenty-five cents, or the gift of any suitable book not already in the library.

We call attention to the following publications:

"Life and Light." Sixty cents a year in advance.

"Mission Dayspring," a monthly periodical for children. Address Secretary of "Life and Light," Cong. House, Boston, Mass. $3.00 for twenty-five copies to one address per annum, postpaid. Ten copies, $1.50. Less than ten, twenty cents each.

The observance of the hour from 5 to 6 p. m. each Sabbath in prayer for missions is earnestly commended.

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FORM OF BEQUEST.

I bequeath to my executors the sum of —— dollars in trust, to pay over the same after my decease, to the person then acting as Treasurer of the New Haven Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions, to be used for the objects of said society.
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Recording Secretary.
MRS. W. W. McLANE 33 Howe street.

Treasurer.
MISS JULIA TWINING 314 Prospect street.

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MRS. J. PRESTON STRONG 255 Sherman avenue.
MRS. C. MACPHIE 58 Grove street.

Secretary of the Bureau of Information.
MISS ELLEN M. PRICHARD 250 Church street.

Assistant Secretaries.
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MRS. N. H. WHITTLESEY 135 Wall street.
MRS. CHARLES R. CUTTING Whitney avenue.
JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

Secretary.

Miss Lillian E. Prudden ..................... 372 Orange street.

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Mrs. Mary A. Bradley .... Middletown .. Middlesex Co.
Miss Mary A. Hopson .... Kent ........ { Litchfield Co.
Miss Jennie S. Bissell, Asst. Kent ........ }
Mrs. William B. Cogswell, Stratford .... Fairfield Co.
Mrs. T. L. Day .............. 132 College st. New Haven Co.

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Miss Mary A. Hopson .... Kent ........ { Litchfield Co.
Miss Jennie S. Bissell, Asst. Kent ........ }
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Miss Jennie P. Payne ...... 143 Bradley st. New Haven Co.

Secretary for Mission Work in Sunday Schools.

Miss Minnie S. Dickerman ....................... Whitneyville.

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Branch Secretary for "Life and Light" and "Mission Dayspring."

Miss Idalina Darrow ...................... 154 Humphrey street.

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Mrs. Henry S. Williams, Chairman .......... 282 Prospect street.
Mrs. L. C. Dayton ......................... 144 St. John street.
Miss Leila W. Pitman ....................... 83 Grove street.
Miss Sarah T. Landfear .................... 125 St. John street.
Miss Mary L. Deming ....................... 30 Howe street.
Mrs. F. E. Holcomb ......................... 116 Wooster street.

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Auditor.

Roger S. White ....................... 69 Church street.
WORK OF THE NEW HAVEN BRANCH.

MISSIONARIES.

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Andiaman C. Turkey 13.44
Killis C. Turkey 15.72
Vizir Kupree W. Turkey 13.20
Pao-ting-fu China 100.00
Kraal Schools Africa 50.00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Expense.

Work at Gedik Pasha, Constantinople $175.00
Evangelistic work, Hasquey, Constantinople 660.00
Dispensary at Foochow, China 100.00
Dispensary at Madura, India 200.00
Dispensary at Tungcho, China 290.00
Morning Star Mission, $61.53 extra 361.53
Kindergarten at Smyrna, Turkey 176.00
Kindergarten Building at Smyrna, Turkey, extra 128.00
Kindergarten at Cesarea, Turkey, extra 206.39
Incidental expenses for Mrs. E. S. Hume 184.16
Incidental expenses for Mrs. Sibley 250.40
Incidental expenses for Miss Barnum 44.00
Incidental expenses for Miss Trowbridge 52.00
Building at Wai, remainder due, paid in 1894 163.20
Special for work of Mrs. Karmarkar 275.00
Middlesex County School, Mrs. Hume, Bombay 150.00
For work under Mrs. Montgomery 92.50
Special gifts 141.20
For W. B. M. general fund in 1894 662.53
Delegates to W. B. M. Annual Meeting, Montclair, N. J., Nov. 6, 7 and 8, 1894.

1. Mrs. Augustus W. Merwin Wilton, del.
   Mrs. I. L. Varian 24 Smith St., Danbury, sub.
   Miss Wilhelmine Skidmore Brookfield Center, sub.
3. Miss Lulu E. Benedict Bethel, del.
   Miss Annis Brady Darien, sub.
4. Mrs. B. P. Brush Greenwich, del.
   Mrs. B. F. Hoyt New Canaan, sub.
   Miss M. L. Blatchley Bridgeport, sub.
   Mrs. Geo. B. Burrall Salisbury, sub.
   Mrs. S. F. Dickerman Winsted, sub.
8. Mrs. Dr. Knight Sharon, del.
   Mrs. E. B. Reed Sharon, sub.
9. Mrs. George Adam Canaan, del.
   Mrs. Hiram Eddy Canaan, sub.
    Mrs. A. M. Turner Northfield, sub.
    Mrs. Emily Gardner Warren, sub.
12. Miss Mary E. Bunce Middletown, del.
    Mrs. W. W. Wilcox Middletown, sub.
    Miss Fannie C. Eliot Clinton, sub.
14. Mrs. A. W. Tyler Tylerville, del.
    Mrs. Samuel H. Lord Saybrook, sub.
15. Mrs. H. A. Curtis Meriden, del.
    Mrs. John Paddock Cheshire, sub.
16. Mrs. George Blakeman Derby, del.
    Mrs. C. W. Park Birmingham, sub.
17. Mrs. C. H. Bronson Waterbury, del.
    Mrs. William Cottle Waterbury, sub.
    Mrs. O. A. Dorman New Haven, sub.
19. Mrs. Frank Luckey..............New Haven, del.
   Miss Nellie G. Beecher ............Westville, sub.
20. Mrs. S. E. Porter, 164 Grand Ave., New Haven, del.
   Mrs. Henry J. Prudden.............New Haven, sub.
   Mrs. H. B. Rowe,..................New Haven, sub.
   Mrs. James Chamberlin.............New Haven, sub.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 1895.

Mrs. G. H. Welch......................Torrington.
Mrs. J. B. Sawyer......................Derby.
Mrs. Jabez Backus....................Westport.
Mrs. W. B. Clark.......................Durham.
Mrs. J. Lee Mitchell................New Haven.
ANNUAL MEETING.

On the balmiest of May days, and under the fairest of skies, was held the annual meeting of the New Haven Branch, in the delightful city of Stamford. Nature smiled a welcome all the way from field and roadside, nor ceased when the church was reached; for here, too, leaf and blossom extended greeting, and bespoke kind hearts as well.

Thus gathering for the devotional service in an upper room, all hearts were tuned to the keynote of praise, given by Miss Hinsdale, of Winsted. Faithful workers, grateful for blessings of a more than average year, voiced hymns, prayers and passages of Scriptures, showing that many a responsive chord had been struck. As petitions for the exercises to follow were offered, it was felt that their answer would insure a day to be remembered. Some one repeated, "Before they call, I will answer," and we withdrew to the larger room, awaiting an expected blessing.

That "God's ways are not our ways," was first shown as the President of the Branch, Miss Daggett, was missed from her accustomed chair, and many were the expressions of sympathy and regret called forth. In her absence, Miss Sterling, of Stratford, presided.

Mrs. McLane read the minutes of the last annual meeting. The hymn, "Ye servants of God," was sung. Miss Sterling read from the twenty-fifth chapter of Matthew, and Mrs. Houghton, President of the local auxiliary, offered prayer. She then extended a welcome to the ladies of the New Haven Branch, and ex-
pressed the hope that, in consequence of the blessings attending this gathering among them, their own society would in future accomplish greater things.

Mrs. McLane, Recording Secretary, gave an encouraging report of the Branch for the past year. The report of the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hume, was read by Mrs. Miller; the sower's and the reaper's glad story, which succeeding pages tell.

The condition of the treasury, as stated by Miss Twining, showed a decided gain over the receipts of last year, from auxiliaries, mission circles and Sunday schools.

A hymn, "Work while it is to-day," was sung, after which Vice-Presidents told of work among the auxiliaries of their respective counties. Mrs. Choate, Fairfield, spoke of increase in gifts and numbers, and a growing appreciation of the literature furnished by the Bureau. Miss Hinsdale, Litchfield, mentioned the impetus given the societies by glimpses of live missionaries. Mrs. Curtis, New Haven, reported a gain in number of auxiliaries; an increasing interest in "Life and Light;" and thank-offerings, a stronger feature than ever before. Mrs. Bradley, who in the absence of the Vice-Presidents from Middlesex, gave the report, was encouraged by a change from quarterly to monthly meetings, in which were enjoyed tours round the world with the missionaries.

Mrs. Holden, of Bridgeport, then offered prayer for auxiliaries.

Miss Child brought a joyful message from the Woman's Board. Her heart responded to the chorus of praise from Nature's voices, and she desired to give expression to the gratitude of the Board for the past suc-
cessful year. She had known how to think of the "faithful few," but now faithful many seemed to be the appropriate term. In consequence of a deficit, the probability of a call for retrenchment had been a source of much anxiety early in the year. When, at the meeting immediately preceding the decision, it was announced that funds sufficient to cancel the indebtedness had been received, there was scarcely a dry eye in the room. The importance of proportionate giving can hardly be over-estimated. A tithe from every Christian would put $11,000,000, instead of the present $2,700,000, into the treasury. For such a result, increase of knowledge is requisite. "Life and Light" can be read from cover to cover in one hour, and its subscription list should be largely increased. A missionary library is soon to be started, available through the mails for a rental of two cents per day, to the entire constituency of the Woman's Board. The sad story of South Sea Islanders, assembled from all quarters and calling in vain for some one to teach them, illustrated wants yet unsupplied in many parts of the foreign field. If we will but take hold of our powers, as did Moses, we may see, gushing from strong hearts, springs of living water, which it has been permitted us to call forth. If talents lie dormant, our emblem is the serpent, groveling in the dust.

Then came a breath from over the seas; a greeting from each of the Branch missionaries in their far-away homes. From Turkey, from India, from China, from Africa, were salutations sent, united with requests for prayer. Thus did the workers at home come in closer touch with those abroad, concerning the cause whose labors were shared in common.
In the wake of the messages came a messenger. Miss Evans found it refreshing to discover that the word “retrench” was unknown to the Woman’s Board. Here it is “Advance, and your wants shall be supplied.” She deprecated any feeling of discouragement with regard to China; a picture of the past and present of the “Flowery Kingdom” would lead all to exclaim, “What hath God wrought?” Our missionary, Miss Andrews, has proved a most efficient and zealous worker, and is a constant stimulus to her fellow-laborers. An illustration of the results of bearing precious seed to this distant land is found in a poor, unattractive, illiterate woman, who, having become a disciple, indeed, proved an earthen vessel, bearing treasure to her benighted sisters. She ministered to them untiringly in station classes and otherwise, as opportunity offered; and her daughter, graduated from the school, soon became a valued helper in the field. Cold statistics, showing increase in membership in schools and churches, failed to tell the mission story. Much of long-continued effort, trial and perseverance, must be read between the lines. Mothers were urged to consecrate sons and daughters to the work of saving souls.

Prayer was then offered by Mrs. Noble, of Norwalk. A few items of business, including the voting for bi-monthly Branch meetings, and the reading of the list of delegates to annual meeting of the Woman’s Board of Missions, closed the morning session.

In the intermission which followed, “basket luncheon” proved to be not merely what that prosaic term implies, for friend met friend, and viands were spiced with social cheer.
Refreshment taken, it was a fitting time for words to flow freely in the interchange of thoughts on junior work, as Miss Prudden skillfully led the way. It was found that many plans had been devised for busy fingers to do missionary work, and thus develop a growing interest for the cause. Children are learning to give from their store of pennies, proportionately and cheerfully.

The announcement of the familiar hymn, "We are watching, we are waiting," was made to a large audience, gathered for the services of the afternoon.

The report of the nominating committee was read by Mrs. Bunnell, of Stratford. Mention was made of Mrs. Miller, who leaves the office of Home Secretary to assist in the duties of Corresponding Secretary. The following resolutions offered, of appreciation for faithful service, voiced the unspoken thought of all.

Resolved, That we express our hearty gratitude for the work which Mrs. Miller has accomplished, as Home Secretary of the New Haven Branch; and our cordial recognition of the unusual success which has attended her efforts. Fertile in resources, untiring in zeal, responsive to all calls, she has won a warm place in the hearts of the Executive Committee, and of our auxiliaries, as has been evinced by many expressions of grateful appreciation. Truly "the hearts of the saints have been refreshed by her."

Prayer for the newly-appointed officers was offered by Mrs. Prudden, of New Haven.

Mrs. Choate conducted an open parliament in the interests of auxiliaries. The following topics were presented for discussion:

(1.) Can societies which depend on "spurts" in zeal, and not on regular work, be effective?
(2.) Is there danger that thank-offerings may diminish our regular contributions, and, if so, how can it be avoided?

(3.) The Woman's Board calls our attention to "proportionate giving." What is proportionate giving? Ought we to practice it?

"Spurts" were considered desirable, if the positions thus gained could be retained. Thank-offerings should be carefully distinguished from regular contributions. The Jews gave tithes and offerings; if one were intelligently grateful, the distinction would be preserved.

Proportionate giving was urged. Regularity in physical functions is not merely desirable, it is essential. The purse should yield its proportion in like manner. We are giving, at present, at the rate of one cent for three heathen. The adoption of Mary Lyon's standard would effect a speedy change. Her query was not "How much ought I to give to the Lord," but "How much may I keep for myself?"

The voice of Tiny Helpers in recitation and song (the words of which were written for the occasion) varied the program in a pleasing way.

Miss Prudden gave an inspiring account of junior work, reporting increase in both numbers and interest, results due in many cases to the earnestness of some one woman. Means employed were various, and showed thought and faithfulness on the part of the leaders. Several circles had assisted in the preparation of boxes to be sent across the sea. A most delightful letter from Mrs. Montgomery left no doubt as to the appreciation of this labor of love. The circulation of covenant cards had promoted interest in the foreign work. The Cradle Roll, in the hands of the busiest woman in the
church, insures proportionate giving from the outset, in the youngest contributors, with the strong probability that it will become intelligent giving also, in later years. The Morning Star has interested many of the young people, whose aid enabled her to carry glad tidings to distant islands of the sea. The visits of Miss Kyle have roused enthusiasm among the junior workers; her addresses, in one instance, bringing her in touch with no less than a thousand in ten days.

During the singing of the appropriate hymn, "We give thee but thine own," the offering was taken.

Mrs. Bond gave a sprightly and interesting account of experiences in Bulgaria, interspersing her remarks with song and verse, in the language of her adoption. On her arrival in that land, a school for girls was unknown. Knowledge was not for woman; attempts to teach them developed love for teachers and each other; later they understood the love of Christ. The baby organ was the call bell for meetings. Instances cited of long-continued hostility which at length yielded to faith and works, proved the power accompanying the message; while patient endurance under opposition, when the truth was finally received, evinced the genuineness of the change of heart.

Miss Gilman, of Norwich, followed the address with prayer.

Mrs. Phipps, of Prospect, expressed the gratitude of those present to all whose kindness, evidenced in many ways, had contributed so much to the pleasure and helpfulness of the day.

After singing, "Lord, at this closing hour," the band of missionary workers slowly dispersed, with the
thought that it was worth while to make a sacrifice, if need be, to attend such a meeting in this corner of the field.

Nature's morning note of praise seemed to breathe an undertone of deeper meaning, as her own seedtime became suggestive of the hours just flown. Swiftly the trains were bearing through all the territories of the Branch, germs as various as those whose upspringing made beautiful the plain, brown earth. From these germs, nurtured by thought and prayer, it was felt that in the coming year, many busy gleaners, young and old, would gather sheaves, and prove that in the realm of faith as well as that of sight, "Seedtime and harvest shall not fail."

M. S. Dickerman.
REPORT OF THE
RECORDING SECRETARY.

During the past year, the officers of the Branch, departing from former customs, have tried the experiment of holding bi-monthly public meetings in New Haven.

The object of this has been to induce a more vivid individual life in the auxiliaries nearest the center, which have depended in greater or less degree on the Branch meetings. To further this end, the members of the Executive Committee have held themselves in readiness, especially during the alternate months, to render any needed aid to societies which are trying to sustain successful meetings of their own. The results of this plan are as yet uncertain, although without doubt something has been gained.

Owing to this change, there have been held, during this year, only four public meetings in New Haven.

At these we have had the pleasure of listening to Mrs. F. E. Clark, who gave us a graphic word-picture of heathen countries visited by her in a trip around the world, and spoke in warm praise of our missionaries; to Mrs. Edward Hume, in a touching farewell address previous to her departure for India; to Miss Brown, of Kobe, Japan, who described the college there, its origin, growth, and present aims, and made a plea for higher education, which struck a familiar and responsive chord, and convinced us that Japan is our near neighbor; to Mrs. Bond, from Monastir, Turkey, who combines two arts of healing, and ministers to bodies as well as souls;
and to Mrs. Hubbard, of China, who told, in proof of the value of missions, the story of one life, its rescue from darkness and superstition, and its constantly increasing usefulness, and power for good.

We have also listened to many interesting missionary letters, to several comprehensive papers on mission work from our Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Hume—calculated to increase the knowledge and the zeal of all who heard them; and to much encouraging news of work at home, including a stimulating report of the annual meeting of the Board, at Portland.

The customary county meetings were held last fall, and offered their usual varied and delightful programs.

The officers' annual meeting in November was well attended, all the Vice-Presidents being present.

An interesting children's service was held on Good Friday, in New Haven, at which Mr. Ireland exhibited some pleasing stereopticon views of Southern Africa.

During the year there have been held twenty meetings of the Executive Committee. These have been well attended by the members, who have shown an unwearied interest in all departments of the work. The long sittings have been so crowded full of matters needing consideration, missionary letters, news from the home field, consultations as to measures for carrying on and enlarging the work of the Branch, decisions in matters large and small—that the utmost system has been required lest something should be omitted.

To avoid this, our able President has brought with her a watch of Puritanical uprightness, capable of standing alone and asserting itself; and in league with this, she measures out the minutes, and assigns to each topic its due proportion of time. Many a discussion
has been shortened, and much has been left unsaid; but when the pressure is great, such momentum is acquired that the meeting often runs on beyond the point where it was regularly adjourned, and final words obtain a hearing.

One of the most important questions which has come before the committee was, "How shall we raise our share of the money needed for the deficit in the Woman's Board?" This was met and answered, and the measures adopted proved successful.

The Treasurer reports as follows: "The returns from the treasury indicate a strong determination throughout the Branch at large, to conquer all difficulties. Every department shows an increase, excepting that of the Christian Endeavor societies. In spite of greatly reduced incomes, seventy-three of our auxiliaries have increased their gifts, and five more have given the same as last year. Thirty-eight have made thank offerings amounting in all to $616.24. Adding to this that of the Fairfield County meeting, we have a total of $892.59 from thank-offering meetings. Thirty-two auxiliaries and seven mission circles responded to the appeal to wipe out the threatened deficit of the W. B. M., resulting in $939.81. Forty-three, against sixteen last year, have contributed for the expense of the Branch. The total receipts for the year amount to $15,079.71."

In view of these and other facts, the Home Secretary states that "the past year has been much more than an average year in the home field. With extra gifts, there have come also accounts from many places of good meetings, large attendance, more prayer, and an increased sense of personal responsibility for the advance-
ment of Christ's Kingdom in distant lands. The thank-offering meetings held in many places have helped to develop spiritual power and consecration.

The effort to have the Branch pledges assumed by auxiliaries has been very successful. Of the old work only a few scholarships are left, and all the new work, amounting to $800, has been appropriated.

Three new societies have been formed, and an interest has been developed in some places, and contributions made, where as yet there is no organization.

The total number of auxiliary societies is 127, and the total membership of auxiliaries 5,402. This represents a gain in membership of 642.

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In harmony with this prosperity, and suggesting some close connection with it, comes the following report from the Bureau of Information: "The Bureau of Information has been in existence six years, and has proved its usefulness to the Branch by the increasing demand for missionary literature. The call for letters and leaflets during the winter has been so great that the Secretary has had to call upon others to assist in giving out the needed supply. Over a thousand copies of missionary letters have been made and sent out by the Bureau during the year."
The majority of the societies follow the lessons in 'Life and Light,' and are very thankful for the missionary letter and leaflet on the subject of the month, as it enables them to increase the interest in the meetings by giving them a program. In some places where there have been no meetings, missionary letters are passed around to be read, and in consequence an interest in missions has been aroused, which has resulted in the holding of monthly meetings.

The number of societies using the 'Life and Light' topics is continually increasing. Grateful letters are constantly received from the auxiliaries, appreciative of the assistance giving by the Branch."

During the year the Branch has met with a great loss, in the resignation of Mrs. McLaughlin, one of our Vice-Presidents, who in her long term of service has been a helpful and valued member of the Executive Committee, and a leader of great spiritual influence in Litchfield County. She has our heartfelt sympathy in the great sorrow and physical weakness which compel her to give up her work with us.

With the exception of this loss, on reviewing the work of the year, we feel that we have good reason for encouragement. While not satisfied with the results, and desiring always to broaden and deepen the work, we are assured, both from the regular contributions and the special gifts; from the widespread and growing interest manifested by our auxiliaries; from the unwearied and earnest service of our officers; from the singleness of aim on the part of all associated in this work, shown in prayers, messages, and activities of many kinds; from all these things we are assured, that the cause of missions is one which lies near the heart of the women in our churches, and which they will not let suffer.
And we turn toward the future with renewed faith and hope, confident that He to whom has been promised "the heathen for an inheritance" will be with us, and will bless our undertakings.

Remembering also the condition on which the blessing is promised to workers in the Master’s vineyard, we have chosen as the Branch motto for the coming year these words: "As the Branch cannot bear fruit except it abide in the vine, no more can ye, except ye abide in me. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit.”

Mrs. W. W. McLane,
Recording Secretary.
REPORT OF THE
CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

The year 1893 will be marked in the annals of missions, as one of unparalleled growth of interest in the home land on the subject of Foreign Missions, and in the large number of converts, on mission ground.

Our own missionaries have shared in these blessings, although they have had many disappointments, through the lack of funds to meet the new calls, and to carry on their work efficiently.

With the exception of Mrs. Bond and Miss D. T. M. Root, who are in this country on furlough, our thirteen missionaries are at their posts of duty, and in usual health; Mrs. Hume having reached Bombay at the close of the year.

During the year but one death has occurred among our thirty-one native Christian co-laborers, and this, notwithstanding their faithful attendance upon the sick, and their visits in infectious and epidemic localities.

In the twelve boarding schools and colleges, in which we are educating seventy-one young women, no serious epidemic or disturbance has compelled the disbanding of a school; a special blessing, which we have rarely been able to report.

In addition to our present company of missionaries, we are happy to report the new names of Mrs. Gurubai Karmarkar, M.D., who has recently commenced med-
ical work under favorable auspices, in Bassein, near Bombay; and Miss Bosshardt, a Swiss lady, who has accepted an invitation from the Central Turkey Mission, to open a school for Greek girls in Adana, under the superintendence of Mrs. Montgomery; also, a share in the salaries of three young missionaries recently sent out, Miss Sarah A. Harlow, to Smyrna, Western Turkey; Miss Abbie G. Chapin, Tungcho, China; Dr. Rose A. Bower, West Central Africa.

AFRICA.

Africa, the country which might seem the central continent of the world, has, in the divine plan, been reserved for the very last to be opened up to the gospel. Now, in these last decades of the nineteenth century, as if touched by the finger of God, the Dark Continent is sending forth to every Christian country, nay more, to every Christian heart, her appeal for the bread of life. The cry for consecrated men and women to train converts to carry the bread of life to the waiting millions of their own blood and color, seems to come on every wave of the ocean.

The Zulu Mission has nearly completed its sixth decade, and although protected and in a measure fostered by an English colony, it has never realized the full expectations of the founders. Still, substantial progress has been made, with some nine Christian communities and seventeen churches.

The oldest and most successful institution for girls, in this field, is the Inanda Seminary, commenced and still conducted by Mrs. Edwards, the first missionary of the New Haven Branch, who went out in 1868, for the express work of gathering Zulu girls away from the
Kraals, for Christian training. From the first, Mrs. Edwards' efforts have been a growing success. With the exception of one short visit to America, Mrs. Edwards has devoted herself to the Inanda Seminary. The windows, doors and much of the material used for the first school building were sent from America, and this Branch contributed generously, in money and in prayers, for this, our first school house for girls, in Africa. Later we sent funds for a new building, which, with much crowding, accommodates one hundred and twenty-five pupils.

The study of the Bible, and personal religion, have been the foundation work in the school. Those who remain the required five years gain a good common school education, and are well trained in all household duties. They are not only required to do the domestic work of the family, and make their own clothes, but they also cultivate the garden, and in some years have tilled the fields, which supply the corn and vegetables for their own use. Many of the girls earn and pay for their tuition by certain regular hours of work in the laundry which Mrs. Edwards has established, in order to give those who have no parents or guardians an opportunity to educate themselves.

Many of the girls educated in this school ran away from their kraals, wrapped in a blanket, and are now at the head of tidy, attractive, Christian homes, and are useful members of the church. Others are employed as teachers, and several have accompanied pioneer missionaries to new mission stations, rendering valuable aid in teaching, or in the preparation of books and translations.

The last has been a very prosperous year for the Inanda Seminary. One hundred and fifty-four girls
were received, thirty being new applicants direct from the kraals. But for want of comfortable accommodations, twenty-nine had to be sent away. Mrs. Edwards writes: "We could easily fill another building as large as the new one, if we had it. We are rejoiced to see such enterprise in these Zulu girls; it speaks well for the race. They say they are willing to work hard, if we will allow them to come to us and learn."

The girls have been a comfort to the teachers in many ways. No severe discipline has been required, and steady growth in all that is good is seen in many. Ten united with the church in November, and four in January.

The receipts from the laundry customers, in 1893, was £82 2s. 6d., instead of the £25 of last year.

Dalitha Isaacs, one of the early New Haven Branch girls, was employed as Zulu teacher for one of the new missionaries. Another graduate has gone with the East Central African Mission, which has been transferred to Gazaland, within the boundary of the British South Africa Company. They are located upon Mt. Selinda, four thousand feet above sea level, and two hundred miles from the coast, in a healthy climate, and among a Zulu speaking people.

Austria.

The mission in Austria has never had so much encouragement as in the past year. The converts have enjoyed their new faith so heartily, and proved so steadfast, that they have given the missionaries great satisfaction.

The first mission church was organized fourteen years ago. Now there are ten churches, with five hundred and seventy-two members, one hundred and sixty-five having been added the last year.
Emigration to America has decimated the churches in Austria, while it has added many influential members to the Bohemian churches in this country. The returned missionaries, Schaufler and Adams, from Austria, are doing a large and successful work in Chicago and Cleveland among Bohemians. Thus the streams of mercy sent to them have returned in showers of blessing for their countrymen in America.

The Kraabschitz Seminary continues to hold a peculiar significance in the evangelical work in Bohemia, because it is the only Protestant boarding school for girls in the land of Huss. It has never fully realized the hopes of its friends, largely on account of the persistent unfriendly measures of the government, which has forbidden giving instruction to girls above certain grades; and also from lack of funds. This has made it necessary to send girls who were preparing for teachers, to the Moravian school in Hernhut, or elsewhere. But we are happy to hear that permission has been given to form classes for more advanced pupils. This opens a new era for Kraabschitz, and there will surely be many new applicants, if the contributions make it possible for them to be admitted at reduced prices. Pastor Scholtez and his wife remain at the head of the institution, and are worthy of all confidence. Four old pupils are employed as teachers and matron; all exceptionally choice Christian women. There are thirty-one pupils the present year, four of this number being New Haven Branch beneficiaries.

Five hundred pupils have received the benefits of this school. Of these, fifteen have become public school teachers, and ten qualified to teach special branches; two are deaconesses; eight are wives of pastors; one is a missionary in Labrador; one is the wife of a minister in
America; two wives of evangelists; one the wife of a colporter. Many others are useful Christian wives and mothers, active in the Sabbath schools, and other church work.

China.

The missionaries in the Flowery Kingdom claim that there is no romance in their experience. It is real every day work, though not without precious compensations. Their most difficult problems now lie in deciding “into which of the many open doors shall we enter first,” and “how can we make our schools attractive and successful, while crowded into dark, ill-ventilated rooms.” It is an important element in the economics of missions, to have good, roomy accommodations, where quiet, and sanitary conditions enable a few teachers to accomplish better work for twice the number of pupils, than they could for half that number, huddled together in close quarters.

North China Mission.—The return of our Miss Andrews to Tungcho was joyfully welcomed by missionaries and Chinese. Woman’s work has felt a new impulse already, and good results have been realized. In addition to teaching in the college, and one class in the theological seminary, she has charge of the Sabbath school, three day schools, a woman’s prayer meeting, and the Bible women’s work; with “just as much visiting in the homes as can be crowded in.” Seventeen women and girls have been received on probation in the year, and nine to full church membership. Miss Andrews writes: “I used to enjoy giving religious instruction to the patients in the dispensary, but now every hour in the day is full. I have special delight in the little day and Sabbath schools, because they bring me into touch
with many heathen homes.” She tells us of her great joy in welcoming a new associate, Miss Abbie G. Chapin, who was a wee baby in her mother’s arms twenty-five years ago, when Miss Andrews was first welcomed to that home in Tungcho. In all her letters, Miss Andrews pleads for our prayers, for herself and for China. We are well nigh paralyzed at the thought of our responsibility for a country, where fourteen hundred souls pass into eternity every hour.

The Foochow Mission is blossoming out in new lines of work, and growing stronger in all the old lines. One hundred have been added to their churches in a year. It is most encouraging to see how perseveringly the Christian women adopt all methods of Christian work employed in America. They have the “Woman’s Christian Association,” with its executive committee, lookout and devotional committees, receptions and tea drinkings innumerable.

Dr. Woodhull, with her new assistant, received a royal welcome on reaching Foochow. The hospital was reopened, and the dispensary, to the great joy of the people, is now able to provide ample attention and accommodations for all who apply. Mrs. Loi, one of the medical graduates, has done good work in the dispensary, in the absence of Dr. Woodhull, so that the patients have not fallen off, nor the opium patients been neglected.

One of the most effective mission forces in China has been the medical missionary. This influence was beautifully illustrated through the successful operation for cataract, in the Hankow hospital, upon a Chinaman who was totally blind. After his sight was restored, his delight was so great that he went through the country, inviting other blind men to go to the same wonderful doctors.
With his restored eyesight, he led forty men, all holding on to a rope, walking in file, two hundred and fifty miles to the hospital, where all but one had their sight restored; and the one who was not healed found the better healing for the soul. Fifty-six medical women are laboring with wonderful success in China, and more are called for. One of the older Chinese converts prayed for eighteen new missionaries, all married and doctors. After her prayer, she asked the missionary when to expect the answer.

With great satisfaction we hear that the entire New Testament has been printed in Roman letters, which gives great facility to children in mission schools, and to the common people, who find it difficult to become familiar with the extensive Chinese alphabet.

The Foochow school is the one boarding school for girls in that mission. In it the New Haven Branch has for years supported four pupils through their entire course. Many have gone out from its walls active Christian women, assisting in church, Sabbath school, and Christian endeavor labors. Three have proved acceptable teachers in the school in which they were educated, and others teach in the mission day schools. This last is counted the most interesting and successful year in the history of the school. Sixty-five pupils (the largest number ever admitted) have proved altogether too many for the present accommodations.

A daily meeting, called the “Praying Society,” has been well sustained by the girls themselves. The Young People’s Society of Christian Endeavor is very active, with forty members. “New and strong helpers for work,” is the cry from China.
In America it is claimed that we cannot have valuable Christian workers without training; a condition most emphatically true respecting converts from heathenism. Delay in educating and training promising young men and women for Christian work among their own people has been a great mistake in many missions.

The contributions of men and money from all Christendom cannot keep pace with the world's increase in population. But from among the thousands of converts, higher missionary institutions of learning ought to equip and send out hundreds every year, who, with the heavenly benediction resting upon them, could meet the calls among their own people. The Ceylon Mission has, with praiseworthy foresight, provided educational institutions that supply needs beyond their own field. At the last Decennial Missionary Conference which was held in Bombay, it was stated that half of the native pastors in mission churches in Ceylon had been members of Jaffna College—a grand testimony to the wise plans of the founders of that mission.

It is hoped that in the future many graduates of the Oodooville and Udupitty schools may be prepared in the new training school class, for Christian work in India. Already thirty-one young, earnest Christian women have entered, preparatory to teaching. Six of the thirty-two members of Udupitty are supported upon the New Haven Branch scholarships, and our prayers are asked for every one, that they may become strong, decided Christians; for without this blessing their education will be of little worth. The funds collected by the Misses Leitch for the endowment of Jaffna College
provides amply for the advanced university grades in that institution, for which, heretofore, Jaffna students have been obliged to go to government universities in Madras or Calcutta, under heathen or skeptical professors.

The new medical work, also, which those ladies have established in Ceylon, with funds raised in England and America, promises to be of great value to all classes.

Mexico.

This young republic is rapidly gaining the benefits of independence in religious, as well as in national, affairs. Within a year the missionaries have sold over $3,000 worth of religious and educational books, including three thousand six hundred and forty-two Bibles, or portions, at a cost of $1,268. Beside these, thousands of tracts and religious books have been distributed gratuitously, to those gospel-famished people just emerging from Romish control. Almost unlimited room for growth is opening before the missionaries in Mexico. Their only restriction seems to lie in the lack of men and money. This mission was commenced less than twelve years ago, and now they report thirteen churches, for which three substantial church edifices have been erected within a year; one of them entirely by contributions from Mexican converts, and friends on the ground.

The first mission school was opened in Chihuahua, with four little girls. There are now fifty day-scholars, and twenty-five boarders, all making satisfactory progress, under two experienced ladies. Miss Holcomb is a Normal school graduate, and has introduced the best methods, and is gaining the respect and confidence of the people. Miss Dunning, by her experience and faith-
fulness in past years, has made herself the main dependence in charge of the home and its Christian training. Josefa Talamantes, one of Mrs. Eaton's very own girls, who came to her when she was only twelve years old, and could not read a word, is now employed as an assistant teacher. She belonged to the first class graduated, and has given good satisfaction where she has been teaching the last two years.

This school is acknowledged by Mexicans, as well as Americans, to be the "best in the city," a well-earned and enviable reputation. The teachers are hoping to form the seniors in a normal class department, which is needed to equip teachers, who are in great demand.

Our second teacher, Jesusita Montoya, continues in Atotonilco, where she has given entire satisfaction.

Mrs. Eaton has been associated, from the first, with so much of the work outside of their own station, as well as in Chihuahua, that she carries many responsibilities beyond what might be called her own work.

Five regular Sabbath services are held in the Chihuahua church. In them all, Mrs. Eaton has a responsible part, as teacher in the infant class, leader of the singing, and organist. In fact she is the pastor's assistant in all work for women and girls. For the semi-monthly Spanish paper, she prepares two pages of Christian Endeavor material, and one column on Missions.

As president of the Christian Endeavor Society, she plans all their business, social or religious meetings.

She counts the Tuesday P. M. meetings for Bible study and prayer with the women, a season of greatest privilege. After the regular meeting, two, who are called "the workers," remain for a second meeting with her, in which they dedicate themselves anew to the
work of visiting from house to house. Sometimes others remain; recently a new member came in, a refined and educated lady, who had never had the courage to take a public part, and gave her testimony as to what she had lost by her years of indifference. Mrs. Eaton never fails to ask us to pray for her, and the little company that meet on Tuesday of each week.

**Japan.**

The mission in the Sunrise Kingdom has been passing through serious experiences, but the present outlook is in some respects more favorable.

The efforts of the Japanese to throw off the patronage of foreigners, and assume self-support in all religious and educational matters, have brought them into difficulties not easily solved. Modern Japan began to run before she had learned to walk, and it is difficult to reverse the order. But they are a resolute people, and when the old influences are outgrown, and the new moral and religious influences infused into the rising generation come to the front, there is good ground for expecting, under God's guiding hand, a model kingdom.

Sixty-five self-supporting churches, having over eleven thousand members, one thousand of them added the last year, are scattered as leaven through the country. And many of the pastors are strong, well educated men, forward in all public activities, asserting boldly that the principles of Christianity are the only sound basis of reform; and true reform must come from the religion of progress, which is the universal religion of Christ.

The missionaries write, "We are much in prayer these days, feeling that we must have God's leading in every step."
The New Haven Branch has two missionaries faithfully striving to uplift the women of Japan, by giving them the gospel, and they have not found it an easy task.

Mrs. DeForest has been in the service twenty years, with only one short furlough. She is expecting, with Dr. DeForest and their children, to return for a rest the coming summer.

For some years they have resided in Sendai, Northern Japan, where Mrs. DeForest has found a large sphere of usefulness among the women, and in Sabbath school work. The last few months she has temporarily assisted in the Kyoto girls' school. Her last letter was from Okoyama, where she was making a vacation visit, and tells of an interesting New Year's call from a native "orphan asylum," which had been invited to the mission house. "About 3 o'clock two hundred and seventy children, headed by their buglers, came marching up; and one after another was packed solid on the floors and piazza. When seated, they entertained us first with a national song, then a hymn. After a prayer, each one, including thirty attendants, received a parcel containing three small oranges, three little cakes made of bean paste, and four sweetmeat cakes, costing about one American cent each. After their repast and a lively tune on the organ, they went out to play. Their ages vary from six to seventeen. The older boys are learning printers' and barbers' trades. Many of these homeless children were brought from the earthquake districts. An old temple has been hired for their accommodation, surrounded by a grave yard, and they are supported entirely by gratuitous offerings. When there is no food or clothing to supply their wants, it is most pathetic to
see those children go in procession, led by their buglers, to pray in the graveyard. In times of great distress, they march to the top of a high hill to hold their prayer meetings, as if there they might be nearer the God of mercy."

Our second missionary in Japan, Miss Judson, went out with the two Scudder families to Niigata, in 1886, where she remained in charge of an interesting girls' school, supported by the Japanese, until her health failed. In the summer she went to Matsuyama for a change, and finding the climate more favorable, has remained as an associate with Miss Gunnison, in the girls' school, which is very popular, and one of long standing. As Miss Gunnison is coming home soon, Miss Judson will have heavy responsibilities resting on her, and more than ever will claim our prayers and sympathy.

Two years ago, she opened a free evening school, for poor children, with forty in attendance. Recently, the government officials threatened to close this school, unless the teachers should qualify themselves to secure government certificates, which they are studiously endeavoring to do. Meanwhile Miss Judson waits to find out whether her private enterprise, inaugurated with so much effort, must be given up.

Micronesia.

The Gilbert Islands group has experienced no hindrances in Christian work since the British jurisdiction was established. The missionaries feel, already, that the government is a valuable ally. Inter-tribal wars have ceased, and the free sale of fire arms and intoxicants to the natives is forbidden.
Quite different have been the results in the Marshall Islands, where the German government is now confirmed. The oppressive and restrictive measures established have borne heavily upon the native churches, and interfere seriously with the liberty of the preachers.

The situation at Ponape, one of the Caroline group, under Spanish rule, remains unchanged. The Christians, being entirely cut off from communication with missionaries, or native Christians from other islands, are truly "sheep without a shepherd."

The conducting of mission work in Micronesia depends so largely upon the services of the children's missionary ships, that it is of the utmost importance that our children be kept informed and interested in what the "Morning Star," "Robert Logan," and the new vessel, "Hiram Bingham," are doing. They must be reminded that their ships are, still, like highways, railroads, carts, carriages and postal communications, for the missionaries thousands of miles away; and to leave them without support would be most disastrous. It is a great credit to the children that such a responsible and valuable service is given to them, and every effort should be made to keep them interested.

India.

American missions were commenced in India eighty years ago, and during the first twenty years, they were conducted under the most adverse circumstances, and with few apparent good results. Opposed by the authorities, persecuted by the natives, denied the common courtesies of life by Europeans, as well as Hindus, the missionaries lived only by faith in the divine promises, and with unswerving fidelity to their sublime commission.
Not one Christian book or tract could be found in the vernaculars. Not a woman could, or wished to, learn to read, or claimed that she had a soul, or could ever enter heaven, except through the funeral pile of her husband, and then only as his servant.

Now, the Bible, and hundreds of good books are translated into thirty-six languages; all this the work of missionaries. The results of the two missions of the American Board during these eighty years are among its crowning glories.

The Marathi Mission covers an area of two by three hundred miles, with a population of over two million. Within this area, you will now find thirty-eight self-supporting churches, with two thousand seven hundred and fifty-one members, and nearly half this number have native pastors. More than three thousand children are in day schools, and five thousand, who come largely from heathen families, are in Sunday schools. Six hundred and thirty-five native helpers are employed in this extensive work, as preachers, teachers, Bible readers and Bible women.

With such an extensive work in hand, the thought of retrenchment is very discouraging, and the results most disastrous. One writes, "We must not, we can not, we dare not retrench."

The Marathi Mission has many village schools, and a few with higher departments for both sexes. But the only boarding school, exclusively for girls, giving more than a primary education, is the one in Ahmednagar, which was commenced fifty years ago, with half a dozen low caste girls. This number has steadily increased, until it has reached two hundred. In this school, the
pupils receive a thorough education in their vernacular, and in late years a few have been taught English.

Hundreds come from surrounding towns and villages, who, on returning, with such an education, and years of Christian training, are prepared to give assistance in the village schools and churches, and to prove a leavening power in places not under direct missionary influence. Ten have been admitted to church membership, and others to a probation class, the last year. Most complimentary reports, with generous government grants-in-aid, are annually given by the official inspector.

Their primary schools are counted the source of "greatest joy," by some of the missionaries, because they see in the children the future men and women, and believe that "as the twig is bent, the tree will be inclined." The Bible, with its moral law, and the gospel law of love, are taught before the superstitions of heathenism have debased their young minds, and when the little ones have once caught the inspiration of books, they are seldom satisfied without reaching up higher.

Mrs. Sibley always introduces us to Wai, by referring to the "precious gift" of a dear home, from the New Haven Branch. Then, she assures us, that she is resting her hopes upon our prayers for her, and the work in Wai.

The lower and middle classes listen respectfully, and express gratitude for the efforts of the missionaries. But only a few of the higher castes give them a welcome. The new school, opened among the gardeners, with thirty girls, has been reduced to three, through the influence of an old priest, who circulated falsehoods to frighten the parents.
Mrs. Sibley and Miss Gordon are very brave, in meeting the many obstacles that come to their work, in a station alone. On passing a Brahmin house one day, some pretty young women standing in the door, invited them in. On leaving, Mrs. Sibley asked if they would like to be taught needle work and reading. They seemed pleased, and promised to ask their husbands. A day or two after, they went for the answer, and found that all three had been cruelly beaten for allowing the missionaries to enter the house, and before they could leave the door, one of the men came running down the street and ordered them away.

Beside the old places, fifty new homes have been opened to them in a year, and when the new Bible Women they are waiting for come to their aid, they will open a regular system of teaching and Bible instruction, in the homes of the secluded women. In their house-to-house visits, Mrs. Sibley begins her instructions by telling the women how to care for their children, and keep their houses tidy; but never fails to sing some of the songs of Zion, and read and explain the Word. Sometimes the women say among themselves, "Don't you see they talk about things, that, if heeded, will do us good?" Sometimes they say, "They are paid by the government to talk to us, and they must get thousands of rupees." And then comes our opportunity of telling them that the missionaries have no pay from government. That "We are sent out, and supported by their far off sisters in America. This always interests them, and they tell it over to others."

Mrs. Hume's visit in America gave her an opportunity to make many friends, who will be glad to hear that one of her brightest experiences of the year was
their warm welcome on reaching Bombay, Dec. 30th. Friends met them on the steamer, others on the dock, and again on their arrival at the mission house, where the missionary ladies, Misses Abbott and Millard, awaited them, with one hundred or more school children, ready with garlands and flowers to give their beautiful oriental salutations. The doxology was sung as they entered, followed by a prayer, and with glad and thankful hearts they took possession of the dear old home, with only one pang, as they looked around and missed the three beloved ones left behind.

The following was the Sabbath day, and the last of the year, but it was a tender and joyful occasion. Tukeramji, the pastor, said, most impressively: “Not a single public service has been held in this church, since Mr. Hume left us, in which he and his family have not been remembered by name.”

The Bombay school for Christian children has had one hundred pupils, with seventy boarders; more than half being girls. They have kept up to the high standard for which they aim in this school. Miss Abbott’s report of the health and conduct of the boys is very satisfactory, and the uniform health of the girls proves the inestimable value of their airy, nice home in Bowker Hall. The Christian Endeavor Society is giving the boys much self-reliance in conducting meetings, and in judicious methods of work in the hospital, where the younger boys sing for the children, and distribute bright cards and flowers. If India is to be saved through its own people, the Christian young men and women must be prepared to be the leaders in such redemption; and such schools as this high school in
Bombay, where they can receive the best education, claim most generous support.

Mr. and Mrs. Karmarkar's return to their native land was made the occasion of many delightful welcome services, not from the Christian communities alone, but from many Hindu friends also. Mrs. Karmarkar, by her reports of experiences in America, gathered interested audiences, and by her medical skill, introduced herself to many who recognized at once the value of her Christ-like profession. Early in the year they commenced the work to which they had been assigned, in Bassein, a Hindu town of eleven thousand; thirty-four miles by rail from Bombay, in the midst of a populous district.

The opening of a dispensary required large outlay and many appliances. In the midst of their anxiety in regard to these expenses, a letter from the New Haven Branch reached them. Mrs. K. replied, “Your letter came like a flood of sunshine in the darkness. In it we felt the assuring hand of the Father, who, in such a marvelous and unexpected way, has provided for us. I am not only thankful, but proud, to be called your missionary. Still it was not without misgivings, that I read your account of the special meetings, and the thank-offerings, which seem to increase my responsibilities. Am I worthy of it? is the constant question within me; and my only answer is, are not we, and all that belongs to us, consecrated to the Lord, and to His service?”

Madura Mission.—In the deaths, sickness and resignation of their missionaries, and the discouraging effects of retrenchment, this mission has suffered heavily.

The large number of trained native Christian workers,
ready for service, is the basis of high hopes, for the future of this mission. But these workers must still be supported, and missionaries must be furnished, to plan and superintend new and outreaching work for them.

The woman's department, which includes the Girls' boarding and day schools, the oversight of teachers and Bible Women, the Normal Training School, Woman's Hospital, and the new Bible Women's school, has been kept up, with the usual success. The Dispensary, and the day schools for girls, have felt the loss of Dr. Root and Miss Dency T. M. Root, who are still detained in this country.

The Madura Girls' Boarding School, in charge of the Misses Noyes, has made most satisfactory progress. The Normal Department has added much to the labor of these missionaries, but it has prepared more satisfactory teachers.

With the superintendence of a family of one hundred boarders, and another hundred day scholars, we might easily furnish a reply to the question, why do we not hear oftener from the Madura school? The New Haven Branch supports ten pupils in this institution, and if we could add one more faithful missionary to the faculty, she might find time for writing to patrons in America, and to the graduates, who, in their homes or village schools, still need the helpful sympathy of their old instructors. When the last normal class left, it was a sad parting. One exclaimed with tears: "We shall never enjoy such privileges again, until we get to heaven." These expressions of gratitude and affection constitute a large part of the compensations of missionaries.
Forty-two Bible women are employed in this mission, and so much importance is attached to this department that Miss Swift has been invited to conduct the Training School for them.

The state of society is such in India, that only women of age and experience are well received; and the older women have not had the education and Bible instruction that their positions require. But with one or more years in this school, the more promising will be prepared to be, more than ever, true missionaries to their less favored sisters.

Four, of the ten Bible women at work in the city of Madura, are supported by the New Haven Branch, and have had years of experience; and the most beautiful records of service have come from them. The company of ten in Madura constitute the teachers of a school, scattered over a city of eighty thousand, having over a thousand pupils; not accommodated in comfortable rooms, with their teachers and books before them, but one here, two there, and all strangers to each other, in their secluded homes. For them all, and their faithful teachers, our prayers, as well as our gifts, are solicited. Large numbers in India have heard the gospel through these native workers, and are convinced of the truth, but the fear of losing caste, which means losing their occupation, holds them back. It is Christ, with loss of friends, and beggary, or a livelihood and friends, with heathenism.

Only the Holy Spirit can open the way out of the darkness.

Eight hundred and eighty-one converts have been added to the churches in this mission within the year, gathered from all castes and classes.
Turkey.

In each of the four Turkish Missions, the New Haven Branch has some precious investments. Among them, and first in influence, are our six missionaries. A worthy report of their labors and burdens would fill a volume, and we can only give a glimpse of each.

From all parts of this extensive field come cheering reports. Notwithstanding the increasing poverty of the people, and the oppressive measures of government, the schools are well sustained, and education makes an important factor in the work of all these missions. The educated young men and women from the Christian schools, colleges and Theological seminaries, are sure to become an influential agency, in political, as well as in religious affairs.

There are nearly nine thousand Protestant schools in the Ottoman empire, and in addition to the boys educated in them, there are twenty thousand girls.

Within the year, for the first time, the authorities have granted a license to medical women holding diplomas, to practice their profession in the Turkish empire. And Dr. M. P. Eddy was the first woman to have her medical diploma signed by a Turkish official! Now, we may soon expect to hear of new doors opening into Moslem harems, and other secluded apartments of women in Turkey.

European Turkey.—In the absence of Mrs. Bond, we cannot expect a report direct from Monastir. But it is very encouraging to hear how the Christian Endeavorers are assuming the responsibilities of Christian work themselves. They have dropped the word “Young” from the title of their Society, and the result is, “every woman in the church has become an Endeavorer.”
The Mothers' meeting is conducted with growing interest, and the presence of little children, each with a Bible verse to repeat, always makes the occasion interesting. The use of their Bibles is revealed by the frequent request for a new copy, "because the old one is all worn out." One of the joys of heaven, we imagine, must lie in looking down upon the millions of Bibles in the hands of little children, on every continent. We know they find in that blessed book, what can be found nowhere else in this sinful world, the sweet words of Jesus, "Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not."

Western Turkey.—The open door to the Missions of Turkey is Constantinople; and the enigma of this position lies in the fact, that the untold hindrances, persecutions, and political obstacles that have been working against missions, all through their fifty years' existence, emanates from this very open door. But, all through the struggle, the Lord's cause has won. And now any Christian woman's heart must beat with joy, on approaching that magnificent old city, to see high up in Scutari, a beautiful monument to true Christian womanhood—"The American College for Girls," with its rare significance, and suggestions of what the "King's Daughters" hope to do for their sisters in Turkey.

It is beautiful for situation, and there is no limit to its far reaching influence, while planning and working according to their "ideal,"—"The truest and highest Christian womanhood." Our missionary, Miss Fensham, the Dean of the College, writes: "I cannot better characterize the spirit of the college this year, than by saying it is thoughtful, earnest, and active." Much of
the opposition once felt to the college seems to have died away, and they confidently look forward to the time when the ideal will have grown clearer, and the purpose to attain it stronger.

This year they have one hundred and fifty-four pupils, with eighty-five boarders, the largest number ever entered. Some old scholars are returning for the collegiate course.

The "Self Governing Association," among the college students, is proving the strongest educating element ever introduced. It relieves the instructors of responsibility for discipline, and the result is that the relations between faculty and students is the delightful one of perfect confidence.

At the close of the year seven received Diplomas, making nineteen graduates from the college proper, and ninety-two from the institution. Their Missionary Society is very enthusiastic, and their money is secured by their own earnings, without the fatigue and excitement of fairs. In giving, they give from what is their own, and their donations are larger than in previous years.

Hasquey, a suburb of Constantinople. In the early history of the mission, this was a permanent station; but in late years, other localities have made greater demands upon the small mission forces, gradually leaving this to the care of the small Protestant community. The missionaries had gathered a church and erected an edifice, which is the only one in Constantinople, that has the Sultan's firman for its protection.

Miss Gleason and Mrs. Parsons began evangelistic work in connection with this church, some two years ago, hoping to develop something parallel to that in
Gedik Pasha, another quarter of the city. The warm-hearted evangelical pastor, Avedis, welcomed them and has cooperated with them. They have a Sabbath school of one hundred and fifty, and have commenced a day school, assisted by the two daughters of the pastor, choice young women, educated in the school at Scutari. They hope to have a kindergarten soon, and an evening school for young men. As this is one of the new enterprises of the New Haven Branch, our warmest sympathy and prayers are solicited.

Smyrna.—The interesting Kindergarten and training school in this city has won our special interest, since, through the legacy of Mrs. Mitchell, of Middletown, they have been enabled to procure a commodious house for the dear kindergarten children. After long waiting Miss Bartlett wrote, “The actual purchase of this long-needed building has been made, and we count it the blessing of the year. It is next to the boys’ boarding school, and this is a comfort, as it enables us to open our windows upon their yard. Since we moved into this new building, the number of scholars has steadily increased, and they come from a better class of people. There are eighty-two little ones, and they are very happy in these airy rooms. The building will accommodate a training class, and a small missionary family, and we are planning to occupy it soon.” A large hall on the ground floor is used for the daily opening exercises, and for the Sabbath school, which sometimes numbers one hundred and twenty-eight; and there are adjoining rooms for the Greek children, with a Greek teacher; and a class of older Armenian girls, taught by the pastor. In describing the building Miss Bartlett says, “We have, as you see, a great variety of blessings, which have come to
us through your building.” This makes us very thank­ful and more than compensated. Of the teachers Miss Bartlett writes, “If ever there was a set of loving, devoted, self-sacrificing, loyal and happy teachers, it is the Smyrna kindergarteners.” One grandmother told her daughter, that if she could see the place where the children are, she would forget all her troubles. A dedi­cation service was held in the new building, making it seem more truly the Lord’s, and a consecrated place.

We rejoice in still having a share in the grand work in Gedik Pasha. This work was begun with implicit faith in the God of missions, and from the beginning it has been watered by the dews of heaven. There was nothing in Gedik Pasha to call dear Mrs. Schneider there (when she resumed mission work, after years of sorrow and absence), that might not invite Christian women to begin work in the heart of any godless city. With no one to welcome them, Mrs. Schneider and Miss Gleason hired apartments, and, in a small way, com­menced what has grown into a large institution, with such a variety of prosperous lines of evangelistic work, that it seems like a busy bee-hive seven days of the week.

They have a day school of one hundred and eighty­five scholars; a Sabbath school of three hundred and fifty, of which one hundred come from Greek families; and an evening school of sixty young men, studying English.

The two missionary ladies and two Bible women carry to the homes of the children, the influence and gospel truths which are taught in the school. The pupils come from Greek, Armenian and Moslem homes, to which they must carry the truths of the Bible and the choice
Christian hymns, translated into their native languages, because they are all required to learn Bible verses and sing the hymns.

In the Broosa School, there has been much sickness during the year, and one death, adding much care and anxiety to Miss Cull's labor. They have had a small school, twenty-two boarders and seven day scholars, owing to the persistent opposition of the priests. The three advanced pupils are Greeks, and two of them members of the mission church, and diligent, faithful, conscientious girls. The people are in perpetual bondage to their priests, both Gregorians and Armenians.

The school in Talas has been full and prosperous this year, with a good, faithful teacher.

Marsovan.—The mere mention of this name calls forth our warmest sympathy. Nothing but the firmest Christian courage has kept the missionaries at their posts the last year. Being so far inland, surrounded by hostile officials, secret foes and incendiaries, they have lived in constant fear, and their danger, at times, seemed too great to risk holding on. After weeks of delay the energetic efforts of the United States Government secured from the Turkish authorities, the removal of the guilty officials, the reimbursement of the loss incurred by the burning of the school building, the permission to rebuild, and the promise of a Firman for the college. But nothing can repay for the shock, anxiety and depressing effects upon the missions and their educational work. Order is not fully restored, either in Marsovan, or the surrounding country. But outwardly there is peace.

The shock caused by the burning of their school building, the sudden death of a beloved teacher, and
the removal of a second, added to the retiring of the honored and beloved founder and principal, Miss Fritcher, placed the Marsovan school under a very dark cloud, which has called for our tenderest sympathy.

In view of the immediate needs of this school, Miss Bush, instead of returning to Harpoot, was loaned for a year to Marsovan, to conduct the school, while new teachers were learning the language.

The disturbed condition of the country prevented some scholars from returning this year, but they have had eighty-two pupils, of whom thirty-eight are boarders; and the regular course of study has been kept up. After many detentions, and quarantine delay of four weeks, Miss Bush reached Marsovan, in the midst of a term; and a few days after her arrival she was formally introduced to the school as their principal. She writes, "I am delighted with the spirit and ability of the missionaries, and we are working together in the most perfect harmony. The girls are wide-awake, lively young folks, who need much training. The schoolroom is bright and pleasant, but the quarters are contracted, and it is well that the framework of our new building looms up to cheer us."

"I find this just what I expected, a live center of educational and religious interest, the fruit of devoted labors in the past. With the joy of a new religious uplift in my own heart, as the result of my visit to America, I was eager to impart some new impulse in faith and love to these dear girls, and I find them most ready to hear and understand."

The Christian activities of this school have centered in the efforts of the "King's Daughters," who are divided into ten circles. Nearly half this number are
graduates. But they cooperate with those in school, and strengthen each other in Christian work. Miss Bush wrote, "The sight of fifty to eighty women at their weekly prayer meeting, and their eagerness to have a part by prayer or giving out a hymn, is truly inspiring." In one of the woman's meetings, led by one of the old graduates, it was asked, "What are we doing for the Lord?" and one after another modestly and hesitatingly replied, "We are laboring among our neighbors;" and this is just what they are all doing. They tell about the sermons, distribute tracts and papers, wherever they can gain a hearing. Our missionaries are not all numbered on the lists of our boards. They are doubled and quadrupled in hundreds of villages, where the gospel leaven has been dropped by our Bible women and teachers, and been touched by the Holy Spirit.

Eastern Turkey.—Our missionary in Eastern Turkey, Miss Barnum, has been employed mainly the last year as an instructor in Harpoot College. She writes of busy times; and extra work, with few to share it. But she unselfishly tells us how she comforts herself by saying, "This is God's work. He will not let it suffer."

In all Departments there are over five hundred pupils. Of these, two hundred are girls. Among the thirty-seven college girls, all but three have given their hearts to the Savior. The Christian Endeavor Day was remembered there by the Junior Society inviting the older girls to meet with them, and they had a wide-awake meeting. Their thank offering was $4.57, which was sent right off to India. The four missionary societies support three girls in the Inanda Seminary, in South Africa, and during the week in which that school was
mentioned on the W. B. M. Calendar, Inanda was put on the blackboard every morning, and remembered in prayer. One day of that week, the four societies held a united meeting, and nearly forty prayers were offered for their Inanda girls.

In the week of prayer for colleges, some lessons were omitted each day, to allow time for personal religious work; and on Friday, the whole day was given to prayer; and many confessed their sins, and decided for Christ. That was a happy day in the College, and all felt that nothing but the Holy Spirit could have softened such hard, proud hearts. Many of the girls come from Gregorian families, where they receive no sympathy or help, and our prayers are needed for the Holy Spirit to guide and strengthen these young converts, and supply the wisdom which the missionaries require in training and educating them.

Central Turkey Mission.—Mrs. Montgomery, though not wholly our very own missionary, is our co-worker with Christ, in all her labors of love in Central Turkey; and if there were no other missionaries to tell about, we might make an interesting annual report from Adana. She puts so many "little bits" of love and service into her busy life, that a piece taken out almost anywhere is valuable. The half-worked and neglected field to which Mrs. Montgomery returned, aroused every inherent sympathy in her nature, and she has touched the hearts of her many friends in the home-land with pity for the children, sympathy for the mothers, and a sense of obligation to the sick and suffering people, who seem justly to demand from us healing for their bodies as well as the news of the Saviour for their souls. The missionaries recognize the benefits of her influence every-
where, in the girls' school, as well as in the homes of the people.

The opening of a new school at Adana for Greek children, to be taught by our new missionary, Miss Bosshardt, will be a great joy to Mrs. Montgomery. In many schools in Turkey, a Greek department has been opened, and with it, a promising door of usefulness among that intelligent people. For want of an educated teacher, the repeated requests from the Greeks in Adana for a girls' school, had been refused. But Mrs. Montgomery, having heard of an available teacher, presented an urgent request to the mission, and the school is opened, and Miss Bosshardt's salary has been assumed by the New Haven Branch.

In Adiaman.—The fearful earthquakes of the winter of 1893 wrought such great disaster that the people were wholly discouraged. Two hundred and eighty-five deaths and the ruin of their houses, cattle and provisions, broke up their schools and churches. But the school has reopened, and the town is recovering from the effects.

Miss Trowbridge, whom we call our medical missionary, could not have used her M.D. in Turkey, if she had carried one. But without it, she has proved herself a blessed medical friend to the suffering patients in the Aintab hospital.

Aintab, a city of forty-five thousand inhabitants, has few such attractions as travelers admire, and describe in glowing terms, but our dear young missionary tells us, "This barren country has a real beauty of its own." We rather imagine the college, girls' seminary, hospital, and the three or four "pleasant missionary homes" that she mentions, are to her the main attractions.
The suffering companies that gather in the dispensary, waiting for the "angels of mercy," are to her "the vision of sorrow" that gives zest to service, and makes her love Aintab.

The patients come from long distances, sometimes having to sell all they possess to enable them to make the journey, and secure treatment. This institution has done much to establish kindly feelings between Turks and Armenians. Men of different nationalities and religions, rich and poor, are treated alike, with one system of treatment, and the same regulations are required of all who are admitted. In such a work, the desperate need of the people, and the self-sacrificing work of our missionaries, can be understood without rehearsing.

The poor people in Turkey find it very hard, with the unreasonable demands of the government and the oft-repeated depredations of robbers, to support their families.

The little church and school at Killis need foreign aid to sustain them, but while waiting for a little help from America they are getting almost discouraged, and we must not fail them.

We are not the elect favorites of our Heavenly Father, but we are His elect co-workers with Christ, for the redemption of the world. If love is the heart of Christianity, and, according to the words of Christ, service is the highest and holiest expression of love, then the members of the New Haven Branch are invited to unite, this coming year, in the best service the world can open to us.
REPORT OF THE BIBLE WOMAN'S DEPARTMENT.

Forty years or more after missions had been at work in India, and churches, boys' schools, and low caste girls' schools had been established, and it was beginning to be seen that girls have minds capable of expansion, there still remained a large proportion of women yet untouched. So far as the missionaries were concerned, the great mass of high caste women were inaccessible, every avenue of approach being guarded with the strictest care. Many a missionary, after fifteen or twenty years of faithful service, was compelled to admit that she had never crossed the threshold of a high caste Hindu or Mohammedan house, or seen the face of a high caste woman. Only strong faith could believe that such doors could be opened, and such prejudices be overcome.

But in the Lord's own time, and in His mysterious way, a choice specimen of needlework found its way into a Zenana, and one woman after another asked, "Can't I learn to do such beautiful work?" The mothers, seeing their sons reading and writing, said: "Teach us to do the same." But they could not teach women!

When these questions reached the ears of the missionaries, it was not difficult to find some one that could enter these opening doors. At first the missionaries took each a native Christian with her, and in time these helpers, by their patience and tact, added one method after another, and thus one of the most promising lines of missionary effort was introduced, first in India, and soon after into almost every mission. Now, we learn from reliable sources, not less than forty thousand Zenanas and secluded homes in India are open to the instruc-
tions of missionaries and Bible women, and the leavening process has not been slow in spreading Bible truth. In many places, fancy work, sewing, and similar attractions are not found necessary to secure a welcome.

The superintendent of Bible women in Madura writes: "Our one purpose is to make known Christ, and we teach reading, in order that these women may read the Bible, andlearn of the Saviour."

The Madura Mission employs forty-two Bible women, to whose teaching and training Miss Swift gives her time; and when the funds can be secured for a building that will accommodate them, she hopes to open a Bible Training School, for the more promising women.

Ten of the present number teach in the city of Madura. They commenced the year with five hundred and sixty-five pupils, and closed with one thousand and fourteen.

Gnanapirahasi, of Madura, has had twenty-four years of service, and was the first Bible woman supported by the New Haven Branch. Dear Mrs. Chandler obtained this woman's support from friends in New Haven, before this Branch was born. The last year she has had eighty-five pupils. Many touching reports of this faithful woman's experiences have been given to us by Mrs. Chandler, Mrs. Capron, and Miss Swift, and I have selected one specimen to give you. "One day Gnanapirahasi went to visit one of her pupils, a sweet, gentle woman, who had learned to read her Bible, and with whom she had often had joyful meetings. That day she appeared very nervous, but said, 'I am so glad to see your face. It is like a visit from the Lord, when we can sit down together and talk to Him, but to-day you must say just three words, and go away; for my husband has threatened to kill me, if he finds you here again.' Suddenly
the door burst open, and a man rushed in like a raging lion, and caught up the books, tore them to pieces, and drove Gnanapirahasi out of the house. And as far as she could hear, the sound of the cruel blows reached her ears.” The women often say, “Oh! if there were only Bible men to go about, and teach the men as you teach the women.”

Yesudial is one of the women that was on our list for many years. She has had ten years of service, and has been associated with Gnanapirahasi. She has a little family of her own, but rises very early to get her household duties done, that she may be sure of the early Bible reading with the missionary, before setting out on her long day’s work. She has one hundred and six pupils learning to read, and some of her experiences are very touching.

Packiam has seventy-four pupils.

Paripuvanum has fifty-eight.

These women’s experiences are so similar that they may be expressed in the words of one, who said, “We tell them of the true God, and many believe. Some die praying to Jesus, but their friends do not know it.” These are the hidden ones, whom Christ knows and loves.

In the Marathi Mission, the New Haven Branch supports fourteen Bible women.

Changunabai’s work is in Bombay. She is a valuable woman in the church, helpful in the women’s meetings, and very acceptable in the heathen homes that she visits, with the missionary ladies. She has been very useful in finding out those who are searching for the light, and leading them to it. Miss Abbott writes,
"Changunabai is a great comfort to the missionaries, and is as good and reliable as ever."

Kasubai is located in Dedgaw, a village in the Wadale District. She has an associate, and they go out regularly to the nearer villages, and from house to house in good weather. In the hot and rainy seasons they work in Dedgaw.

Kasubai is full of enthusiasm, has good health, and finds much enjoyment in her work. These women have the benefit of a church life, and a good pastor who, with his nice wife, gives them substantial help and encouragement, of which they speak with gratitude. Beginning with their a, b, c, they teach the women until they can read the Bible, and they read the Bible every week and explain it, and sing and pray in every house.

The membership of the Dedgaw church has more women than men, which is very rare in the village churches, and it is due to Kasubai's faithful work.

Gaubai works in Sirur. There have been three or more interesting conversions in the part of the village under her care. One of the converts is an elderly woman of much character and influence, who for some time seemed to lack only this one thing, and Gaubai has been very happy in welcoming her as a Christian sister.

A young couple came walking in from a town ten miles away, with a full determination to be baptized; they had heard the gospel from the native Christian helpers. They were made over to Gaubai's care and teaching, and have since been received into the church.

When the Bible women go farther in a day than they can walk out and return, the two have a cart, and visit two or three villages. On one of these occasions they were received most joyously. The people begged
them to "Talk more." "Tell it over again." "I love to hear it." "Pray to your God for me," etc.

Baizabai is located at Sirur, in the Marathi Mission. She is an energetic woman of much experience, and understands the people well. She has a zealous way in going to different places where the people are least acquainted with the gospel.

She has a companion (in place of the much lamented Kamalabai) Anubai, who has had the benefit of the Bombay School, and appears to be a devoted Christian. She has a good knowledge of the Bible, and is interested in this kind of Christian work. She left school on account of her health, and did not seem strong, but she has gained wonderfully in these long walks to the villages. She has a good voice and pleasant, attractive way with the heathen. She has a beautiful opportunity of giving to others what she has learned. These two women have fourteen villages to visit.

Sagunabai and Ramabai are working together at Shrigondi, in the Ahmednagar District. These women have met with much opposition, but they have been able to do good Christian work.

Bhagabai of Roha, and her associate are both superior, intelligent women. Bhagabai has had a course of training as a nurse, which will make her more welcome with her Bible teaching.

Salubai is located now, at Kanhur, Parner. She was very anxious to gain entrance to some of the upper class houses, but did not feel quite sure that they would allow her to enter their houses or listen to her. In writing about it she says, "I felt some fear, until I had asked the Lord for some days to give me the courage, and prepare the women to receive the good word. While still
asking, I felt the necessity of making the effort. At first I found only a few women that would stop and listen. But they began to beg me to come oftener, every day if possible, because ‘we enjoy hearing what you tell us.’ ” Instead of fearing to go now, she says, “I thank and praise the Lord for helping me to do His work here.” She soon gained entrance to six houses among the higher caste women, and several among the lower caste.

She tells them about Jesus’ birth, death and resurrection, and reads from other books; but they enjoy most hearing about Christ’s life among men, and His sacrifice for them. This Bible Woman receives only a small salary, because she cannot give all her time, but she enjoys the work very much.

Ceylon.—Mrs. Ramsey, and an associate are working, as Bible Women at Anapattai, Ceylon. They visit four houses daily; read and explain the Bible, and teach Bible verses, which the women commit to memory. Some are able to repeat the Lord’s prayer, and other short prayers. They repeat Bible stories, and teach the people the importance of keeping the Sabbath holy. A number of women are interested, and one has asked to be baptized.

All of these women ask for our prayers.

Mrs. Alfred, is a Bible woman at Santilapai, Ceylon. She has twenty-five young women on her list of learners. “The married women find it difficult to attend regularly to their books, but I read and pray with them regularly.” Eleven of this number are not only able to read well, but are able to repeat some Bible verses from memory. Some of the mothers of the children listen with much pleasure to the gospel truths.

Three sisters in a Sivite family felt themselves sinners,
and were anxious to find the way of salvation. Their regular attendance at divine service, and their lives so accorded with Christian precepts, that they have been received into the mission church, and four of their children were baptized. Two others are inquirers, and under Mrs. Alfred's instructions.

China.—Chao-nai-nai is located at Tung-Cho, North China. Her work has been very valuable. Through rain and shine, cold and heat, she works on faithfully, teaching, preaching, comforting and helping, always having the best interests of the church at heart. She counts it a joy, to spend, and be spent, in her Master's service.

Western Turkey.—Sultan at Hadji-Keuy, in the Marsovan District, is one of the old Marsovan girls trained by Miss Fritcher. She has been many years in this evangelistic work, and is greatly beloved by the women. She has fifty-two pupils in their homes, and visits each one, once in two days. Though some may be sick, or too busy to attend to her, still she averages twenty lessons a day. She is much above the level of the women of the place, and is doing good work. She always reads the Bible wherever she goes, and explains it, and asks questions about what has been read. It is not always convenient to pray with her scholars, as many have large families, and live in one room. The scholars express true gratitude for what is done for them. A prominent man has borne testimony that Sultan's work has been invaluable in breaking down the almost insurmountable barriers between the old Armenians and Protestants.

Miss Sevasti D. Kyrias is located at Kortcha, in Albania, where, with her brother who has recently died, she opened the first and only school for Albanian girls.
The Greek ecclesiastics have fiercely opposed their work, but it has grown rapidly.

Miss Kyrias was educated in the Home School at Scutari, and by her beautiful Christian life is recommending the Protestant faith to her own people, and in her Bible instructions in the houses of the people, and in the care of the school, is opening a door of great promise among the Albanians.

*Eastern Turkey.*—**Yegsa Marderosian** is a Bible woman and teacher in Sinnamood, in the Harpoot District.

She writes (in Armenian, translated for us)—

"My precious friends in Christ:—I never have seen loving ones like you, nor have I any special thing to write, only to acknowledge the love you show to ones like us. Though we are unworthy, we are constrained to acknowledge our indebtedness, and express our unbounded gratitude to you. On this first opportunity, I present to you all the loving salutations of my scholars and my own.

Know assuredly, my precious sisters, that the Lord will reward you, and will give you a two-fold recompense. Do not think that perhaps your money has been spent in vain. How shall I write so that you will know how much good your money has done? I will tell you a little of the good it has done in this place. Sinnamood is almost a village by itself, with eighty or perhaps one hundred houses. I have fifty pupils. The girls are from eighteen to twenty years old; the women, from thirty-five to forty. The women have great desire to learn, and in about two years, they have learned to read the New Testament, and some can read the Old Testament. Some have friends that do not wish them..."
to learn to read, but they invent some way to learn secretly. I tell this that you may see that the Holy Spirit is working in them. Again, my dear sisters, I thank you. We greatly need your prayers.”

Varter is employed as Bible woman at Bigmeshen, in the Harpoot District. She is from a good Protestant family, is married, but having no children is able to devote her time to doing good among the women; teaching them to read, and understand the Bible. Lucig, the pastor’s wife, is a host in herself, and goes with Varter one day in a week, from morning till night, explaining the work. They have about forty-five scholars, and the work they are doing promises far reaching results.

Mrs. H. D. Hume,

Corresponding Secretary.
COUNTY REPORTS AND ABSTRACTS.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY—NORTHERN DIVISION.

Fearing lest the hard times might cripple our benevolences, we were, perhaps, more conscientious than in prosperous days in giving our tithes into the treasury, and are thus able to report, on the whole, no falling off in receipts this year. Thank-offering meetings have been held in several societies, and with marked results, adding substantially to the funds, and showing larger faith in our Lord's promises.

When, in November, help was asked to supply the deficit of the Woman's Board, the auxiliaries of Bethel, Danbury First Church, Ridgefield and Stratford responded. In June, a box was sent to Mrs. Montgomery to supply the sixty boys and girls in the Adana School with Christmas gifts. These were simple articles—aprons, thimbles, needle books, emery bags, envelopes for kindergarten materials, scrap books, paper dolls and furniture, and stuffed animals, and were supplied by the young people of Danbury, Meriden, Stratford, Trumbull and Wilton.

One new mission circle brings joy to our hearts. But the pity of it is, that there are in many towns, young people waiting to be gathered under a leader, and that self-sacrificing person does not seem to exist.

Bethel.—Two meetings of special interest are reported. In November, Mrs. Pierce, from Danbury, gave a stimulating account of the annual meeting of the Woman's Board, at Portland, to which she went as delegate. The
effect of the visit appeared, when a check was sent from the auxiliary for the deficit of the Board. In March, the topic was "Young Ladies' Work Abroad," and eighteen young ladies cheered their elders by their presence. No falling off is noted in the receipts, although financial depression is sorely felt in this region of manufactories. Mrs. Edwards, in Zululand, is to be their beneficiary hereafter, in place of the Bible woman in India.

The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" has had a year of unusual interest, and has exceeded its pledge. Every member earned a dollar, and an "experience meeting" was held, in which each told, in rhyme, how the sum had been obtained. The last annual meeting celebrated the tenth anniversary, and the members recounted the work performed, and planned for enlarged effort.

New names have been added to the Cradle Roll.

Brookfield Center.—The secretary describes the visit of Mrs. Pierce and Miss Stone to the auxiliary mentioned, calling out, as it did, a larger gathering than usual, and promoting a feeling of fellowship in the Master's work. Their report of the Portland meeting was excellent and interesting. It would be good to have such visits more frequently, that we might become acquainted with our sisters from other churches, who labor with us in the Lord.

The regularly appointed meetings have not been frequent through the winter, for sickness has prevailed. Hitherto, no special object has been designated for benevolence, but as a preference seems apparent for medical work, the Society will in future contribute towards the support of a medical missionary.
The Sunday School has a share in the "Morning Star Mission."

Danbury, First Church.—In June, a "summer meeting" was held, suggested by, and in charge of, the Branch officers; and Miss Kyle, field secretary of the Board, made an earnest appeal in behalf of India and China. Neighboring churches were invited, the programme was carefully planned, but unfortunately the time was too limited for its completion. The December meeting was in memory of the honored President of their Society, Mrs. Geo. Ryder, who died in Michigan, where she had been long detained by serious illness.

Three members attended the Portland meeting, and two personally gave the report in several societies most acceptably.

As Mrs. DeForest, for whose support they have worked, is returning to America for a prolonged visit, a vote was taken to transfer the gifts to the school at Wai, India; and to secure a scholarship at Chihuahua, Mexico.

The Christian Endeavor Society has contributed from its funds, but alas! the "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" "has died for want of a leader!"

Danbury, Second Church.—The society felt its growth circumscribed, by the removal of its president to Norwich. It was small consolation, that what was their loss was another's gain. But she had laid the foundation well, and progress has been visible from month to month. The secretary keeps a careful record of each meeting; sending it to the vice-president; so at the end of the year a running history can be read, and growth noted. At every meeting one or more new members are added—twenty during this year.
Light’’ stock has taken quite an advance. A ladies’ prayer meeting was started in February, for each Wednesday afternoon, and right along in line comes the missionary meeting, the last Wednesday of the month. Some of the ladies are in communication with missionaries of other denominations, in Persia and India. This gives enlarged vision, and fresh inspiration from abroad. A thank offering service, held in April, raised the annual receipts to the amount required to meet the pledge for the salary of the Bible Woman in India.

The “Whatsoever Ten” are enthusiastic over Mrs. Montgomery’s work in Adana, and assisted in making Christmas an unusual one in that school. They derived so much pleasure from it, that they desire to remember the school again this year. The Junior Christian Endeavor Society has sent an offering to the Branch.

Easton.—Sickness among the officers has made the response to the annual call for items to report, somewhat backward. Collections for various benevolences are made at certain seasons of the year, and the promptness of these depend much upon weather and roads. A special object for their gifts has been talked about, and probably another year more interest can be aroused by having a definite object for prayer and work.

The Sunday School has this year also taken a share in the “Morning Star Mission.”

Monroe.—The secretary says it is difficult to write a report, when the society does so little, and so few are interested in foreign missions. Of the fifty-seven female church members, only six contribute regularly. Last year the gift, however, was double that of the previous year. It certainly would not be a very great effort to double the membership, when there are fifty to draw
from. The young ladies have a "King's Daughters' Society," but they work for the home kingdom. Perhaps they know very little of the life of young girls in distant lands, and cannot realize what a woman's life is, without Christian surroundings. The Sunday School has become interested in, and contributed to the Cesarea Kindergarten work.

*Newtown.*—A change in the pastorate of the church took from the society its president, but has since presented it with another leader. Monthly missionary concerts have been started by the newly settled pastor. During the autumn, the meetings centered upon home missionary work. In January, the society was encouraged by the presence of Mrs. Pierce and Miss Stone, who reported the Portland meeting. A letter from Yegsha, the Bible Woman, whom they support in India, has proved a very pleasant link between the workers.

The Sunday School has contributed to the "Morning Star Mission," and has sent the charts used last year in its infant department, to Miss Trowbridge, at Aintab, Turkey, for the hospital ward, where they are highly appreciated.

*Redding.*—Through mud, wind, cold and snowbanks, with long drives to meet appointments, the meetings have been continued by the energy of a single officer. Circumstances have confided to her hands the duty of keeping together the faithful few; for the president and vice-president have been long confined by illness, and the treasurer is in California. As a result of such untiring effort, under discouragements, we have seven new names upon the roll, and another voice heard in prayer.
The "Redding Circle" "held no meetings in 1893," but the Christian Endeavor Society remembered our Branch with a donation.

Ridgebury.—Nothing is expected of a society which reports no constituency, but when the end of the year is reached, something always finds its way to the treasury. It comes from earnest personal appeals, but surely the blessedness of giving is felt by those who obey the command, "Give ye them to eat"—The Bread of Life is sent in just this way.

Ridgefield.—There is considerable machinery about the Woman's Union, which covers the two departments of church benevolences. A committee is made responsible for each of these, and fortnightly the home and foreign interests alternate. It was expected and planned that the hours from ten to four should be passed in sewing, with one hour for devotion at each gathering. Circumstances have been such that only two meetings could be held.

The "Snowflake Mission Circle" meets every month; of its thirty members, nine attend the meetings. They sent in November, a box to India, containing scrap books, bags, pencils, pictures and jackets, and they are now making paper dolls. The five-cent plan was tried again, but did not prove as successful this year as last; another scheme is on foot for earning money during the summer months. The Christian Endeavor Society had for a topic at its last missionary meeting, Hawaii.

Stratford.—Twelve is the average attendance at monthly meetings; these are conducted in the most social manner. The membership slowly increases. At the annual meeting in January (stormy, as usual), a thank offering was made. Mrs. Miller, the Home Secre-
tary, was present, and brought news of Dr. Kar-
markar's work, for which the thank offering was asked.
The gift exceeded expectation, and made the yearly
receipt the largest ever recorded. Beside a scholarship
in China, and the support of a Bible Woman in India, a
share was taken in Miss Fensham's salary, and in a Chi-
huahua scholarship.

The "Whatsoever Mission Circle" has held meetings
every month; the members take turns in leading them,
and follow the subjects given in "Life and Light." A
thank offering at Thanksgiving brought a neat little
sum, earned by the girls in different ways. The Circle
prepared a number of articles for the Adana school girls'
Christmas, and has contributed to the Smyrna Kindergar-
ten. Every member has "Life and Light," and most
of them read it. The "Alpha Band" now comprises the
whole primary class in Sunday School. Every third
Sunday the pennies are brought for missionary work,
and fifteen minutes are devoted to a missionary service.
Mite boxes are also taken, and something has been
gathered in for the children's work in Turkey. The
Cradle Roll has several new names, and increased con-
tributions. The Christian Endeavor Society contributes
regularly, and is interested in Miss Judson, in Japan.
The Sunday School has made a contribution to the
support of a village school in Turkey, and taken a share
in Miss Judson's salary. At the time of the County
Meeting, Stratford was the only town in the county in
which every department of Junior work was repre-
sented—viz: "Young Ladies' Circle," "Children's
Circle, Christian Endeavor and Cradle Roll," all con-
tributing to foreign missions. "Their line is gone out
through all the earth, and their words to the end of
the world."
Trumbull.—In April, after two appointments, postponed by unfavorable weather, the twentieth anniversary was held; fifteen persons were present. The special theme for rejoicing this year was the Junior Society, formed last July by the pastor's wife. It numbers fifteen young ladies. In February, Miss Kyle spent an afternoon at the parsonage, by appointment, and forty met her there. She interested all greatly, and made many fast friends, especially among the young ladies. The auxiliary's gifts are bestowed upon Mrs. Sibley, in Wai. The young ladies desire to invest their funds in the North China Mission. They were quite enthusiastic in making articles for the Adana box, and employed themselves afterwards in making slips for the Madura Hospital.

Wilton.—Only one meeting has been omitted during the year, and the attendance averages eleven. These meetings aim at being "memory meetings," that is, nothing is to be read, but all is to be given from memory. The auxiliary added very materially to the contents of the box sent to Adana, for Christmas time.

The annual meeting in November was attended by the county vice-president, who gave a report of the Portland meeting: twenty-two were present. The president led a responsive service, in which all took part. The Cradle Roll had two more names added, household pets—a baby and poodle dog. A missionary salad was passed with other refreshments, and very spicy were the articles which went into its composition, and added to its fresh, green, crisp appearance. In February a sale and supper was held, and proved a success. Those in charge wore quaint attire and powdered hair—the supper was good and well served, and the fancy
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articles cheap. It might be said of this society—she has done what she thought she could not. Instead of falling behind, as expected and feared, it has sent a most generous contribution, not only sustaining scholarships in Foochow and Inanda, but taking a share in Dr. Karmarkar's medical work, and pledging the support of Miraibai, in Karzat, W. India.

Cordelia Sterling, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. Wm. B. Cogswell, Sec. for Mission Circles and C. E. Societies.

Fairfield County—Southern Division.

There are hopeful signs in some parts of Southern Fairfield County, though the unusual financial discouragements have in many places been apparent. The Lord's work still suffers from lack of consecration, and lack of means; and He bids us anew to a higher and more complete giving of ourselves to the work of redeeming the world for which He died.

Bridgeport Union.—The Union held its annual meeting in January, and the attendance was good, though not equal to last year. It was decided to hold only one meeting of the Union yearly, and it was also voted to have each Church look after its own subscribers to "Life and Light."

The thank offering nearly equalled that of last year.

Bridgeport. North Church.—"The interest in our meetings has continued. We have generally followed the topic card for subjects. There has been a gratifying increase in our 'Life and Light' subscription list, the number of subscribers increasing from six to thirteen."
The "Memorial Circle" has done good work the past year, the contributions have not lessened, though several have moved away, and there have been two or three deaths in the Circle. Great interest was awakened in the medical work, from hearing Dr. Pauline Root, who spoke at one of the meetings. The public were invited, and a very delightful evening was passed.

The Junior Christian Endeavor Society is much interested in missionary work.

The Cradle Roll has several new names this year.

_Bridgeport, Olivet Church._—"The reports of our auxiliary, given at our annual meeting in March, show the largest amount in offering, and the largest average attendance we have ever had. We have received new members enough to balance our loss by removals. Our Cradle Roll, framed, and hanging in the Church, is enlisting the interest of many mothers."

_Bridgeport, Park St._—"Our Ladies' Union divide their gifts between Foreign, Home and Local work. But few attend, or take any special interest in the Foreign work. Last year we sent a valuable box to Miss Barnum, and also made a contribution to the work in Bohemia. We had planned several ways of interesting our ladies, but the times have been so hard, it was deemed best to wait."

_Bridgeport, South Church._—Every alternate month a foreign missionary meeting is held; the program is carefully prepared from the leaflets in use, but the attendance does not average over ten. The envelope system for benevolences shows sixty contributors to the cause. There has been little demand for "Life and Light," only six copies being taken. The Church was for some time without a pastor, and now that a new
state of things exists, there is hope that the foreign interests will receive a new stimulus. Miss Barnum is very dear to the hearts of many.

Bridgeport, West End Church.—"We are in a state of interregnum now, and are somewhat crippled in our staff of officers. We are hoping in the new pastorate, to which we are looking forward, to find new help and inspiration. Our Church is small, and burdened with debt, but we hope next year to raise as much money as last year."

Darien.—"Our ladies now only have a regular meeting every other month. In February, we enjoyed a report of the Portland meeting. We have started a series of children's meetings, to be held every other month, alternating with the ladies' meetings. All the members of the Sunday School and Endeavor Society are invited to attend. The children take part in the meetings, and old and young are invited to put their pennies into a missionary bank."

"We are most happy to report this new 'Mission Circle,' its formation being due to the persevering and prayerful efforts of one devoted Christian woman."

Green's Farms.—"We must report a diminution in our membership the past year, which we greatly regret. But the faithful few hold together, and do not want to give up the work."

Greenwich.—"We are steadily progressing in our work as an auxiliary. The average attendance at our meetings the past year was the largest on record. One new feature introduced the past year in our work has been a blackboard exercise, given each month at our regular meetings. It has been both helpful and interesting."
We are able to report an increase both in members and offerings. Our thank offering meeting in September was held at the house of our President, and we were gratified to find our offering was $20 more than last year. In September, we enjoyed the pleasure of entertaining the ladies of the county at their annual meeting. In January, we listened to an account of the annual meeting of the W. B. M., and in February, Mrs. Bond, of Turkey, was with us."

The Greenwich "Light Bearers" have made forty hymn books out of the Sunday School quarterlies. These are to be sent to Mrs. Hume. The Cradle Roll has been formed the past year, with good results. The meetings have been held regularly, and the usual number has attended. The Christian Endeavor Society has sent $10 to the Coffee House work in Constantinople, and have contributed to other Foreign work through the A. B. C. F. M.

New Canaan.—"We can report this year a gain of two new members, and we are hoping to increase the interest in foreign missions among our young people. We do not think that we have lost ground, or that our zeal or interest in our work has diminished. Our meetings lately have been unusually well attended."

North Stamford.—"It is nearly a year since we were able to hold a meeting, but we continue our contributions, and hope always to do so. It is difficult to interest the ladies in missions, and our scattered community, and the ill health of many are great obstacles in our path."

Norwalk.—"Our meetings have been held each month the past year, excepting July and August. They have been increasingly interesting. We have enjoyed reports
of the county meeting, and of the annual meeting of the
W. B. M. Our society has gained a small per cent. in
membership, but our contributions show a larger gain.
We were glad that our gift to relieve the deficit could,
in some small way, express our love for the cause. In
February, we had the pleasure of a visit from Miss Alice
Kyle.

The King's Daughters' Circles, and the Sunday
School Circles have aided us in our contributions, and
we are all being taught that it is 'More blessed to give
than to receive.' One earnest worker said, 'We need
to learn self-forgetfulness more than self-denial.'"

Sound Beach.—"The missionary meetings have been
continued, and the attendance has been quite good. In
our memberships and offerings we have held our own."

South Norwalk.—"Our meetings have been held
every month, with the exception of four during the
summer. The attendance is larger, and the interest has in-
creased greatly. This year we have a membership fee
of 25 cents, and only forty have joined under this new
plan. We hope to increase the number by at least one-
third, which will bring our membership up to about
what it was last year."

Stamford.—"Our meetings during the past year were
unusually well attended. The times have not been
favorable for increasing our funds, but we keep pushing
on, hoping and expecting better things. Our hearts
were rejoiced at hearing that the deficit had been met."

The Stamford "Tiny Helpers" have assumed the sup-
port of a village school in Killis, Central Turkey. Their
interest in the foreign work seems as great as ever, as
their contributions indicate. The "Young Ladies'
Mission Circle" has had meetings of unusual interest the
past year. Many of the young ladies signed the Covenant card, and there has been a marked growth in the attendance at the meetings. The Senior Christian Endeavor Society has given, through the A. B. C. F. M., fifty-three dollars for a Bible Reader. The Junior Endeavor Society has given seven dollars to Foreign missions, through our Branch.

Westport.—"Bad weather, illness and necessary work, have interfered with our meetings a good deal; not to the extent of preventing them more than once or twice, but they have been very small.

We have no increase in offerings to report. Hard times make it more difficult to do our pledged work, but we are not going to fail on it. We are hoping and working for a revival of interest in our foreign missionary work."

The "Mission Band" reports increased interest among the boys. The meetings have been held regularly, and the attendance has been good.

Grace W. Choate, Vice-Pres.

Mrs. Wm. B. Cogswell, Sec. for Mission Circles and C. E. Societies.

Litchfield County—Northern Division.

As we gather again our statistics for the Annual Report, our hearts glow with tenderness and sympathy for the missionary workers in our hill country. Fifty reports lie before us, from the best of our women; reports of mission circles and Endeavor Societies, as well as of the older auxiliaries. All but two are hopeful of better work in the future; one of these societies cannot meet at present, because the farmers are too
busy to spare their wagons to take them to the meeting. The other, through some ecclesiastical troubles is ready to perish. Would that every minister's wife connected with our Branch could read these reports and realize anew the influence she holds in virtue of her position. Laments over the neglect of this busy class of women, and thanksgiving to God for their help in such meetings, form the framework of several of these letters. The resignation of our much loved and deeply afflicted vice-president, Mrs. McLaughlin, has left our large county with little home stimulus during the year. We are prepared to welcome her successor with a mountain of work, and the right hand of fellowship from every town in our county.

The Summer Branch meeting held in Goshen on the warmest day of the season, in the month of June, was a great stimulus to our scattered workers.

The county meeting in Salisbury, with a real missionary, and an ideal one, in Mrs. Bond, lives in the memory of every woman who was present.

The Christian Endeavor Societies, through their missionary committees, send offerings, and show a growing interest in the work.

We bring our report this year thankful that in these hard times we have "bread enough and to spare," and that we have the privilege of sharing in this great missionary work.

Bethlehem.—No meetings of the auxiliary have been held during the year. Missionary meetings have been held in connection with the Endeavor Society, and the children's mission circle, the "Willing Hands." The secretary thinks a more earnest effort will be made to bring the members of the auxiliary together.
The "Willing Hands" had a sale of useful and fancy articles, and raised the $20 pledged toward Mrs. Eaton's salary.

Bridgewater.—The secretary writes: "In looking over our work the past year, we find cause for thankfulness to God, that He has continued His work in our midst. As advancing years bring to some of us the feeling of insufficiency for the needs of the work, we are permitted to rejoice in the addition of eleven new members, which brings our number up to thirty-one."

Canaan.—Meetings have been held regularly, and the average attendance is good. The secretary thinks the work progresses.

The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" has sent $10 for dispensary at Foochow, and $5 for kindergarten in Smyrna.

Colebrook.—No meetings are held, and no special gift has been given through our Branch this year. We expect another season will bring changes that will be helpful.

Cornwall.—No meetings are held, but $14 have been sent to the Branch, and missionary literature is circulated.

East Canaan.—The Christian Endeavor Society holds a missionary prayer meeting every other month; has a missionary committee of which the pastor is chairman, and has sent $10 to the New Haven Branch.

Ellsworth.—The members are so few, and they are so scattered, that they think meetings cannot be sustained. Interest in the work is maintained by talking of it when they meet, and by home visitation to raise the sum pledged. The reports and missionary letters are also circulated.
Falls Village.—There is a general interest in missionary work and the Endeavor Society is hopeful.

Goshen.—The secretary writes: "We have pleasant little meetings, and as the weather gets warmer, the attendance will increase. We are using the mite boxes much to the satisfaction of the members." The Summer Branch meeting last June, with address by Miss Kyle, was full of interest and inspiration.

Harwinton.—The meetings are continued with interest. Mrs. Willis Catlin, who has been secretary of the society since its formation, has been taken from them, and her loss will be deeply felt.

Kent.—Ten meetings have been held during the year. Owing to the hard times less money has been raised than usual. A valued member has been removed by death.

The "Mission Circle" has met regularly, alternating between Home and Foreign work. There are thirty members, with an average attendance of nine.

Missionary meetings of the Christian Endeavor Society are held each alternate month. Debates on current topics, introduced by leaders previously prepared, and continued by volunteer speakers, are of deep interest. Some members are pledged to a definite sum weekly for missions.

Litchfield.—The meetings are held regularly. There are sixty-nine members, with an average attendance of nine in winter, and ten in the summer.

The "Daisy Chain" mission circle has not been able to hold meetings on account of stormy weather, but intends to have them regularly in future.

Milton.—Two meetings have been held during the year. Missionary letters and reports are circulated, and read with much interest.
The death of the minister, Rev. Mr. Harrison, is deeply deplored. The secretary writes: "We will try to do what we can, and pray that God will bless our feeble efforts."

*New Hartford.*—The missionary interest is growing, and is furthered by the efforts of the Endeavor Society. Members of the S. school have formed an "extra cent-a-day band," and have sent $40 toward Miss Judson's salary. One class is supporting a boy in Marash.

*New Milford.*—Five meetings have been held, with an average attendance of sixteen. A definite sum is pledged toward the salary of Mrs. Edwards, in S. Africa. The attendance having increased, there is reason for encouragement. Miss Crosby of Micronesia, and Dr. Pauline Root have both spoken to the auxiliary during the year. The "Golden Links" is the Primary S. school class. The children enjoy the "Mission Dayspring," and are told many things about missionary work, especially of the "Morning Star Mission," to which they have contributed for many years. They have recently become interested in Smyrna kindergarten.

The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" has held eight meetings during the year, and with increased membership. They have held a thank offering meeting; and at the annual meeting, they had a tea, and opened their mite boxes.

*New Preston.*—Nine meetings have been held during the year. The president of the society has left town, and the vice-president, one of the earliest members and a most cheerful contributor to the cause, has been removed by death.
Norfolk.—The secretary writes: "The meetings were resumed last fall, after the busy season, later than usual, but through the winter have been held regularly."

The "Young Ladies' Mission Band" has met regularly, using Mission Studies. So much sickness has prevailed, that the usual entertainments for raising money have not been given, and the state of the treasury is discouraging. But the year does not end until June, and the members intend to raise the sum pledged.

Northfield.—The society works on amid discouragements, but the members are faithful and persistent in holding meetings. The "Steadfast Workers" have given up their organization.

The Christian Endeavor Society has given the fourth of a share of the "Young Missionaries' Fund" to the American Board.

North Woodbury.—An interesting report comes from the secretary, of the effort to sustain the meetings when only six or eight attend; and the longing desire that new faces might be seen among them, to cheer them on. The meetings are full of interest, and the members trust their efforts will not be overlooked by the Master. Twenty-five copies of the "Dayspring" are circulated in the Sunday School.

Plymouth.—The secretary writes: "The meetings were quite well sustained during the summer, but have been interrupted during the winter, by sickness and bad weather. With the return of the pleasant season, we hope to renew our zeal, and show a better record the coming season." The "Rose Bud Society" is working for an orphanage in Japan, in which the members became interested through Mrs. Dwight Learned, who spoke to them last summer. They have occasionally a
devotional meeting, and are learning new songs for their meetings.

_Riverton._—The Christian Endeavor Society is helping toward the support of Miss Root, and every year send her a box. They are very grateful for the pamphlets and help received through the New Haven Branch.

_Roxbury._—The "May Flower Mission Circle" children are much interested in their work, and remember their pennies better than last year. The monthly meetings open with fifteen minutes of devotional service; after which an hour is spent in work and a social time. The amount in the treasury is less, as there has not been as much done in the way of entertainment.

The auxiliary has been given up for want of officers, retaining only the treasurer, but they expect to contribute to the Branch.

_Salisbury._—The meetings have been held regularly, with a better attendance the last few months than usual. The county meeting was held here last fall, when Mrs. Bond, of Monastir, made two interesting addresses.

The "King’s Daughters" has been merged into an Endeavor Society, which is expected to continue the missionary interest and work.

The "Children’s Mission Band" is composed of children under ten years of age. They meet monthly, and are regular in attendance. They have had a public entertainment, charging ten cents for admission, consisting of songs and recitations taken from the "Day-spring." They raised $5, which with other funds on hand, was sent to the Cesarea Kindergarten.

_Sharon._—The auxiliary has been re-organized, and with increased interest, is holding regular meetings.
The "Busy Bees" are full of interest, with their sewing and annual entertainment in the cause of missions.

The "Endeavor Missionary Society," having fifteen members, was undertaken as an experiment by Mrs. E. B. Reed. The interest and members have increased, and the pledge, "a penny a week and a prayer," has been faithfully fulfilled." Contributions have been made to the "Morning Star Mission," and the kindergarten in Cesarea.

Sherman.—The meetings have been held monthly, only when interrupted by deep snows, and severe weather. The attendance has been good, with increasing interest. At the annual meeting in November, the mite boxes were opened, and some appropriate Bible verses read; much interest was manifested and encouragement felt.

South Canaan.—"There have been so many deaths and removals, that the ranks are getting thin." The loss of one member is seriously felt.

Thomaston.—The meetings continue with unfailing interest, but the attendance is small. The few who attend make a great effort, and pray not only for missions, but that Christian women in their own church may become interested in obeying the last command of their master.

Torrington.—The meetings have been regular, with small attendance; but are full of interest. More has been contributed this year than the last.

The "Highland Workers" contribute to the kindergarten in Smyrna. The children are much pleased with the pyramids furnished for their offerings.

Torrington, 3d Church.—The secretary writes: "We are pleased to report a successful year's work,
with a larger average attendance than during any preceding year. The general outlook is hopeful."

The Christian Endeavor Society has taken monthly pledges, and is contributing regularly to the cause.

Warren.—The interest continues. One of the members sent $5 as a Thank Offering.

The "Willing Minds" meet regularly, study the topics as given in "Life and Light," the members making careful preparation, and their meetings are full of interest. They repeat the same motto, text and scripture passage at each meeting during the year.

Washington.—The secretary writes: "We have had interesting meetings, with a good, but not large attendance. We have increased our membership, having now about fifty members." Dr. Pauline Root spoke to them in the fall, and greatly interested them. The Christian Endeavor Society expect to raise $20 toward the salary of Mrs. Sibley.

Watertown.—Perhaps the most encouraging thing to report is the increase of money gifts. Rev. Josiah Tyler and daughter addressed the members of the auxiliary at one of their meetings with great helpfulness.

The "Steadfast Workers" are few in number, because they are so scattered, but they work well, and enjoy their meetings. They are making scrap books.

West Torrington.—There is encouragement in the increasing interest in mission work. Special funds were raised last fall for Mrs. Karmarkar; and also, with great cheerfulness, the society contributed for the deficiency in the Woman's Board. The monthly meetings alternate between Home and Foreign work, and are well attended, and of much interest.
Winchester.—A missionary topic is given for the meeting of the Endeavor Society as often as every other month. A missionary collection for a special object is taken two or three times during the year.

Winsted.—The society continues in the even tenor of its way, with increase, and yet no loss of members. The lesson topics are carefully prepared by a special leader for each month. The great stimulus of the reports and letters received through the "Bureau" from New Haven is heartily acknowledged.

The Endeavor Society of the Second church has contributed $40 to the Branch.

Woodbury.—The meetings have been held regularly, with usual interest. Two new members have been added, and two have been removed by death. The money gifts are for the support of a Bible reader in India. The "Valley Gleaners" have held twenty-two meetings during the year, and have four new members. They have sent a box to Dr. Root's hospital.

Miss M. P. Hinsdale, Vice-Pres.
Miss M. A. Hopson, Sec. for Miss. Circles and C. E. Societies.

Middlesex County—Northern Division.

Although business depression has met us at every step this year, the missionary work has not fallen behind; and we announce with gratitude, that, in some churches, the offering has been larger than ever. Mrs. W. W. Wilcox, South Church, Middletown, and Miss Eloise Cornwall, of Portland, our delegate to the W. B. M. Annual Meeting in Portland, Maine, prepared very
interesting reports which were read, or sent, to each auxiliary.

An enthusiastic rally of Christian Endeavor Societies and Mission Circles was held Feb. 10th in the First Church, Middletown, with addresses by Miss Kyle and Miss Prudden.

Eight towns were represented in the audience which numbered over a hundred. The gathering was successful in stimulating the interest of many young people, who, for various reasons, can seldom attend the Branch meetings.

Cromwell.—Faithful work from year to year keeps this society in health, and ready to meet the calls for advance. The secretary writes: “At our annual meeting, we voted to continue the support of Gnanapiragasi, the Bible woman in Madura, whom we have supported since 1881; also to hold monthly meetings.

The New Haven Branch held a special meeting in our church, June 13th. About fifty were present, and Miss Daggett presided. Miss Kyle, Field Secretary of the W. B. M., addressed the meeting, which was a very pleasant and profitable one. A special collection for the deficit of the W. B. M. was taken in December, and our contribution was considerably increased. We have a slightly increased membership.”

The “Young Ladies’ Mission Circle” has kept up its usual interest, the amount of work done and of money raised being large in proportion to the number of members. The secretary mentions the benefit received from the special Branch meeting in June.

Durham.—The Annual Meeting has been changed from October to March, “that the contributions might be sent, and the year closed, before the Annual Meeting
of the Branch in May." "The attendance at our monthly meetings is quite as good as ever. A lady who has but just joined us said at the close of one, 'how interesting your meetings are; I am sorry to have lost so many of them.' At the Thank-offering meeting, Nov. 24th, the president invited all to a missionary tea at the parsonage, and it was a very enjoyable occasion.

We are constantly growing in knowledge of the different missionaries, and in interest in their work."

_East Hampton._—New officers were appointed at the annual meeting; and, though the meetings are not held regularly, and not very well attended, collections for Foreign Missions are made, and sent to New Haven, at the close of the year.

_Higganum._—The secretary writes: "For various reasons, we have held fewer meetings than in some years, but they have been of usual and pleasant interest. We have used 'Life and Light' topics. We have visited the missionary in China, Japan and India; have "been to school" all over the "round world," and spent Christmas with many missionary friends, from Turkey to the Isles of the Sea; and then came back to our own annual meeting in March."

"We miss the affectionate interest of our late Pastor's wife."

The "Coral Workers" held meetings twice a month except during the summer, each meeting being in charge of one of the members. The circle gave a Pink Tea in June.

_Middle Haddam._—The "Mission Circle," combining both home and foreign workers, "includes all the ladies of the church; and seventeen give sixty cents a year to the New Haven Branch for Foreign Missions.
We have tried to meet once a month, and hope to have three public meetings this year. The 'Life of John G. Paton' has been circulated among the people, and the reading of it has aroused new interest in Foreign Missions."

Middletown, First Church.—The average attendance at the regular meetings has been larger than that of any previous year. Sixteen names have been added to the membership. A second scholarship at Marsovan, one scholarship in Mrs. Eaton's school at Chihuahua, Mexico, and two shares in the salary of Miss Andrews, in China, have been added to our list of benevolences.

In December, an offering of fifty dollars was sent for the deficit of the W. B. M. In April, a Thank-offering service was held, and, as a result, over sixty-nine dollars were sent for Mrs. Karmarkar's work. Six Life Members have been added, and thirty-four copies of 'Life and Light' taken.

Full reports were given at different meetings by delegates to the annual meeting of the Branch, in May, the special summer meeting in Cromwell, the county meeting in Centerbrook, the annual meetings of the Am. Board in Worcester, of the Hartford Branch, and of the W. B. M. in Portland, Maine."

The "Mission Helpers" are working faithfully along the same line and with the same interest as heretofore, having raised the same amount of money as last year.

The "Gleaners" report gain in membership and interest. Besides fulfilling their pledge, they helped toward the deficit of the Board. The monthly devotional meetings have been better than ever. The average attendance at these has been thirty-seven, and thirty-five at the meetings for work every other Saturday.
Middletown, South Church.—The word of good cheer relates to "a gain of ten members, and largely increased attendance at our meetings. Our Thank-offering service was exceedingly pleasant. An unusual number of our ladies attended the annual meeting last spring, and the enthusiasm thus gained has certainly held over, if not increased during the year, as may be proved by the somewhat larger contributions, despite the financial depression of the year. For this let us give profound thanks."

The "Good Will" circle has held monthly meetings. The leader says: "The gain this year is, that the girls themselves seem now to feel a genuine and personal interest and responsibility in the work, so that I believe it will go on in my absence."

Portland.—This auxiliary is practically re-organized, and is on a new basis of steady growth. Much credit is due to a few faithful ones, who have held on firmly, through many discouragements. They have had interesting meetings, varying the exercises, and calling all to take part, in different ways. At one meeting, Miss Jennie Payne, and friends from Middletown, were present, and at another, Middletown ladies were invited, after both of which tea was served, and a social chat followed.

The "Work and Win" circle helped toward the box for Mrs. Montgomery, gave five dollars to the Middlesex school in Bombay, besides supporting a girl in Ceylon, with whom they have exchanged letters and photographs. The membership has nearly doubled during the year. There are also honorary members, giving a fee of ten cents.
Westchester.—The report reads: “During the past year, death has not taken one of our members, for which we have great cause for thankfulness. Our membership is twenty-one. We meet monthly. In October, Mrs. L. R. Hazen and Mrs. Denio cheered us with a visit. We have had a Thank-offering meeting. At our annual meeting, Mrs. J. A. Adams was chosen treasurer for the twenty-first time.”

A Cradle Roll has been formed with twenty-eight members.

Mrs. A. W. Hazen, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. M. A. Bradley, Sec. for Miss. Circles.

Middlesex County—Southern Division.

The county meeting on October 4th was held in the old church edifice in Centerbrook, with the auxiliary of Centerbrook and Ivoryton. Pleasant weather and a large attendance lent enthusiasm to the gathering. Mrs. Bond, of Bulgaria, made the missionary address. Mrs. E. T. Pratt and Miss Jessie Turner very faithfully reported the Portland meeting to our auxiliaries. The five societies where Mrs. Pratt gave her report in person, have testified to the superior advantages of this method.

A Thank-offering service has been held in six of our ten auxiliaries, yielding a goodly sum toward the support of Mrs. Karmarkar.

Centerbrook and Ivoryton.—A decided gain has been realized in the attendance and interest of the meetings, which have been sustained monthly this year, for the first time. Contributions have fallen somewhat short
of the average amount, but the diminution has been less than was feared, in the straitened times.

**Chester.**—Twelve meetings have been held during the year, with an average attendance of thirteen, the membership being forty-two. The November meeting at the home of the vice-president was followed by a social hour, at which "a very dainty tea was served." Nearly all who attend the meetings take some part. A committee of three is appointed to assist the president in preparing a program for each meeting. A joint meeting with the "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" was found beneficial.

Receipts have increased a little, in spite of hard times. "An absent member cheered us with a kind message, and a five dollar bill."

The membership of the "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" has been reduced by removals from town and other causes, and the remaining members have decided to join the ladies' auxiliary, promising to work just as faithfully in that organization as in their own.

**Clinton.**—A large membership is secured, and a good degree of interest, but meeting oftener than quarterly has not yet been attempted. Five meetings, however, have been held this year, with an average attendance of twenty-three.

**Essex.**—A missionary social, with a little entertainment by the children, followed by cake and coffee, was the method successfully used to obtain the quota for the deficit of the Woman's Board.

In the loss of their most efficient president, Mrs. Vorce, the members were inconsolable; but find themselves finely reinforced in the acquisition of Mrs. Arms, wife of the new Pastor.
"Better hath He been for years
Than thy fears."

A very enthusiastic meeting was one held with the oldest member, eighty-seven years of age, accompanied by a social tea.

The "Mission Workers" circle has lost one faithful member by death. Some of the older members have joined the Christian Endeavor Society, but their places have been filled by others younger. The money raised was given to the Smyrna Kindergarten.

East Haddam.—With a membership of nine, three meetings have been held, with an average attendance of five; also a Thank-offering service. "Nine were present, in spite of a snow-storm, to hear the very interesting report of the annual meeting in Portland."

Haddam.—The secretary says: "We have entered upon our twentieth year with a membership of eighteen. We feel the importance and needs of the work. Eleven meetings have been held during the year."

The "Alpha Society" reports gain in interest, increased attendance at the monthly meetings, and a better knowledge of the work. The contributions, more than three times as large as those of last year, have been given to the Kindergartens in Cesarea and Smyrna.

Killingworth.—All the quarterly meetings have been held. Encouragement is felt, as the numbers are undiminished, though church membership constantly decreases.

This auxiliary makes special effort to circulate literature for the benefit of those who can not attend the meetings.
Millington.—Twenty years ago a missionary society in this church had twenty-five members. Now the members are few, and their homes widely scattered. Still, during the year, ten meetings have been held, with an average attendance of four. The only young lady in the church membership is treasurer of the auxiliary. One member has renewed her contribution after an interim of ten years.

Saybrook.—"The nineteen new members gained this year, and increased contributions, are results due to the loving patience of a very few faithful ones."

A hearty response was made to the plan for a Thanksgiving service; also an enthusiastic company enjoyed the report of the Portland meeting given by Mrs. E. T. Pratt of Essex.

The annual meeting of the Branch last spring bears fruit, and promises to result in not only missionary knowledge and enthusiasm, but in much prayer and service.

Westbrook.—The secretary writes: "We have not forgotten the missionary work. Our S. S. sent five dollars to the 'Morning Star Mission.' The amount of our annual contribution means much to us this year."

A beautiful new stone church edifice, just ready for dedication, tells the story of the activity of this church at present.

Mrs. L. S. Griggs, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. M. A. Bradley, Sec. for Miss. Circles.
New Haven County—Naugatuck Valley and Vicinity.

The roll has been called for the Naugatuck Valley division, and in addition to the nine familiar names that have so long formed our circle, we rejoice to welcome three new auxiliaries—Bethany, South Britain, and the Junior Auxiliary in Naugatuck. The year has had its lights and shadows. To some have come the loss of faithful officers, and decreased contributions, while others speak of increase of interest, the helpfulness of the County meeting at Naugatuck, and regularity of monthly gatherings. Whatever have been our experiences, we have all been learning the same lesson, that success in anything cannot come without difficulty.

Ansonia.—There has been a slight increase of membership in this auxiliary. Missionary literature has been circulated, and monthly meetings held during most of the year, although the president regrets the small attendance. The largest number present was at the thank-offering meeting in November, when the Home Secretary was present, and the gathering proved both enjoyable and successful. An apron sale in February was also a financial success.

Bethany.—This auxiliary was organized last September. The secretary speaks of the difficulty of holding regular meetings, but says, "In spite of all these discouragements, we are in earnest, and have taken a $25.00 share in the Roha School, Bombay district.

Derby, First Church.—"The usual interest in the monthly meetings have been maintained. The losses in membership from death and removal have occasioned a decreased contribution, but the members are hopeful for the future. The "Earnest Workers" have held twenty-
two regular meetings, besides some extra ones. Each member pays two cents at each meeting, and money has also been raised by sales and suppers. The average attendance is sixteen.

_Derby, Second Church._—This is the new name of our Birmingham auxiliary. Interesting meetings are reported, in which the study of countries and missionary lives has been continued with an increase of interest. During the year Dr. and Mrs. Ballantine, of India, and Mrs. Bond, of Turkey, have addressed the ladies.

_Middlebury._—The secretary writes, “We seem to have poor success in getting new members for our auxiliary, but we have not missed a meeting this year. Providence gives us beautiful, sunny days, which is a great point in the country. We have been studying mostly about China. The children usually attend the meetings.” This last item suggests the reason of the formation of a new “Mission Circle” to be reported elsewhere.

_Naugatuck._—The secretary writes: “There have been three especially helpful factors in the year’s work. 1st. The County Meeting, which was held here, was very much enjoyed by our ladies, and gave them a new idea of what was being accomplished through the auxiliary societies. 2d. One of our members was a delegate to the Portland Meeting, and we all felt it was next to going ourselves to hear her very full report. 3d. The effort which our auxiliary has made to secure new members by the distribution of pledge cards among all the ladies of the church; an effort that has been fruitful in its results.”

_Naugatuck, Ivy Leaf Auxiliary._—This is another society organized in 1893, whose members are bringing
to the work enthusiasm and interest. The president reports the attendance of nearly every member at each meeting, which promises well for the future of the organization.

The "Light Bearers" have held eleven meetings, with an average attendance of thirteen. They take an intelligent interest in "Life and Light." Much sewing has been accomplished, and they are reported as full of zeal, and determined to accomplish more work in the future. "The Little Helpers" have held twelve meetings, with an average attendance of twenty-three.

Prospect.—The regular meetings have been held, at which several of the members of the "Mission Circle" have usually been present. A large delegation attended the County Meeting at Naugatuck, and two or three gave reports of it at the next missionary meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E.

The "Gleaners" have held ten meetings, with an average attendance of twelve, some walking two miles to reach the place of meeting. The "Uniform Topics" have been used for study, and mite boxes for the collections. A Cradle Roll Committee was appointed this year from its members, and five names secured for the "Cradle Roll."

South Britain.—The first meeting of this new auxiliary was in October. Through the efforts of the president and secretary, several new members were secured later in the year. The same difficulties have been encountered here, that are often found in scattered communities, but it is hoped that the difficulties will only add vigor and enthusiasm to the growth of the society.

Southbury.—"During the summer months the meetings were interesting and well attended. After the cold
weather they were discontinued, on account of the illness of the president, and other members. There have been no new members added."

*Waterbury, First Church.*—The secretary writes: "A brief retrospect of our work during the past year gives us encouragement, even if the results in the aggregate seem small. The effort made to render our meetings more attractive, by having a greater variety in the exercises, has increased the interest. The papers prepared have given a new impetus in seeking for information from different fields. The president is introducing some new features that seem helpful, and we hope to accomplish more than hitherto."

*Waterbury, Second Church.*—The two auxiliaries of Waterbury have for several years held union meetings, but this year have adopted the plan of separate gatherings. The secretary of this auxiliary mentions the interest that was felt in the report of the Portland meeting, also the pleasure that the society has had in welcoming the brother of their president, Rev. Mr. Hubbard, of China, and his wife. The interest that had been felt in letters received from them added to the pleasure of listening to their spoken words.

*Mrs. W. H. Phipps, Vice-Pres.*
*Mrs. T. L. Day, Sec. for Miss. Circles.*

**New Haven County, Eastern Division.**

The auxiliaries reporting in the Eastern Division, all seem alive to missionary influences, particularly the letters and visits of our missionaries. At the County Meeting in Naugatuck, one could not but notice the enthu-
siasm with which Mrs. Montgomery’s letter was received. Her presence had been so strength-giving and abiding, that letters and messages from Adana have the same clear-ringing, magnetic power, as when we listened to her here, and the hearts of all the people went out to her. Just so it is with the missionaries who visit us; they are already known through their letters. The words that drop from their lips fall into hearts waiting to receive them. The missionaries go back to the foreign field, but they have left in the home field many true friends, who will never forget them or their work; whose prayers will be given, and purses opened at their call.

It is a matter of deep regret that there are so few Mission Bands in our Division, but we hope they may come later.

Cheshire.—The past year has been one of unusual interest, and also of unusual loss. We have been greatly bereaved by the death of our able and devoted president, Mrs. C. A. Paddock; and several of our oldest and most interested members have joined her in the higher work. We are trying to fill our ranks with new recruits, and press the work for Christ in new and varied ways.

The lessons arranged by the Board for Auxiliaries have been adopted, and topics assigned at each meeting for the following one, that every one to whom a subject is given may come prepared to read either an original paper, or a selection giving information on the allotted theme.

Christian fellowship has been increased by social teas, which have given an opportunity for better acquaintance with one another, and interchange of thought as
to methods of work. A fund for local work is a new feature with us. To increase the intelligence of our ladies in regard to missionary work, and incite an active personal interest in it, copies of 'Life and Light' are circulated among non-subscribers, as well as Leaflets, and other articles of like interest. In these and other ways, our forty members are growing to know and love the cause of missions.

When the call for ten dollars extra came from the Board, our members did not see the way clear to raise that amount, so we invited Dr. Alice B. Condict, late of Bombay, to come and give us an account of her remarkable experiences in India, with her fine stereopticon views. She came and we had a grand good meeting; took up a collection of twelve dollars, and enlisted three new members.

Our late president was very anxious that we should raise $100 as our annual contribution; we were unable to reach this high water mark this year, but we mean to do it next year."

Guilford, First Church.—"Our society has made no decided advance in the past year, but we have held our own. Monthly meetings have been held with the average attendance. Suggestions in 'Life and Light' are used at our meetings. Letters from missionaries and Leaflets sent from month to month are enjoyed and appreciated.

With deep regret we have accepted the resignation of our president, Miss E. H. Clarke, who has given us four years of loving service, and we recall with pleasure the meeting held with her in June, when Miss Alice Kyle, Field Secretary of the Woman's Board, was present, and gave us an interesting talk, inciting us to earnest endeavor to interest others in this work."
Guilford, Third Church.—This auxiliary, while mourning the loss of valued members upon whom they relied for sympathy and help, and whose places, we are sadly told, “none come to fill,” are still hoping to increase their contributions, so as to wholly support the Bible woman, to whose salary they have heretofore contributed. Thank-offering envelopes sent out in February brought a return of $16, which was sent to Dr. Karmarkar for her medical work in India.

The visit and address of Mrs. Miller were much appreciated, and an increase of interest in foreign mission work is hoped for in return, especially among church members.

Madison.—“The past year has been one of unusual interest, as we have held our 21st annual meeting, and remembered all the way we have been led thus far. During the time we have had but one beneficiary, that faithful Anna Felician, in the Girl’s Boarding School at Marsovan. Every year we have been able to redeem our pledges, and often to add to them.

We hold our meetings once in two months; we have enjoyed having missionaries with us many times, adding interest to our work. Recently Mrs. Bond visited us; after her interesting address, we had a missionary tea, which was very enjoyable. By a special effort we have secured 37 new members, making 200 on our list. The Y. P. S. C. E. sent their first contribution to the Woman’s Board this year, through our Treasurer.”

Meriden, First Church.—“Our meetings during the past year have been exceptionally large, averaging an attendance of over fifty. The committees to arrange for the meetings have proved a great help, and every hour has been crowded with interest. Three visits from
missionaries have been greatly enjoyed. One of the most interesting features of our annual meeting, was the presence of our Mission Bands—the 'Cadets' and 'Cheerful Givers.' Their reports were a great credit to them. The Cadets, numbering fourteen, still bring out the 'Missionary Messenger,' a 'hand made' quarterly full of good things.

There was a lovely Cradle Roll missionary meeting at our president's in April. Twenty-two names were on the list, and nearly all were present.

Never was there anything so beautiful as this raid from Babyland. Were they fairies or angels? Neither, for they came with mite boxes in their tiny fists, and listened with rapture to the ring of their pennies, and laughed to see them counted. Little they knew of the Smyrna Kindergarten, where babies, bright and lovely as themselves, will taste the sweets of their beneficence, and some day perhaps send largess of gratitude to others. But beyond this hope for Smyrna, there is a larger blessing to come, in hearts early trained for unselfish living, and noble giving."

The meetings of the "Missionary Cadets" have been interrupted, owing to the illness of the president. At the eight meetings held, each boy has brought some item of interest from mission fields. Their money is raised by pledges, by mite boxes, and the increase of five-cent investments, and an occasional entertainment. The average attendance at the meetings is twelve. The membership of the "Cheerful Givers" has increased from twenty to fifty; the attendance at the sixteen meetings held has been good, forty being present at one meeting. Boxes containing picture scrap books, and needle work of different kinds, the work of the circle,
have been sent to Pao-ting-fu, China, and Gaza land, South Africa. A most interesting missionary entertainment, "Sowing the Light," was given this winter by the circle in connection with the "Missionary Cadets." The meetings are devoted partly to sewing, and partly to missionary study.

Meriden, Center Church.—"It is said, that the more we do for others, the more brightness will come into our own lives. This is verified in our auxiliary. Our knowledge is increased; our minds are broadened; our sympathies enlarged; and we have a greater willingness to make sacrifices for those less favored than ourselves. "There is, that scattereth, and yet increaseth." Our motto is forward. Efforts have been made to interest the uninterested. Our meetings have been regularly held, our subjects varied. Now, the graduates of mission schools: then, a class of little travelers in heathen countries report the sad state of little girls, and the wrongs of womanhood; the present crisis of Japan; the imperative needs of China; some tokens of hope, for the widows of India, and a general survey of missionary work.

Each month a committee is appointed to help arrange the programme for the next meeting. Special attention has been given to Bible Readings, in which all the members present have participated. Sentence prayers, voiced by those of willing minds, have made known our needs. More and more attention is given to singing, as an inspiration. Our Corresponding Secretary has kept us acquainted with the sad, as well as the hopeful events in foreign fields. Leaflets suggestive of helpful work, and higher attainments in living, have been read. The Bureau of Information has furnished letters
concerning our pledged work. A photograph of our Bible woman and the plan of a missionary bungalow, in which we have a share, have increased our interest in the work.

One of our active members has removed to another state, and two other members have been removed by death.

Our offering, which has yearly increased since the reorganization of the society, has this year fallen off. We are not willing to think that this is due to lack of interest; but rather to the general depression in business, and the consequent home charities.

We are not discouraged; our work is hopeful, because it is God's work."

North Branford.—"No meetings have been called during the year. Our members contribute cheerfully and promptly, but there is no special interest. Death has made sad inroads upon us during the last year. One of our oldest members, upon whom we relied much, was among those who have been called home; but still we hope to do some good, though we are a small company."

North Madison.—The members of the North Madison society are so remote from each other that weather and walking have often to be considered, and the methods used in less sparsely populated districts cannot be made available; but we are sure there is a wonderful vitality and real growth when the secretary reports: "The losses in membership cancelled by new names; meetings regularly held, with increased interest, and contributions made cheerfully; everyone according as the Lord hath prospered her."

Mrs. F. E. Hinman, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. T. L. Day, Sec. for Miss. Circles.
Awakening and renewed interest, with a better average attendance at meetings, is the report from the societies of this division. Membership has increased, though for many it has been a hard year. The unappropriated work of the Branch has been presented through this division, with the result that several societies which have not previously done so have adopted some especial work, and we look for spiritual and material benefit to arise from this closer union between the workers at home, and those on the field.

The mission circles are proving their right to be by carrying missionary news and interest into families otherwise unreached. The freer circulation of missionary literature has been a great help in some cases. Over five hundred dollars were contributed to the special gift to the Woman's Board by New Haven County. Almost two hundred of this was given by Center Church, New Haven.

Adana, Turkey.—Of all the meetings for women in this church the best attended are the missionary meetings, and much conscientious, personal, heart to heart work has been done by the members. The treasurer and Mrs. Montgomery prayerfully and solemnly entered into a covenant, one with the other, that so long as it was in their hands, the treasury should never be empty. The Secretary of the society writes: "In sympathy with the missionary work of women in the U. S., and obedient to the last command of our Lord, according to the word, "Go and preach the Gospel to the whole
world," we, Christian women of Adana, came together, one mind and loving desire, on the first Thursday in Dec., 1892. On the same day, we spent our time together in reading from the Bible, and prayer for the blessing of our Lord upon our new work.

In January we studied about Africa; in February about China; in March about Greenland and Labrador; in April about Alaska. In May, we had the 25th anniversary of the Woman's Board, of which the Honorable Mrs. Montgomery gave some account, and afterwards we heard about the little widows in India. In June, there were very few people because it was summer, and they were in the vineyards. We thought about the work in China, and Africa, and some other places; then it was vacation for three months. In October, we had information about different translations of the Bible, and about the annual meeting of the New Haven Branch. In November our subject was the Pacific Islands and Micronesia."

Branford.—"For a time we were without a President, and our Secretary also left us. We welcome two new officers, therefore, and are glad to report improvement in the society, and a gain in membership. Mrs. Bond, of Bulgaria, gave us a most interesting talk in February."

East Haven Church.—"Meetings are held once in three months, and are led by different ladies each time. Some ladies, not regular members, have taken mite boxes. Two or three new members have been added during the year."

Milford, Plymouth Church.—This society mourns the loss by death of one of their members. "We have not made the advance hoped for this year, and have
gained only two new members. In October, twenty-six dollars were raised for the salary of Mrs. Sibley."

Milford, First Church.—"We hold monthly meetings, and as our ladies are too busy to study, each one brings an item gleaned from some paper or book, making our meetings bright and spicy. We all talk—sometimes in concert. We do not confine ourselves to the missionaries of our own Board, though they always have the first place."

Mt. Carmel.—"Even though we cannot report new members, nor an increase of contributions, yet we do not feel that there has been a retrograde movement. Those interested in the work are just as zealous as ever, and our meetings are better attended and full of interest. Mrs. Hubbard of China, was with us in February."

North Haven. This was one of the societies visited by the Vice-President in the winter, and though the day was stormy, nine interested women were present. "Two new names have been added, and in other lines we trust our work is up to the average this year."

Orange.—"Seven new members have been added to our list this year. We have gathered our offerings in mite boxes, and at the close of the year they are divided between home and foreign missions. Our contribution for foreign missions was enlarged by twenty dollars this year. The average attendance at meetings has increased. We use topic cards and each lady present is expected to take part. Mrs. Hubbard of China addressed us in February, and twenty-five ladies were present. We hold our annual meeting in October.

West Haven.—"The report for '93 is more encouraging than heretofore. There is a growing interest among us, and there has been an awakening to the fact that
there is a real live auxiliary in West Haven. The cause of Home and Foreign missions is brought into more families by the increased membership in the two mission circles, and by the larger amount of missionary literature freely circulated.

We had the great pleasure of having Miss Kyle last fall, and Mrs. Hubbard, of China, who has given us two interesting and instructive talks. She seems to bring us into real contact with the work of herself and her husband. The meetings have been fairly well attended. This coming year we are to work more systematically, and try personally to increase our membership."

The "Young Ladies Mission Circle" has become much interested in China, owing to interesting talks from Mr. and Mrs. Hubbard. In February a "Chinese Sociable" was given, at which interesting Chinese curios were exhibited. Twelve meetings have been held.

The "Helping Hand" Circle has held twenty-four wide-awake meetings, at which different mission fields were studied, with geographical questions. Much sewing has also been accomplished. In March, Mr. Hubbard gave them an interesting talk on China, with stereopticon views. The average attendance at the meetings was seventeen.

Westville.—This auxiliary sends a contribution, and hopes for greater prosperity in the future.

The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" has held monthly meetings, with an average attendance of nine.

Whitneyville.—"The annual meeting of our auxiliary, held in January, was a most encouraging one. In spite of unpropitious weather, our number was much larger than usual, and included some of the younger ladies, who attended for the first time.
We have met once since when we had with us Mrs. Bond, who gave us a sprightly and interesting account of her experiences among the Bulgarians.

We have five new members on our roll this year, but mourn the loss by death of two valued workers, who have been with us since the society was formed. Though the amount obtained from contributions is somewhat less than last year, we do not think this is caused by a waning interest. Forty dollars of this money provides for a scholarship at Marsovan."

The "Young Ladies' Missionary Society" hold monthly meetings, at which, while listening to items of missionary intelligence, the fingers are busy. At one of the meetings, Mrs. Bond gave a delightful talk. A few members are trying to multiply five cents for the benefit of the treasury.

Center Church.—"The year has been marked by no special work, except the raising of nearly two hundred dollars for the emergency fund for the W. B. M. This society holds itself responsible for the salary of Mrs. Edward S. Hume, of Bombay.

The unusually large attendance at the monthly meetings has been encouraging. The topics given in 'Life and Light' are used in these meetings.

Eighteen new members have been added. Through the various missionary organizations of Center Church, over one thousand dollars have been contributed to our Branch."

The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" has held thirteen meetings, the average attendance being ten. On the 5th of Feb., Miss Kyle gave an interesting talk to the circle, and in March, Mrs. Hubbard, dressed in Chinese costume, talked in an informal way on China. "Our money is
raised by pledges, and entertainments.” The Cradle Roll of the church numbers 24.

The “Junior Mission Circle” hold meetings once in four weeks, at which the children prepare fancy articles for a yearly sale. The attendance has been quite regular, and the children are much interested. Letters from Mrs. Edward Hume and Mrs. Montgomery have been read, and enjoyed; also selections from “Mission Dayspring” and “Life and Light.” The Circle sent $10 for the Emergency fund of the Woman’s Board, and gifts for other objects.

Church of the Redeemer—“We try to hold monthly meetings, but sometimes fail to do so. We have three new members this year, and yet our receipts from membership fees are not quite so large as usual.”

The gifts at the Thank-offering meeting amounted to twenty-seven dollars, which was divided between the special fund for the W. B. M. and Mrs. Karmarkar’s salary. Miss Daggett was present, and gave an account of the Portland meeting of the Woman’s Board.

The “Young Ladies’ Missionary Society” has held bi-monthly meetings, with an average attendance of thirty. The meetings have been of much interest, the time being devoted to missionary study. The funds are raised by ten cent monthly pledges, and an annual entertainment.

The “Busy Bees” have held monthly meetings, at one of which Miss Kyle gave one of her interesting talks. The meetings are alternately for sewing and missionary study. Mite boxes are used for their collections, and an occasional sale increases their fund.

College Street.—Interest in foreign missions seems to be increasing in this society. Twenty-seven copies of
"Life and Light" are taken, and more frequent meetings are being held. The contributions are appropriated for the salary of Miss Fensham, of Constantinople, and one of the meetings was made very interesting with an account of her, and the Girls' College with which she is connected.

*Davenport Church.*—"We have seven new members. Our knowledge of different missionaries has been increased, by giving their names, and items of interest connected with their lives, in response to the roll call at some of the meetings. Our November meeting was a surprise donation to a mother and daughter, invalid members of our auxiliary who show their interest by sending each month items for the meeting, often accompanied by words of their own."

This church has a Cradle Roll of from sixteen to twenty.

*Dixwell Avenue.*—"This auxiliary has not held regular meetings during the year, but a large audience assembled in the church on Sabbath evening, May 6th, to listen to an address from Miss Evans, of China. Enthusiastic interest and a new sense of obligation were aroused by a comparison of the privileges of a Christian land, with the dense darkness of ignorance and superstition of the land described.

It is expected that monthly meetings will be held in future, and the regular contributions increased by the use of mite boxes."

*Dwight Place Church.*—"The auxiliary of this church has held its regular monthly meeting during the season. Owing to the inclemency of the weather the attendance at our first meeting was small. It was addressed by Miss Daggett, who gave an interesting re-
port of the meeting of the Woman's Board at Portland. The meetings since held have been well attended. Our second meeting was addressed by Mrs. Hubbard, of China. Our annual meeting which for various reasons did not occur at the regular time in January, was held last month. Our thank-offering meeting was held in April. We have lost by death during the year three of our old members. We have gained thirteen new ones.” The “Fairbank” circle has held twenty-five regular meetings, and four special ones, the average attendance being ten. A great deal of sewing has been accomplished by the circle. In June, a new inspiration was received by its members, from meeting with Mrs. Kate Fairbank Hume, in honor of whom the circle was named. About fifty of the present and former members greeted her.

*Fair Haven, Second Church.—*“Our meetings are held bi-monthly, from October to June. Our funds have been received through church envelopes, so that it has been difficult to count our members; and as contributions have increased this year, we infer an increase in membership.” In January, a very interesting thank-offering meeting was held, and a goodly sum of money, with appropriate texts was brought. Mrs. Miller gave an interesting talk, illustrating it with an idol which she had.

*Grand Avenue Church.—*“This auxiliary has held meetings nearly every month, commencing with October. It has been our aim to increase our knowledge on the subject of missions, and to keep ourselves in touch with the work, by bringing to the meetings current reports from mission fields. Several interesting and carefully prepared papers have been given.”
The meetings are held at private houses, and are followed by a simple tea. More invitations have been received than could be accepted, which indicates increasing interest. About fifty dollars was raised for the threatened deficit of the W. B. M.

"In February we received a blue and gold Turkish purse from Mrs. Montgomery. In mission circles, the sight of a purse is always suggestive of a contribution, and we at once proceeded to place our donations within its folds."

The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" holds every month very interesting meetings, at which missionary intelligence is read and discussed. The funds are obtained from entertainments, membership fees and "Thank Offerings." The meetings have greatly increased in interest the past winter, owing to the contagious enthusiasm of the president.

The "Self Denial Society" has held fourteen meetings, with an average attendance of fifteen. The meetings have been full of interest, the members bringing in turn items of missionary intelligence. A most successful entertainment was given, in connection with "The Helpers," which increased largely the funds of the society.

"The Helpers" have held the usual monthly meetings, with an average attendance of twelve. Missionary subjects have been studied, prepared by the members, sometimes in the form of questions and answers. The Cradle Roll numbers 27.

Howard Avenue Church.—Many individual gifts are larger than before. One interested woman whose means were very limited, and who could not otherwise have given anything, sewed for a neighbor, and earned
her gift for foreign missions. "We expect to hold more frequent meetings this year, the program to be prepared each time by a committee of three ladies."

Twenty-four new members have been gained this year.

_Humphrey Street._—Persevering personal work has added twenty-two new members. "Owing to the hard times, some who contributed last year did not do so this year. One delightful feature of our meetings is the presence and assistance of our pastor."

The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" finds the interest of the members much increased since holding weekly meetings, in place of the former monthly meetings. The average attendance is fifteen. While busy with the fingers, they introduce missionary information.

_United Church._—This auxiliary has held its meetings regularly through the year, with full attendance and increasing interest. In December, we were addressed by Miss Brown, of Kobe, Japan, who gave us many ideas of the work in that country. Our "Thank Offering" meeting in February, was one of special interest. After the opening exercises, the envelopes containing the thank offerings were opened, and the verses of scripture accompanying the donations were read. The money gifts amounted to ninety dollars. Our auxiliary is very happy in having assumed the salary of Miss Bosshardt, Mrs. Montgomery's new assistant. This will be one more link to unite us with Mrs. Montgomery and her work. This report must not fail to make mention of the impulse we all receive to fuller consecration to the Master's work, through Mrs. Montgomery's letters, and we are sure that this union of service to which we are pledged will bring a quickening to us at home, and
that our sympathies and gifts will grow more abundant in the future. We have to report this year as always, that we mourn the loss of some of our members by death. We only report four new members, so that our number remains about as last year."

The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" has held eighteen meetings with an average attendance of nineteen. At their annual sale of fancy articles, candy, flowers, etc., $155.00 was realized. The study of the lives of missionaries has increased the interest of their meetings the past winter. Three boxes of clothing and fancy articles prepared by the circle, have been sent out. There is a Cradle Roll of 21 members.

Yale College Church.—"We are glad to report larger contributions this year, and we have three new members."

Mrs. E. L. Curtis, Vice-Pres.
Mrs. T. L. Day, Sec. for Miss. Circles.
REPORT OF THE SECRETARY OF THE JUNIOR DEPARTMENT.

The visible record of our Junior Department gives an aggregate of one hundred and sixty-two organizations, with a total contribution to our treasury of about $4,000; its invisible and greater record is in the hearts of those in whom God is thus planting shoots of missionary interest, that will some day furnish broad shadows of blessed influence.

We include in our enumeration twenty-five Young Ladies' Societies, thirty-nine Mission Circles of children, twenty Cradle Rolls, forty-three Christian Endeavor Societies, five contributing Junior Endeavor Societies, and thirty contributing Sunday Schools.

An advance of $350.00 from the Young Ladies and Mission Circles gives us the assurance of support in our pledge to meet half the salary of Dr. Rose A. Bower, who is to go to West Central Africa next fall, as the missionary of the young ladies; and our pledge to assume for the children some part of the work in Kraal schools in South Africa.

Three new mission circles appear in our list, Middlebury, Trumbull and Darien, each of them due to the effort of some one woman; as each case of loss from our ranks is due to the removal of a leader; except the three where the young ladies have disbanded in order to transfer their active interest to the Ladies' society.

Training in methods of doing business, increase of interest in missionary literature, greater effort in the
preparation of articles for missionary boxes, mark the work of the circles. Many joined to contribute articles for the two boxes sent to Mrs. Montgomery in Adana; for a box for the medical work which has been under Dr. Root, in India; and a box for Miss Trowbridge, the Christian Endeavor Missionary in Turkey.

Cradle Rolls continue to demonstrate their value by their success, and all money received from them is applied to the running expenses of the Smyrna Kindergarten.

We have received nearly $600.00 less from Christian Endeavor Societies this year than last; but we are sure that this does not mean that they are less interested in missions than before. It means that we have failed to make the connection strong between them and our work. Officers change frequently in their societies, and new missionary committees often adopt wholly different plans each year, so that it is difficult for us to approach them so as to secure continued coöperation. The response to our first appeals was so hearty that we have expected much from them; and have assumed fully $1000 more work than we should have taken without the expectation of their coöperation. We hold, for Christian Endeavor Societies, medical work, represented by Miss Trowbridge, in Turkey, and the Dispensary at Tungcho, in China; the salary of Mrs. Sibley, in India; Evangelistic work in Constantinople; and shares in the salaries of the two C. E. missionaries, Miss Chapin, in China, and Miss Harlow, in Smyrna.

Junior Endeavor Societies are an element of much hope for the future. Whenever they are under the control of a leader who is enthusiastic in her interest in missions, they become veritable missionary societies.
Our efforts to put the "Morning Star Mission" before the Sunday Schools have met with increased response, and our mission circle list includes several Primary classes who appoint regular officers, and hold regular meetings.

In a visit of about ten days, in the winter, Miss Alice Kyle spoke to more than 1000 of our young people at various meetings. Some were in parlors, and some were in churches. One was a Christian Endeavor Union meeting in Norwalk, and another an enthusiastic rally of circles and Endeavor Societies in Middletown, where eight societies were represented in an audience of over one hundred. These gatherings all stimulated the interest of many young people, who, for various reasons, can seldom attend our Branch meetings; and Miss Kyle's appeals for personal consecration lifted us all to a higher plane.

What is being done reveals the possibilities of what might be accomplished, if only we could find more women to lead mission circles, to influence Christian Endeavor missionary committees, to start Cradle Rolls. We need women young enough to be enthusiastic, pious enough to believe in missions, and faithful enough to go to meetings whether they feel like it or not. Valuable opportunities are being wasted because no one just right is found for leadership, but many a leader who has started in doubt and uncertainty has discovered undreamed of possibilities, and often becomes herself the best fruit of her own effort.

"Do little things now, so shall great things come to thee bye and bye, asking to be done."

Lillian E. Prudden,
Secretary for Junior Department.
TREASURER'S REPORT.

NEW HAVEN BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S BOARD OF MISSIONS,
IN ACCOUNT WITH JULIA TWINING, TREASURER,
NEW HAVEN, CT., MAY 8, 1894.

DR.

FOR WORK OF THE W. B. M.

Donations from auxiliary societies. .......... $9,740.14
Donations from mission circles ............ 2,381.76
Donations from Y. P. S. C. E. ............ 1,099.27
Donations from Sunday Schools ............ 463.50
Donations from Cradle Roll ............... 118.38
Donations from miscellaneous sources ..... 510.36

------------- $14,214.41

FOR THE PERMANENT FUND.

Donations from auxiliary societies .......... $22.32
Donations from Litchfield Y. L. M. C. .... 81.47

------------- $103.79

FOR BRANCH EXPENSES.

Advertisements in annual report ........... $112.00
Collections at Branch meetings .......... 190.85
Donations from auxiliary societies ....... 237.73
Donations from mission circles .......... 16.85
Interest from investment and deposit ... 204.08

------------- 761.51

Balance in Savings Bank, May 9, 1893 .... 596.89
Balance to account, May 9, 1893 .......... 3,024.75

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Total ........................................ $18,701.35

Receipts for the year $15,079.71.
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Bridgeport, South Church ........................................... 95.45
Towards salary of Miss Barnum.

Bridgeport, West End Church ...................................... 15.00
Towards salary of Miss Barnum.

Bridgeport, Union ....................................................... 28.39
Thank offering collections.

Bridgewater .................................................................... 43.77
For school at Bombay, $6.17 thank offering.

Brookfield Center ......................................................... 17.00
$1 for Branch expenses, for medical work.

Canaan ........................................................................... 40.72
$20 for scholarship at Ahmednagar.

Centerbrook and Ivoryton ............................................. 104.50
$22.50, thank offering, $10 for deficit of the W. B. M.,
$5 for Middlesex County school, in India, from
Mrs. Northrop for H. S. C., $2 for Branch expenses,
towards salary of Mrs. Bond.

Cheshire ........................................................................... 86.00
For salary of Sultan, constitute L. M's. Miss Harriet
E. Calhoun, Miss Carrie M. Hickox, Mrs. Samuel
Hitchcock.

Chester .......................................................................... 128.77
For salary of Rahibai and Varter, $28.05 thank offer­
ing, $5 for Branch expenses, $10.32 for the W. B.
M. deficit, $5 from friends for Middlesex County
school.

Clinton ........................................................................... 52.61
Constitute L. M's. Mrs. John Johnson, and Mrs.
Charles Farnham, $5 for Middlesex County school.

Cornwall ........................................................................... 24.00
For scholarship at Marsovan, $10 for the W. B. M.
deficit.

Cromwell ........................................................................ 240.38
For salary of Gnanapiragasi, $25 from Miss Emeda
Sage to constitute herself L. M., $10.72 for the W.
B. M. deficit, $0.85 for Branch expenses.
Danbury, First Church ........................................... $183.26
$96 for school at Wai, $50 for a scholarship at Chihuahua, $18 for the W. B. M. deficit, $1.10 for branch expenses, and constitute L. M. Mrs. A. F. Pierce.

Danbury, Second Church ............................................. 37.00
Towards salary of Changunabai.

Darien ................................................................. 73.00
Towards salary of Mrs. De Forest, $5 for the Permanent Fund.

Derby, First Church .................................................. 60.40
Derby, Second Church .................................................. 10.00

Durham ................................................................. 40.00
$6 thank offering, $8 for W. B. M. deficit, $1 for branch expenses.

East Haddam .......................................................... 33.00
$15 thank offering, $1 for branch expenses.

East Hampton .......................................................... 43.21
Constitute L. M. Mrs. Christopher Collier, $5 for Middlesex County school.

East Haven ............................................................ 49.63

Easton ................................................................. 14.50
Ellsworth ............................................................... 10.75
Essex ................................................................. 54.26
$5 from the society and $5 from a friend for the Middlesex County school, $1.50 for branch expenses.

Falls Village .......................................................... 10.00

Goshen ................................................................. 68.00
$50 for salary of Mrs. Bond, $10.75 thank offering, $5.50 for branch expenses.

Green's Farms .......................................................... 59.50
For salary of Mrs. Muttn and Mrs. Ramsey, $12 for the W. B. M. deficit, $3 for branch expenses.

Greenwich ............................................................. 167.85
$25 for salary of Mrs. DeForest, $125 for scholarship at Constantinople College for Girls, $13 for branch expenses, constitute L. M.'s Mrs. B. P. Brush, Miss Amelia Mead, Miss Julia E. Bell, Miss Amelia Knapp.
Guilford, First Church .................................................. $46.40
   For salary of Ramabai, §3 from Mrs. H. N. Dudley,
   Miss H. G. Dudley, Miss K. M. Dudley for Miss
   Wheeler at Harpoot, §2.40 thank offering.
Guilford, Third Church ................................................   39.00
   For salary of Mariel, §15 thank offering.
Haddam .................................................................   26.05
   For scholarship at Madura, §2 thank offering, §1.80
   for Middlesex County school.
Harwinton ..............................................................   7.00
   Towards salary of Mrs. Alfred.
Higganum .............................................................. 110.60
   §21 thank offering, §1.60 for Branch expenses, §1 for
   Middlesex County school.
Kent .............................................................. 131.00
   §35 for B. W. in India, §25 for salary of Mrs. Ed­
   wards, §20 for scholarship at Foochow, §10.75 for
   the W. B. M. deficit, §25 from Mrs. Flora Edwards
   to constitute L. M. Miss Carrie Britton Berry, §84
   for thank offering, constitute L. M. Mrs. Sophronia
   E. Eaton.
Killingworth ..........................................................   39.00
   §8 thank offering, §3 for Branch expenses.
Litchfield .............................................................. 80.31
   For salary of Kashibai and general fund.
Madison ............................................................... 151.37
   For salary of Miss Anna Felician, §50 from Mrs J. T.
   Lee to constitute herself L. M. and Mrs. J. A.
   Gallup.
Meriden, First Church ............................................... 280.00
   §60 for scholarships at Madura and Ahmednagar, §25
   for salary of Mrs. Bond, §40 for B. W. in China,
   §65 for a teacher in Mexico, §25 thank offering,
   constitute L. M.'s Mrs. W. L. Squire, Mrs. F. P.
   Evarts, and Mrs. J. D. Eggleston, §15 for Branch
   expenses.
Meriden, Center Church ............................................. 152.00
   For the salary of Kasubai, and a scholarship at Bom­
   bay, constitute L. M. Mrs. Chester K. Kingsley.
Middlebury ................................. $29.35
  $2.35 for the W. B. M. deficit, $2 for Branch expenses.

Middletown, First Church ............................. 617.43
  $50 for schools at Egin and Arabkir, $30 for a scholarship at Inanda Seminary, Lindley, $50 for two scholarships at Marsovan, $66 for Chandrikabai, $60 for salary of Mrs. Bond, $50 for a scholarship at Chihuahua, $50 for salary of Miss Andrews, $53 for the W. B. M. deficit, $69.71 thank offering, $14 for Branch expenses, $1.27 for Permanent Fund, $25 from a friend to constitute L. M. Vivian Elaine Gladwin, $25 from Miss F. A. Russell to constitute L. M. Mrs. Harry T. Williams, $25 from Mrs. James H. Bruce to constitute L. M. Mrs. Walter P. Bradley, $75 from Rev. Wm. C. Foster to constitute L. M.'s Miss Hattie R. Church, Miss Harriet Matilda Hazen, Miss Helen Bradford Hazen, $51.70 for Middlesex County school.

Middletown, South Church ............................. 203.00
  $100 for a scholarship at San Sebastian, $25 from Mrs. Wm. W. Wilcox to constitute L. M. Mrs. Mary C. Whittlesey, $25 from Mrs. Edward Douglas to constitute L. M. Miss Mary A. Douglas, $28 thank offering, $25 for the W. B. M. deficit, $40 for Middlesex County school.

Milford, First Church ................................. 28.00
  For salary of Mrs. Sibley.

Milford, Plymouth Church ............................. 81.00
  For salary of Mrs. Sibley, $5 for the Permanent Fund.

Millington .............................................. 14.50

Milton .................................................. 10.00

Monroe .................................................. 10.00
  $1 thank offering, Mrs. H. Burr.

Morris .................................................. 38.00

Mount Carmel ............................................ 56.50
  For scholarships at Ceylon and Ahmednagar.

Naugatuck .............................................. 57.89
  For salary of Anubai.
New Canaan. ................................................. $40.00
For scholarship at Kraabschitz.

New Haven, Center Church .................................. 802.65
For salary of Mrs. Edward S. Hume, $186.65 for the
W. B. M. deficit, $25 from Mrs. M. C. H. Johnston
to constitute herself L. M., $15 from a friend for
Mrs. Bridgman, Africa, $5.50 a thank offering,
$18.35 for Branch expenses, constitute L. M.'s Mrs.
Edward L. Curtis, Miss Dotha Bushnell, Miss Eliza­
abeth N. Hume, Miss Katharine M. Hume and
Miss Gertrude C. Hume.

New Haven, Church of the Redeemer ..................... 148.82
Towards salary of Miss Andrews, $14.76 thank offer­
ing, $13 for the W. B. M. deficit, $5 for Branch
expenses.

New Haven, College Street Church ....................... 107.88
$50 towards the salary of Miss Fensham, $20 from a
friend, $5 from Mrs. G. E. Thompson in memory of
her daughter, $3.40 for Mrs. Logan, of Micronesia.

New Haven, Davenport Church ................................ 138.00
For school at Pare!, salary of Sagunabai, $5 for
Branch expenses.

New Haven, Dixwell Avenue Church ....................... 10.00

New Haven, Dwight Place Church .......................... 133.10
For salary of Mrs. Edwards.

New Haven, Fair Haven, Second Church .................. 112.36
$50 for salary of Miss Fensham, $19 for Mrs. Sibley's
work, $24 thank offering, $5 for Branch expenses.

New Haven, Grand Avenue Church ......................... 163.55
For two scholarships at Kraabschitz, $25 from Mrs.
Sarah Morris to constitute L. M. Mrs. Henry J.
Stevens, constitute L. M. Miss Mary Lanfair.

New Haven, Howard Avenue Church ....................... 62.00
For school at Sert, and salary of M. Packiam, $5 for
Branch expenses, constitute L. M.'s Mrs. Wm. J.
Mutch, and Miss Lizzie Wilkinson.

New Haven, Humphrey Street Church ..................... 60.00
$50 for salary of Mrs. DeForest, $10 for the Perma­
nent Fund.
New Haven, United Church $868.40
For salary of Miss Bosshardt, $40 for thank offering, $18 for the deficit of the W. B. M., $7.36 for Branch expenses.

New Haven, Yale College Church 296.00
$125 for a scholarship at Constantinople College for Girls, $54 for the W. B. M. deficit, $31.60 for Branch expenses, $5 a special gift to Mrs. Montgomery.

New Milford 105.00
$4 thank offering, salary of Mrs. Edwards.

New Preston 41.00
For scholarship at Madura.

Newtown 34.00
For salary of Yeghsa, $3.32 for Branch expenses.

Norfolk 127.52
For salary of Mrs. DeForest.

North Branford 25.00
For scholarship at Ahmednagar.

Northfield 34.50
For scholarship at Madura, $4.50 thank offering.

Northford 50.00
For scholarship at Madura.

North Haven 40.00
For the salary of Miss Fensham.

North Madison 53.60
$24 thank offering, $1.10 for Branch expenses, $1.05 for the Permanent Fund, $0.60 towards the deficit, $26.85 for salary of Mrs. DeForest.

North Stamford 11.00

Norwalk 143.00
$50 for Constantinople College for Girls, $53 for the W. B. M. deficit, of which $25 from Mrs. J. R. Marvin to constitute L. M. Miss Clara Marvin, $30 for work at Chihuahua, $5 a thank offering from Mrs. C. C. Betts, $5 for Branch expenses.

Orange 50.75
For salary of Miss Andrews, $1.50 for Branch expenses.
Plymouth .............................................. $80.00
  $4 for Branch expenses.

Portland .............................................. 43.60
  For scholarship at Madura, $5.10 thank offering, $2
  for the W. B. M. deficit, $1.50 for Branch expenses,
  $5 for Middlesex County School.

Prospect .............................................. 12.60
  $2.60 for the deficit of the W. B. M.

Redding .............................................. 29.00

Ridgebury .............................................. 6.80

Ridgefield ............................................. 38.50
  $5 thank offering, $2 for Branch expenses, for salary
  of Paripuwanum and Mrs. Edwards.

Roxbury .................................................. 48.55
  $22.05 for 1893.

Salisbury .............................................. 84.64
  For salary of Mrs. DeForest.

Saybrook ............................................... 98.21
  $25 towards salary of Mrs. DeForest, $15 for school
  in Andiaman, Turkey, $32.21 thank offering, $5 for
  Middlesex County School.

Sharon .................................................... 105.00
  $10 for the W. B. M. deficit, $20 for Branch expenses.

Sherman ................................................ 40.00

Sound Beach ........................................... 30.71

South Britain ........................................ 10.00

Southbury ................................................ 13.00

South Canaan .......................................... 13.00

South Norwalk ........................................ 100.00
  $70 for salary of Miss Fensham, $25 thank offering,
  $5 for Branch expenses.

Stamford .............................................. 105.00
  For salary of Mrs. Bond, $5 for Branch expenses.

Stratford .............................................. 156.89
  $39.68 for Rahimabai, $20 for a scholarship at Foo-
  chow, $25 for salary of Miss Fensham, $25 towards
  a scholarship at Chihuahua, $30.06 thank offering,
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Thomaston ............................................ 47.00
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Milton .......................... $91.75
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Winsted ................................................. 162.22
  $25 from Mrs. Mary C. Alford to constitute L. M. Helena B. Alford, $18.43 thank offering, $2 for the deficit of the W. B. M., $2 for Branch expenses.
Woodbridge .......................... 20.00
  For a scholarship at Ahmednagar.
Woodbury, First Church ............... 24.00
  For salary of Gaubai.
Woodbury, North Church ................ 46.50
  For salary of Surpoohi.

RECEIPTS FROM MISSION CIRCLES.

Bethel, Young Ladies' Mission Circle $15.00
  For Miss Barbour, Spain.
Bethlehem, Willing Hands .............. 20.00
  For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
Bridgeport, North Church Memorial Mission Circle .... 120.00
  For salary of a teacher in Mexico.
Bridgewater, Young Ladies' Mission Circle 12.50
  For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
Canaan, Young Ladies' Mission Circle 15.00
  $10 for Foochow dispensary, $5 for the Smyrna kindergarten.
Cornwall, Second Church Mission Bank Society .... 38.21
  For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
Cromwell, Young Ladies' Mission Circle 57.53
  $20 for salary of Mrs. Eaton, $7.53 for Smyrna kindergarten, $30 for salary of Baigabai.
Derby, Earnest Workers ............... 45.00
  $10 Madura dispensary, $15 for Cesarea kindergarten.
Essex Mission Workers ................. 10.00
  For Smyrna kindergarten.
Greenwich, Second Church, Bearers of Light ....... 34.24
  For Mrs. Eaton and Miss Judson.
Haddam, Alpha Society ........................................... $16.79
$5.23 for Smyrna kindergarten, $10 for Cesarea kindergarten.

Higganum, Coral Workers ................................. 5.00

Kent, Young Ladies’ Mission Circle ...................... 25.00
$20 for salary of Mrs. Eaton.

Litchfield, Young Ladies’ Band .......................... 233.47
$50 for salary of Miss Root, $90 for scholarships at Marsovan, Inanda and Ceylon, $81.47 for the Permanent Fund, $12 general fund.

Litchfield, Daisy Chain ...................................... 115.00
$40 for salary of Miss Deney Root, $30 for school at Bombay, $20 for Morning Star Mission, $10 for Smyrna kindergarten, $15 for Cesarea kindergarten.

Meriden, First Church Missionary Cadets ............. 50.00
$25 for Bombay school, $20 for Mrs. Eaton, $5 for Morning Star Mission.

Meriden, First Church, Cheerful Givers .................. 75.00
$20 for salary of Mrs. Eaton, $10 for Foochow dispensary, $35 for Kraal schools in Africa.

Middlebury, Willing Minds .................................. 5.00
For Cesarea kindergarten.

Middle Haddam, Willing Workers ......................... 9.00

Middletown, First Church, Gleaners ..................... 65.00
$25.00 for school at Marsovan, $20 for Smyrna kindergarten, $15 for Kraal schools in Africa.

Middletown, First Church, Mission Helpers ............ 25.00
$5 for the school at San Sebastian, Spain, $20 for dispensary at Madura.

Naugatuck, Light Bearers .................................. 7.00
For Smyrna kindergarten.

Naugatuck, Little Helpers ................................. 7.00
For Smyrna kindergarten.

New Haven, Center Church, Young Ladies’ Mission Circle 141.00
$30 for salary of Mrs. Edwards, $30 for Inanda school, $20 for Foochow dispensary, $20 for Madura dispensary, $32 for salary of Chinnapuli, $13 for gymnasium at the Constantinople College for Girls, $4 for Branch expenses.
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Norfolk, Young Ladies’ Mission Band $35.00
   For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
Norwalk, Door Keepers 30.00
   For a scholarship at Ceylon.
Norwalk, Thoughtful Circle 5.00
   For work at Wai.
Norwalk, Senior and Junior Circles 40.00
   For the Morning Star Mission.
Norwalk, Sunbeam Circle 15.00
   $5 birthday offerings for Smyrna kindergarten, $10
   for Morning Star Mission.
Orange, Workers 13.25
Plymouth, Rosebud Circle 5.00
Portland, Work and Win Circle 35.00
   $30 for scholarship at Ceylon, $5 for Middlesex
   County school.
Prospect, Gleaners 35.00
   $7 for Smyrna kindergarten.
Ridgefield, Snowflakes 10.65
Roxbury, May Flowers 10.00
   For Smyrna kindergarten.
Salisbury, Children’s Mission Band 12.34
   $8.14 for Cesarea kindergarten.
Sharon, Busy Bees 75.00
   $40 for salary of Mrs. Eaton, $25 for the W. B. M.
   deficit, $10 for Madura dispensary.
Sharon, Missionary Endeavor Society 15.00
   For Cesarea kindergarten.
South Norwalk, Mission Workers 5.00
   For the Morning Star Mission.
Stamford, Tiny Helpers 61.22
   $30 for school at Bombay, $15.72 for school at Killis,
   $6.50 for Smyrna kindergarten, $9 for the W. B.
   M. deficit.
Stratford, Alpha Band 6.75
   For Cesarea kindergarten.
Stratford, Whatsoever Mission Band 35.00
   $20 for Cesarea kindergarten, $15 Madura Hospital.
Torrington, Highland Workers 20.00
   $10 for Madura dispensary, $5 Smyrna kindergarten.
Torrington, Valley Gleaners ........................................ $5.00
For Mrs. Edward's school.

Trumbull, Young Ladies' Mission Circle .................. 40.00
For Tungcho dispensary, constitute L. M. Miss Mary
A. Beach.

Warren, Willing Minds ........................................... 12.00

Watertown, Steadfast Workers .................................. 10.00
$10 for the Morning Star Mission.

West Haven, Young Ladies' Mission Circle .................. 10.00
For the Foochow dispensary.

West Haven, Helping Hand Mission Circle .................. 5.00
For Cesarea kindergarten.

Westport, Mission Band ............................................ 44.27

Westville, Young Ladies' Mission Circle ................. 35.00
$20 for salary of Mrs. Eaton, $10 for Smyrna kinder-
garten, $5 Morning Star Mission.

Whitneyville, Young Ladies' Mission Circle ............. 25.00
Constitute L. M. Mrs. Charles F. Clark.

Woodbury, First Church, Valley Gleaners .................. 5.00
For salary of Mrs. Eaton.

RECEIPTS FROM Y. P. S. C. E.

Ansonia, Y. P. S. C. E. ........................................... $37.60
For salary of Miss Trowbridge.

Branford, Y. P. S. C. E. ......................................... 22.92
For Tungcho dispensary.

Bridgeport, Olivet Church, Junior Y. P. S. C. E. .... 20.00
For a scholarship at Ceylon.

Bridgeport, South Church, Y. P. S. C. E. .............. 40.00
For evangelistic work in Constantinople.

Chester, Y. P. S. C. E. ........................................... 5.00
For Mrs. Sibley.

Colebrook, Y. P. S. C. E. ...................................... 5.20
For dispensary at Madura.

Danbury, First Church, Y. P. S. C. E. ...................... 10.00
For Mrs. Sibley.

Danbury, First Church, Junior Y. P. S. C. E. .......... 3.87
For the W. B. M. deficit.

Danbury, Second Church, Y. P. S. C. E. ............... 8.80
For the A. B. C. F. M. debt.
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For salary of Miss Trowbridge.
New Haven, Humphrey Street Church, Y. P. S. C. E. .. 48.72
For dispensary at Tungcho.
New Haven, United Church, Y. P. S. C. E. .............. 125.00
For salary of Miss Trowbridge.
New Milford, First Church, Y. P. S. C. E. ............ 17.63
For Mrs. Sibley.
North Haven, Y. P. S. C. E. ................................ 28.44
For dispensary at Tungcho.
Portland, Y. P. S. C. E. .................................. 1.36
Redding, Y. P. S. C. E. ................................... 2.00
Riverton, Y. P. S. C. E. ................................... 16.00
$15 for salary of Miss Root, $1 for Miss Chapin.
Salisbury, Y. P. S. C. E. .................................. .65
For Miss Chapin.
Saybrook, Y. P. S. C. E. .................................. 7.02
For Mrs. Sibley.
Stamford, Y. P. S. C. E. .................................. 11.00
$2 for Japan, $2 for Kraal schools in Africa, $2 for
Cesarea kindergarten, $5 for Morning Star Mission.
Stratford, Y. P. S. C. E. .................................. 20.25
For salary of Miss Judson.
Wallingford, Y. P. S. C. E. ................................ 12.05
For Tungcho dispensary.
Wallingford, Junior Y. P. S. C. E. ....................... 5.00
For Foochow dispensary.
Washington, Y. P. S. C. E. ................................ 20.00
For salary of Mrs. Sibley.
Watertown, Y. P. S. C. E. ................................ 10.00
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Westchester, Y. P. S. C. E. ................................ 12.00
For salary of Mrs. Sibley.
Whitneyville, Y. P. S. C. E. ............................. 7.86
For Tungcho dispensary.
Winsted, Second Church, Y. P. S. C. E. .................. 40.11
For salary of Miss Root.
Receipts from Sunday Schools.

Bridgeport, First Church S. S. ........................................ $60.00
For a scholarship at Inanda for two years.

Bridgeport, Second Church S. S. ...................................... 5.00
For the Morning Star Mission.

Brookfield Center S. S. .................................................. 10.00
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Durham S. S. .......................................................... 3.00
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East Haven S. S. .......................................................... 2.47
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Kent S. S. ............................................................... 1.50
For Cesarea kindergarten.

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For the Cesarea kindergarten.

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For dispensary at Tungcho.

New Haven, Church of the Redeemer S. S. ......................... 25.00
For the Morning Star Mission.

New Haven, Church of the Redeemer Primary Class .............. 20.00
$10 for the Morning Star Mission, $10 for Smyrna kindergarten.

New Haven, Davenport Church S. S. ................................. 70.00
$30 for Marsovan school, $40 for Ahmednagar school.

New Haven English Hall S. S. ........................................ 5.00
For the Morning Star Mission.

New Haven, Fair Haven Second Church S. S. .................... 1.00
For the Morning Star Mission.

New Haven, United Church S. S. .................................... 30.00
For school in Ceylon.
New Milford, First Church S. S. ........................................  $20.00  
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Prospect S. S. ...........................................................................  3.60  
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Southport S. S. ...........................................................................  30.00  
For the school at Bombay.

Stratford S. S. ........................................................................  30.00  
$15 for Miss Judson, $15 for Cesarea kindergarten.

Washington S. S. .......................................................................  30.00  
For the Morning Star Mission.

Westbrook S. S. .......................................................................  5.00  
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Whitneyville S. S. ....................................................................  10.65  
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Winsted, Second Church S. S. ...................................................  10.00  
For a scholarship at Madura.

Winsted, Rev. Mr. Kinney's class .............................................  18.00

**Receipts from Cradle Roll for the Smyrna Kindergarten.**

Bethel, C. R. ........................................................................... $12.34
Bridgeport, Second Church, C. R. ........................................  19.35
Bridgeport, Park Street Church, C. R. .................................  10.20
Bridgeport, Olivet Church, C. R. ...........................................  6.40
Cobalt, C. R. ...........................................................................  1.00
East Hampton, C. R. .............................................................. .60
Goshen, C. R. ...........................................................................  1.50
Meriden, First Church, C. R. ................................................... 10.00
Middletown, First Church, C. R. ...........................................  3.40
New Haven, Center Church, C. R. ......................................... 10.95
New Haven, Davenport Church, C. R. ...................................  4.00
New Haven, Grand Avenue, C. R. .........................................  8.75
New Haven, United Church, C. R. ......................................... 11.94
North Woodbury, C. R. .........................................................  1.40
Norwalk, C. R. .............................................  $2.00
Portland, C. R. .............................................  3.65
Stamford, C. R. .............................................  2.50
Stratford, C. R. .............................................  5.00
Westchester, C. R. .............................................  2.40
Wilton, C. R. .............................................  1.00

MISCELLANEOUS.

Missionary Fund.

Fairfield County thank offering .................................. $176.35
  For salary of Mrs. Karmarkar.
A friend, by Miss Sterling ........................................  10.00
  For school at San Sebastian.
Stratford friends, by Miss Sterling ................................  11.00
  For the W. B. M. deficit.
Stratford friends, by Mrs. Cogswell ................................  7.00
  For the W. B. M. deficit.
A friend, a coupon ...............................................  20.00
Miss Gard, New Milford ...........................................  1.00
  For Mrs. Sibley.
Rev. Burdett Hart, D.D. ...........................................  5.00
Mrs. May Hart Perkins ...........................................  10.00
  For salary of Miss Trowbridge.
Timothy T. Merwin, Wilton ........................................  1.00
  For the Morning Star Mission.
Grace Dyson, New Britain ...........................................  1.00
  For the Smyrna Kindergarten.
Mite Boxes at children's meeting ...................................  7.36
  For the Smyrna Kindergarten.
Proceeds from lecture by Rev. T. T. Munger, D. D. for
  the W. B. M. deficit. ........................................... 223.50
A friend .........................................................  30.00
  To support Mohammed at Bombay.
Mite box at Mrs. Cady's school .....................................  7.15
  For school at Ahmednagar.
For Branch Expenses.

Advertisements in annual reports. $112.00
Collections at Branch meetings. 46.66
Collection at Fairfield County meeting. 10.00
Collection at Litchfield County meeting. 18.25
Collection at Middlesex County meeting. 16.45
Collection at New Haven County meeting. 26.23
Collection at Goshen meeting. 9.35
Collection at Danbury meeting. 5.25
Collection at Cromwell meeting. 6.41
Collection at Guilford meeting. 4.59
Collection at annual meeting, May 8, 1894. 47.66
Interest from invested fund. 180.00
Interest on deposit in savings bank. 24.08

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

Attest:

ROGER S. WHITE, Auditor.

New Haven, May 14, 1894.
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Brookfield Center : Mrs. Julia W. Skidmore.
Durham : Mrs. F. P. Hubbard.
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Easton : Miss Alice J. Nichols, Sec. and Treas.
Kent : Miss M. A. Hopson.
Killingworth : Miss E. V. Nettleton.
Litchfield : Robert A. Catlin, Sec. and Treas.
Monroe.
New Haven, Center Church : Mrs. T. H. Sheldon, Treas.
New Haven, Center Church, Chinese : Miss H. M. Chamberlin.
New Haven, Church of the Redeemer : Geo. P. Dickerman, Treas.
New Haven, Church of the Redeemer, Prim. Class : Mrs. H. J. Prudden.
New Haven, Davenport Church : Miss Cora J. Dann, Treas.
New Haven, English Hall: L. W. Cleaveland.
New Haven, Fair Haven, Second Church.
New Haven, United Church: Frank A. Smith.
New Milford, First Church: C. M. Beach, Treas.
North Haven: W. S. Mansfield, 71 Court St., New Haven.
Portland.
Prospect: Gilbert B. Hotchkiss, P. O. Box 695, Waterbury.
Southport: R. M. Sherwood, Treas.
Stratford.
Washington: C. B. Nettleton, Sec.
Westbrook: Mrs. Martha Sanford.
Westchester: Mrs. E. Brown.
W. Winsted: Miss Isabel M. Holmes.
Whitneyville: Wm. F. Smith.

SOCIETIES OF CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR CONTRIBUTING TO THE NEW HAVEN BRANCH.

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Danbury, First Church.
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Redding.
Stamford.
Stratford.

LITCHFIELD COUNTY:
Colebrook.
East Canaan.
Harwinton.
Kent.
New Hartford.
New Milford.
Riverton.
Salisbury.
Washington.
Watertown.
Winsted, Second Church.
MIDDLESEX COUNTY:

Chester.
Cromwell.
Deep River.
Essex.
Hadlyme.
Higganum.
Ivoryton.
Killingworth.
Middlefield.
Middle Haddam.
Middletown, First Church.
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Portland.
Saybrook.
Staddle Hill.
Westchester.
Westfield.

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New Haven, Dwight Place Church.
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New Haven, Humphrey Street Church.
New Haven, United Church.
North Haven.
Wallingford.
Wallingford, (Junior).
Whitneyville.
ACT OF INCORPORATION.

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

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

Resolved by this Assembly:

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

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

Sec. 3. The objects and purposes of this corporation shall be to collect, receive and hold money given by voluntary contributions, donations, bequests or otherwise, to be exclusively expended for the christianization of women and children in foreign lands, by supporting such missionaries, teachers, bible-readers and schools and such other missionary work as may be selected by the board of officers, with the approbation of the
Woman's Board of Missions located in the City of Boston, in the State of Massachusetts.

Sec. 4. The said corporation may have and use a common seal, and the same may alter and change at pleasure; it may appoint such officers as may be deemed expedient, and may make, ordain and put into execution such by-laws and regulations as shall be deemed necessary and convenient for the well ordering and government of the same, not inconsistent with the provisions of this act, the laws of this State, or the laws of the United States.

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

CONSTITUTION

Of the New Haven Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Art. 9. This constitution may be amended by vote of two-thirds of the members present at any regular meeting, notice of the intended amendment having been given at a previous meeting.
ARTICLE I. The Executive Committee shall hold monthly meetings, call special meetings, cooperate in the annual and county meetings, recommend the appropriation of funds, and attend to all other business of the Branch. To them shall be submitted all documents designed for publication, all important letters and the minutes of the society.

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

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

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

ART. V. The Corresponding Secretary shall write to missionaries and to the parent society, preserve copies of important letters, conduct other correspondence out-
side of the home work, warn meetings and provide information and speakers for the same.

Art. VI. The Home Secretary shall present reports of the home work at the Branch meetings, correspond with the county Vice-Presidents and with auxiliary societies, and keep a careful record of interesting facts, including change of officers and names of new societies, from which, material may be gathered for the annual report. The Secretaries for Mission Circles and Christian Endeavor Societies shall correspond with their respective societies, and preserve all items of interest for reports. The Secretary of the Bureau of Information shall furnish missionary letters, papers, leaflets and other available material to the various organizations of the Branch, as may be desired.

Art. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds according to the vote of the Finance Committee, report the state of the treasury at each meeting, and give a full report at the annual meeting. The Treasurer shall also have authority and power in behalf of this society, to transfer deeds and other instruments in writing, to release and discharge any mortgages to this society upon the payment of the debt secured thereby. Also to sell, assign, transfer and convey any debt due this society, and the mortgage or other security held therefor.

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

Art. IX. The Coöperative Committee, with the exception of the Chairman, shall be elected by the Executive Committee; and shall consist of those who take charge of such business as the Board of Officers cannot perform without neglecting special duties. All members
of this committee, except the Chairman, shall be excused from attendance at executive meetings. The Chairman shall communicate to the members any information necessary from the Executive Committee.

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

Art. XI. Auxiliaries shall be requested to send their annual reports to the Vice-Presidents of their counties the first week in April. These reports shall include the names of officers and the number of members both in auxiliaries and mission circles, the names of mission circles and number of subscribers to "Life and Light."

Art. XII. Any person may become a member of the "Missionary Library Association" by the contribution of a book suitable for the uses of the library, or the payment of twenty-five cents annually, each member being entitled to the free use of the library.

Art. XIII. The Executive Committee shall appoint annually the standing committees, who shall act under their advice.
CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

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

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

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

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

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

CONSTITUTION FOR MISSION CIRCLES.

Art. I. This Mission Circle shall be called the ——— ———.

Art. II. The officers of this Circle shall be ——— ———.

Art. III. The object of this Circle shall be to learn about the heathen, and to send them the gospel.

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