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ANNUAL MEETING.

For the second time in its history, the New Haven Branch enjoyed the hospitality of Waterbury, holding its eighteenth annual meeting in the Second Congregational Church, May 14th, 1889.

Owing to threatening skies in the early morning, the attendance was somewhat smaller than usual, yet the devotional meeting at 9 A.M. more than filled the room assigned to it, and those that gathered there felt that the day was full of promise, so full of the Spirit for which they asked seemed the prayers of this half hour of devotion which was lead by Mrs. McLaughlin of Litchfield.

Mrs. Hart opened the morning meeting with selections of Scripture, so admirably fitted to cheer the faint-hearted and discouraged, that the words “Fear not, for I am with thee; be not dismayed, for I am thy God,” may be said to have been the key note of the sessions. The opening prayer by Miss Hinsdale of Winsted followed the same line of need, in view of the many vacant places among our workers.

Mrs. Cottle of Waterbury gave a cordial welcome to officers, missionaries, and representatives of the various societies of the New Haven Branch, which was followed by the report of the Recording Secretary, Miss Daggett, and the report of Mrs. Hume, Corresponding Secretary, which was read by Mrs. Cady.

The Treasurer's report showed a falling off of receipts from the mission circles and called attention to three points that need careful observation. These were
"first the point that makes the least showing in the report—the Permanent Fund. This may seem to some a matter of much less importance than the contributions which go directly to missionary fields, but it is no less real missionary work, and when once complete will enable the Branch to carry on its legitimate work without friction of machinery. The New Haven Branch has never used any of its missionary money to meet necessary current expenses, as printing, traveling expenses of missionaries, and similar essentials, though it would be considered allowable to do so on strict business principles. The generous individuals, who have in times past met a large part of these expenses over and above their regular contributions, will not always be with us, and the question will become a very serious one in the near future if not provided for. We ask you to keep this in mind and help on the fund till each society has paid into the treasury the full sum apportioned, even if it should take years to accomplish.

Second—the Marsovan Building Fund. You noticed that one half of the $2200 we have pledged is in the treasury and perhaps felt elated over this fact, but it may surprise you to learn that this $1100, has largely come from only fifty, out of our one hundred and twenty societies. If the response to the appeal for Marsovan from the other seventy had been as prompt and free as from these we could to-day announce, not only the whole pledge redeemed, but a handsome surplus for the Ain-tab Building. Dear friends, we could have done this, why did we not?

A few words about the mite-boxes. It was hoped the twelve hundred or more boxes that were distributed would be taken mainly by those who have not before been contributors to the work of the Branch, but to what extent this has been carried out we have no knowl-
edge. Our few months' experience shows what great things might be accomplished if every member of our Branch would earnestly endeavor to find one person to take a box. We trust those having boxes will continue to use them for extra sums, and we would suggest that a special meeting be held in October or November by each society, to which shall be brought as an offering the contents of the boxes.

The third point that needs careful attention is the extent to which the growth and increase in some societies is neutralized and perhaps wholly lost in consequence of a falling off in other societies. A few societies labor hard and make a considerable advance. One other society loses the faithful service of some officer by illness, or removal, and the funds are suffered to fall short and thus the gains of others in the end only supply the "lack of service" of this one. Let us strictly guard this spot of weakness, and let each society never fall below the highest point ever reached, then the real growth of our Branch would be apparent and our garnered treasure would be much greater than it is to-day."

A solo by Miss Granniss made an attractive break at this point, after which brief but interesting reports of the work in Fairfield and Middlesex Counties were given by two of the Vice-Presidents, Mrs. Gleason and Mrs. Marshall.

Miss Child of Boston then gave us glimpses of missionary work as she had seen it herself in recent visits to our missions in Spain and Turkey, telling us more of those things we like to know about our missionaries, than we often hear from them. Her point of view was that of the home worker, who has had a chance to see for herself what the need of those countries is and how well our agencies meet that need.
There is much that is less inspiring, than in other countries, in the work among the picturesque and excitable Spaniards, whose devotion to the images of the Roman Catholic church is like idol worship elsewhere, and who receive the missionaries with insult and prejudice. But the school at San Sebastian, where Mrs. Gulick so ably and courageously trains her forty-one girls, impressed Miss Child like a fountain of pure water, in the midst of a great city full of impurities, as she saw its wide-awake Christian girls in contrast with the mass of superstition around them. We saw through Miss Child's eyes how the Constantinople Home was training useful, intelligent Christian women for Turkey. We rejoiced in all its advantages of situation and equipment, in the enthusiasm of its teachers and scholars, were thankful that we had some share in it, and wished we too might have heard in government-burdened Turkey the discussion in a political economy class, on the "right of government to enforce religion on a people."

Miss Child told of Miss Farnam and Miss Sheldon, who alone were influencing and educating a whole city at Ada Kazar, where they had gone at the invitation of the people, who offered to pay all the expenses of the school. They let us glance at the busy and full lives of Mrs. Newell and Miss Twichell, until we felt that it was a grand work that our little force of American missionaries were doing there, as well as how few they were to rouse and help a nation of twenty-five million souls.

After the appointment of delegates to the next annual meeting of the W. B. M. in Boston, the morning service was closed with prayer by Mrs. Andrews.

A social hour at the Armory over the lunch baskets, supplemented by the abundant hospitality of the Waterbury ladies, enabled a refreshed audience to assemble again at 2 p.m., when the first business of the hour was
the election of officers. Mrs. Pierce of the Hartford Branch led the meeting in prayer for these officers, and Mrs. Fairchild, in a clear and expressive voice, read a beautiful and appreciative tribute to the memory of Mrs. Prudden, prepared by Mrs. Hart, at the close of which the choir sang one verse, beginning "Thus star by star declines."

Reports of the work in New Haven and Litchfield Counties were given by Mrs. Perkins and Miss Hinsdale before Mrs. Andrews, missionary for six years in Northern India, was introduced.

Mrs. Andrews began her address by answering some questions relative to her reasons for not returning to India. While maintaining that about as large a proportion of women break down at home from overwork, she gave a graphic picture of the way in which many missionaries' lives are filled, owing to the pressure of work in all departments and the many cases where one woman does the work of five. An instance was given of one woman who for a year and a half had fifteen hundred people under her care, through the schools, churches, catechists and Bible women she had in charge. It is impossible to confine one's self to such definite work as would best fit one's strength, so many open doors seem God-given answers to prayer that cannot be neglected. Mrs. Andrews gave a vivid description of Zenana work, telling, among others, of one woman whose great desire was that she might so live as to please the thirty-three million gods, in the hope that after death she might be permitted to live to marry a white man. This woman learned through the teachings of the Gospel that happiness could be found here, even in the unattractive room where she had already spent twenty years. With other incidents of her work Mrs. Andrews left upon our minds a lasting impression of the
value of "sowing beside all waters," and the joy of winning even one soul.

One verse of "Awake my soul stretch every nerve" was then sung, and Miss Child gave us another view of missionary work revealed to her at the Annual meeting of the Western Turkey mission, where one and another missionary was disheartened and discouraged as the estimates of money for the work needed by each were cut down. It was a pleasure to us to know that the very Marsovan building for which we are now raising funds was one of those needs which through us can be met.

The Bombay school is a like necessity for which Miss Child made a stirring appeal, and in behalf of all the work of the Woman's Board she asked for prayer, for money and for helpers.

A comprehensive motion of thanks by Mrs. Phipps of Prospect met with hearty indorsement, and after prayer by Mrs. Backus, of the Hartford Branch, the meeting adjourned to meet next year in New Haven.

LILLIAN E. PRUDDEN.
MEMORIAL TRIBUTE TO

Mrs. Eliza A. Prudden.

A choice earthly life was merged in the heavenly, on that Sunday evening, January 6th, 1889, when our beloved Vice-President, Mrs. Prudden, went away from us. We miss on our platform, her familiar face, revealing an earnest, refined, Christian womanhood. A sense of great loss would assert itself here to-day, even though our lips should not break the seal of silence that her modest reserve might impose; and all the more because we are here. When our annual meeting was held in Waterbury nine years ago, Mrs. Prudden was an essential part of it. She not only furnished an able paper for the meeting, but gave the words of welcome to those present. Do you hear the echo of her closing sentence coming down the years? "We have come as the representatives of 18,000 Christian women, to receive and impart helpful influences. We need but the presence of Jesus to make this a spiritual feast in the strength of which we shall work for his glory."

It fell to her also, to plan all the details of that meeting, and to see that they were carried out. On this condition only did Mrs. Hubbard, first President of the Branch, consent to take the chair then vacant. Mrs. Prudden was close by her side all the day.

Two years ago, at our meeting, a memorial of Mrs. Hubbard was read which was prepared by Mrs. Prudden. It was a condensed labor of love, as must be true also of this in her own behalf.

We are under limitations on this shortest day in our calendar, that will not allow a fair review of our friend's earlier life for which there is ample material. We can only glance at her later years which were largely given to service for the New Haven Branch of the W. B. M., bearing in mind that this was not her life work. She
gave to us her riper years enriched by the garnerings from a previous life filled with Christian activities.

The facts of her birth in one of our own towns, South Britain, and her life as pastor’s wife in three other towns of our Branch territory, help to explain her knowledge of our field. Reared amid influences that were elevating and stimulating, along lines, social, literary and theological, she brought to our work broad intelligence, with habits of vigorous thinking and keen discrimination. Married at twenty, she assumed the varied cares of a minister’s wife, with an ardor that avoided no labor because it was wearisome or distasteful. How bravely she shared the responsibilities of her godly husband! Then as always, for her, opportunity was interpreted to mean duty, and duty was translated to read privilege.

There remain those who would gladly testify to the helpfulness they can never forget received from their pastor’s wife, “the encouraging words such as only one Christian mother can give another.” We suspect she wore the crown of her royal life, in these early years of motherhood. Indeed we have so gathered from her own lips. In so molding the child-character, God had given to her keeping, that there should rise up children,—not so much “to call her blessed,” as to supplement and round out the lives of the parents on a plane of enlarged opportunity—this was par excellence her life work, in her prime, before there was a Woman’s Board.

As was said of another, “she gave the whole of herself to the Lord, the whole of herself to benevolent work, and the whole of herself to her home and family.” This three-fold life was consuming to the somewhat frail house she lived in, and we are led to wonder that she had retained so much vigor for our work. If “we
should count life by heart throbs," if "he lives most who thinks most, feels the noblest, acts the best," then our friend had spent a well filled life, before most of us ever saw her. She was too patriotic not to be deeply interested in all the societies working for our own country, yet her especial service in personal work was for Foreign Missions, leaving the labor on other lines to hands less occupied, while she gave money and interest to the other causes.

Those who began the history-making of the New Haven Branch at the first page, well remember how slow and difficult were the initial lessons, and how necessary was such sturdy and persistent faith as was Mrs. Prudden's. To use her own words "those were days of fightings without and fears within, of some outside encouragement mingled with scant deference." But when she clearly saw that a thing ought to be done, she did not hesitate about doing it. She had that "unlimited capacity for taking pains" which is a good definition of genius. Her love of order, her parliamentary knowledge, her rare judgment, her mathematical exactness in details, her clear views of woman's widening arena of usefulness in this century, as well as her strong personality, made her a remarkable helper in laying foundations. And onward, no one of our leaders, has known personally so many of the "18,000 Christian women within the limits of our Branch." She could state at any time precisely how many of these were enlisted and enrolled for service, and emphatically how many ought to be, for she kept pace with the revised membership of our Congregational churches. The needs and possibilities of our work were her constant study. She was urged to give only the proper waking hours to these problems, but we fear they often invaded the night-watches, and made sleep uncertain in quantity and quality.
Mrs. Prudden was a model Home Secretary of our Branch from 1872 to 1875. How carefully she kept her finger upon the pulse of each society, and how persistently she prospected for new organizations! The first letter of invitation was only a silvered entering wedge, to be followed by so many more as were needed to secure results. She wrote with felicity and facility. She opened the door of privilege and held it open, and if she did not "compel them to come in" she used all womanly tact to enforce the call. She knew how "perfection lies in trifles" while "perfection is no trifle," and so minute details were not overlooked.

When transferred to our list of Vice-Presidents, she did not remit her interest in the Home Secretary's department. In whatever office, she held the threads of our fabric so securely in hand, that we felt assured nothing, in warp or woof, would get so entangled as to spoil the pattern. It was also with a feeling of pride and security that we often appointed her to represent us in the deliberative sessions of the Woman's Board, and in its public meetings as well. These were reported with vivacity on her return.

In seasons of enforced quietness and rest, her pen accomplished some of its best work, preparing articles for "Life and Light," or valuable papers for our special use. Some of these are in print, and some out of print are in demand. Her "Ten Years' Review," "History of Foreign Missionary work in Litchfield County," "Patchwork," "Shall we combine Home and Foreign work?" "What Western Connecticut has done for Africa," these and others are of permanent interest. The need of research was no lion in her way. She loved study too well, even in feebleness, to find a dead line beyond which investigation must cease. The mysteries of Africa became open secrets under her field-glass; she was also an explorer of China, Turkey and India.
Perhaps some gleanings from a harvest of recent letters, may supply in part what this inadequate limning of character lacks in completeness. One long and closely associated with our friend writes, "She was so strong mentally that we all leaned upon her. Her storehouse of knowledge was always full and she freely dispensed to others." Another "So kind and helpful to me when I first undertook this work." One testified, "She fought a good fight in a long, useful life. Her spirit always high, when strength of body was low, makes me think of her with admiration, love and gratitude." One of our Vice-Presidents, who had found her wise in counsel, says, "I had come to look upon her as a sort of living, speaking geography, history and encyclopedia on all points that we wanted to know when preparing for our large meetings. She knew where places were, the best routes, and the people who could be relied on for various duties." She was oracular on such occasions. One refers to her "quick recognition of any little act of courtesy" and to "the loving words which were a wonderful help" to her. Other phrases are, "so unlike the average woman," "such individuality of character," "she always had a fresh thought in her conversation, and a vein of humor and quaintness." A Vice-President testifies "she was always so friendly to me and I mean much by that word." Says a youthful, loving friend, "Heaven will be nearer and more home-like for her being there."

The President of a sister Branch, who knew her intimately and loved her devotedly, writes, "I have never talked with any one who seemed so fully to grasp the situation, with regard to the Woman's Board and its Branches. She knew personally so many of the workers, was so familiar with the history of Connecticut churches, was so wise in devising measures, so thorough in carrying them out, and she was so desirous of having every-
thing done in the best way, that it seems to me we have met with a very great loss. I loved her dearly from the time when I first went as a delegate to the W. B. M. annual meeting, and she sought me out with the right-hand of fellowship, saying that our Branches ought to know and help one another. She has been a succorer of many and of myself also. Who can supply her lack of service?"

It will be noticed that these pens were all moved by love, which, like the magnet that it is, draws toward one point, those who are in the same service. The compass carried by the Christian woman, points its needle to the star of Bethlehem. God is love, and we cannot draw near to Him in service, without converging closer to one another. Our friend did not ignore nor discount this helpful element, as though it were born of feminine weakness. Neither did she withhold a free expression to others of what was a source of strength and inspiration to herself. Many of us have had pathetic proof of her large hearted affection for us. And as these letters, laden with proof of ours for her, have floated in upon us with their white wings, we have been haunted by the question, Did she know, while keeping step with us, side by side, that we were keeping up the warm heart-beat with her? Did we take the time, while she shared our busy lives, to make known to her our appreciation and our tender attachment, that the assurance might be balm and tonic in days of waning strength?

"Beloved, let us love so well
Our work shall still be better for our love
And still our love be sweeter for our work."

And it will be more kindly, more Christly, if we do not hide the candle of our heart-flame under a bushel, but let it shine upon all who are in need of its rays.
And now, while fully sensible of our loss we naturally ask, what has she left to us?

She has left for us "a wealth of helpful memories" that shall abide with us through life.

She has left us an example of living faith in Christ her Lord, as shown by working with Him, for His cause in the wide world.

She has left a tangible suggestion, not to be overlooked, that we may contribute for the work we love, after we lay it down, by leaving a bequest for our treasury.

She has left abundant evidence that she was ready to enter the joy of her Lord. Doubtless she is already rested, in the "calm land beyond the Sea" of which Faber sang, and is now in active, blessed employment. As she had made it her second nature to enter every "open door" where she was called, it seemed only natural that she should pass within the pearly gates as they parted for her and eagerly seek whatever service awaited her within.

Can we lift ourselves out of the selfish pain of our loss, and for her dear sake, let "peans rather than dirges" be in all our hearts? Dirges are for the dead. She is more living than we are—so lately in this world of the dying, but now in "the land of the living." It was the word of our Lord, "He that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." Beloved, let us comfort one another with these words.

Mrs. Burdett Hart.
REPORT of the RECORDING SECRETARY.

The year, whose record we review to-day, has been a marked year in many respects; one of unusual stimulus and opportunity; of gain in working method, but of great loss in working force.

Our work last fall opened with an inspiration—the presence of the Misses Leitch, and their consecrated enthusiasm, energy and eloquence will we hope be an inspiring recollection for years to come. They came not only to the October Branch meeting in New Haven, but we in some way acquired a sort of monopoly of them for several days, so that the county meetings at Wallingford, Middletown and Greenwich, and a special meeting held in New Britain, shared in the fresh interest which they awakened.

So much new courage and enterprise did they infuse that the executive committee felt warranted in proposing to double the sum we had been hoping to raise this year for the new school building at Marsovan. We had already agreed to assume the responsibility of half the needed amount, the receipts from the memorial of Mrs. Chas. R. Palmer being promised for this object, which was dear to her heart; but the Misses Leitch made the whole sum asked for, $2200, seem not unattainable. Putting aside temporarily their great longing to ask much needed help for their own field, Ceylon, they generously brought their whole vitalizing influence to bear on this measure. They not only suggested the use of mite-boxes, but presented us with a large number, and inaugurated among us a method of increasing our con-
tributions that we hope may long prove a blessed me­mento of their visit.

In November, when our county vice-presidents came to New Haven for our annual conference and social gathering, we had the great pleasure and privilege of welcoming Mrs. Capron among us. Her large-souled earnestness and personality make themselves felt wherever she tells of her work among the Bible women. Her success we know without any words of hers; and her presence with us increased our sense of responsibility for the year's work, opening as it had with such incentives. A paper setting forth this responsibility was prepared and sent out with the mite-boxes, in the hope that all might be roused to new and greater faithfulness.

Personal effort on the part of every present lover of the cause of foreign missions is what is needed to strengthen and increase the number of its lovers and workers; and Mrs. Capron said most impressively that the interest we wished to arouse must be sought and labored for in the same spirit and by the same means as the conversion of souls. We must carry individual cases to God in prayer and ask to have this claim made real to them. Thousands of women in our New England churches are still wholly outside of this work of saving souls in other lands.

Other missionaries at later meetings helped and stirred and stimulated us—Mrs. McGrew, formerly a missionary in India, and Mrs. Barnum from Harpoot. In April we celebrated the semi-centennial of our own special missionary, our beloved Mrs. Hume, who, after much urging on the part of the executive committee, and much hesitation on hers, consented to tell at the Branch meeting the story of her going out to India fifty years ago; and afterwards met her many friends
socially in the church parlors. We have had also many interesting and graphic letters from our different mission stations.

The children's annual missionary meeting was held as usual at Center church on Good Friday, Dr. Barnum of Harpoot giving an interesting address.

The bureau of exchange is doing most valuable work in circulating letters and keeping alive interest and enterprise in many quarters. Letters received by the secretary from societies which she supplies express great satisfaction and assurance of real gain from these fresh missionary messengers. They report increased membership and zeal, and greater willingness to work as they learn of the willing spirit of converted heathen women.

Details of the work among auxiliaries and accounts of county meetings will be given in the reports of the county vice-presidents, but we would mention here three new auxiliaries, one of which was formerly a mission circle, but now invites older people. There have been but few additions to our mission circle list, but on the other hand we have lost but few.

The assignment of special missionaries to the circles that their love, interest and prayers may be drawn out by some definite object, has proved stimulating, particularly where we have been able to secure a sufficient supply of hectographed copies of letters. Miss Dency Root has thus become the missionary of the Litchfield county circles—except as a Fairfield county circle claims several shares in her work and have also sent her a box during the year. A small box, the contributions of half a dozen circles, of articles to be used as prizes in her sewing school, was also forwarded in the autumn to Mrs. Eaton of Mexico.

So far we have not touched upon one marked feature of this year except by mere allusion in the first sentence.
of this report. It has been a year of heavy loss in working force. For the first time in the history of the Branch we cannot report that death has made no inroad upon our executive committee. In November, when we have our largest committee gathering, Mrs. Prudden met with us for the last time, in great bodily weakness, but with unabated warmth of interest. In January, after intervening weeks of weariness and suffering, she was called to her rest and her reward. Another part of our services to-day will commemorate her value and our loss, but it is fitting that the home report should contain mention of the brief devotional service held in her memory at the close of our January Branch meeting; and the words of the resolution entered upon the records of the executive committee meetings:

"In the death of our beloved vice-president, Mrs. G. P. Prudden, the executive committee of the New Haven Branch W. B. M., feel that they have sustained an irreparable loss. Among the first to enter upon this special missionary work for women—throwing into it her whole soul, her influence, her counsels, her prayers have been towers of strength to our Branch from its very beginning; and she is the first to be called from active service with us to heavenly service.

"We enter this minute upon our records to testify our appreciation of her devotion to our work and her marvellous grasp of its details, her consecrated judgment; her foresight, knowledge and memory, which she so freely gave to it; her faithful, untiring interest and cooperation to the last, and her warm, helpful personal friendship:—'sorrowing most of all that we shall see her face no more.'

"We would make especial acknowledgment to her daughter of our sense of what it has cost her to continue so courageously her work with us during these months of absorbing anxiety and care; and we hope that in the future she may find comfort and joy in following in the footsteps of her honored mother.
“And we desire to express to all the members of her family our heartfelt sympathy in their sorrow and our sense of a common bereavement.”

Other losses also remain to be recorded, though not by death. We must drop to-day from our present list of officers six other names: Mrs. McCall, vice-president of Middlesex county, whose home among us is broken up, but whom we hope to regain at some future time; Mrs. Foote, Mrs. Root and Miss Ives, who feel unable to continue service in the coöperative committee; Miss Mary Hart, whose loss will be felt not only by the central committee but by the county vice-presidents to whom she has so faithfully reported the monthly Branch meetings; and now most unexpectedly and appallingly to us comes the announcement that we must lose our home secretary, Mrs. W. H. Fairchild. I am sure I speak for the whole Branch when I say that we do not know how to meet this loss. Nearly fourteen years of work and intercourse and growth have made her thoroughly in sympathy with and in command of the duties committed to her. Her rare combination of physical as well as mental vigor united to warmth of heart and readiness of will have led us all to lean upon her in a great many things outside of her special department, as well as in it. It must be years before anyone can fill her place. For the present, at least, we hope that she will still carry forward such part of her wonted work as can be done at a distance, but it is with great sorrow that we give you Mrs. Fairchild’s address hereafter at Manchester, New Hampshire.

It seems fitting to mention here also the name of Mrs. J. W. Tuck, of New Britain, who was to have been present with us to-day as one of the nominating committee. For fifteen years she has served as secretary and treasurer of the South church auxiliary in New Britain, and
her death, which took place May 2d, is a sore blow to her fellow-workers and a great loss to the Branch.

With such a record of death and change, when so many hands are laying down this work, may we not hope that every loss will stimulate to new or to greater zeal some whose help we want and have sought heretofore in vain? and shall it not lead us all to work and pray and give as never before?

Susan E. Daggett.
REPORT OF THE CORRESPONDING SECRETARY.

In the review of a year's work the New Haven Branch has to record many blessings, in the spared lives, health, and enlarged opportunities for service, as recorded by our eight missionaries, all at their posts, engaged in valuable work. To these we now add a ninth, Miss Emma M. Barnum, recently appointed by the Woman's Board, and soon to leave with her parents for Turkey to teach in Euphrates college or engage with the Misses Bush and Seymour, in evangelistic work in the villages and country, from which the students in the college are gathered, and to which they return as teachers or preachers.

In addition, we support twenty-five Bible women or native missionaries, as we may well call them, three valuable native teachers, and seventy-seven scholars in boarding schools, besides eleven day schools, wholly or in part. We hold for the children three thousand shares in the Morning Star mission, and have paid seven hundred dollars for land and building purposes in Bombay, India, Fung-Cho, China, and for the training school in Kioto, Japan.

Feeling assured that the Master was calling us this year to a step in advance, we gladly responded to an urgent appeal from our Board to raise $2,200 as an extra for the erection of a new and much needed building for the Marsovan boarding school, one-half of which sum we have raised.
Africa.

The history of missions the last year exceeds in progress and thrilling interest the story of the missions of a century on any other continent since the opening of the Christian era. In four days from London one can reach the borders of the Soudan, a vast region, still almost untouched by the gospel, concerning which the church seems to be silently waiting for some political or providential movement to open a highway for the Lord. But in the southern, eastern and along hundreds of miles of the western coast, mission stations have been commenced, from which lines of highway are being opened for the gospel toward the more promising interior regions.

The Congo Free State, equal in area to two and a half Europes, with a population of nearly fifty millions, belts the continent, and is sustained by the enterprise of fifteen of the great powers. In every field the natives are learning that the missionaries are their true friends, and their errand, one of peace and mercy. Still, hidden away in the heart of the continent, waiting for the light are hundreds of tribes and thousands of souls, sitting in darkness without one ray of hope, and as yet no messenger but the merciless Arab slave trader has ever found them out.

Men, giants in faith and courage, have toiled and prayed to God and His church for help for Africa, and still the cry continues to come, and never in more imperative accents than to-day. When our Zulu missionaries were invited to Umzillas country, they were obliged to wait for men and money, and while they waited, the opening was occupied by the Roman Catholic missionaries, and when the Zulu deputation arrived, they were told, "you came too late;" and possibly this may be said of many another open door.
The Royal Niger Company controls a large territory in the interior, and favors Christian and philanthropic work. The African Lakes Company has the trade and commerce, around the head waters of the Niger, and is everywhere known by the just, honorable, and Christian principles upon which its business is conducted. These, and the Christian Colony and States on the South, with Sierra Leone and Liberia on the West, unconscious though they may be, are all helping advance the cause of missions. Slavery, and that "accursed thing," rum, which is being sent from America at the rate of three thousand gallons a day, are carrying death, and a moral degradation worse than death, at a rate that is appalling. But the work of forty Christian missions is bearing fruit, and all but three or four of these missions report the past year to have been one of growth and special blessing.

Atrocities, equal in barbarity to any recorded in the annals of the church, have been perpetrated in the East Central Missions, and the malicious influence of the Roman Catholic missionaries, and Portuguese traders have caused sad disappointments and hindrances. But for our encouragement we hear of great numbers in Basutola flocking to the mission stations, and of services of deep and solemn interest with often as many as two thousand in an audience. The Scotch mission at Blantyre reports a thousand, young and old, in their schools, and the missions on the Congo are full of promise.

The Moravian missionary, Geo. Schmidt, carried the gospel to South Africa a hundred and fifty years ago, and planted the seeds of truth in many hearts, but was banished from Cape Colony by the Boers, for "preaching to dogs," and after returning to his native land, died on his knees pleading for his beloved Hottentots. Long years that seed was apparently lost, but now we hear of
twelve thousand converts, and eighty thousand Hottentots, asking to be taught. The seed was not lost, but waiting God's time.

The last year has been one of great trial to the Zulu mission, caused by sickness, death, and removals, among their own number, but it has been a year of marked progress in their work, and increase in church membership and the blessing of God has rested upon all departments of work. The native christians are gaining the confidence and respect of the English residents, and the growth of the temperance cause has added much to the influence and respectability of the christian community, and has been a means to a higher standard of christian living. Several Christian Endeavor Societies have been organized, which have drawn the younger men and women into evangelical and christian work, greatly aiding and strengthening the missionaries.

The efficiency and zeal of those converts who have volunteered as assistant missionaries to Umzillas land, to the East African Mission and in the service of the London Society's work in Matabele's land, have proved most satisfactorily that the true spirit of missions, and a sense of responsibility in obedience to the command of our Lord, rests upon these young mission churches. Manual training and industrial departments have been added to all branches of education, from the primary to the theological, giving to the rising generation of Zulus, a new and much needed stimulus, that promises well for their future. The English authorities have borne honorable and repeated testimony to the beneficial influence of our missionaries in Natal, because they have secured "thrift, peace, and good order" in their several stations. In return the Colonial government makes generous "grants-in-aid" to all mission schools which have industrial departments, in some cases nearly doubling their efficiency.
The Inanda Seminary still holds its high rank, and maintains its large number. The new building, with two rooms in the old one, were planned to accommodate sixty girls, but they have taken sixty-five, including nineteen from heathen kraals, who were urgent in their petitions to be received. Among these last was a cripple, unable to walk except on her hands and knees, a member of the church and a very warm-hearted Christian. She commenced to learn in one of the mission kraal schools, and there was taught to cut and make her own clothes, being the only person clothed in a large kraal. She had long wished to attend the Seminary, and be able to teach, but the path was long and difficult, and it was only after much pleading that she succeeded in getting her brothers to help her part of the way in a wheelbarrow. She climbed on her hands and knees over a very steep and rocky hill, which Mrs. Edwards says, "I never attempted to descend or climb on horseback, but I sent oxen and a cart for the rest of the way."

The new building is to be called Edwards Hall in recognition of the long and valuable services of our good Mrs. Edwards. It provides comfortable accommodations and we trust better sanitary conditions for the teachers and scholars who have patiently endured the crowding and discomforts of past years. The gardens cultivated by the pupils have yielded more than half their food, and saved a third of the cost of their provisions. This work is given to those girls who are not able to pay the amount required upon entering, and gives them the honorable satisfaction of paying their own tuition, and other fees, by their own labor. All share in the general work of the family and earn their pennies for contributions.

Mrs. Edwards' wise and judicious plans have infused the very best elements, as well as the noblest Christian
principles into the characters of the girls and women under her influence. An old friend, after an absence of several years, returned to Natal, and on visiting this school, said most enthusiastically, in view of the great improvements, "Mrs. Edwards ought to be very happy and rejoicing all the time." Fourteen of the scholars are church members, and a large number are in a class of inquirers. One of the scholars wrote to a friend in America, "Please do not forget to pray for Africa, and for Mrs. Edwards, for the Inanda Seminary, that it may be a blessing to all who come to it, and make them live a better life and bring others to Christ."

The East Central African Mission is yet in its infancy, and evangelistic work, with Bible translations and printing, occupy, mainly, the time and strength of the missionaries. From the first, native Christian assistants from the Zulu mission have given efficient aid, doing all the work of printing, and often finish two thousand pages a day, so that the completion of the New Testament in the Sheitswa language is not far distant.

Dalita Isaac, our Zulu missionary at Mongive station, has been engaged in Bible translation, almost from the commencement of the mission. In September she wrote "I have finished the gospels, and began Acts to-day. I expected to find Acts easier, because it is more like a story, but I do not find it any easier so far." In March, 1889, "the translation has gone as far as Philippians, and I am looking forward to the time when it will all be done, and I can begin my kraal school, and work again. There is so much waiting to be done, and no one to do it." Her letters show that this young missionary is growing into a deep and loving interest in the simple people for whom she is laboring, sympathizing with all their sufferings, and telling them of Jesus and redemption. One day she went with a company of mourners
into a dense forest, where, some of the way, they were obliged to crawl to reach the lonely spot chosen for laying away the wee baby, whose weeping mother, on her knees, whispered into its ear, before the earth was closed over it, "Wait quietly, my darling, I, too, am coming to-morrow." To us, here, to-day, comes the solemn question, but where and to whom could such a heathen go, to find the way to the cleansing blood of Jesus, which alone can fit her to dwell with her innocent baby in the home of the redeemed? In reply, we thank God that we have one, at least, ready for such service. And our dear Mrs. Edwards has others, who, like this good young woman, could go to help on the blessed work; but where is the money to send them?

Dalita recently adopted a starving baby, which at three months was no larger than a new-born infant should be, whose father had said it had better be buried alive, but Mrs. Richards plead with him to spare it, and with his consent she wrapped it in her handkerchief and gave it to Dalita, who at the end of six months tells us with joy of the little "Neje" she hopes to train up for the service of the Lord. Mrs. Edwards has much satisfaction in many of the young graduates, and for the education and training of such your money is solicited; and we beg your prayers for the Holy Spirit's power and guidance when they go forth in the master's service.

In Austria one missionary with his faithful wife, aided by some five or six Bohemian helpers, carry on all the varied work of our mission. They sustain some fifty weekly services, in the different stations, and are justly called, a "bright light" in the very dark place. In a country where Romanism is the state religion, and only thirty-five per cent. of the population can read or write, there can be but little light or freedom. All religious meetings not conducted by a Roman Catholic priest,
must be a private character, and each person that attends
is obliged to bring a card of special invitation, while all
children of school age are forbidden to attend. The
first church was organized in 1880, now there are three
with a membership of two hundred and twenty-two, fifty-nine having been added the last year. They hold their
faith against the most persistent and bitter opposition,
and the mission exists under continued menace and
threats, from the priests and the authorities.

Large numbers of Bohemians have within a few years
come to this land of freedom, and in Cleveland and
Chicago, the returned missionaries, Schaufller and
Adams, have met with marked success in their efforts to
gather them into mission schools, and churches.

In May last, eleven Roman Catholic converts were
received to the mission church in Prague, and very soon
a petition was prepared, urging the Parliament in ses­sion at Vienna, “to put a stop to this mission work”; but we are thankful to hear that it still goes on. Their
Young Men’s Christian Association at Prague has been
very successful, notwithstanding the bitterest opposition
of both priest and laymen. The work of this mission
has been greatly facilitated by the generous circulation
of the Scriptures and Christian books. The “Batanie,”
a monthly paper, has a growing circulation and many
copies reach the Bohemians in America.

The Kraabschitz Seminary for young women has
maintained its standard of first class work, and is among
the most highly valued agencies in this mission, being
the only Protestant Young Ladies School in Austria
which can supply teachers trained in evangelical truth.
There have been only thirty-five scholars the last year,
owing to the very hard times. It would be a blessed
thing for Austria if the number could be multiplied
many times. The report from the graduates has been
very creditable, showing faithful Christian work as well as superior teaching. The Seminary has superior advantages and training for teachers, in all matters of practical life, and gives a thorough education in the truths and ethics of the Bible.

In Ceylon heathenism is decidedly on the wane. The higher and educated class will not contribute for its support, the priests can only by threats and extortion, compel the coolies and lower castes to keep up the expenses of their temples and public ceremonies.

The last report was very encouraging. There was a general quickening of religious activity, and quite a number of additions to the fourteen churches. One missionary wrote, "We all prayed, worked, and waited on the Lord, daily, for this blessing, and our hearts are filled with praise, as we see Christians aroused, sinners inquiring, and one after another ready to leave their heathenism. At Manepy, a week was set apart for special meetings, three and four a day, and now every house welcomes the Christian. Mrs. Howland wrote, "I sing in my heart all the day long."

One in thirteen of the population of Ceylon are in schools, many of which are under the management of missionaries. Jaffna College has, for fourteen years, sent out well educated men, many of them decidedly Christian, into all the important spheres and callings of the day. The churches without exception support their pastors, and with rare exceptions the members give a tenth of their income, for distinctively Christian work, many are very poor but those that have no money gladly contribute produce or labor.

In the Girls' Boarding Schools, although a large proportion of the scholars come from heathen families, they rarely graduate without giving evidence of Christian character, and many become members of the church.
Year after year, a decidedly earnest Christian spirit pervades the Udupitty School. Eleven graduated last year, all Christians, most of whom returned to heathen homes, carrying the gospel leaven, and for such the teachers beg our importunate prayers. Word has come from several of these graduates that they do not hide their light under a bushel, but are gathering the women and children of their villages to hear or read the story of the gospel. The children in all the mission schools are trained into service, and even the little ones go in companies with the Christian Endeavor Societies, long distances to sing in their meetings. The Government examination was held in January and the report was much better than the previous year, and gave the mission a claim for a larger grant, which will be a great help in the expenses. In February a new class of nine was received, all but one from Christian families, and the exceptional one was from the most heathenish portion of the Udupitty field.

The work of the Bible women is one of the most important agencies for the salvation of the people. The women in Ceylon have more power and influence than on the continent of India, and Christian work in the homes has a proportionately greater weight. Mrs. Howland writes: "Our four Bible Women have done a good work, having had one hundred and thirty women under instruction, and now nearly half can read the Bible." Miss Leitch told us many pleasant things of our three. Mrs. Muttu, who has been located many years in Uduppity, is a woman of great spiritual power, earnest, and whole hearted, has prepossessing manners, a beautiful, intelligent face, and with her sweet voice, sings the gospel, as well as reads and teaches it, in the homes she visits, and with God's blessing, has led many souls to Christ. Mrs. Alfred, a widow, with several children
is devoted, faithful and earnest. An early graduate of the Udupitty School, through the instruction and training received there, she is qualified for the best of Christian work. Mrs. Ramsay and Chinnapulli are also doing valuable work in Manepy.

In China, with her four hundred millions of people, speaking one language, under one government, raised high in the scale of civilization, and listening in many places with readiness, to the messages of truth, is found to-day the most gigantic work ever laid before the church in any one country. The imperial decree, forbidding official interference with the missionaries in their work, has removed all public barriers, and now we can justly claim that China is ready for the gospel.

Mighty changes lie just before this nation, making the present a time of vital importance for introducing the leaven of the gospel. Thirty societies with a thousand missionaries are already on the ground, but what are they in a nation where thirty thousand die daily, a number almost equal to all the converts of to-day, after more than eighty years of mission service. Christian work in such a country must be planned according to what is to be accomplished; and we are able to possess, even this vast country, in the name of God, for He Himself has promised that “all the nations of the earth,” even “from the land of Sinim,” shall come into the kingdom. But we must remember what gigantic obstacles to justice and the true brotherhood of nations have been forced upon the Chinese by Christian powers and in the name of Jesus and trusting in divine help show them what true Christianity offers.

The American Board has four missions in China, but our interest has been confined to Kalgan, Tung-cho, Tientsin, and Pao-ting-fu, in the North China mission and the Foochow mission in the south. Since Miss
Andrews returned to America we have had no missionary in China, but we are hoping to find a medical missionary soon, since medical skill gains access to many important spheres, such as are reached in no other way, carrying the gospel to the rich, as well as the poor.

One Chinese lady, grateful for her recovery, paid Miss Woodhull a fee of thirty-two dollars and her husband afterward came to the mission house accompanied with music, fireworks and a tablet bearing the inscription “She gave her whole heart.” To the medical missionary, whose whole heart is filled with love for souls, such Christ-like avenues are most hopeful.

The Sabbath schools and Christian Endeavor Societies are doing a work that cannot be overestimated, preparing as they do, the rising generation, for active service.

In no other mission has it been so difficult to find well qualified native helpers. Among the Bible women employed, we have two. They all receive daily instruction preparatory to their work, and each missionary in turn accompanies some one Bible woman, on her rounds one day in the week, so as to teach them how to adapt their instructions wisely, according to the condition of the people. At their last annual meeting, the mission held special services for the women, which proved a very profitable experiment, for the women themselves prepared some excellent papers and addresses upon such subjects as “personal consecration.” Many interesting records come in letters, telling of the sacrifices of the christians, such as that of one poor woman who insisted upon loosening her feet although it caused most excruciating pain after fifty years of bandaging because as she said she could not think of “going to heaven deformed.” In Canton a city with eight hundred heathen temples, at the request of native citizens, a christian college has just been opened and Western civilization
as heretofore is no longer ignored by educated Chinese scholars.

The promising Girl’s Boarding School at Foochow has had a year of prosperity, although there has been considerable sickness, adding much to the labor of the Misses Newton and Garretson who are in charge. The average number of scholars has been thirty and there has been a manifest improvement in deportment and more enthusiasm in study the last year. Four have been received to church-membership and give good evidence of having a purpose to devote their lives to the service of Christ. Five graduates are employed in teaching, and they have added real strength to the educational agency of the mission.

Miss Evans writes, “Chao-nai-nai, your Bible woman at Tung-cho, loves her work, and is very faithful. At eight o’clock A.M. I have prayers and a short lesson in preparation for the day’s work, and in this way the last three years, I have gone over much ground in the Scriptures with her. After this preparation she goes out regularly on her rounds in the city and near villages through cold and heat, the year round. She teaches the women and girls, but what she most delights in, is talking about the Bible, growing more and more earnest as she takes up one theme after another. She is remarkable for her kindness to the poor, sharing her little income with them, and declining no service, however menial. She invites all to the Sabbath services and by her patient and persistent efforts, has brought many under the influence of the truth. The three Bible women have made in the year more than a thousand calls.

India, the great mission field of the world, has been called a veritable national enigma. And judged by the history and condition of other countries it is even more;
it stands a marvel unexplained by the experience of any other nation. No man, or number of men, by human means and plans alone could ever have gathered the factious elements of a continent like India, having a population of two hundred and fifty millions, speaking scores of different languages, and holding all the different faiths and beliefs known to man, under one common government, and kept them at peace decade after decade; but things impossible to man are possible with God, and He has united them, heathen, Mohammedan, and Romanists, under one christian government, ensuring encouragement and protection, for every philanthropic, christian, and educational effort. One of India's modern reformers, not a christian, declared that not England with her armies but "Christ rules India." And every honest mind is forced to admit, that only divine wisdom and an overruling providence could have wrought out this preparatory work, and left India, as it stands to-day, levelled, ploughed, and waiting for God's husbandmen to drop the seeds of truth into the hearts of her millions.

The growth of mission work, within the last few years, has been most encouraging, much of it in ways that cannot be reported in figures. The most gratifying results are found in the efforts for women; the substantial growth of the native churches; and the increase in the number and high standard of the mission schools and institutions of learning. Educated Hindus, realizing the progress of the christian faith, have organized societies, printed and circulated large editions of infidel tracts and books to refute the Bible. These have aroused a spirit of inquiry among those hitherto indifferent about the merits of their own religions compared with christianity, and now is the time for the people of God to pray, daily and importunately, that
the Holy Spirit be sent to enlighten the understanding of every heathen who may be searching for the truth. We cannot influence them, but we can influence Him, in whose hands are the hearts of all men, through our prayers.

The report of the work of twenty-eight Bible women in the Marathi mission, nine of them ours, is intensely interesting. They have had nearly six thousand audiences in the year, numbering in the aggregate eighty-five thousand persons, including the children. Huts and localities never reached by preacher or missionary are sought out by these faithful women, and when, at the end of one or six months, they are gathered for instruction by the missionary in charge, their experiences and the reports they bring are the most hopeful and touching of the whole year. Many Christian families in the remote villages come very little under the direct influence of the missionaries, but these women become missionaries to them, not only teaching the Bible, but how to order their families, train their children, and keep themselves and their houses wholesome and tidy. Even to heathen and high-caste families, they convey the moulding and elevating influences that are the legitimate fruits of Bible instruction. At the last meeting of her Bible women, Mrs. Bissell wrote that there were ten heathen women, whom Gungabai brought from a village, to join in singing the hymns, and recite the Bible verses she had taught them. At Wadale, fifty women, from seventeen different villages, came to one of these meetings, bringing reports of great interest; much of this interest in and around Wadale is due to the influence and efforts of our good old Gungabai.

There are twenty-seven churches in this mission, all self-supporting, which can be said of no other mission
in Western India. They contain not far from two thousand members, and their annual contributions reach about four thousand eight hundred dollars; a sum representing real sacrifice and self-denial. The work of this mission extends over a large territory. A native pastor in the extreme border writes, "twenty-two years ago in my district there were two christians. All the rest were sitting in the same darkness that has prevailed thousands of years. Now, we have four hundred believers in the christian fold, and there are scores of thousands, who have lost all confidence in their own gods, and are convinced of the truth of christianity."

The girls' boarding school in Ahmednagar has one hundred and forty scholars, with eighty-eight boarders, of whom we claim sixteen. Nineteen were received to the church the last year, and a large number are on probation. An article in a Bombay paper by an educated native gentleman, who had visited the school, reads thus: "The task of reforming the lower classes, which our reformers deem almost an impossible one, is, we see here, most successfully accomplished. We are constrained therefore to admit, that the missionaries have been a great boon to India. They have vividly shown to us, that caste is not a divine institution, and that education is not the birthright of a chosen few." As the scholars in this school are mostly from the Makar, or lower caste, this testimony becomes all the more significant. The educational work was never so promising as at present, and each school under a well trained christian teacher, seems like a new garden added to the possessions of the missionary. The government of India expends annually over eight million dollars upon its educational system, and last year bestowed grants in aid to over one hundred schools in the Marathi mission amounting to eleven thousand rupees.
The missionaries in Bombay have been much encouraged the last two years by pressing invitations to open schools for the higher caste girls in Parel, Worli and other suburban places. Also from Bassein, a neighboring town, and from a native state on the continent calls have come, though in all these places it is well understood that the Bible is used and daily religious instruction is given in all mission schools. The last two calls would have involved the mission in little or no pecuniary outlay, but they were declined for lack of suitable teachers. For the first three places named the mission had not one dollar in hand, and had received instructions to curtail expenses, and it was not without many anxious fears that the thought was entertained at all. But when a proud high caste heathen woman took the hand of the missionary, the first christian woman she had ever met, and with pleading voice said, "you must come and teach us, I have put the work of this village in the palm of your hand, and if this hand will not rise to do its work then this hand must give answer to the great God," what reply could be given other than "I will come." This was the open door for which the missionaries had been praying more than fifty years, and now, could they wait for permission from home to enter and for the money? Tremblingly, but in faith, they accepted the call and in a few months, from most unexpected quarters, sufficient money came for carrying on the three new day schools and the large and interesting Sabbath schools that have grown out of them, for six months. From their christian school, volunteer teachers have dropped their studies and gone in as teachers with no compensation but their food and clothes. These schools have opened the way for rare opportunities to christian work among the Kshatrias and other high castes, an hundred times more than Mrs. Hume can possibly take up.
The Christian High School at Bombay, the school for the children of native christians, carries pupils from the alphabet class through the High School department which fits for the University, and includes boys and girls. Opening in 1877 with fifteen children the last year closed with one hundred and twelve, though one hundred and fifty pupils were entered during the year. The system of co-education is here no longer an experiment, it has been tested and proved itself a success. There are two boarding departments in different localities. The boys’ dormitory near the school was built without any aid from America. The girls have a home in a very objectionable locality, with wholly unsuitable accommodations. For two years the missionaries have been urgently pleading for a new building, but they still plead in vain. Every member of the three upper classes is a christian and eight were received to the church the last year. Four, including one girl, applied for matriculation at the Government University, but to the great disappointment of their teachers only one was successful owing mainly to the illness and absence of teachers which had greatly crippled the school. Three graduates are now employed as teachers in the school and six others educated in this school are teaching and all are valuable in Sabbath schools, street preaching and other christian services.

The “Lend a Hand” Band numbers forty girls, who in odd minutes have earned their fees, and by the sale of garments they had made and some fees from honorary members closed their year with fifty rupees in their treasury. They meet every Sabbath to study the work of missions in other lands. The little girls’ society, the “Opportunity Seekers,” is led by one of the older scholars, who helps them to little services whenever opportunity offers. The Boys’ Band, “Well Wishers,”
are also growing into more active service, and have been gathering books or money to purchase them for libraries for poorer schools, and are very anxious for outside help. In all these ways we rejoice to hear how the dear children even in a heathen land may be trained in lives of christian service, and we are repaid one hundred fold for our part in such a work.

A Parsee gentleman recently sent to this school four rupees as a prize to be awarded for devotion to duty, and the next month he sent one hundred rupees "with all good wishes for your school," and a pleasant notice of the school appeared in the "Indian Spectator," of which this same gentleman is editor.

It is not easy to define the work and circumstances of our missionaries in India, for it embraces every kind of service, from washing the disciples' feet to translating the Word of God, and from sleeping on a mat in a filthy rest-house to telling native princes on state occasions about the wisdom and attainments of scholars and statesmen in christian lands. Among the men and women that have gone from America there are many whose record of work even in that tropical climate seems almost fabulous. Dr. Chester of the Madura mission, after twenty-five years of service came home to rest awhile, expecting to welcome among the recruits enrolled for service many that would rejoice to take up the grand work he had left. Finding neither the rest nor the men he hastened back at the end of some six or eight months with one missionary and his wife, saying: "My work will not wait," and "on a moderate calculation I have felt five hundred thousand pulses in India, and if God spares my life to return I hope to feel the pulses of five hundred thousand more." This is all in one line, but it is a fair sample of the zeal and fidelity of many others. The grandeur, vastness and pressing calls for christian
work is an inspiration that is rarely found in Christian lands, and the young men and women that wish to do their very best for the world and their Saviour can nowhere find a nobler inspiration than India offers to-day.

Miss D. M. Root, our young missionary, is located in Madura, and still gives much of her time to the study of Tamil, but at the close of this hot season expects to take up her specific work. She has given us very interesting accounts of her first experiences and among them nothing seems to have been more inspiring than the appearance and attainments of the native Christians. The sight of such large numbers of pastors, helpers, catechists and teachers when gathered for their conferences are her great delight. Only recently gathered from among the heathen, yet their intelligent faces and quiet manners are a great contrast to those usually met on the street, and prove beyond question that a nobler influence has entered their lives. In these gatherings, essays and discussions by all classes upon subjects of interest in mission work offer the best opportunities for seeing what is doing in the whole field. Meetings of all kinds are held, social and religious, for the missionaries and their families, as well as for the Christian natives, and they are anticipated and enjoyed as the great events of the year, always closing with a communion service.

Eleven Bible women are employed in the city of Madura, and four of the choicest of these belong to the scattered family of the New Haven Branch. The women and girls they teach in their homes can never meet with the people of God in public assembly, but we believe that in their heathen homes many of them are sitting at the feet of Jesus. The Bible truth, dropped into the minds and hearts of some nine hundred interested learners, is like the work of the sappers and mi-
ners, taking away the very foundations of error. The most encouraging part lies not alone in showing the folly of Hinduism, but in first interesting them in something better. Educated men in India recognize the follies of their old beliefs, and at once seize upon the fallacies of atheism and infidelity. But the women are first told of Jesus and his love, and then in gentle terms and with loving words they are invited to think for themselves what must be true, and what false, and there are many, who, like one of whom our Bible woman, after she had made a second visit, wrote, "I asked her if she had prayed, and her reply was, 'Oh, yes, I prayed for light, and it seemed to come direct from heaven, and I can see that no stone image, or bath in the Ganges, could ever make my heart clean.'" We believe that hundreds of these secluded women, who have been taught to look to Jesus for light, will find it, for he is the true light that lighteth every one that cometh into the world.

Gnanapirakasi, our oldest Bible woman, still goes on with her faithful house-to-house visits. Although deeply bereaved by the loss of her "dear and honored mother," Mrs. Capron, she writes, "we shall pray God to give you a purpose to return to us, and may God hear our prayer. For such a dear mother to go away and leave us is an unspeakable sorrow." Of one of her Zenana pupils she says, "we went often to read the Bible to her, and pray with her. When we spoke of Jesus, and salvation through him, she listened gladly, and shortly before her death repeated verses and hymns she had learned, and expressed a wish to have her child trained for God, and gave it up, saying, 'they who are clothed in white have come, and they call me.' All who saw her were astonished at the change. Another woman in her sickness talked of Christ to everyone who came, telling them she was going to the kingdom, for which Christ had made her ready."
The girls’ boarding school is one from which we always expect good news, and this year we are not disappointed. There have been one hundred and seventy-seven names on the year’s list, with seventy-six boarders, two-thirds of them Christians, eighteen having been received to church membership during the year. For many weeks a real revival spirit was manifest among the girls, and many were moved to make confessions of sins and shortcomings, and all of their meetings for prayer were solemn and earnest. Among other successful experiments, Miss Swift has inaugurated the plan of employing the Normal class as teachers in the primary department, and the results are very encouraging. Almost every girl that graduates from this school carries with her an earnest purpose and a true womanliness that makes them valuable as teachers and respected in the community.

In Micronesia, the little Morning Star still carries on its work of love and mercy from one island to another, and one of the missionaries said the other day, “the mission in Micronesia could not be carried on without her.” The sad experiences of the previous year, which well nigh wiped out mission work on some of the beautiful islands, has been followed by a year of comparative peace. In justice to facts it should be stated that the peaceful settlement of affairs, and the averting of a bloody and exterminating war, were due to the personal influence and prompt exertions of the missionaries, and are acknowledged to be due to them by the Spanish authorities themselves. But it will take many years to recover from the sad desolations, and unrestrained license of the Spaniards upon taking possession of the Caroline islands.

In Japan each year seems to outstrip the previous one, in the growth and development of this interesting
country. It would almost seem as if our Father in heaven, wearied with the indifference and delays of his children, in giving the Gospel to the nations, had taken this beautiful "Sunrise Kingdom," shut off as it is from the rest of the world, into his own hands, to show that he can work independent of human instrumentalities, and that "a nation born in a day," according to the divine vocabulary, is not a mere figure of speech. This new year, eighteen eighty-nine, has already given to Japan a new constitution, promulgated from the throne of the Mikado, assuring the right of suffrage, freedom of speech and religious freedom to every subject. All the old edicts against Christianity have been wiped out, and now everyone in Japan can worship according to the dictates of his own conscience as truly as in the U. S. A. The Bible is completed in their own language, schools with Christian teachers are being opened in every part of the kingdom, the children are taught the principles and morals of the Bible, and an entire change has been wrought in favor of the rightful position of woman.

In a recent Christian revival in Tokio, five hundred were converted in a month, and an extensive interest awakened in Christianity. Over four thousand were added to the churches of the different missions during the last year and every department of Christian work has been improving beyond the experience of any previous year. Officials and many influential people listen respectfully, if not gladly, to the claims of Christianity and seem anxious to know what the truth is. A large number of young men and women are receiving a Christian education in the Doshisha schools, and their influence will soon be felt throughout the country.

The boarding schools for girls have large numbers in attendance, and are conducted by our missionaries, though entirely supported by the Japanese. One school,
at Kumamoto, was started by the native Christians a year ago, with nine scholars, and now there are fifty, whom the missionaries say it is a pleasure to teach. Their plan is for "plain living and high thinking." The first is proved, since the cost of each boarder is two dollars per month; the last we can tell about when they graduate.

Our two missionaries, Mrs. DeForest in Sendai, and Miss Judson in Niigata, are both in Northern Japan, where mission work is comparatively new, and education, rather than religion, made the openings for them, but our missionaries never separate the two. They carry the Word of God everywhere and the Japanese are fast learning that the education America sends to them is based upon the truths and principles of Christianity. Christian women from America are filling most important positions. The Misses Talcott, Gulick, Colby and others on their tours do much the same work as the men, having audiences of hundreds, and in them are many men just as eager as the women for the Gospel.

Mrs. DeForest writes enthusiastically of the work of the schools and says of herself, when on a tour she was obliged for hours to sit on her heels trying to be sociable, in a foreign tongue, her fitness for missionary work was severely tested. Her Sunday morning class for women and girls numbers from sixteen to twenty-four, of whom four have recently been baptized. One of them is a blind music teacher, another is a remarkably intelligent lady, the wife of a teacher in the government school. Through her influence, her husband has been reformed from drinking habits and seems very near the kingdom. The third is a promising girl of sixteen, and the fourth, rather younger, belongs to a poor family that was not able to give her an education. Some relative, wishing to adopt and educate her, invited her to
come to them; but when they insisted upon her giving up her religion, even the asking a blessing upon her rice, she declared that she would not do that, even if they killed her, and she was sent home. Since then, through the influence of one of the missionaries, she has received the funds necessary to enter school, and having endured such a test before baptism, they are expecting that she will prove a valuable character and useful woman.

Miss Judson is called a "tremendous worker," and the school in Niigata is where just such a woman is needed. We can hardly think of a place, where true christian living, and working, could accomplish more than in a boarding school for Japanese girls, just gathered from among the heathen, eager to learn, but having no love for the Saviour. Her school numbers ninety-five, gathered from nine cities, most of whom were unwilling to hear about the Bible at first. There has been a constantly increasing interest, in the truth, and now, twenty-five are in the church, two of whom have announced a purpose to become missionaries among their own people. These girls grow into great delight, with the christian ideas of social and home life, so foreign to the customs among their own people, and appreciate the family prayers, sitting around a table together and the christian and refining influences they find in the society and home of their American teachers.

In Mexico, the American Board has two missions but the interest of the New Haven Branch is mainly confined to Northern Mexico, where a large spiritual blessing has been enjoyed the last year. New stations have been opened, and the seventh church in three years, was recently organized. In twelve months, over a thousand copies of the Scriptures were sold, beside large numbers of tracts and books. Mr. Crawford wrote of selling one
hundred dollars' worth of Bibles, in one day, in a mining town, and great hopes are based upon such an extensive Bible circulation.

We are very thankful to report that our Mrs. Eaton has been relieved and strengthened by the arrival of an assistant, which, it is expected, will enable them to enlarge their school work. Mrs. Eaton's Sabbath school class of women, numbers forty, nearly all of whom regularly attend the weekly prayer meeting, and every woman in the church, feels the responsibility of sharing in Christian work. Dr. Paschal, an American physician, presided at the school exhibition, at the close of the year, and awarded the prizes. The exercises consisted of music, recitations and compositions with a 'motion song' in English, by the little ones. Prizes were given for excellence in lessons, punctuality, deportment, cleanliness and sewing. The children were more than delighted with the sewing bags, and dissected pictures, sent by circles from our Branch. Each of the thirty-five children received some little remembrance and the contents of the sewing bags, seemed to them very marvelous. During the year, the names of forty girls and twenty-eight boys were enrolled. For various reasons, the boys' department was to have been suspended but the people remonstrated loudly, and volunteered to raise nearly all of the teacher's salary, and so the boys will go on with their studies, for the present. Their teacher is a young man that is studying for the ministry, reciting to Mr. Eaton twice a day and has joined the City Institute, for one class.

The girls' school opened this year with much promise, having four very nice girls as boarders, from ten to fourteen years old. The two oldest are members of the church, and all are trying to live as Christians, and give their teachers great joy. Even the two youngest have
commenced to take part in their little meetings. The grandfather of one of these girls, is a full blooded Indian, and was taken to the U. S. when ten years old, to be educated for a missionary, but his benefactor died, and he returned without having become a christian. Now the little granddaughter says, "I do not forget to pray for him every day, that God will touch his heart."

One young man, is a wonderful example of what the Holy Spirit can do unaided for the human heart. He has received very little instruction, but he loves Christ, and is determined to follow Him. His parents burn every tract or religious book he brings into the house, and his precious testament he only keeps by concealing it and his only chance for reading it, is in odd moments, when away at work. The father says he would rather have his son a murderer, than a protestant, and his grandmother declares, that he ought to be burned, with all his heretical books; but he stands firm, as many others have, under all their persecutions. Our school at Sonora, has been suspended, but it is hoped when better accommodations are found it can be resumed.

In all the seven churches the women hold prayer meetings on Tuesday afternoons, and at these gatherings this sisterhood grows in strength and feels comforted with the blessed thought of being gathered 'around one common mercy seat.' But all is not peace and progress yet in Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Eaton were stoned and very badly treated in one place recently, but after patient forbearance and some adroit plans, he succeeded in getting a hearing, but the noisy interruptions and bitter spirit prevented their making any apparent good impression. But where the people have once learned something of what the Bible teaches, they are usually eager to hear more.

The poor Mexicans everywhere believe still that Guadalupe is their protector, and the goddess of mines,
water and commerce, and that she was with God the Creator when he made the mountains and placed the veins of gold and silver among the rocks and everlasting hills. And to those who are the most faithful in their devotions to our 'August Lady' she will reveal the secret place where the richest pockets are concealed.

In Turkey the authorities are bitterly opposed to all protestant missions, and especially to educational work; so that efforts for the Turks are almost wholly fruitless. But for the judicious intervention of United States Minister Straus serious restrictions and disaster would inevitably have fallen upon the schools in Turkey. The pressure of excessive taxation, famine and fire have seriously retarded much of the progress and plans for mission work, yet, notwithstanding all these hindrances, both schools and churches have made commendable progress. The efforts of the little protestant communities to sustain their own institutions under such disadvantages prove that they are in earnest and deserve our aid and sympathy. The foreign protestant influence at the capital gives much encouragement to the evangelical portion of the native community and serves to hold in check Turkish intolerance. Many of the men of the future, being fitted for influence and power are in the protestant schools and colleges, and it is a matter of the deepest moment that they be thoroughly taught the Bible and enthused with the claims of christianity.

It is encouraging to hear that the foreign ladies in Constantinople have formed a women's christian association and meet weekly for prayers, having for their subject the texts on the Bible Union cards, of which some three or four thousand are circulated in English, and this year four thousand in Armenian, with a large number in Greek and German. These little messengers are a portion of the leaven that is permeating the whole em-
pire, yea more, the whole world. Turks and christians, rich and poor, find the gospel in some form, almost everywhere, and it is one of our first duties to pray that the Holy Spirit carry home to the heart all the messages, written or spoken, that point to the one name given under heaven whereby man can be saved.”

The ‘Home Beautiful’, on the hill at Scutari, is the delight of all who know anything of its history and influence. Our beloved missionary, Miss Fensham, is one of the moulding influences there and one of the graduates of each year we count as belonging to our company of educated workers. The influence of the christian life and educational work of this school is felt far and wide in the empire. The pupils, on returning to their homes or where they engage in christian work, carry a valuable influence, and their advice as well as their lives becomes an important factor in the uplifting of their people.

The school opened this year with fewer members than usual, and some of the new pupils came with feelings hostile to christianity. The most recent information tells of a revival in this school of great depth, reaching almost every pupil. The strong christian characters of a number of the girls has overborne the worldliness of others, so that now eighty girls from nearly half a score of different nationalities compose a most delightful christian family, and rarely anything occurs to mar the spirit of harmony. Ten graduated last summer, and the teachers spoke of them as “a class of much promise.” Six were professing christians and all but one earnest promising girls. Four graduates are teaching in the Home school and prove valuable assistants, sharing in the weekly teachers’ prayer meetings and other general work.

The death of Dr. Bliss has been a great loss to the teachers and the institution will long miss one of its
wisest counsellors and one of its trusted friends. He always more than filled his place as trustee, and one of the teachers writes, "we always felt safe in following his advice and sure of his judgment. The good that Dr. Bliss has done in the Orient by his personal influence and his work is not easily calculated and his loss is felt all over the country."

Marsovan occupies a central position in the western Turkey mission, and is one of the most important stations. Here there are large and well sustained schools of all grades, from the kindergarten to the college and theological seminary, which supply ministers, teachers, Bible women and all the assistants required to carry on Christian work in their large field. This whole educational system is penetrated and controlled by a most earnest, aggressive, and Catholic spirit.

The girls' boarding school has raised its standard to a fair correspondence with the college, and offers as thorough instruction as any school for girls in the Turkish empire. The New Haven Branch for many years has had special interest in this school through the support of their oldest and best native teacher, Miss Felician, and the continuous support of ten pupils. This year our interest has been increased by an urgent call for a large and much needed building for this school, to which we have responded by assuming the entire expense. A former building was also erected with contributions from this Branch, and hereafter we may feel like calling this our school, though the commendable ambition of the Armenians toward self-support encourages us to expect that the time is not far away when the Protestant Armenians will ask the privilege of supporting all their educational institutions and calling them their own.

The growth and stability of the little Protestant communities around Marsovan for a hundred miles or more,
show that a grand foundation has been laid for the truth. There has been more and better work in the higher branches in the girls' school the last year, and the department for Greek girls, in their own language, has been quite satisfactory. There were eighty-five scholars and fifteen graduates, and eight were engaged at once as teachers.

The women's weekly meetings in Marsovan are always full of interest, numbering from sixty to one hundred. Once a month they are conducted as mothers' meetings, and from these grow up the most precious home influences.

The school in Talas, near Cesarea, was kept waiting year after year for permission from the government to erect new buildings, and for the return from America of Miss Closson, their beloved teacher. The year 1888 brought both, and this school, so long a joy to the missionaries, has the promise of increased usefulness. It is not a new building they have true, but a large commodious house has been obtained in a more elevated part of the city, and the best of blessings has rested upon the work there. There were only eighty scholars last year, a smaller number than in former years, but with the better accommodations and new plans there is much promise for the coming years.

Of our day-schools, in Sert, Egin, Arabkir and Hoh, Dr. Barnum says, they are a part of the foundation stones upon which the whole educational work in Turkey is built. The children are not only taught to read and write, but they are taught the Word of God daily, and learn of Jesus, whose life they are urged to imitate and study; and in this way they are being trained into an ambition for education and Christian work, which in a few years will lead them to the higher institutions of learning.
In Euphrates college, Harpoot, Eastern Turkey, we have five scholarships. Including the primary department, there are two hundred and forty pupils, forty-four being in the college proper. Among the graduates of last year were five girls, all christians, which may also be claimed of the graduates of previous years. The change in public opinion concerning early marriages is very favorable, as now parents can allow their daughters to complete their course of study without compromising their respectability or chances of marriage. Among the college girls thirty are church members who are looking forward to christian work.

It would add much to the interest of this report if we could describe the long tours of the Misses Bush and Seymour in the cities and villages of the Harpoot field. Hundreds of miles, over the worst of roads, these faithful missionaries go on horseback to the homes of their old pupils, or to the schools and churches in which the little protestant communities welcome them with words of love and gratitude, which we cannot translate into English. They find the people literally hungry for the “bread of life,” which these good women decline no sacrifice in carrying to them.

The girls’ boarding school in Bitlis is one of great value to that far-away mission field, and all who are familiar with the work of the Misses Ely will remember what special blessings have rested upon their labors. The school numbers ninety-three, with forty boarders. One of the faithful and valuable teachers in this school is Salveen.

European Turkey has always been a difficult field for mission work, having to meet not only the hatred of the Mohammedan power and the bitter persecuting spirit of the Greek hierarchy everywhere, but also the political undercurrent concentrated in Bulgaria, which in its local
schemes antagonizes the ambitions and interests of the dominant powers of Europe and Asia. The last year, notwithstanding threatenings to the contrary, has been one of peace in Bulgaria, leaving her people free to consider as never before the claims of the gospel. Larger numbers have been added to the churches, and more interest in studying the word of God has been manifest than ever before.

The Bulgarians are rapidly awakening to the importance of education for the coming generations to enable them to meet the exigencies of church and state, and now is the all-important season for the entrance of the law of God.

The Bible women are recognized in this mission as in many others as an important agency. They have been remarkably successful among the children in gathering them for religious meetings and interesting them in temperance and Sabbath school work. The whole people are in a waiting and responsive attitude, and with the better schools and new churches with their pastors, there is much encouragement to hope for still greater blessings in the near future.

Mrs. Bond, our missionary in Monastir, in addition to her medical work and home duties, has been obliged to do a good deal of nursing the sick, and finds among the suffering ones the best opportunities for sowing the good seed and pointing to the great physician. Her little boys' mission band "Well Doers" has just sent ten dollars and ninety cents to the American Board for mission work among the heathen on the Dark continent.

In Spain the work of our one ordained missionary and his wife and one assistant from America, has for its center San Sebastian, one of the sea-coast resorts, from which in distances from ten to one hundred miles thirteen out-stations have been commenced, having in all
ten churches, seven pastors, and about four hundred and fifty members. Such results of eighteen years of mission work in such a country are very satisfactory. The main line of work has been, as it always must be in Roman catholic countries, acquainting the people with the Bible, the revealed word of God, and early educating the children away from the superstitious rites and claims of men into a knowledge of Christ and salvation through him alone.

The interest of this mission centers largely in the girls' school at San Sebastian, which provides a thorough christian education for girls superior to any other in Spain. It is conducted on the Mt. Holyoke plan, and is an honor to its model, and the noble women that originated and have conducted it. It numbers at present thirty-two boarders and eighty day scholars. Three, all earnest christians, were graduated last summer, and one of them has since offered herself as a missionary to the Spanish speaking people in Northern Africa. Five members of the school were received to the church during the year. An active Christian Endeavor society has been organized embracing the entire school, which means a society having one hundred and twelve members.

Careful instruction in vocal and instrumental music has given popularity to the school and opened the way to acquaintance with many influential people, which must help to remove the prejudices of these bigoted Roman catholics. Our missionaries in Spain, though pronounced in their beliefs and faithful in their teachings, have been so judicious that many have been won to the truth by showing them the true and only right way, rather than by exposing error. The school has long been outgrowing its accommodations and there is pressing need of just such an institution in buildings of its own, endowed, at least in a measure, which shall meet the growing demands of this interesting country.
One poor woman in Marsovan, dying of consumption, exclaimed, “Oh! how happy I am! how happy! Rejoice with me!! It is wedding day to me. Rejoice and be glad, for I am going to be with Jesus!!”

A sweet girl of sixteen in the Bombay school fell suddenly but peacefully “asleep in Jesus,” while saying, “the Father has called me, let me go to my Father.”

Another, in Africa, whispered as she drew her last breath, “sing, sing asleep in Jesus;” and with the last strains of the song she sweetly slept in Jesus.

Numberless such songs of joy are continually being added to the swelling chorus of heaven. And with these triumphant death-bed experiences that come echoing over the seas to-day, may there not be blended the inquiry, dear sisters, have you not received the hundred-fold already!

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COUNTY REPORTS AND ABSTRACTS.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY—NORTHERN DIVISION.

The net gain of the year is one auxiliary. A new mission circle has been formed but an old one has withdrawn from us. Three towns have contributed to the permanent fund of the Branch, and in nearly every auxiliary mite boxes have been distributed for the Marsovan Seminary building.

Bethel.—The regular monthly meetings have been interesting enough to attract some of the young ladies. Sagunabai, a Bible woman in India, is the first thought of the society. A substantial gift was sent at New Year’s for the Marsovan building.

The Busy Bees took a mid-summer vacation with the penny plan to work out: and results show that four pennies made eight dollars! The story of how those pennies increased by means of a few sweet pea seeds, flowers, aprons and other wonderful things would be most instructive.

Brookfield Center.—Seven members compose the auxiliary. The long illness and death of their president, the pastor's wife, has been a great affliction. The mite boxes for Marsovan, in which she took special interest, were opened at Easter and the contents sent as a memorial of Mrs. Pierce. Ten copies of the missionary monthlies are in circulation and thirteen Daysprings are subscribed for by the Sunday School children; there
should have been fourteen—as one child is “awful sorry not to have taken it this year.”

Danbury.—First church. The nine meetings of the year have been better attended than usual, averaging one quarter the number of members. More are willing to lead in prayer and the exercises are of a more varied character than heretofore. Sendai is still the object for which they work. A Young Ladies’ Mission Circle was formed in October. Their present efforts are centered upon Marsovan.

Danbury.—Second church. In September an auxiliary was formed of seven ladies and has increased to fifteen. The last Friday in the month their meetings are held, averaging eight present.

Easton.—No meetings have been held the past year, but the subscriptions were handed in as usual. Missionary interest is not sufficiently intense to gather the ladies together at stated intervals but the money is cheerfully given.

Georgetown.—No report has been sent. At the annual county meeting a thank offering was received from a member who was prevented from attending, also the car fare which would have been used on the occasion, was added.

Monroe.—The second Friday of each month finds four or five ladies gathered to pray for the coming of the kingdom. The letters and other items of news regularly sent from the Bureau of Intelligence, add much to their knowledge of progress abroad. At the February meeting two new officers were elected in place of those who had removed from the town. The gifts this year are double those of last.

Newtown.—This should be termed the “well done” auxiliary, for they have contributed three times more than ever before. Instead of ten dollars, this year they
sent thirty. It is their wish to have a scholarship in some school. The interest certainly increases here. The president went as a delegate to the Woman’s Board of Missions and “was glad to belong to that noble band of workers.”

Redding.—This auxiliary has made its president, the pastor’s wife, a life member of the Woman’s Board of Missions. Few meetings have been held and the treasury has not yielded as much as usual. The “Ready Folks” increase in number every year. They raise their money principally by missionary jugs—a plan which has worked successfully for three years. In September they enjoyed a basket picnic, and in November, December and April gave three very attractive missionary concerts in the church.

Ridgebury.—The outlook at the close of 1888 was discouraging—no pastor—no meetings. In January there was a revival. New officers took up the auxiliary and voted to hold regular monthly meetings, and every one who now attends takes some active part. They aim to support the Adiaman school in central Turkey, and will send besides their mites for Marsovan. Some of the children are collecting for Aintab seminary, and one of them says she “could never get along again without the Dayspring.”

Ridgefield.—The calendar and auxiliary years are correlative. In 1888 two members were lost by death and one by removal; consequently the receipts have fallen short. Many distracting influences, such as the pastor’s departure, a new church edifice and selecting a new pastor, have interfered with the regular attendance upon missionary gatherings. Now that local affairs are settled, the hope arises that more attention will be given to missionary endeavor. The “Snowflakes” have had one sociable but no entertainment since their annual No-
volume meeting. Every four weeks there is a regular gathering and a new leader for each meeting. They increase in number and at the roll call each one is expected to respond with a verse of scripture. They raise their money by means of mite jugs.

Trumbull.—This is the banner town of the county—the first to raise her full proportion of the Branch permanent fund. Who will follow? The quarterly meetings have been regularly held with an increase of members and interest. The annual meeting is in April. One of their number has been made a life member by the society.

Cordelia Sterling.

Fairfield County—Southern Division.

Bridgeport.—Meetings have been held regularly. A new president was chosen at their last annual meeting, also a new recording secretary, with a committee of three from each church as collectors and advisers. Three new life members have been made. Forty dollars were contributed to purchase clothing for a missionary's family and two hundred dollars were raised as a memorial gift to the W. B. M. in remembrance of their beloved Mrs. Palmer, to be appropriated for a room in the new Marsovan school building, these gifts being additional to the annual collection. The "Memorial Mission Circle" of the North church has held its meetings regularly every month, and new members have been added from time to time. The "Cheerful Workers" are regular contributors from the North church, as also are the Sunday School, each having pledged work which they sustain. The "Pearl Seekers" of the Park street church report greater interest and larger attendance at their meetings than in previous years. The
“South Church Mission Circle” keep up their meetings regularly and the average attendance is good as usual. They have held two large meetings, one in May with Miss West to address them, another in November with Mrs. Walters of West Central Africa. The “Dew-drops” of the South church have suffered in consequence of the illness of their leader, but the circle has held meetings during the winter, which have been conducted mostly by a brave young girl of sixteen. We commend this example to other circles and to the older societies as well.

**Bridgeport, Olivet Church.**—The older society and the “Busy Bees” have both increased their contributions, nearly doubling their last year’s record.

**Darien.**—“Though we cannot report increased interest and must admit a smaller average at our monthly meetings, yet we have several new members, and have raised our pledged amount for the treasury. We have held meetings regularly and studied the topics laid out in *Life and Light*. Our February meeting was made the occasion of a social gathering and tea-drinking at the parsonage. A short history of the eighteen years of our life as a society was given by the secretary. We have had in that time five different presidents, have had the privilege of sending two devoted missionaries abroad, one to Constantinople Home, the other to Japan. Five mission circles have had connection with us, though only one remains. In these years we have paid into the Woman’s Board treasury, one thousand two hundred and eighty-six dollars. Our circle, “Busy Bees,” has been much stimulated by listening to Miss Child’s account of her visit to Turkey, and they are to work the coming year for Marsovan. They keep boxes for thank offerings and try to put in a little every day. They have been specially interested in letters received from missionaries in Turkey.”
Green's Farms.—We find that our year's work, though small, has been a great blessing to us and what we have done has been heartily for the Master. We have held our meetings regularly every month with the exception of May. Sixteen were present at our organization one year ago, and that was the largest number at any meeting. We have gleaned much helpful and interesting matter from Life and Light and Mission Studies. We are not "waked up" to the work as we hope and pray to be, but are thankful every time we meet that we belong to the grand army of workers. We feel the need of a mission band, that our children may be better trained for this work than their elders have been.

Greenwich.—Our county meeting was held with the long tried pioneers in woman's foreign missionary work, in the beautiful-for-situation town of Greenwich; and these friends repeat over and again, "How very glad we have been that we had the meeting with us." Great good has been done us through the thrilling earnest words of the Leitch sisters. Our membership has been enlarged and increased interest felt at every monthly meeting. Our pastor's wife we find to be heart and soul with us in the work. Meetings are held regularly, with a membership of ninety-four, and an average attendance of seventeen. At our annual meeting in February the room was crowded, although we had only home talent to interest us. At the next annual meeting, which will be our twentieth, we expect to report one hundred members. Our circle, "Bearers of Light," has entered upon its twentieth year, and ought to be the "banner circle" of the county in point of interest and growing enthusiasm. The report for the year is an inspiration. Their meetings have been held regularly, with an average of twenty! They are interested in
four fields—Japan, Mexico, Africa and Turkey, and have sent contributions to each, besides preparing a box for Mexico. The county meeting was a stimulus to them.

New Canaan.—Our diminished attendance at monthly meetings is not so discouraging from the fact that our attention has been diverted from ourselves and turned toward the good works and meetings of our mission circle. Our interest is not lessened, only divided. We find our work in Mexico one which appeals strongly to our sympathy, and the letters furnished us by our Branch so interesting, that if only the ladies could be induced to come and hear them, there would be no difficulty in winning them as helpers. Our mission circle held a fair in the autumn, which was a financial success.

North Stamford.—The link in the chain which one society makes is small, but holds just the same. We are decreasing in members and have lost some officers, still there is interest manifested. We have distributed a few mite boxes. Our circle, the "Do What You Can Band," has kept up its interest, notwithstanding some unfavorable circumstances. Three-fourths of the meetings during the year have fallen on stormy days, when it was impossible for the children to attend. They have only eight members and all keep mite boxes.

Norwalk.—In our year's history we find the dark and the bright colors about evenly distributed. Our monthly meetings have been seasons of interest. Special incidents from the London Conference, as well as most interesting letters from Rev. Mr. Curtis, in Japan, have come to us. Each monthly meeting has been arranged by a different committee. Special interest came from the Misses Leitch at the county meeting, resulting in the distribution of twenty mite boxes for the Marsovan building. The darker colors appear when we
note the decreased interest in some of our former members. We regret that local matters have interfered with the generous giving we used to report. Thus our members and our gifts have fallen off. Our "Junior Missionary Circle," including also the "King's Cadets," numbering twenty-five, and the "Sunbeams," numbering fifty children, have each held several interesting meetings during the year. One of the most enjoyable was a union meeting held for the gathering in of the returns of the five cent investment. A friend of the children placed at the disposal of the leader five dollars in five cent pieces. Each child who wished could have one, and fifty were taken. They entered into the plan with great enthusiasm. The boys chose generally to plant seeds of different vegetables, which were watched with eager care and the crops sold for a larger or smaller sum. Some sold newspapers. The girls preferred needle work, while some raked grass plots, others ran willingly on errands, gathering in the fruits of loving efforts. When the harvesting day came, the amounts ranged from fifteen cents to four dollars and twenty-five cents. The amounts all told reached the sum of twenty-five dollars and eighty-three cents. The "Young Ladies' Band" have worked this year with the Christian Endeavor Society, but are planning for a more distinct life another year.

Sound Beach.—The few regular meetings of our society have been made interesting by the reading of missionary letters, which seem to bring us nearer those for whom we are trying to work. Our attendance has not been large, but our contributions have exceeded those of last year, and we feel encouraged. Death has claimed two of our members from the ranks but we hope to fill these vacancies with new members.

South Norwalk.—Our record is marked by no special incidents or variety. Our meetings have been well at-
tended and held regularly, the coöperation of the young ladies proving very helpful. Different missions are studied and our contributions applied toward the salary of Mrs. DeForest. At our annual meeting in January our president, who has served for five years, often at a great personal sacrifice resigned, and our new pastor's wife was appointed in her place. The mission circle, under the care of efficient leaders, has done good work, the meetings being well sustained and the children expressing much interest in them. At the close of our annual meeting all present were invited to remain to a "missionary tea." About sixty were soon seated at the tables and a delightful social season followed, which we believe will be profitable to us all.

Stamford.—We are one with you all, and are thankful for a leader who has a consecrated missionary spirit. At our last meeting we decided to meet with our ladies' prayer meeting, so enlisting the coöperation and sympathy of some who were not identified with us in foreign missionary work, feeling that in "unity there is strength," and that the praying ones will be a blessing to us. Our "Tiny Helpers" are interested in the Morning Star Mission and Japan Home. For four years they have gladly met their pledge of a scholarship in Mrs. Hume's school in Bombay. Their meetings are well attended and their gifts generous.

Stratford.—We have not come up to the usual standard of gifts this year, but have held eight meetings with an average attendance of seven. Life and Light is circulated among families where distance prevents attendance upon the meetings, and thus some twenty families are benefited. We have forty-nine members, fourteen new ones. An effort has been made to gather the little children into the "Alpha Band." It takes time and persistent effort to establish a society of per-
sons who will assume responsibility. The older ones after working three-quarters of a year sent their money to the treasury, disbanded in September, and are now united with the "Young Ladies Mission Circle," some of whom have joined the auxiliary.

Westport.—We have held meetings every month excepting June, starting our new year with a new annual meeting, a new pastor, and a new pastor's wife, who has been appointed president of the mission circle. We had a good thank-offering meeting in September in connection with the mission band. The offerings of the circle were for Miss Dency Root; those of the auxiliary, sixteen dollars, were carried to Greenwich and formed part of the county offering. We have given out forty-five mite boxes and barrels, and feel as though we were turning over a new leaf, and hope for greater results next year. We are keeping up a very interesting correspondence with missionaries in the field. The interest among the members of our "Mission Band" is increasing; they are much attached to their missionary, Miss Root, from whom they have received several letters.

Wilton.—In ten months we have held twenty-two meetings; seven of these have been for prayer, with an average attendance of seven, nine social, with an average attendance of twenty-eight, and two have been for business. Topic cards sent out at the beginning of the year increased the interest of our prayer meetings. Our money is raised by solicitation and voluntary contribution. Eleven dollars and over was the first quarterly yield of nine mite boxes for the Marsovan fund. We have added a small sum to the permanent fund of the branch. Our "Morning Stars" report much interest in their work. No meetings are held in winter, but we held fifteen through the summer, with an average attendance of eleven. The average collections were
twelve cents. We held a fair in September, at which we raised thirty-five dollars. During the winter our treasurer has brought each month a mite box to Sunday school into which the members have each dropped two cents. Each member has also at home a birth-day box for as many pennies as she numbers years.

Mrs. N. E. Gleason.

Litchfield County—Northern Division.

The auxiliaries in Litchfield county, north, are nearly all in a hopeful condition. Scattered over our hills, the women must make great efforts to secure regular monthly meetings. A conveyance is a necessity, and as much so during the busy farming season as in the storms of winter. But the work deepens and spreads, and a great company of women among us rejoice in the New Haven Branch of the W. B. M.

Canaan.—The secretary writes: "The past year of our society is remarkable for the number and regularity of its meetings, and for the increased attendance thereupon. In December, Mrs. Van Lennep favored us with a recital of experiences of their missionary life in Turkey." The "Young Ladies' Circle" is still at work.

Colebrook.—The members are too few to sustain regular meetings, but contributions have been sent to the treasurer during the year. A missionary meeting held in the summer, followed by an afternoon tea, called out most of the women, and was of much interest. A personal reminiscence of Mrs. Burgess, of India, who was from Colebrook, added to the pleasant associations of the meeting.

Ellsworth.—The attendance at the meetings is small but the members expect growth. Owing to the illness of the president of the "Golden Links" but one meet-
ing has been held through the winter, and that in her room, but they have sent, notwithstanding this and loss of members, only a little short of their pledged amount.

Falls Village.—The society has lost courage to resume meetings, their members being depleted by death and removal, but there is hope that they will resume the coming summer.

Harwinton.—The secretary writes: "Our meetings are opened with devotional exercises, followed with questions asked by our president in our study lesson. Every lesson is full of interest. We feel strengthened and hopeful for the future.

Norfolk.—"There have been more present at the meetings the last year than ever before," writes the secretary, "owing to the increased interest, as different ladies have taken charge." The mission circles have their meetings of a religious character and do their sewing and fancy work for raising money in their homes.

Plymouth.—The secretary writes: "Our auxiliary has increased this year in attendance and interest. We leave with regret the study of each field to take up a new one. The maps of the different mission fields have been very helpful to us. By our study we are brought into sympathy with the workers, and our prayers are more earnest."

Salisbury.—The meetings are held once in two months, are well attended and are full of interest.

Sharon.—The female membership of the church has all been reached by the mite boxes and envelopes. The boxes occupy a prominent place in the homes, so that large returns from them are looked for another year. The attendance at the meetings is good, and new voices are heard in prayer. The "Busy Bees" never fail to send their full amount pledged to the treasury.
South Canaan.—The numbers are few, but the usual amount has been contributed. Those interested are not discouraged, but long to enlist more in the work.

Thomaston.—The secretary writes: "We have made a new beginning and intend to go forward. The outlook is more encouraging than for ten years before. We hold monthly prayer meetings and report on different fields."

Torrington.—The meetings are monthly and a good degree of interest is felt in them. The "Highland Workers" keep up both interest and activity.

Torrington, First Church.—Never has one meeting been omitted since the organization in 1882. For a small, scattered population, this is a noble record. After the opening service items of interest that will promote a growing love for missionary work are given. The "Valley Gleaners" report their circle as prospering nicely. Christmas week they held a quarterly meeting with tea and games in the evening.

Torrington, Third Church.—The death of Mrs. Perrin is a great blow to the auxiliary, which she organized and delighted in. The meetings are held bi-monthly, and a good degree of interest is maintained.

Watertown.—The auxiliary meets with regularity and usual interest.

Winsted.—The meetings are very interesting, and require much study from those who have them in charge. The union of the ladies of the two churches furnishes a pleasant christian intercourse. The printed programmes for the monthly studies, are successful and profitable.

Mary P. Hinsdale.

Litchfield County—Southern Division.

Bethlehem.—This auxiliary has sent money as usual to the treasury, but has held no meetings during the
They have taken five Marsovan mite boxes. The "Willing Hands" have raised more money than in several years and have held meetings once in three weeks. The "Willing Helpers" have also sent a small contribution, though few in number and laboring under some discouragement.

_Bridgewater._—"In making a report for our society, I cannot speak of many great things being done. Our members are much less than the first year, as the young ladies have withdrawn, and some of our most helpful members have been called to lay down their work on earth. Losing these, our contributions are much smaller, yet we are not discouraged, but feel that we are called upon to strive to fill up the vacant places and strengthen the things that remain. We have taken ten mite boxes for Marsovan." The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" and "Cheerful Givers" are both still helping as they are able.

_Cornwall._—"We have had an addition of five new members to our society this year. Meetings were held once a month during the autumn, and once in two months through the winter. The attendance has been larger than usual, showing increased interest in the work. The children's circle 'Cheerful Givers,' meet every two weeks; have taken a share in the school-building at Bombay, and are making Christmas stockings for Mrs. Hume." The "Valley Workers," a band of young ladies, have this year increased their contribution of money.

_Cornwall, North._—The "Mission Bank Society" has sent no report of the year's work, but they hold interesting meetings, and are much interested in their work for Mrs. Eaton in Mexico.

_Goshen._—"On account of the illness of our president we have not been able to meet very often, but we have
sent the treasurer our contribution as usual." The secretary of the "Buds of Promise" writes, "We had only two or three meetings last year. Soon after our annual meeting our leader was taken ill and we are all so young and had so depended on her we felt we could not get along without her. We have lost our president and treasurer, also, but we shall have a meeting soon, choose new officers and start over again."

Kent.—"Our meetings are held monthly, with an average attendance of nine. We are sure of a faithful few, who always take part. We have occasional additions to our number, though not nearly as many as we wish and hope for. On the whole we feel encouraged and thankful for the record of the past year. The 'Young Ladies' Circle' hold monthly meetings and have been much interested in Mexico and Africa. The annual fair was a success in every way, and they have made fancy articles to be used as prizes in the school in Mexico. They have only a few members, but a real circle has no end and they have God's own promise to 'two or three gathered in his name.' The 'Mission Workers' and North Kent Sunday School have also contributed their mites."

Litchfield.—"The ladies have pledged themselves to hold monthly meetings, and to try and make them as interesting as possible. The annual meetings are well attended and interesting. In January papers were contributed by several ladies on the subject, 'Africa.' Mite boxes have been taken for the Marsovan building, and the monthly collection is to be given to that object. The 'Young Ladies Circle' and the 'Daisy Chain,' are doing their usual good work."

Milton.—"We have done better than last year, and shall send a little more money. We have held four meetings with a fair attendance. We will work and
pray and do what we can to carry on this great work for the Lord. We have taken three mite boxes for Marsovan."

Morris.—"The interest in our meetings, which are held monthly, does not abate. Mrs. George Camp was made a life member of the W. B. M. by our society."

New Milford.—"We think we can see that the county meeting last fall was in many ways a blessing to us, and trust it is bearing fruit already in renewed interest. Many more take part in the meetings, which of course adds to our pleasure and profit. A number are willing to offer prayer. We hold monthly meetings, generally taking the topics given in *Life and Light*, and we also find *Mission Studies* a great help. A larger number subscribe for *Life and Light* than ever before. The 'Valley Wide Awakes' hold monthly meetings, sometimes two meetings in a month, and are very energetic. The 'Golden Links,' the infant class in Sunday School, send their pennies given weekly."

New Preston.—"Our meetings have been held regularly during the year, with two or three exceptions. Although the attendance has been small we are pleased that our collection has amounted to the usual sum. There are but few left who started with us as an organization. These are reluctant to give up, and keep hoping that those who so cheerfully give of their substance, will encourage us by their presence at our monthly gatherings."

Northfield.—"As we look back over the record and find the small average present at our eight meetings the past year, it seems at first discouraging, but on the other hand, it is a cause for thankfulness that our faithful little band is still alive. We trust our new president will give us an impetus and that we may not stand still but go forward."
"The 'Steadfast Workers' wish they could have done more, but they are happy to do a little in his name; they have held ten meetings during the year. One member reads missionary news while the others work. The addition of new members is a source of encouragement."

Roxbury.—"During a part of the year our president not being able to meet with us, we have only held five or six meetings. There is true interest among the few faithful ones; we are not discouraged and are hoping to do better the coming year." The secretary also writes, "The 'May Flower Circle' has met most of the time with me, and through them I have kept my interest in missions. They are few in number, but interested in their work. They make aprons and fancy articles, and have had an entertainment, which was a great success. They have more than fulfilled their pledge."

Sherman.—"Our meetings since August have been better attended and more interesting. At that time a committee was appointed to select a topic for each meeting and assign some division of it to each lady, so that we have all had the responsibility of preparation. We always have a season of prayer at the beginning or close, when nearly all present will take part." The young ladies' circle has sent a small sum to the treasury.

Washington.—"Meetings have been held regularly each month during the year, and although the attendance has been small in proportion to the members, they have been maintained with a good degree of interest."

Woodbury, First Church.—"We have this year thirty-three paying members; average attendance about ten. Our meetings are monthly and interesting; the few are faithful and keep the subject of missions well talked up. The 'Valley Gleaners' have during the past year met on an average twice a month, every other meeting being for the special study of missions. Some articles have
been sent to Mrs. Eaton and money to the treasury. We have six new members."

*Woodbury, North Church.*—"We have monthly meetings and a good degree of interest. They who do the most Christian work do it with least effort. It comes to be as natural as breathing, and as good as a feast. Not to do it is the hard thing."

**Mary B. McLaughlin.**

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**Middlesex County—Northern Division.**

*Cromwell.*—Monthly meetings have been regularly held and well attended. Much interest has been shown in missions. The support of the Bible reader, Nanapirakasi, in Madura is continued and a generous sum has been collected for the Marsovan school. Our membership and contributions have increased during the year, and we feel encouraged to press on. The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" has not increased in numbers, but has held its own, and by their holding meetings every two weeks an increasing love for the work is shown. May it prove an inspiration to their young lives.

*East Haddam.*—"Having agreed to hold our meetings the second Tuesday of each month with no postponement on account of storms, we failed many times of large gatherings, and it has made a difference in our collections. We miss our dear pastor's wife, Mrs. McCall, very much. She kept us interested in missions."

The "Phoenix Band" suspended their meetings through the winter, but expect to reorganize soon. At the annual meeting the members agreed to invest a penny for missionary work and bring in the result at the next annual meeting in May.
East Hampton, First Church.—Not many meetings have been held, but the contributions are a little in advance of last year. The outlook is rather discouraging, yet while there is life there is hope, and we do hope for better things.

East Hampton, Union.—Though our church is disbanded, several of our old members wish to keep the society's name, so we send our annual contribution, hoping some time to have sufficient health and strength to hold meetings.

Higganum.—Regular meetings are reported and good attendance, with contributions larger than last year coming in readily.

The "Coral Builders" have held monthly meetings. A special study of Africa and Turkey has been made. One encouraging feature of the meetings, which occur Sunday afternoons, has been the willingness of the little ones to lead in prayer. Songs and recitations added to the interest. Most of the money was collected by giving the children pennies, which they increased in various ways. The "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" is not so enthusiastic as last year. Miss Pratt's removal was a great loss to them. She was their leader and did not allow the interest in missions to flag.

Middlefield.—The ladies are still interested in missions, and make their annual collection, which was larger this year than the last, by the envelope plan. May the feeble spark kindle to a flame.

Middle Haddam.—The report is more favorable than last year. They have roused themselves to the work, and with a new pastor's wife, who is fired with missionary zeal, they hope for better things. They have just reorganized and united with a corps of young ladies.

Middletown, First Church.—A larger attendance than ever before, upon the regular meetings is reported.
The meetings are exceedingly interesting and ten new members have been added. The secretary says, "we never have a dull meeting, and this is largely due to the ever faithful efforts of our beloved president, Mrs. Tuck." All that attend are active workers.

Mite boxes have been distributed for contributions to the new school building in Marsovan. "The Gleaners" are working enthusiastically, holding meetings once in two weeks. By means of mite boxes and fairs, a goodly amount is raised. Our "Ten Times One Society" of boys, is increasing in numbers and interest. They hold their meetings on Sunday afternoon of each month. When a boy's birthday occurs, he puts into the treasury as many pennies as he is years old. They have applied a part of their money to the purchase of land in Bombay, and may be called "land owners." They are looking forward with bright hopes of doing more this year than ever before.

**Middletown, South Church.**—“Monthly meetings have been held regularly and with good attendance.” The “Good Will Society,” composed of young girls from nine to thirteen years of age, hold their meetings every two weeks. The attendance is good and much interest is manifested. The annual sale of fancy articles for which they work from week to week, is anticipated with eagerness as a source of revenue. “The Earnest Workers,” a circle of boys, from nine to fourteen years of age, hold their meetings monthly on Sunday afternoon. They have begun the year with a new president and added interest.

**Millington.**—No report has been sent except by a contribution to the treasury.

**Portland.**—Very interesting monthly meetings are held, following the topics given in *Life and Light*. Each member has taken a country for her especial study,
getting all the information possible upon it. When a country is given as the subject for the month in *Life and Light*, the lady whose study it has been, takes the entire charge of the meeting for that month. This plan has been successful. Another helpful feature is, spending some time in prayer, as many of the members as will, making brief petitions for some special object or need. There has been a gain in contributions over last year. The "Work and Win" Circle report interest and activity. The children are eager to attend the meetings. Mite boxes are used and penny collections taken. The officers are all children, with the exception of the leader: "One plan of getting the children to offer prayer has been, to write sentence prayers on slips of paper, and having decided that the people we were studying about that day needed our prayers, the slips were passed around with a request that each would offer the prayer written on her slip of paper. Every voice was heard and how sweet it was."

Westchester.—Twelve meetings have been held with increasing interest. "The way of raising money this year has been by thank offerings, for everything which we may regard as a special blessing." Some mite boxes are used, the contents of which will add to our contributions. The subjects given in *Life and Light* have been followed successfully.

The county meeting held in Middletown in October last was well attended. The presence of the Misses Leitch from Ceylon was an inspiration, their tender but burning words showing a love and devotion to the work and the Master which put us to shame for doing so little towards the great need. May we feel the greatness of our responsibility and work while it is day.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY—SOUTHERN DIVISION.

Centerbrook.—This society is favored in having as its president one who has been a home missionary and who is full of a missionary spirit.

The interest with which Life and Light is read, by at least one member, is shown by this question: “Don’t you always wish there was more?” Meetings have been held quarterly, and full reports given by delegates of meetings at Middletown, Springfield, and New Haven.

Chester.—The secretary reports increased interest and improvement in attendance at the meetings which have been unusually well attended during the winter months. She says, “We want to enlarge our borders, and often think longingly of that model church in Tungcho, China, where every native Christian woman is included in the membership of the missionary society.” They have recently adopted the envelope system.

Clinton.—“Since the first of July the attendance has been larger, and the interest decidedly more marked.” This society has been saddened during the year by the death of three valued members, who had been with them since its organization.

Deep River.—There is now no organized society or circle, though formerly two circles existed. One faithful woman sends an annual gift to the treasury.

Essex.—“The meetings have grown in interest, and a greater readiness has been shown to lend a helping hand.” Different fields of missionary work have been assigned to different members. Another pleasant feature has been the delightful Bible readings and talks on the portion read. Solicitors have certain families assigned them upon whom they call for quarterly subscriptions. The meetings of “The Whatever Band,” “Mission Workers” and “We Will Do Something
Circle," have been continued with interest, excepting a brief interval during the warm weather. In addition to their regular personal gifts, an ice cream festival, making and selling candy, and a birthday box have helped to increase their funds. The members of one "Circle" pledged themselves to earn twenty-five cents during their summer vacation.

Haddam.—Their meetings are held monthly, one lady reading at each meeting any items from the West Central African Mission, another from the East Central Mission, and thus accounts of the various fields are kept. All share in the work, and the past year has not been behind others in interest. The "Alpha Society" has gained six new members, and has increased its contribution.

Killingworth.—Quarterly meetings have been well sustained, and much encouragement felt at the interest shown by those who were unable to attend the meetings. "While quite a number of valued members have in the past few years gone 'home' others have come on to fill their places."

Killingworth.—"Union Band." The members of this society have met every two weeks. After devotional exercises they have spent the rest of the time sewing in order to raise funds. They have lately decided to hold a meeting once a quarter devoted entirely to devotional exercises and to reading or receiving missionary intelligence.

Saybrook.—"With an increasing knowledge of the work and its needs, many of our members feel a steadily growing interest and a stronger sympathy with the workers. Special invitations have been sent to those living at a distance, or those who might not otherwise know of the meetings, and an earnest effort made to have all feel that the meeting is their own."
The "Seaside Mission Band" report a continued interest in the school at Ahmednagar, for which they send money annually.

Westbrook.—The secretary writes: "I can assure you there are a few hearts among us whose interest does not slacken in the great cause of missions." They have enjoyed letters which were sent to them, have given more than the year before, and hope this year may prove one of increased interest and effort.

Agnes A. Acton.

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New Haven County—Eastern Division.

Cheshire.—"As requested we held our annual meeting earlier this year, a few members responding to the call and officers were elected for the year. As usual our meetings are attended by only a few, we have decided to appoint a meeting every month, hoping almost against hope, to bring in more and to extend the interest in missions."

Guilford.—"First Church." "With but one exception we have held our meetings regularly during the year, the March meeting being omitted on account of the snow storm, which I am sure we shall all remember. We have had a larger attendance than usual, even through the heated term, and the meetings were full of interest. We find Life and Light and Mission Studies very helpful to us, and feel that we have been blessed in our own souls, and hope to do better work for the master in the year to come."

Guilford, Third Church.—Another call comes for a report of our missionary society, and there is none to give, except the same old story. We continue to hold our own, and financially are a little stronger than last
year. We take the subjects for study each month as given in Mission Studies and are much interested.

Madison.—The secretary writes, "With gratitude we would speak of the guiding Hand which has led us through another year and prospered us as an auxiliary, enabling us to forward the sum required for the support of our native teacher at Marsovan, as we have done for seventeen years. Our first legacy, from one who has recently passed to her reward, helped us to complete the amount needed, and letters from this teacher, through Mrs. Leonard, have aided greatly to sustain the interest in our meetings."

Meriden, First Church.—At the suggestion of the executive committee of New Haven, the time of our annual meeting was changed from April to January. This change has made our eighteenth year a short one and we record only five meetings, but those five were on the ascending scale, each one in turn seeming better than the one preceding. In June we had the bright presence of Mrs. McGrew, whose pictures of missionary life were with us through summer leisure. Madam Barakat came in the early autumn with her pathetic appeal for Syrian women. Mrs. Fairchild, who followed hard after, so charmed us by her kind appreciation and timely suggestions, that we took no note of time. Our usual one hour became two, and the help she asked for Marsovan was promised. Just preceding our annual meeting we had a delightful union meeting, in which the missionary societies in nearly all our churches in town were represented. The reports were extremely interesting; a spirit of Christian sympathy and fellowship prevailed; denominations were forgotten and we felt that we were one in Christ. We take especial pleasure in the reports of our mission circles. The "Boys' Mission Band" contributes toward the land and
new dormitory for the Bombay school, in addition to a share in its work. It is a great success in attendance, effort and interest. The boys filled a scrap book with pictures and scripture texts for Miss Pierson to take to North China, and have another in hand for Bombay. The “Cheerful Givers,” with their semimonthly meetings and occasional fêtes, keep up a lively interest in their work. This year they have added to the amount pledged for a scholarship in the Harpoot seminary a generous gift for the rebuilding of the Aintab school building.

Meriden, Center Church.—The auxiliary of this church shows an increase in interest and in attendance at the monthly meetings. “We have felt very deeply the loss of one of our very faithful workers, who has been taken to her home in heaven, but we hope that those who remain will work with increased ardor as they remember her fidelity and earnestness. The study of the various mission fields has been much enjoyed, whether we considered the work in India and Ceylon or sailed in imagination in and out among the islands of Micronesia, and saw how the story of the cross had power to enlighten even the fierce and barbarous natives of those islands, or turned our attention to the needs of the people in Japan and China. In all was recognized the same demand for sending the Gospel to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death.”

North Branford.—This auxiliary regret their inability to send a cheering report of increased numbers and zeal in the work. One young lady, however, has by her own earnings added twenty dollars to our usual contribution.

Northford.—The secretary writes, “The annual meeting of our auxiliary was held in January and officers were appointed. We have made an increase in our contribution the past year.”
North Madison.—"We held our annual meeting the first week in January and the same officers were chosen. We had a full attendance, and felt greatly encouraged as it was said to be the best meeting we ever held. We adopted some new plans, and provided that the president should appoint some member from each meeting to conduct the next as she chose, thus giving variety to the meetings. There were also ladies appointed for the different districts to solicit new members. Our monthly meetings are made interesting by seasons of prayer, responsive reading, singing and papers prepared upon the different mission fields. We feel truly that the Lord has especially favored us the past year in this mission work, and that it is a blessing to have a part in it."

Wallingford.—The usual contributions are continued. The young ladies have reorganized their society, calling themselves the "Look Out Ten," and under the care of their pastor's wife we have no doubt will be greatly blessed in their revived work. The county meeting held in Wallingford last fall was one to be long remembered. The Misses Leitch were present and it is hoped imparted some of their enthusiasm to us.

Mrs. F. E. Hinman.

New Haven County—Naugatuck Valley and Vicinity.

Ansonia.—This society has been weakened by the illness of the president and the removal of the treasurer. Missionary boxes have been distributed but no attempt is made to hold meetings. Their contribution for the general work has however increased, and in addition they have sent something for the permanent fund of the Branch.
Birmingham.—Few meetings have been held, but occasionally the members attend the Branch meetings in New Haven. Little bags made by the ladies have been distributed instead of mite boxes. The sum to be raised is pledged at the annual meeting, and portions of it are paid in weekly.

Derby.—There is a steady growth in interest, and an increase in contributions from year to year. The attendance at the meetings often numbers sixteen, many of whom are willing to take some part in the exercises.

Middlebury.—A new inspiration and resolve in missionary work is reported. After many years of waiting an earnest and efficient president has been found in the new minister's wife, which has encouraged and strengthened the members. A slight increase in contributions was made the past year.

Naugatuck.—“During the summer and fall there was a large increase in the attendance at monthly meetings. The plan of appointing some one at each meeting to arrange a programme for the next one, has been found a good one.” Very gratifying features of the year have been the papers upon different mission fields—and the many new voices heard in prayer.

Prospect.—The leader of the “Gleaners” writes: “Our membership comprises all ages from five years to twenty years, and thus far has been exclusively for girls. A package of little articles suitable for prizes was sent to Mrs. Eaton of Mexico. The greatest encouragement in the work is the interest the girls manifest, and an occasional remark from some older one like ‘this ‘How much good that mission circle is doing.’ This year they made an increase in their contribution of ten dollars.”

Southbury.—The members live far apart and are not favorably situated for holding meetings. Missionary periodicals and letters are circulated, and through them
the interest is kept bright. The membership fees are collected by one who loves the work of the Woman’s Board.

Waterbury, First Church.—“Our thirteenth year finds us more zealous and progressive in all our work. We can report more interest in missions, more work for the cause, larger contributions and many plans for the coming year. Each member has been called upon to prepare a paper upon the mission field assigned her, thus rendering the meetings more attractive. At the missionary tea given in January, we were afforded the opportunity of listening to Mrs. Rand, of Micronesia. Since February, the Second Church auxiliary has united with us in monthly meetings, which are held alternately at each church.” Some of the older girls have graduated from the “Daisy Chain Circle,” leaving the circle smaller in numbers but with no decline of interest.

Waterbury, Second Church.—“The attendance at our meetings is not what it should be, still it compares well with previous years, especially since the proposition was seriously considered of allying our auxiliary in some way with the benevolent society. This did not accord with the views of some members who in the past have seldom met with us, and has had the effect of increasing the attendance.” In June Miss Emily Hartwell spoke of the work and its needs in China.

Mrs. Lewis E. Perkins.

New Haven County—New Haven with Adjoining Towns, and New Britian, Plantsville.

East Haven.—“Our society continues to hold quarterly meetings and the only difference from that of preceding years is an increase of membership, larger contributions and an increasing interest in our work.”
Milford.—"The interest in our meetings and in the missionary work has been earnest and steady. Our purpose has been by prayer and study to become more intelligent and so energize factors in advancing the cause of missions. Africa and Turkey have been our special topics for study. Mrs. Logan in January, and Mrs. Walters in February, by their vivid stories of missionary life, have given a fresh interest and reality to the work. There is little to give variety to our reports. The work is established and moves on in a regular way. The “Rose-bud” mission circle hold weekly meetings which are conducted by the members, whose hearts seem full of missionary zeal. They have enjoyed the Zulu and Bombay letters and are trying the 'penny' plan to increase their funds."

Mount Carmel.—"We have nothing new or marked to report; we certainly are not decreasing yet our increase is small. Our meetings are held once in two months, and we always find something of interest to tell or to read. We were greatly interested at the county meeting held in Wallingford, in the Misses Leitch and their graphic pictures of missionary work. We are encouraged by an increase in our contributions."

New Haven Center Church.—Nine new names have been added to the list of membership of the ladies' society during the year. The monthly missionary prayer meetings have been held as usual, and increased interest in the foreign work manifested on the part of those who attend. The Young Ladies' Mission Circle reports a year of steadily increasing prosperity. Fifteen new names have been added to their numbers. Their semi-monthly meetings have been sustained with full attendance and continued interest.

Church of the Redeemer.—We note some advance in contributions and the inauguration of a plan for regular
meetings of the collectors, which promises well for the future. Some new members have been gained, but a great loss is felt in the death of Mrs. Prudden, who organized the society. In the "Young Ladies' Missionary Society" personal gifts have amounted to more than ever before, but the receipts from entertainments being less, the whole sum is about the same as last year. Meetings have been held regularly with good attendance.

College Street Church.—No report has been sent from the auxiliary, but there has been an increase in the contributions. The young ladies have continued their meetings and have sent some money to the treasurer. The "Coral Workers" hold monthly meetings and study the mission work that is being done in the different countries. Their money is raised by the "penny system" and by means of an entertainment.

Davenport Church.—Their report is much the same as last year, unless it may be said that there is greater interest in all departments of missionary work. A girls' mission circle has been newly organized and is at work.

Dixwell Avenue Church.—"Our interest in the cause of missions, although we do not hold regular monthly meetings, is the same. Our members are seemingly glad to contribute their mites to help on the work. We rejoice in the unabated zeal and enthusiasm which still burns in the hearts of Christian women for their unfortunate sisters in heathen lands, and we sincerely pray that this spirit may increase until the whole world is converted to Christ. Our contributions we send with the prayers and best wishes of the givers."

Dwight Place Church.—Early in the year the "Woman's Foreign Missionary Society" was formally organized and the constitution for auxiliaries was adopted. Four meetings have been held and made in-
teresting by papers and letters. At the last meeting in March, Mrs. Gower gave an address upon the mission work in the Sandwich Islands, showing the changes produced by the introduction of Christianity. The “Fairbank Mission Circle” had an entertainment which brought them quite a sum of money, which has enabled them, in addition to their pledged sum, to furnish for the use of the Branch a cyclostyle for multiplying copies of letters and papers. This generous assistance will prove a great and lasting help to the secretaries of the Branch.

Fair Haven, First Church.—“Our contributions show no falling off from previous years, although we have lost members by death and removal. We have an occasional “Missionary Tea,” and at our last one the mite boxes for Marsovan were opened, yielding about twenty-four dollars. Some of the fifteen contributors had used the boxes three months and some six months.” The “Helpers” have held regular meetings once a month with a good attendance. All seem interested and they have raised more money than last year. The members range from ‘little men’ to manly youths, the long-time members not outgrowing their interest, one of these being a member of Yale University.” The “Young Ladies’ Circle” has also been at work.

Fair Haven, Second Church.—“Our society has held the usual number of meetings during the year on alternate months, except during July and August. Papers have been prepared upon the different mission fields. The subscription list for Life and Light has materially increased.” Neither money nor any report has been received this year from the “Quinnipiac Circle.”

Howard Avenue Church.—Money has been sent to the treasurer, but no other report has been received.

Humphrey Street Church.—This society feels greatly crippled and disheartened by the death of their leader,
on whom they depended, but continue their meetings. The “Young Ladies’ Mission Circle” reports, “We have had seven meetings, four being public meetings held at 6:15 p. m. on Sundays, at which we have had addresses by different missionaries and those interested in mission work. The remaining three have been private meetings conducted by the young ladies.

United Church.—There has been no material change in the amount of money contributed, but the missionary prayer-meetings have been suspended, owing to untoward circumstances rather than waning zeal. The “Young Ladies’ Mission Circle” report that no prayer meetings have been held, but the missionary meetings have been very successful. A new plan has been tried, which works well. They assign to each of those members, who generally attend the meetings, a special field to be reported upon, from month to month. These are called in order, and the information is given quite informally, additions being made by any of the members who desire to sustain the meetings and have further information to offer. Important or large mission fields are assigned to two young ladies who report together. We find that this method interests more than when one or two prepare papers upon a given subject.

Yale College Church.—This society has lost three of its members. The Mission Circle is merged into that of the Center Church.

Orange.—“The report from our society is meagre, yet the cause is kept warm in our hearts. We have raised more money this year than for several previous years so we take courage and hope for a still larger sum in our treasury the coming year.” The “Workers” write: “We have held ten meetings during the year. Besides these we have given two concerts in the church and are now getting up a fair. We have twelve on the
Board of managers, five on the Day Spring committee, five for Morning Star committee and seven honorary members."

West Haven.—"We have but little to report. Few meetings have been held. The Young Ladies' Mission Circle have held meetings somewhat irregularly but they intend to redeem their pledge. Those who are most interested have but little leisure and the circle has been badly crippled by the loss of its officers." The Missionary Seed Planters organized in November last and have met regularly every two weeks with but one exception, they write: "We are now making fancy articles and expect to hold a fair, the proceeds of which we intend shall go to Mrs. Eaton of Mexico. Our meetings are held at the home of Mrs. J. B. Reynolds, and while we work we entertain each other with scraps of missionary intelligence, closing our meetings with the recitation of Bible Verses and the Lord's prayer."

Westville.—"Since January the Young Ladies' Mission Circle has been known as the Woman's Missionary Association with a membership of twenty-five. Our plan is to hold monthly meetings for mission study and to raise money by annual dues."

Whitneyville.—"Our Auxiliary is working along the same line as formerly, the only new feature being the 'Mite boxes' which a number of the ladies have taken. We rank among those who still hold on their way thankful for the privilege of doing something for the Master's cause in the distant parts of the earth." The Young Ladies' Mission Circle has held meetings regularly throughout the year with an increase of attendance, interest and contributions.

Woodbridge.—"We have no real organization and simply collect a certain sum of money each July, which supports a scholar at Ahmednagar—'While there is life
there is hope”—we are just alive consequently we may do greater things yet.”

New Britain, First Church.—“Our meetings under the leadership of our President have been of increasing interest, with a larger average attendance than that of any previous year. We have adopted the mite-box system in our contributions and it remains to be seen whether there will be a marked increase. We had a delightful union meeting when Mrs. Schneider was with us in February. Our auxiliary invited the ladies of the South Church to our parlors, and after the addresses coffee and very light refreshments were passed and we had a lovely social hour.” The Little Givers continue to help with their weekly pennies.

New Britain, South Church.—“Ours will have to be the same old story of well attended meetings with our president always in her place, and owing to the noise of building our new parish house several of our meetings have been held in her pleasant home. At the close of the December meeting small tables were quietly placed before us and we were invited to a ‘missionary tea,’ passing a delightful social hour! In January we were invited to join our sisters of the First Church and later to meet our dear Mrs. Schneider who told us in a most interesting manner of her early work in Turkey. After singing the solo, ‘How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good tidings,’ coffee and cake were served by the young ladies. Our last two meetings have been most inspiring, the great London Conference and the ‘Success of Missions’ being the subjects considered. The Little Helpers have had another pleasant year of work. Several of them have publicly confessed Christ. Together with their regular work they have subscribed for a weekly religious paper for one of the missionaries at Aintab, Turkey and also have sent a second install-
ment for Bombay. It is an inspiration to see these bright, young faces as they gather for their meetings every fortnight." Three other organizations from this church are tributaries of the Branch, "The Young Ladies' Circle," "The Standard Bearers," and "The King's Messengers."

Plantsville.—They have disbanded as a mission circle but hope to come together again in the autumn. Before disbanding each child was given five cents to increase as best she could and bring the amount to the treasurer.

MRS. S. L. Cady.
TREASURER'S REPORT.

New Haven Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions, in account with JULIA TWINING, Treasurer.

NEW HAVEN, May 14, 1889.

DR.

FOR REGULAR PLEDGED WORK.

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For the Permanent Fund                            | 152.40   |
Deposit in Savings Bank                            | 1,052.04 |
Balance from account of 1887-1888                  | 2,011.22 |

Total                                               | **$15,273.85** |
Paid Treasurer of W. B. M., Boston $10,455.12
Paid missionaries for meetings 96.60
Paid postage and incidental expenses 101.13
Paid printing reports and programmes 205.40
Paid for leaflets and mite boxes 26.25

Deposit in Savings Bank 1,086.21
Invested for Permanent Fund 1,000.00
Balance in City Bank 2,302.64

Total for Permanent Fund, $2,204.44

**Receipts from Auxiliary Societies, for Annual Pledged Work.**

- Ansonia $17.00
- Bethel 60.00
  For salary of Sagunabai.
- Bethlehem 20.00
- Birmingham 20.00
- Bridgeport 400.00
  $25 from Mrs. H. A. McKelvey to constitute herself life member; $25 from Mrs. Mary B. Wright to constitute life member Mrs. Eli C. Smith, $25 from Mrs. Charles R. Palmer to constitute life member Mrs. E. K. Holden and for salary of Miss Emma M. Barnum.
- Bridgeport, Olivet Church 27.00
  For scholarship at Ceylon.
- Bridgewater 30.00
  For school at Bombay.
- Brookfield Center 14.00
- Canaan 10.00
- Centerbrook 51.50
  Towards salary of Mrs. Bond.
- Cheshire 40.00
  For salary of Vesuvasum.
- Chester 54.00
  Constitute life member Mrs. Charles E. Perkins.
Clinton .............................................................. $50.00
   Constitute life members Mrs. Ezra E. Post, Miss F. C. Elliott.
Colebrook .......................................................... 15.00
Cornwall ........................................................... 30.00
   Towards scholarship at Marsovan.
Cromwell .......................................................... 174.87
   $40 for salary of Nanapirakasi.
Danbury, First Church ........................................... 137.30
   $5 from Mrs. Carrie B. Crosby to constitute life member Mrs. Carrie S. Warner.
Danbury, Second Church ......................................... 9.00
Darien ............................................................... 60.00
   Towards salary of Mrs. DeForest.
Deep River .......................................................... 20.00
   Proceeds of the sale of a treasured gift.
Derby ................................................................. 44.35
East Haddam ....................................................... 18.50
East Hampton, First Church .................................... 28.75
   Constitute life member, Miss Anna Rich.
East Hampton, Union Church ................................... 10.00
East Haven .......................................................... 28.78
   Constitute Mrs. C. S. Prout life member.
Easton ............................................................... 11.00
Ellsworth ........................................................... 10.50
Essex ................................................................. 28.00
Falls Village ....................................................... 10.00
Goshen ............................................................... 23.25
   Towards salary of Mrs. Bond.
Green’s Farms ..................................................... 25.00
   For school at Inanda.
Greenwich ......................................................... 185.08
   For scholarship at Constantinople Home.
Guilford, First Church ........................................... 57.00
   Constitute life member Miss Lizzie Lay.
Guilford, Third Church .......................................... 20.00
   Towards support of S. Parkium.
Haddam ............................................................. 20.00
   For scholarship at Madura.
Harwinton .......................................................... 38.00
   $14 from a friend for salary of Mrs. Alfred.
Higganum ............................................................ 51.60
Kent ............................................  $80.00
   $40 for scholarship at Foochow, $25 constitute life member Mrs. George Hopson, and for salary of B. W. in India.

Killingworth ............................................  26.50
   Constitute life member Mrs. N. H. Evarts.

Killingworth, Union Band ............................................  25.00
   Constitute life member Mrs. O. L. Dudley.

Litchfield ............................................  85.50
   For salary of Drupatabai.

Madison ............................................  110.00
   For salary of Miss Anna Felician.

Meriden, First Church ............................................  125.00
   $60 for scholarships at Madura and Ahmednagar,
   $40 for B. W. Mrs. Ming in China, $25 towards salary of Mrs. Bond, constitute life member Mrs. Jared Pratt.

Meriden, Center Church ............................................  100.00
   For salary of Kasubai, school at Bombay and constitute life member Mrs. A. E. Roberts.

Middlebury ............................................  28.00

Middlefield ............................................  50.00

Middle Haddam ............................................  11.00

Middletown, First Church ............................................  278.68
   $50 for schools at Egin and Arabkir, $40 salary of Gangabai, $40 scholarship at Marsovan, $30 scholarship at Inanda, $2.50 for Aintab building, $25 from a friend to constitute life member Mrs. Walter B. Ferguson, $25 from Miss Lucia Birdsey to constitute life member Mrs. Adelaide W. Colgrove, $25 from Mrs. T. G. Mathcr to constitute life member Mrs. Samuel G. Southmayde and for salary of Mrs. Bond.

Middletown, South Church ............................................  125.00
   Constitute life member Mrs. Emma C. Douglas.

Milford ............................................  21.50
   Towards life membership of Mrs. Jane Parmelee.

Millington ............................................  5.00

Milton ............................................  15.00

Monroe ............................................  17.00

Morris ............................................  27.00
   Constitute life member Mrs. George Camp.
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   Maltby.
North Madison .................................................. 15.70
   Towards salary of Mrs. DeForest.
North Stamford .................................................. 10.00
Norwalk .......................................................... 100.00
Orange ........................................................... 29.25
Plymouth .......................................................... 34.00
   Complete L. M. Miss Margaret Leach.
Portland .......................................................... 10.00
Redding .......................................................... 26.75
Ridgebury ......................................................... 12.00
Ridgefield ......................................................... 36.30
   For salary of Changunabia.
Roxbury ........................................................... 21.30
Salisbury .......................................................... 97.20
   Towards salary of Mrs. DeForest.
Saybrook .......................................................... 50.00
   Constitute L. M's Mrs. Joseph L. Hayden and Mrs.
   Thomas C. Acton, Jr.
Sharon ........................................................... 38.07
Sherman .......................................................... 13.60
Sound Beach ...................................................... 40.00
Southbury .......................................................... 15.00
South Canaan ..................................................... 17.00
South Norwalk .................................................... 80.00
   Towards salary of Miss Fensham.
Stamford ........................................................... 76.23
   Towards salary of Mrs. Bond and Parepoovanum.
Stratford .......................................................... 61.85
   $40 for scholarship at Foochow.
Thomaston .......................................................... 16.50
Torrington .......................................................... 22.52
Torrington, First Church ....................................... 23.00
Torrington, Third Church ....................................... 155.00
   $25 from a friend to constitute L. M. Mrs. H. D.
   Palmer, $50 to constitute L. M's Mrs. C. E. An-
   drews and Mrs. Susan Welch.
Trumbull .................................................. $43.00
Constitute L. M. Mrs. John E. Summers.

Wallingford .............................................. 105.06

Warren .................................................. 41.75

Washington ............................................. 42.00

Waterbury, First Church ......................... 100.00
For salary of Mrs. Bond.

Waterbury, Second Church ....................... 111.00

Watertown ............................................ 57.30
For salary of Sultan and Melek.

Westbrook ............................................ 24.50

Westchester ........................................ 23.50
Complete L. M. Mrs. Clarissa L. Day and towards
L. M. Mrs. Wm. Raymond.

West Haven ........................................... 72.80
$25 from Mrs. Susan P. Beardsley to constitute L.
M. Mrs. E. C. Kimball.

Westport ............................................... 44.00
$4 for Bombay building, $40 for Chao-nai-nai.

Whitneyville ....................................... 50.00
For scholarship at Marsovan.

Wilton .................................................. 100.00
For scholarships at Inanda and Foochow and
salary of Mrs. Eaton.

Winsted ................................................. 258.90
$50 from Mrs. Caleb J. Camp to constitute L. M.
Mary Olive Morse of Nashua, N. H., Kate Bos-
worth Rising; $25 from Mrs. Mary C. Curtis to
constitute L. M. Grace M. Garvin; $25 from Miss
Martha Beardsley to constitute L. M. Mrs. Ida
H. Sherrell; $25 to constitute L. M. Mrs. Sarah
G. Williams.

Woodbridge ........................................... 20.00
For scholarship at Ahmednagar.

Woodbury, First Church .......................... 25.00

Woodbury, North Church ........................... 25.00
Towards scholarship at Ceylon.

RECEIPTS FROM MISSION CIRCLES AND SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Bethel, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" ........... $15.00
For work at San Sebastian.
Bethlehem, "Willing Hands" ................................. $10.00
  For Bombay building and land.
Bethlehem, "Willing Helpers" ............................... 2.15
  For Morning Star Mission.
Bridgeport, North Church, "Memorial Circle" ............. 50.00
  For one-half of a scholarship at San Sebastian.
Bridgeport, North Church, "Cheerful Workers" ............ 85.00
  $10 for Bombay building, $25 towards a scholar­
  ship at San Sebastian.
Bridgeport, North Church, "Lend a Hand Club" ......... 20.00
  For work at Bihé, Africa.
Bridgeport, North Church Sunday School ............. 30.00
  For a scholarship at Inanda.
Bridgeport, Olivet Church, "Busy Bees" ................. 26.45
  Towards a scholarship at Ceylon, $23.45 for Aintab
  building.
Bridgeport, Park Street Church, "Pearl Seekers" ....... 13.53
  Towards salary of Dalita Isaac.
Bridgeport, South Church, "Young Ladies' Mission
  Circle" .................................................. 70.00
  Towards salary of Mrs. Eaton and Miss Judson.
Bridgeport, South Church, "Mission Dew Drops" ....... 26.08
  Towards a scholarship at Kraabschitz.
Bridgewater, "Cheerful Givers" ............................. 2.00
  Towards Morning Star Mission.
Bridgewater, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" ........... 10.00
  Towards salary of Mrs. Eaton.
Canaan, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" ................ 15.00
  $10 for Dalita Isaac, $5 for Bombay building.
Cornwall, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" ............... 10.00
  Towards salary of Mrs. DeForest.
Cromwell, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" ............... 5.00
Darien, "Busy Bees" ....................................... 2.00
  For Morning Star Mission.
East Haddam, "Phoenix Band" .............................. 2.00
  For Morning Star Mission.
East Haven, "Mission Workers" ............................ 20.00
  For Morning Star Mission.
Easton, Sunday School ...................................... 5.00
  For Morning Star Mission.
Ellsworth, "Golden Links" ............................. $27.25
   $19 to complete payment for a scholarship at Mada-
   dura for last year, $8.25 towards this year.

Essex, “Mission Workers” ......................... 10.00
   For Morning Star Mission.

Essex, “We will do Something” .................... 8.20
   $5 for Miss Judson, $3.20 for Morning Star Mission.

Essex, “Whatsoever Band” ..................... 10.00
   For salary of Miss Judson.

Greenwich, “Bearers of Light” .................. 47.74
   For salary of Miss Judson and Dalita Isaac.

Haddam, “Alpha” ................................. 10.04
   For Bombay building.

Higganum, “Young Ladies' Mission Circle” .... 20.00
   For Kioto Training School.

Higganum, “Coral Builders” .................... 5.00
   For Morning Star Mission.

Kent, “Young Ladies' Mission Circle” ........ 51.37
   For salary of Mrs. Eaton and Dalita Isaac, $11.37
   for Bombay building.

Kent, “Mission Workers” ........................ 2.94
   For Morning Star Mission.

Kent, North Sunday School ...................... 5.00
   For Morning Star Mission.

Litchfield, “Young Ladies' Band” .............. 140.00
   For a scholarship each at Inanda, Marsovan and
   Ceylon, $50 for salary of Miss Dency Root.

Litchfield, “Daisy Chain” ...................... 76.00
   $40 for a scholarship at Harpoot, $30 for salary of
   Miss Dency Root, $6 for Morning Star Mission.

Meriden, First Church, “Cheerful Givers” ...... 52.00
   $40 for a scholarship at Harpoot, $10 for Aintab
   building, $2 for Bombay building.

Meriden, First Church, “Boys' Mission Band” .. 30.00
   $25 for Bombay school, $5 for Bombay building.

Middletown, First Church, “Gleaners” .......... 40.00
   For a scholarship at Marsovan.

Middletown, First Church, “Ten Times One” .... 17.50
   For Bombay land and building.

Middletown, South Church, “Good Will Society” 15.00
   For salary of Miss Judson.
Milford, "Rosebud Circle" .......................... $5.00
For Bombay building.
New Britain, Center Church, "Little Givers" .......... 26.00
New Britain, South Church, "Young Ladies' Mission
Circle" .......................................................... 25.00
Constitute L. M. Miss Letty H. Learned.
New Britain, South Church, "Little Helpers" .......... 57.10
$40 for a scholarship at Foochow, $17.10 for Bom-
bay building.
New Britain, South Church, "Standard Bearers" ...... 39.77
$25.48 for salary of Mrs. Eaton, $14.29 for Bombay
building.
New Britain, South Church, "King's Messengers" ... 10.00
For Morning Star Mission.
New Hartford, Y. P. S. C. E .......................... 5.50
For salary of Miss Dency Root.
New Haven, Center Church, "Young Ladies' Mission
Circle" .......................................................... 115.00
For scholarship at Broosa and Inanda, $30 for
salary of Mrs. Eaton, $5 for Morning Star Mis-
sion.
New Haven, Church of the Redeemer, "Young Ladies'
Mission Circle" .............................................. 100.00
For salary of Mrs. Eaton and Miss Judson, $20 for
Bombay.
New Haven, Church of the Redeemer S. S. .......... 30.00
For Morning Star Mission.
New Haven, College Street Church, Y. P. M. S. ...... 25.00
For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
New Haven, College Street Church, "Coral Workers" 80.00
For scholarships at Bombay and Inanda, $10 for
Bombay Building.
New Haven, Davenport Church, "Girls' Mission Circle" 5.00
For Morning Star Mission.
New Haven, Davenport Church S. S. ................... 70.00
For scholarships at Marsovan and Ahmednagar.
New Haven, Dwight Place Church, Fairbank Mission
Circle .......................................................... 25.00
For a scholarship at Ahmednagar.
New Haven, Fair Haven, First Church, "Young Ladies'
Mission Circle" .............................................. 34.00
For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
New Haven, Fair Haven, First Church, "The Helpers" $31.02
$26.02 for Bombay Building, $5 for Morning Star Mission.
New Haven, Humphrey Street Church, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" 40.00
$20 for Miss Judson, $10 Bombay Building, $10 for Morning Star Mission.
New Haven, United Church, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" 90.00
For scholarships at Kraabschitz, Broosa, Bombay, $20 for Bombay Building.
New Haven, United Church, Mission Circle at Mrs. Cady's School 5.87
For work at Ahmednagar.
New Milford, "Valley Wide Awakes" 50.00
For scholarships at Kraabschitz and Madura.
New Milford, "Golden Links" 13.00 For Morning Star Mission.
Norfolk, "Young Ladies' Band" 81.11 For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
Norfolk, "Hillside Gleaners" 92.50 For a scholarship at Inanda and salary of Miss Dency Root.
Norfolk, "Mountain Wide Awakes" 92.50 For scholarship at Ceylon and salary of Miss Dency Root.
North Cornwall, "Mission Bank Society" 22.20 For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
Northfield, "Steadfast Workers" 5.00
North Stamford, "Do what you can Band" 28.00 For a scholarship at Inanda.
Portland, "Work and Win" 20.00 For Bombay Building.
Prospect, "Gleaners" 50.00
Redding, "Ready Folks" 35.00 $30 for scholarship at Ceylon, $5 for Bombay Building.
Ridgefield, "Snowflakes" 18.00
Roxbury, "May Flowers" 20.00
Saybrook, "Seaside Mission Band" 20.00 For a scholarship at Ahmednagar.
Sharon, "Busy Bees" ................................................................. $50.00
For salary of Mrs. Eaton, $10 for Bombay Building.
Sherman, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" .................. 1.00
South Canaan, "King's Daughters" ...................... 5.00
For a scholarship at Inanda.
Southport, S.S. ................................................................. 30.00
Stamford, "Tiny Helpers" ............................................... 30.00
For school at Bombay.
Stratford, "Young Ladies' Band" .............................. 19.26
For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
Stratford, "Alpha Band" ................................................. 18.00
For school at Vizier Kupree.
Torrington, "Highland Workers" ...................... 40.00
For a scholarship at Harpoot.
Torrington, "Valley Gleaners" .............................. 35.00
$20 for Dalita Isaac, $15 for Bombay Building.
Wallingford, "Look Out Ten Club" .................. 5.00
Waterbury, First Church, "Daisy Chain" ............ 53.80
$40 for a scholarship at Harpoot.
Westchester, "Willing Workers" .......................... 3.50
West Haven, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" ........ 20.00
For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
West Haven, "Missionary Seed Planters" ................. 20.00
For a scholarship at Ahmednagar.
Westport, Mission Circle ................................................. 50.00
For salary of Miss Dency Root.
Westville, "Young Ladies' Mission Circle" ........ 78.97
$40 for salary of Mrs. Eaton, $30 for a scholarship at Inanda, $8.97 for Aintab Building.
Westville, "Junior Mission Circle" ..................... 20.00
For salary of Mrs. Eaton.
Whitneyville, "Sunny Circle" .......................... 60.00
Constitute L.M. Mrs. Burton A. Davis, $35 for salary of Mrs. Eaton.
Wilton, "Morning Stars" ................................................. 42.00
$20 for Training School at Japan, $22 for Morning Star Mission.
Winchester, Y.P.S.C.E. .................................................. 20.52
For salary of Miss Dency Root.
Winsted, Young Ladies’ Mission Circle ................. 30.00
For a scholarship at Talas.
Woodbury, First Church, "Valley Gleaners" ........... $20.35
For salary of Mrs. Eaton, $5 for Bombay Building.

MISCELLANEOUS.
Residents of Y. W. C. A. Home in New Haven for work in Ceylon ......................... 8.00
Testimonial to Mrs. H. D. Hume, on 50th anniversary of sailing for India, for Bombay Building.. ....... 31.00

FOR MARSOVAN SCHOOL BUILDING.

Fairfield County.
County annual meeting offering ................. $95.63
Bethel ............................................. 19.00
Bridgeport Aux. $218.85 for Mary Barnes Palmer Memorial Fund, also $30 from North Church Memorial Circle, $10 from Olivet Church, $2 from Park Street Church Endeavor Society...260.85
Brookfield Center ................................. 7.28
Darien Aux. $2.89, Busy Bees $8................. 10.89
Easton Aux. $8.00, S. S. of Congregational Church $5........................................... 13.00
Green's Farms ...................................... 12.08
Greenwich Aux. $28.35, Bearers of Light $8.56 86.91
Monroe .............................................. 4.00
New Canaan Aux. $8.58, "Sunbeam Circle" $50 58.58
Newtown ............................................ 12.00
North Stamford .................................... 5.20
Norwalk Aux. $22.35, Norwalk Circles $45..... 67.35
Redding, ........................................... 5.00
Ridgebury, ........................................ 3.46
Ridgefield, ....................................... 3.00
Sound Beach, ..................................... 9.19
South Norwalk, ................................... 5.00
Southport, ....................................... 18.00
Stamford, ....................................... 14.77
Stratford, ....................................... 7.52
Westport, ....................................... 18.00
Wilton, ............................................ 26.88

——— $713.59
Litchfield County.

Kent ............................................................... $15.00
Litchfield, Miss F. E. Coit ............................. 3.00
New Preston .................................................. 4.00
Northfield ..................................................... 3.55
........................................................................ $25.55

Middlesex County.

Cromwell ........................................................ $26.25
East Hampton, Union Church ............................ 1.25
Haddam Aux. $2.25, Alpha Society $3.11 .............. 5.36
Middletown First Church ................................... 22.47
Middletown South Church .................................. 81.00
Millington ...................................................... 1.00
Portland .......................................................... 15.25
........................................................................ $102.58

New Haven County.

Collection at evening meeting, Misses Leitch .. $49.69
Ansonia ............................................................ 1.00
East Haven ..................................................... 10.00
Guilford First Church, Mrs. Kate Dudley .......... 6.00
Milford ............................................................ 43.50
Mount Carmel .................................................. 8.00
New Haven, Center Church Aux. $29.02, Clara
and Beth Seymour $2.68 .................................. 31.70
New Haven, Church of the Redeemer ............... 27.47
New Haven, Dwight Place Church ................. 5.66
New Haven, Fair Haven First Church Aux.
$25.12, "The Helpers" $3.50 ............................. 28.62
New Haven, Fair Haven Second Church .......... 15.00
New Haven, United Church Aux. $22.39, Mrs.
Cady's School $5 ............................................. 27.39
New Haven, Yale College Church ................. 9.05
Wallingford .................................................... 2.00
Waterbury, First Church ................................. 25.00
Whitneyville .................................................. 5.00
........................................................................ $295.08

New Britain, Center Church, Miss Stanley ....... 5.00
New Britain, South Church ............................. 37.00
A friend at October Meeting ......................... 1.50
Mrs. Bennetto ........................................... $3.00
A friend ................................................. 1.00

$47.50

For Branch Expenses.

Collections at Branch monthly meetings ........... $92.12
Collection at Fairfield County meeting ............ 18.97
Collection at Litchfield County meeting .......... 22.05
Collection at Middlesex County meeting ........... 16.09
Collection at New Haven County meeting .......... 22.51
Advertisements in Annual Report .................. 69.00
Sale of leaflets and mite-boxes .................... 4.65
Kent ..................................................... 5.00
Meriden, First Church ................................ 10.00
New Britain, Center Church ......................... 5.00
New Britain, South Church ........................... 5.00
New Haven, Center Church ............................ 4.41
New Haven, Church of the Redeemer ............... 2.00
New Haven, United Church ........................... 2.65
New Haven, Yale College Church ................... 23.35
Washington ............................................. .25
Waterbury, First Church .............................. 5.00
Interest on invested fund ........................... 95.00
Interest on deposit in Savings Bank ................ 34.17

$437.22

For Permanent Fund.

Fairfield County.

Bethel ................................................. $19.80
Stratford .............................................. 14.60
Trumbull .............................................. 7.30
Wilton ............................................... 1.30

$43.00

Litchfield County.

Cornwall .............................................. $11.00
Roxbury ............................................... 1.50

$12.50

Middlesex County.

Chester ............................................. $10.00
East Haddam ......................................... 2.00
Killingworth ........................................ $13.30
Middletown, First Church ..................... 15.00
Millington ........................................ .40
Saybrook ......................................... 18.00
Westchester ...................................... 1.00

$59.70

New Haven County.

Ansonia .......................................... $12.00
Cheshire ......................................... 12.00
North Madison .................................... .90
Wallingford ...................................... 12.80

$37.20

$152.40

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, June 4, 1889.
PLEDGES ASSUMED FOR THE YEAR.

MISSIONARIES.

Miss Emma M. Barnum, Harpoot, Turkey, Salary $330.00
Mrs. Fannie G. Bond, Monastir, Bulgaria, " 400.00
Mrs. Elizabeth DeForest, Sendai, Japan, " 650.00
Mrs. Gertrude C. Eaton, Chihauhua, Mexico, " 600.00
Mrs. Mary K. Edwards, Inanda, South Africa, " 450.00
Miss Flora A. Fensham, Constantinople, W. Turk., " 440.00
Mrs. Charlotte E. Hume, Bombay, West India, " 570.00
Miss Cornelia Judson, Niigata, Japan, " 650.00
Miss Dency T. M. Root, Madura, India, " 500.00

BIBLE WOMEN.

Vesuvasum ..........Madura, South India, Salary $44.00
Nanapirakasi ......Madura, South India, " 44.00
Parepoovuam ......Madura, South India, " 44.00
S. Parkium ......Madura, South India, " 27.00
Baizabai ..........Sirur, West India, " 35.00
Kamalabai .........Sirur, West India, " 38.00
Drupatabai ......Rahuri, West India, " 34.00
Saganabai ........Rahuri, West India, " 40.00
Gangabai ..........Wadale, West India, " 34.00
Ramabai ..........Ahmednagar, West India, " 37.00
Kasubai ..........Dedgaw, West India, " 34.00
Dayabai ..........Rahuri, West India, " 35.00
Tsangunabai .......Bombay, West India, " 60.00
Mrs. S. Muttu ....Udupitty, Ceylon, " 15.00
Mrs. Ramsey ......Manepy, Ceylon, " 15.00
Mrs. Alfred .......Manepy, Ceylon, " 15.00
Chinnapulli ......Manepy, Ceylon, " 18.00
Chao-nai-nai ......Tung Cho, China, " 30.00
Mrs. Ming .........Pao-ting-fu, China, " 40.00
Sultan ..............Hadji Keuy, Turkey, " 22.00
Melek ..............Hadji Keuy, Turkey, " 22.00
Excipit ..............Vizir Kupree, Turkey, " 36.00
——— ......Nigdeh, Turkey, " 40.00
Lusy ..............Sert, Turkey, " 27.00
Dalita Isaacs ......E. Central Africa, " 150.00
NATIVE TEACHERS.

Salveen, Miss Ely's School, Bitlis, Turkey, Salary $44.00
Miss Anna B. Felician, Girls' Boarding School, Marsovan, Turkey, " 110.00
Miss Annie Graham, Mrs. E. Hume's School, Bombay, India, " 192.00

SCHOLARSHIPS IN BOARDING SCHOOLS.

At Constantinople Home, Associate Principal, Miss Patrick, 4 \( \cdots \) \( \cdots \) \( \cdots \) \( \cdots \) \$600.00
At Marsovan, Turkey, Principal, Miss Fritcher, 10 \( \cdots \) \$400.00
At Harpoot, Turkey, Principal, Miss Daniels, 5 \( \cdots \) \$125.00
At Madura, South India, Principal, Miss Swift, 10 \( \cdots \) \$300.00
At Ahmednagar, Western India, Misses Bissell, 16 \( \cdots \) \$320.00
At Udupitty, Ceylon, Principal, Mrs. Hastings, 6 \( \cdots \) \$180.00
At Foochow, China, Principal, Miss Ella J. Newton, 4 \( \cdots \) \$120.00
At Lindley, South Africa, Principal, Mrs. Edwards, 11 \( \cdots \) \$320.00
At San Sebastian, Spain, Principal, Mrs. Gulick, 2 \( \cdots \) \$200.00
At Broosa, Turkey, Prin., Miss Cull and Miss Wells, 4 \( \cdots \) \$160.00
At Talas, West Turkey, Principal, Miss Clossen, 1 \( \cdots \) \$40.00
At Kraabschitz, Austria, Pastor Soltez, 4 \( \cdots \) \$360.00

SCHOOLS.

At Bombay, Western India, Mrs. Edward Hume \( \cdots \) \$300.00
At Parell, Western India \( \cdots \) \$85.40
At Pulney, India \( \cdots \) \$25.00
At Tillipally, Ceylon \( \cdots \) \$15.00
At Adiaman, Central Turkey \( \cdots \) \$7.00
At Killis, Central Turkey \( \cdots \) \$18.00
At Sert, Eastern Turkey \( \cdots \) \$16.00
At Arabkîr, Eastern Turkey \( \cdots \) \$23.00
At Egin, Eastern Turkey \( \cdots \) \$32.00
At Vizir Kupree, Western Turkey \( \cdots \) \$18.00
At Hoh, East Turkey \( \cdots \) \$25.00
At Sonora, Mexico \( \cdots \) \$80.00

Seminary Building at Marsovan \( \cdots \) \$2,200.00
Shares in Morning Star Mission, 3000 \( \cdots \) \$300.00
Seminary Building at Bombay \( \cdots \) \$200.00
Land at Bombay \( \cdots \) \$200.00
LIFE MEMBERS

Made since May 8, 1888.

Mrs. Thomas C. Acton, Jr.  Mrs. Sophia E. Maltby.
Mrs. C. E. Andrews.        Mrs. H. A. McKelvey.
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Mrs. Clarissa L. Day.      Mrs. Ezra E. Post.
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Miss Mary W. Kimball.      Mrs. Carrie S. Warner.
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NEW HAVEN, Fair Haven, First Church, "Young Ladies' Missionary Society": Miss Mary Arabelle Hart, Pres.; Mrs. E. C. M. Hall, Vice-Pres.; Miss M. Edith Groot, Sec. and Treas. ...

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ACT OF INCORPORATION.

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

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

Resolved by this Assembly:

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

Sec. 2. The said corporation may purchase, hold, sell and convey real or personal estate to 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 each month of the year, with the exception of May, July, August and September. Also a meeting shall be held in each of the four counties annually.

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

ARTICLE I. The Executive Committee shall hold monthly meetings, call special meetings, 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 interests of the Branch, and do all in her power to promote its welfare.

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

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

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

ART. VII. The Treasurer shall receive and disburse all funds according to the vote of the 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 Cooperative Committee shall be represented at the Executive Committee meetings by the vote of their chairman, who shall be elected by themselves annually in the month of April. All members of this committee shall be invited to attend the executive meeting that they may be able intelligently to aid the Executive Committee by taking charge of such business as the Board of Officers cannot perform without neglecting special duties.

ART. X. The financial year of the New Haven Branch shall close with the annual meeting.
ART. XI. Auxiliaries shall be requested to send their annual reports to the Vice-Presidents of their counties the first week in April. These reports shall include the names of officers 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 following standing committees, who shall act under their advice: Committee on finance, committee on pledged-work, committee on county meetings, committee on copying letters, committee on hospitality to missionaries and others, committee on publication, including the distribution of reports.

CONSTITUTION FOR AUXILIARIES.

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 the collection of money for missionary purposes.

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

ART. V. Any person many 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. IV. The object of this Circle shall be to learn about the heathen, and to send them the gospel.

ART. IV. We promise to send our contributions, amounting to not less than five dollars, to the Treasurer of the New Haven Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE FOR 1890.

Mrs. E. I. Merriman, ........................................... Meriden.
Mrs. F. H. Churchill, .............................................. New Britian.
Mrs. J. H. Vorce, .................................................... Essex.
Mrs. George A. Langdon, ........................................ Plymouth.
Mrs. Dorrall Lee, ....................................................... Derby.

DELEGATES TO THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE W. B. M., BOSTON, IN 1890.

1. Mrs. M. G. Reynolds, Ridgebury, del.
   Mrs. Wm. H. Gordon, Danbury, sub.
2. Miss Cordelia Sterling, Stratford, del.
   Mrs. Wm. J. Jennings, Redding, sub.
3. Mrs. A. P. Beals, Stamford, del. (Darien aux.)
   Mrs. Wm. J. Craw, So. Norwalk, sub.
4. Miss C. E. Raymond, Norwalk, del.
   Miss Mary A. Blatchley, Bridgeport, sub.
   Mrs. O. Brown, Washington, sub.
6. Miss Clara Kenny, Litchfield, del.
   Miss Nellie S. Rogers, Cornwall, sub.
7. Miss Alice E. Bird, Bethlehem, del.
   Mrs. J. S. R. Wyckoff, Woodbury, sub.
   Mrs. Clarke Strong, Winsted, sub.
   Mrs. A. M. Birge, Torringford, sub.
10. Mrs. F. C. Eddy, Canaan, del.
     Mrs. N. H. Miner, Falls Village, sub.
    Mrs. Dana Tibbals, Middle Haddam, sub.
    Miss Jessie Usher, Higganum, sub.
    Miss C. C. Cook, Haddam, sub.
    Miss Frances E. Bronson, Middlebury, sub.
15. Miss Ellen Spencer, Naugatuck, del.
    Mrs. S. M. Gardiner, Birmingham, sub.
    Mrs. Anson Norton, North Madison, del.
    Mrs. O. Rice, Meriden, sub.
17. Mrs. J. Andrew Pickett, New Britain, del.
    Mrs. J. D. Whitmore, New Haven, sub.
18. Mrs. J. D. Dana, New Haven, del.
    Miss M. B. Shipman, New Haven, sub.
19. Mrs. H. D. Clark, New Haven, del.
    Miss M. E. Bennett, New Haven, sub.
    Mrs. R. S. Buell, Killingworth, sub.
    Miss Idalina Darrow, New Haven, sub.
22. Mrs. A. M. Wright, Essex.
    Miss Agnes A. Acton, Saybrook.
23. Mrs. Elias Dickerman, Whitneyville.
    Mrs. E. C. Kimball, West Haven.
NEW PAPERS.

Africa's Lighthouses.  Mrs. M. T. Landfear.
Incentives to missionary zeal.  Springfield Branch.
Missionaries of Micronesia.  Mrs. Hart.
Prayer.  Mrs. McCall.
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Letters from missionaries, manuscript papers and maps can be obtained from Miss Ellen M. Prichard, 250 Church street, New Haven.

Reports of the annual meetings of societies, and all questions or communications relating to the general work of the Branch should be sent to the Home Secretary, Mrs. W. H. Fairchild, Manchester, New Hampshire.

Address letters with money, and requests for pledged work, to Miss Julia Twining, 314 Prospect street, New Haven. All checks should be made payable to the order of the Treasurer.

Twenty-five dollars constitutes an individual a Life Member of the W. B. M.; if given by one person at one time it may also be used for specific work. One hundred dollars given by a society during the year may constitute a Life Member, and be used for specific work.

The Missionary Library has about two hundred volumes, which subscribers may draw at the close of each monthly meeting, or at other times by applying to Miss McAlister, 254 Crown street. The yearly subscription is twenty-five cents, or the gift of any suitable book not already in the library.

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