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Extracts from a communication from the Bishops connected with the Mexican Commission.

The undersigned, placed by the House of Bishops upon the Commission in charge of the relations of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, with the "Mexican Branch of the Catholic Church of our Lord Jesus Christ militant upon earth," have in the discharge of duties thus devolved on them, become deeply impressed with the extreme importance of the spiritual movement now going on in the development and organization of the work of their Mexican brethren; and also with the pressing need of the continued liberal assistance of the work by our branch of the Church.

The "nursing care" of our Church is pledged to her infant sister, in the covenant now ratified, under the authorization of the House of Bishops, for the impartation to her, in due season, of the gift of the Episcopate. Much diligent caution has been used in all the arrangements thus far made to that effect. It is our confident trust that our brethren of the Clergy, and of the Laity, will not be wanting on their part, in redeeming the pledge so made, by extending a generous helping hand to promote the financial support absolutely indispensable for carrying the growing work of evangelization to its full establishment in a church system provided, as with Bishops, so with Pastors, Missionaries, candidates for Holy Orders, Schools, and places for assemblage in public worship.

It rarely falls to the lot of Christians to have so favorable an opportunity of helping forward the Blessed Master's work by contributing freely of their worldly goods.

As firmly maintaining the faith once delivered to the saints, even to the very death; and as faithfully working, against the most bitter opposition, and under the deepest discouragements, in the Lord's great harvest, with very manifest tokens of His blessing; we most earnestly commend our sister Church in Mexico to the love and zealous aid of all, of both sexes, and of every station in our own branch of the Church of Christ.

(Signed) William R. Whittingham,
Chairman.

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Wm. Bacon Stevens,
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Mrs. Hansom.

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CONSTITUTION

OF THE

League in Aid of the Mexican Branch of the Church.

ARTICLE I.

This Association shall be called the "League in Aid of the Mexican Branch of the Church," and its object shall be to interest the churchwomen of New York and other cities in the work now under the charge of Dr. Riley, in order to furnish a yearly contribution for its support.

ARTICLE II.

The Central Board shall be in New York; but any parishes elsewhere may associate themselves as branches; and will, in that case, send to the Central Board, a yearly report, and such sums as may be given. Payment of two dollars a year shall admit any one as member of the League.

ARTICLE III.

At an annual meeting of this Society, to be held on the Wednesday after the third Sunday of Lent, at 2 p.m., in Calvary Chapel, there shall be chosen a President, Vice-President, Corresponding Secretary, Recording Secretary and Treasurer. An Executive Committee shall also be chosen at the same time, composed of two ladies from each parish there represented. A report shall be read, by the Corresponding Secretary of the yearly work of the Society.

ARTICLE IV.

The Executive Committee shall meet once a month, at such time and place as they appoint. At this meeting the President, Secretaries and Treasurer shall be ex-officio members; and in the absence of the President, any member may be chosen to act in her stead. Seven shall constitute a quorum. The Secretaries and Treasurer shall give their correspondence and reports; and the Committee shall have power to transact any business of the League.
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"And they shall come from the east, and from the west, and from the north, and from the south, and shall sit down in the kingdom of God."—St. Luke xiii: 29.

"And a vision appeared to Paul in the night; there stood a man of Macedonia, and prayed him, saying, Come over into Macedonia, and help us."—Acts xvi: 9.

A year having elapsed since the formation of the Mexican Mission League, the first Annual Report is respectfully submitted.

The Society was organized under the most favorable auspices, having the sanction of the Bishops of the Mexican Commission, the approval of our own Diocesan, and that of many of the Rev. Clergy.

Yet in view of the wide-spread financial depression, and the lack of information in the Church at large, as to the importance and extent of the spiritual movement in our Sister Republic, the work was entered upon with some tremblings of heart.

But the need was so urgent, the cry for help so pathetic, and the possibilities of extending the Kingdom of our Lord and Master so great and promising, that we felt the Divine blessing would aid our humble efforts.

In response to letters addressed to them, the Bishops of Connecticut, New York, Rhode Island, New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana, Western New York, Massachusetts, Kentucky and Northern New Jersey have appointed Diocesan Secretaries, and written most cheering words.

Many others of our Rt. Rev. Fathers have also given us encouragement, the Senior of all, Rt. Rev. B. B. Smith of Kentucky, closing an earnest appeal for the cause with his benediction, "God bless the Mexican Mission League."

The first meeting was held in Calvary Chapel, Fourth Avenue, March 22d, 1876, the Rt. Rev. the Bishop of New York presiding. After interesting and instructive addresses by the Rev. Drs. Riley and Dyer, a Constitution drawn up by the Rev. Dr. Washburn was adopted, and the officers elected.

The subsequent monthly meetings have generally been well attended, and with increased interest; delegates from our city Churches have been received, and Auxiliary Branches announced in several of the Dioceses and suburban Parishes. Letters have been read from the Diocesan Secretaries, full of promise, stating the various methods adopted to create interest and enclosing the fruits of their labors. The first contribution being from Andover, Massachusetts, and the second from Long Island.
In this connection we would specially mention a touching instance of youthful perseverance and zeal. The children of Grace Church, Providence, have sent a contribution of $425, raised by the weekly collection of five cents from the members of the congregation.

Mrs. Hooker and Miss Grut have not failed to give the latest intelligence from the City of Mexico, of the progress of the Reform movement and its steady increase, with many interesting incidents relating to it, thus bringing us into close connection with the work and the workers.

We have also been favored at these meetings with eloquent and instructive addresses from the Rev. Dr. Riley, Bishop elect of Mexico, the Rev. Albert Zabriskie Gray and the Rev. Mr. Ferguson.

Various plans having been suggested for raising money, Gen. Charles E. Dodge, a friend of Dr. Riley’s, in response to a request from the officers of the League, kindly made all the arrangements for two concerts; these entertainments have served to make the cause known, and have added some hundreds of dollars to our treasury.

We must also acknowledge as one of many kindnesses from the Rev. Dr. Washburn, the receipt of the collection taken at a Missionary meeting recently held in Calvary Church.

Very many letters have been written and received, and upwards of three thousand circulars and pamphlets distributed. For many of these latter we are indebted to Dr. Riley who prepared and published them for the use of the League.

The wide circulation of Bishop Lee’s able essay, “The Reformation in Mexico,” and of the address by the Rev. Albert Z. Gray, have been of great service.

In closing this brief summary, the question arises how shall we increase the interest in, and the contributions for this Christian work, with its ever-widening field? Three congregations in the Capitol and sixty-eight in other parts of the Republic of Mexico, with from six to eight thousand worshippers have already been gathered; these are ministered to by a faithful, able and eloquent band of native missionaries. Eight Church schools have been established, where a very large number of children have been carefully taught the Bible, and have received a good secular education. A theological seminary has been preparing young men for the ministry, and seven candidates are now awaiting holy orders.

Divine service is statedly celebrated in two beautiful former Roman Catholic churches in the City of Mexico; an Orphanage has been started in a grand old convent building; a periodical called the Truth is regularly published, and many other religious works have been issued, which have influenced multitudes; tens of thousands of copies of the Spanish translation of the Holy Scriptures have been circulated, and much other Christian work has been faithfully done.

A petition, with sixty signatures, has recently been received by
Dr. Riley from Puebla, imploring him to re-establish a Church which he had founded in that City, but which had been scattered, for lack of funds to support it. But, as Mrs. Hooker writes, "what can the wisest and best Bishop do when his treasury is empty? Work is organized in vain when there are no means to support laborers."

Mrs. Ramirez, a sister of Gen. Miramon, who was shot with the Emperor Maximilian, is aiding Mrs. Hooker in the Orphanage, where in her deep poverty she has with her child taken refuge. There are now forty girls in the institution, their ages ranging from four to fifteen years. Mrs. Hooker is constantly asked to receive others. She is training these children to be "Faire Gospellers," useful Christian teachers. Surely, we cannot tell her to close her doors, and turn these little maidens into the street!

Will not each member of the League induce others to join? When the work is known, sympathy is sure to follow. The Church of this land could without sacrifice sustain this struggling sister Church, and support generously the heroic band, who under great difficulties and privations, are battling against a crowned idolatry, a semi-heathenism, their weapon being their "Saviour's Testament. A work of wondrous grace, and able souls to save."

Charlotte A. Hamilton,
March 7, 1877.
Corresponding Secretary.

The Reports of the Secretary and Treasurer having been read and accepted, the election of officers for the ensuing year was held and the same Board unanimously chosen.

Rev. Dr. Riley then made a motion.

That as the Mexican Commission of Bishops had recognized the Mexican Branch of the Church as a sister Church, the name Mission is no longer applicable to it, and the title of this society should therefore be changed.

After full explanation and free discussion, it was unanimously resolved that the society should be known, as "The League in aid of the Mexican Branch of the Church," and the first article of the Constitution altered in accordance with this vote. The society being desirous of enlisting the interest of the children of the Church, in the "Orphanage," under the care of Mrs. Hooker in the City of Mexico, Dr. Mallory, the editor of the Churchman, was requested to express his views upon this point, and in a few interesting words gave it his cordial approbation and promised his valuable aid.

Charlotte A. Hamilton,
March 7, 1877.
Corresponding Secretary.

The meetings of the League in aid of the Mexican Branch of the Church are held on the last Wednesday of each month, at two o'clock, in the Sunday-school Chapel of Calvary Church, Fourth Avenue. All those interested in the Mexican work are cordially invited to attend.
THE MEXICAN LEAGUE in account with

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M. A. STEWART BROWN, *Treasurer.*

1876-1877.

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Cash contributed by other Church Collections and Miscellaneous Donations, 1,529.08

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Total, 4,357.09

By Balance brought down, 62.30

M. A. STEWART BROWN, *Treasurer.*

Examined and found correct,

WM. ALEX SMITH, *Auditing Committee.*

NEW YORK, March 5, 1877.
I have received from the Treasurer of the Mexican Mission League, Miss M. A. Stewart Brown, during the past year $4,198, which has been devoted to the following objects:

I. Towards the salary of the Rev. P. Valdespino, in charge of the Church of St. Francis, in the City of Mexico, $425.00

II. Towards the expenses of Ramon Betancourt, Lay Reader, $200.00

III. For Christian publications, including the periodical called "The Truth," $500.00

IV. Towards the expenses of Ventura Flores, Lay Reader in the congregation of St. Peter Martyr, $84.00

V. Towards the Schools of the Church, $100.00

VI. Towards the expenses of P. Rhodakanaty, Greek Professor in the Theological Seminary, $240.00

VII. Towards the Orphanage and Christian Home in the City of Mexico, under the care of Mrs. Hooker, and towards the expenses of Miss Grut and her work, $2,174.00

In all towards the work of the Church, $3,723.00

For expenses of Concerts paid by me, $475.00

$4,198.00

H. Chauncey Riley.

March 6, 1877.
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### CHURCH OF THE HOLY COMMUNION.

**1876-1877.**

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March 22. Mrs. J. Cotton Smith, - - - $2 00
" Miss Stewart Brown, - - - 2 00
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Jan. 13. Miss Meta Neilson, - - - 2 00
" A Member, - - - 3 00
" Mrs. G. N. Titus, - - - 2 00

CHURCH OF THE ASCENSION.

CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY, NEW YORK.
1876.
March 22. Mrs. Anson G. P. Dodge, - - - $2 00
" A. G. P. Dodge, Esq., - - - 2 00
May 25. Eugene Gardener, Esq., - - - 2 00
1877.
Jan. 31. Miss Louisa Brown, - - - 2 00

ST. MARK'S CHURCH, NEW YORK.
1876.
March 22. Mrs. H. W. Renwick, - - - $2 00

CHURCH OF THE TRANSFIGURATION, NEW YORK.
1876.
April 26. Miss Fanny Morris, - - - $2 00

CHURCH OF THE HOLY MARTYRS.
1876.
March 22. Mrs. James Millett, - - - $2 00

ST. ANN'S CHURCH.
1876.
March 22. Mrs. V. Dalrymple, - - - $2 00

TRINITY CHAPEL NEW YORK.
1876.
Sept. 8. Mrs. Gerry, - - - 2 00
" " " " - - - 20 00
" Miss " - - - 2 00

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH, NEW YORK.
1876.
March 22. Mrs. F. A. P. Barnard, - - - $2 00
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Dec. 13. Ladies' Missionary Society, - - 5 75
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Total: $1,473.21
1877.

Jan. 18. Church of Holy Trinity, Westchester Co., 35 00
Feb. 10. U. S. Society of Germantown, Pa., - 10 00

45 00

$1,109 30

MISCELLANEOUS DONATIONS.

1876.

April 16. Mrs. T. J. Diehl, Philadelphia, - $2 00
19. F. H., - 10 00
May 23. Mrs. Geo. G. Wilson, Baltimore, - 2 00
" Mrs. Geo. Davis, Wilmington, N. C., - 2 00
" Miss Alice L. Pearson, Salisbury, N. C., - 1 00
31. Master Abner Mellen, - 3 00
" Mrs. Walter Langdon, St. Clement's Ch., N. Y. 25 00
June 29. Women's Miss'ry Soc'y, Christ's Ch., Rye, 122 00
" Miss E. R. Lea, - 5 00
July 10. W. G. H. Van Wagenen, through H. C. R., - 50 00
Nov. 25. Women's Auxiliary Society, St. Peter's Ch., Westchester, N. Y., 166 30
" Diocese of Easton, Cambridge, - 5 00
Dec. 28. Mrs. H. R. Lockwood, Syracuse, N. Y., - 5 00
" Aguilar Mex. Miss'y League, Grace Ch., Plainfield, N. J., - 50 00

1877.

Jan. 18. A Member of Trinity Ch., Elizabeth, N. J., - 5 00
" Little Falls, N. Y., - 1 00
" Women's Miss'y Society, Ch. Holy Trinity, Harlem, N. Y., - 50 00
" St. James' Ch., Fordham, N. Y., Women's Missionary Society, - - 35 00
" Women's Aux'y Miss'y Soc'y, Newark, N. J., - 25 00
23. Proceeds of First Concert. - 481 50
" Mex. Miss'y League, Ch. of Holy Cross, Plainfield, N. J., - 50 00

Feb. 10. Proceeds of Second Concert, - 329 00
" Through Woman's Aux'y Miss'y Society,
Mrs. J. H. Clarkson, Yonkers, N. Y., - 10 00
A Lady, Christ's Church, Rye, N. Y., 25 00

Jan. 1876. Christ's Ch., Pelham, West'r Co., N. Y.
12. Miss Grace Schuyler, - 2 00
18. Woman's Auxiliary Society, - 67 28

$1,529 08
DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT.

1876.
May 31. Miss C. E. Rainey, - - - - $10 00
1877.
Jan. 23. Church of the Good Shepherd, Hartford, 53 00
" " Mrs. Abner Jackson, - - 10 00
" " Christ's Ch., Westport, through Miss Acly, - 50 00
Feb. 6. New Milford, through Miss Acly, - - 50 00
" 12. Trinity Parish, Newtown, - - 72 50

Balance brought down, $62 30

Calvary Church, - - - $611 42
Church of the Holy Communion, - - 539 60
St. George's, Ch. Holy Apostles, Trinity
Chapel, St. Thomas', Grace Chapel, - 282 19
Ascension, Holy Trinity, St. Mark's, Incarnation, Atonement, etc., - 40 00
6 Dioceses, - - - 1,529 08
Miscellaneous Donations, - - - 1,109 30
Diocese of Connecticut, - - 245 50

Total, $4,357 09

Examined and found correct,
WM. ALEX. SMITH,
Auditing Committee.

New York, March 6, 1877.
LIST OF CONTRIBUTORS TO THE
League in Aid of the Mexican Branch of the Church.
1876-1877.

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Mrs. Richard, Mrs. Hoanse,
Mrs. Wier Roosevelt, Nancy Rankin.

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Mr. A. G. P. Dodge, Mr. Eugene Gardener.

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Mrs. James Millett.
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Mrs. Wright.

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Miss Paine.

ST. THOMAS' CHURCH.

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Miss Fanny Morris.

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Twenty-three working women also sent offerings.
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Miss A. Anthony,
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Miss Mary Budd,
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Mrs. D. B. Bell,
Miss Babcock,
Mrs. Gen'l Brown,
Mrs. Nathan Brown,
Mrs. Butterfield,
Miss M. A. Berry,
Miss Sarah Berry,
Mrs. Burghergerman,
Mrs. Judge Brown,
Miss Mary Brown,
Miss C. Brown,
Miss Jane Brown,
Mrs. Bulkley,
Mrs. Bird,
Miss M. Catlin,
Mrs. G. F. Cornell,
Mrs. Catlin,
Miss Catlin,
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Miss Cornelia Greacen,
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Miss C. Jay,
Miss S. Jay,
Miss A. Jay,
Mrs. J. R. Kearney,
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Miss Lydia Kniffen,
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Mrs. A. Theall,
Mrs. Tallock,
Mrs. Van Wagenen,
Miss Van Norden,
Miss A. Van Norden,
Miss Martha Wacob,
Mrs. A. Wiggins,
Miss Minnie Wiggins,
Miss Daisy Wiggins,
Mrs. Wann,

Mrs. Wainwright.

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Miss Dunnell, Miss Napier,
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- Miss Spencer,
- Miss A. Tabor,
- Miss C. Taylor,
- Mrs. D. Tiffany,
- Mrs. C. P. Tilsworth,
- Mr. O. Tweedy,
- Mrs. O. Tweedy,
- Mr. C. Tweedy,
- Miss F. Tweedy,
- Miss J. Tweedy,
- Miss M. Tweedy,
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- Mrs. H. Wheeler.

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- Mrs. Cargill, Mr. Lyons,
- Mrs. Chamberlain, Mrs. Lyons,
- Mr. & Mrs. Chapin, Miss A. W. Marsh,
- Mrs. H. De Klyne, Miss Newland,
- Miss M. E. Embury, Miss M. Oakley,
- Miss K. E. Embury, Mrs. R. Potts,
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- Mrs. Gill, Mrs. Taggart,
- Mr. Graves, Mrs. Tyler,
- Mrs. Graves, Miss Mary Swain.
- Miss S. A. Swain.

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- Miss E. J. L. Anderson, " Mrs. Wm. Patterson, "
- Miss Fannie Anderson, " Miss Belle Peirs, "
- Miss Audubon, " Mrs. E. T. Perkins, "
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- Mrs. Chero, " Mrs. R. A. Robinson, "
- Mrs. John Green, " Mrs. Wm. A. Robinson, "
- Mrs. C. J. Harison, " Mrs. Wm. Reamel, "
- Mrs. Humphreys, " Miss Emma Stealey, "
- Miss Luck, " Mrs. Tripp, "

Ladies of Church Society, Henderson, through Rev. J. M. Pringle.

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- Mr. J. C Garthwaite.
The following letters have been received by “The Woman's Foreign Missionary Association of Calvary Church,” in response to a proposition to form a League in aid of the Mexican Branch of the Church.

CHARLOTTE A. HAMILTON,
Corresponding Sec'y.,
Of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Association of Calvary Church.
17 West 20th Street, New York,
March 22d, 1876.

REV. EDWARD A. WASHBURN, D.D.,
Rector of Calvary Church, New York.

Wilmington, Del., Jan. 18, 1876.

My Dear Miss Hamilton:

I am extremely obliged for your interesting letter, and rejoice to learn of the contemplated Mexican League. Proposed by such an active Society as “The Woman's Foreign Missionary Association of Calvary Church,” I feel a strong assurance that it will be a valuable and efficient helper to the good work going on in Mexico. As one of the Mexican Commission, I am happy to express my cordial approval of the plan, and I feel no doubt whatever, that the other members of the Commission would concur with me in this opinion.

With sincere regard, your friend,

ALFRED LEE,
Bishop of Delaware.

MISS C. A. HAMILTON,
Secretary of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Association of Calvary Church, N. Y.

Baltimore, Feb. 1, 1876.

My Dear Bishop:

I have very great satisfaction in affixing my signature to the paper approving of the proposed movement among the ladies of New York in behalf of the work in Mexico. I have long regarded the seeming want of general interest and support of that work in the Church as its most discouraging hinderance, and earnestly hope that the intended League may spread among Churchwomen of every shade of opinion, so that the aid afforded may be given without room for a shadow of suspicion that party views or party aims are at all mixed up in the prosecution of a work, which most assuredly has nothing in it of a partisan nature.

It is a matter of much rejoicing that the women of the Church seem to be, at the present time, so generally and effectually waking up to a
sense of their own importance in the Master's scheme of work, and consequently availing themselves of their high privilege of sharing with the Marys and Joannas, Phoebes and Priscillas of the first age of the Church in the ministry of Christ of their substance, and in helpfulness in the labors of His ministering servants. May the "Mexican League" prove a signal instance of successful exertion of the kind.

Ever faithfully and lovingly,
Your friend and Brother,

W. R. WHITTINGHAM,
Bishop of Maryland.

Rt. Rev. Alfred Lee, D.D.,
Bishop of Delaware.

Baltimore, Feb. 1, 1876.

The undersigned, members of "The Mexican Commission," appointed by the Bishops of the Protestant Episcopal Church, cordially approve the formation by the women of the Church, of a Mexican League, for the purpose of obtaining the means required for carrying forward the work of "The Mexican Branch of the Catholic Church of our Lord Jesus Christ militant upon earth;" and otherwise aiding the same.

W. R. WHITTINGHAM, Bishop of Maryland,
Chairman of the Mexican Committee.
ALFRED LEE, Bishop of Delaware.
G. T. BEDELL, Bishop of Ohio.
WM. BACON STEVENS, Bishop of Pennsylvania.
A CLEVELAND COXE, Bishop of Western New York.
JOHN B. KERFOOT, Bishop of Pittsburgh.

Glen Cove, August 11, 1876.

My Dear Madam:

Your note with the Circulars has been duly received. I regret that my absence from home deprived me of the opportunity of signing the endorsement of "The Mexican Mission League," by the Bishops of "The Mexican Commission." As a member of that Commission, I beg to express my cordial approval of the plan which has been adopted to excite a more general interest in the pressing needs of the great reform movement now going on so hopefully in Mexico; and I pray that the Association over which you preside, may be instrumental in securing the sympathy and aid which are now so urgently demanded by the exigencies of that noble cause.

Very faithfully yours,

A. N. LITTLEJOHN,
Bishop of Long Island.

Mrs. Fordyce Barker, President.
Having lately conversed with the Rev. Dr. Riley, of the Mexican Church, and having had the privilege of reading a letter signed by the Bishops constituting the Commission having charge of the Mexican Religious Organization, I am happy to express my warm interest in that movement, and in the Christian work connected with it, and I am happy to learn that this work is to have the sympathy and support of the Ladies of Calvary Church, and of other congregations of this city and diocese.

May God prosper them in their kindly Christian efforts, and give them favor with all our good people.

HORATIO POTTER,
Bishop of New York.

March 18, 1876.

MEXICO.

There are two countries in which just now are witnessed struggles, which, in many respects, resemble each other. They are both struggling for open Bibles, Common Schools, the right to eat the bread their own hands have raised, and to dwell securely in their own houses.

In other respects, their conflicts and difficulties differ exceedingly. In the Danubian Provinces there is organized war, not exempt from brigandage and butcheries, the object being chiefly political, but partially, and that in its most embittered form, religious. In their case the only help we can render is to pray for them.

In Mexico, though there is no organized war, there are, alas! intestine broils, with which we have nothing to do; but there is going on there a religious struggle for an open Bible, for freedom in religious opinions in which all Protestant Christendom is profoundly interested, and in which we are able and bound to render material aid as well as sympathy and prayers.

There are certain very serious difficulties in deciding upon the best way of doing it. Those whom we desire to benefit are not Heathen, and hence they are not within the sphere of operations of the Foreign Committee of our Missionary Society; neither are they fellow-Citizens, or dwellers within our National Bounds, and our Domestic Committee cannot help them. With regard to helping the helpless and the wounded outside any such artificial bounds, in the Franco-German War our noble Sanitary Commission found a way to exercise a sublime and blessed Charity.

Voluntary Societies outside of our chartered institutions can do much. Witness the success of Bishop Hare, in organizing Indian Leagues. Witness the willing aid given to Hayti and Cuba, without the formation of Leagues, whose circumstances so exactly resemble those of Mexico, with the exception here is a Christian People, near our own border, who began a greater work within themselves, which most needs fostering now, and will not need it always. GOD bless the Mexican Missionary League.

B. B. S.

September, 1876.

DIOCESE OF CONNECTICUT, April 4, 1876.

I have long felt a deep interest in the work opening before our Church in Mexico, and have carefully observed its progress. The result has been
an ever growing conviction of its importance, the greatness of its opportunity, and the wisdom with which it is conducted.

I shall be glad to know that branches of the Central League are widely established in this Diocese. I pray GOD to bless the effort with abundant and abiding success.

J. WILLIAMS,
Bishop of Connecticut.

PROVIDENCE, RHODE ISLAND, APRIL 14, 1876.

"I rejoice in the establishment of 'Mexican Leagues' throughout the length and breadth of our Church. "We have never been called to foster any efforts more striking and full of promise than those which are now going on for the reform of the Church in Mexico. The work has fallen into good hands, and is prosecuted energetically and judiciously. It is pleasant to see all classes of persons in our Communion unite in this movement with equal zeal."

THOMAS M. CLARK,
Bishop of Rhode Island.

NO. 37 WASHINGTON ST.,
NEWARK, NEW JERSEY, APRIL 5, 1876.

MRS. ELIZABETH L. BARKER:
Madam:

I respond at once to your letter, and assure you and your co-workers in the Mexican Mission, of my most cordial approval of your object, and the mode of operation adopted. I shall rejoice at any help in sympathy and finances, that the Diocese of Northern New Jersey may give to your League.

Praying ever for CHRIST's sake to bless your efforts,

I am, most respectfully, yours,

WM. H. ODENHEIMER,
Bishop of Northern New Jersey.

DIocese of Ohio.

MY DEAR MRS. BARKER:

I rejoice that the "Woman's Auxiliary," which you represent, has so earnestly engaged in aiding the Rev. Dr. Riley's work for Mexico. His visit to Cleveland, and presentation of the cause, has won many hearts, and established him in the confidence of our people. Convinced before, my enthusiasm is kindled now that I have heard the details of his conflicts.

The very opposition which he encounters is encouraging, for Satan would not trouble himself to oppose, were there not danger that truth would win a victory. Never within my recollection of the Missionary work of our Church, have we had opening before us so grand an opportunity for extending the Gospel, at the same time that we promise the discipline which we love.

Your efforts have my warmest sympathy.

Believe me, Sincerely yours,

G. T. BEDELL,
Bishop of Ohio.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, JUNE 17, 1876.
Indianapolis, April 14, 1876.

My Dear Mrs. Barker:

Your favor of April 3d came during an absence from which I returned a few days since. I shall be very glad if the Churches of this Diocese can be roused to sympathy with the great work of religious reform in Mexico, and do something practical in its behalf.

Bidding you "God speed" in your labors of love for Christ and the Church,

I remain, Very truly yours,

Jos. C. Talbot,
Bishop of Indiana.

Pittsburgh, April 5, 1876.

Miss C. A. Hamilton,
My Dear Madam:

Yesterday brought me letters and papers from yourself and (Mrs. Barker) your President. I have just written her that our Diocesan action here had been earlier than any other elsewhere, and that we had given Dr. Riley a pledge (already secured for this year) of $3,000, for the Mexican work. Anything that will make our Diocesan efforts coincide with yours, but yet leave our offerings to count for our pledge, will meet my concurrence.

After consultation I may be able to name a correspondent, for you, out here.

I am, very sincerely and respectfully,

J. B. Kerfoot.

Bishop's House, Albany, April 10, 1876.

To the President of the Mexican League:

I have delayed my answer to your note, my dear Mrs. Barker, because I wished to write after proper thought and consultation. I am very anxious to do all in my power, to sustain the Mexican work, whose very critical importance I deeply feel, but the Clergy, whom I have consulted, agree with me, that no good would come of attempting to organize a branch of the League here. It would be only a name, with no reality or usefulness. The few ladies that can do anything are already interested, and before long some money will come from Albany, in addition to what has been given by St. Peter's and St. Paul's Churches.

There ought to be something done in Troy, and I will see that the work is put in train there. Outside of this, nothing can be expected, for no one knows how severe the drain is to keep alive our own work, in this large Diocese, with only two strong centres on which to depend. I beg you to believe that I am very keenly sensible of the importance of the work, and anxious to aid it. But I do not believe any good would come from the effort to establish a League in Albany.

Very Respectfully Yours,

Wm. Croswell Doane,
Bishop of Albany.
MY DEAR MADAM:

Your circular and appeal for the Mexican Mission have been received. I place them, with a testimonial, in the hands of Mrs. Mary D. Burnham, of this Diocese and city, to whom the charge of such interests of the Church is assigned.

Faithfully yours,

F. D. HUNTINGTON,
Bishop Central New York.

TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE
MEXICAN MISSION LEAGUE, NEW YORK.

BOSTON, THURSDAY BEFORE EASTER.

MRS. FORDYCE BARKER:

My dear Madam:

The cause which you represent is one which I am deeply interested in, and shall rejoice to set forward in any proper manner, here or elsewhere. I pray God to bless all the zealous efforts of the ladies associated for the purpose of aiding the poor, despised, persecuted, but I believe loving and loyal Church of Christ in Mexico.

Wishing you and the work God's blessing,

I am, very sincerely,

B. H. PADDOCK,
Bishop of Massachusetts.

NEW YORK, MAY 27, 1876.

MISS HAMILTON, Sec. M. M. League:

My dear Lady:

It gives me great pleasure to respond to the invitation of Mrs. Barker and yourself, and to say a few words for Mexico.

Do not let the minds of our people be troubled by visions of interference with good Roman Catholics.

If they are satisfied; why after three centuries of affluence have they found their Church wanting, and have turned against the ultra montane policy, why? but because she has not been a real mother, but a stepmother to her children.

Mexico is like Luther, who, wandering through the library of his monastery, took down an unknown volume called the Bible, and instituted for Rome unfortunate comparisons.

She, too, has found this hidden volume, and it is for you to help her to read it aright.

May God bless you in your work, if it is only to gather up the fragments which fall from the Roman table.

I am, faithfully yours,

R. W. B. ELLIOTT,
Missionary Bishop Western Texas.
My dear Madam:

I did not receive your kind note for some time after it was written, in consequence of a prolonged absence from home. This will, I hope, sufficiently explain any delay in making reply. I write now to say that it gives me great pleasure to appoint Miss Lizzie Hunt as Secretary for this Diocese, of the Mexican League, and I would express the hope that she may be able to accomplish something for the great Mission, even in this Diocese, so feeble and obliged to husband, all its little resources for Mission work within its own bounds.

Very faithfully yours,

T. U. Dudley,
Assistant Bishop of Kentucky.

Mrs. Fordyce Barker.

Trenton, N. J., April 7th, 1877.

My dear Mrs. Barker:

I am deeply interested in Mexican Church work, and will gladly cooperate in any effort for its furtherance. I rejoice that the women of New York are taking it up vigorously, and New Jersey, I hope, will be glad to follow.

If Dr. Riley has not better fields to glean in he is most welcome to this Diocese at any time.

Yours most truly,

John Scarborough,
Bishop of New Jersey.

Diocese of Ohio,
Cleveland, Feb. 28th, 1877.

Miss Charlotte A. Hamilton,
Secretary Mexican League:

With real regret I find myself compelled to decline the request of the League, and of the Rev. Dr. Washburn. My visitations have commenced for the Spring and cannot be interrupted except at the cost of great inconvenience to the parishes.

Let me take this opportunity to thank the Rector of Calvary Church for his constant encouragement of the work of the League, and, through you to express to the ladies engaged in this work my sense of their most important contribution. Our Mexican Commission has oftentimes been perplexed. During the past six months our hopes have been greatly overcast. But evidences of sympathy in our Churches have always been at hand to cheer and encourage, and among these evidences, I count the constant, brave and hopeful labors, and good words of your League. A brighter prospect is opening. I trust we shall yet realize the anticipated fruits of the Rev. Dr. Riley's work. Our Church is right in seizing the providential opportunity and pushing its labors with enthusiastic faith, and I fully believe that you will yet rejoice with us in beholding a pure Church of the Lord Jesus established in Mexico.

Believe me sincerely and respectfully yours,

G. T. Bedell:
STATEMENT OF THE MEXICAN COMMISSION.

The Mexican Commission, appointed by the House of Bishops, have been led to the opinion that a word of explanation on their part, at this time, may be acceptable to the Church, and be for the advantage of the important work entrusted to them. The Commission desire to make known that the continuance of the Rev. H. C. Riley, D.D., in this country, has been occasioned by domestic afflictions of a very painful nature, in circumstances decisive as to his immediate duty; so that the Commission while deeply regretting the delay of his return to Mexico, have fully acquiesced in its propriety. This unlooked for and extraordinary interposition of the great Disposer of events we receive as an indication of His wisdom, as well as of His will, whose ways are not as our ways. Through His favoring hand the little flock in Mexico has been wonderfully protected amid popular convulsions, and there is progress as well as persistence on their part.

Meantime the Commission have been gratified to learn that the Prayer Book of our Church is coming more and more into favor and use, although obvious considerations of regard to national feelings and the rights of a distinct Church have not permitted it to be pressed upon them. Anything that bore the appearance of dictation on our part would give an advantage to the enemies of the reform movement, of which they would be quick to avail themselves. But our service is becoming better known and is winning favor. On the other hand, proposed liturgical Offices corresponding with our own, but by no means identical, will be prepared without unnecessary delay, and, as we are informed, be soon submitted to a committee of our body. After due examination by the Commission they will be forwarded to our Mexican brethren for their consideration.

Let the mind and heart of our Church be assured that the Commission, who have thus far acted with entire unanimity, are endeavoring to guide the work in a way to command general sympathy and support.

In a subject fraught with consequences so grave and momentous to the cause of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the interests of His holy religion in another land, they have feared the evils of haste and precipitancy, and have wished to proceed with due care and deliberation. Objections and difficulties that have occurred to other minds have received their earnest attention, and have been considered in all their bearings, deeply conscious as they are of the responsibility resting upon those to whom such important and delicate negotiations have been entrusted.

By the direction and on behalf of the Commission.

ALFRED LEE.

MARCH 5th, 1877.