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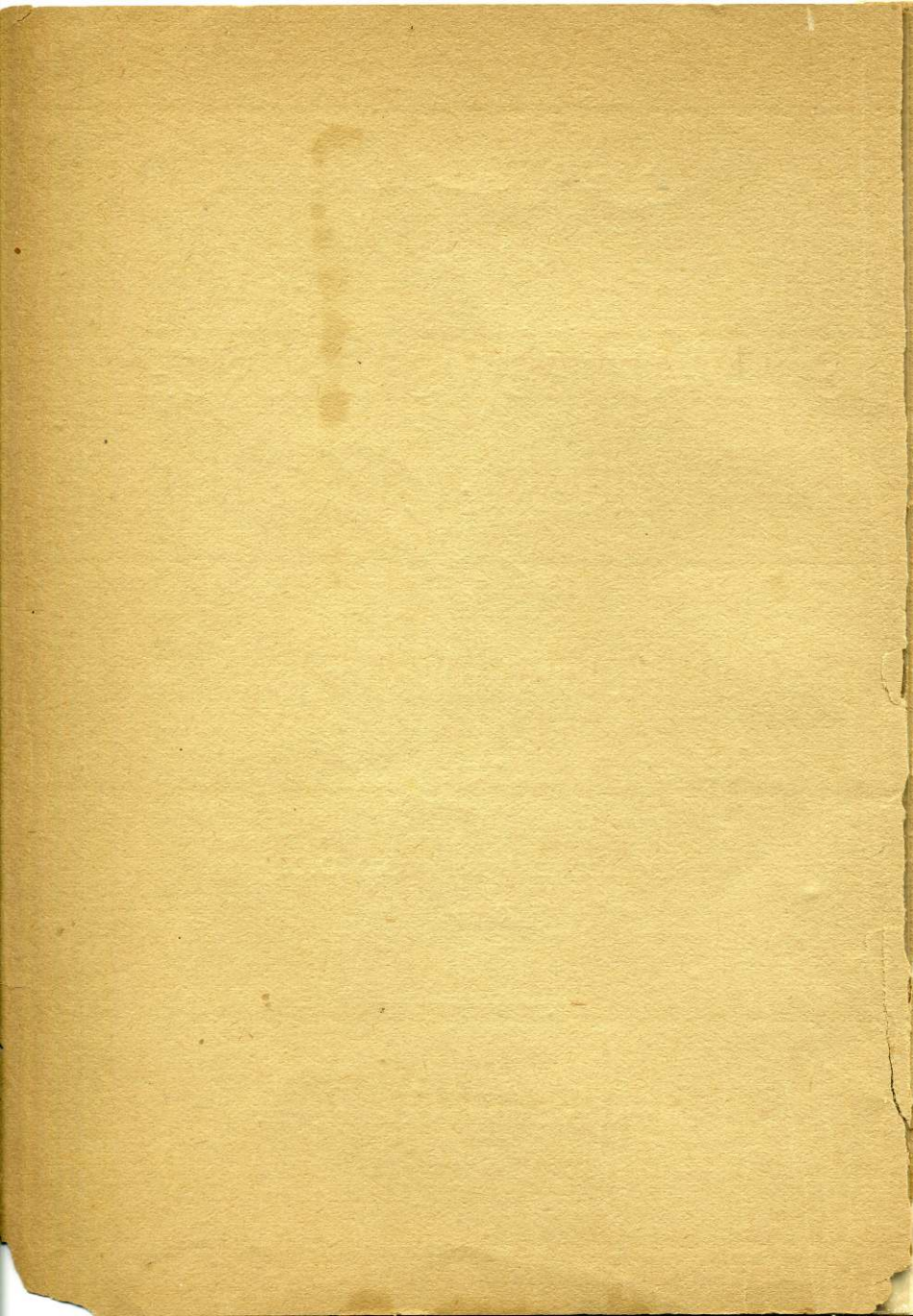
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RECTOR'S LETTER.

To the Members of St. Matthew's Parish :

This little publication is not put forth as a complete resume of all that has been done in our Parish during the past year, but as outlining our work, showing the use that has been made of your contributions and generally indicating the tenor of our church life and the spirit which actuates us as a congregation.

Looking over the past year we feel that we have great reason for thankfulness. It has been a very hard year, owing to the financial depression which has so seriously afflicted this community, and yet, despite this, our income has kept up and the reports of the different societies show but little, if any, diminution in their receipts. The large building, formerly the South Wheeling Turner Hall, has been secured through the kind assistance of our Bishop and opened under the name of St. Andrew's, thus giving us another church in the city. A Vested Choir of forty-two voices has been trained and equipped and now render the services of the church. The church building has been improved and decorated at an outlay of twenty-five hundred dollars, external matters which show the spirit of zeal and the active interest which are manifest in all the departments of our Parochial organization.

The prosperous and healthy condition of our Parochial life is due to the labors of the past, for as we survey the past years we note a steady enlargement of the scope of our Christian activities with a corresponding increase in the liberality and spirituality of our people.

It does not become me to say much on this subject of pro-

gressive growth, but I may be permitted to quote the words of our good Bishop in his address at the opening of the Florence Brittingham Memorial Parish House, wherein he says:

“The services of this day mark another forward movement in the history of our Church in Wheeling. Sixteen years ago, when I came among you to take charge of the work to which I believe God in his providence called me, the City Churches were St. Matthew’s and a little chapel on the Island, in which we had a Sunday School, zealously kept up.

“I found one Church in the whole city, reporting 221 communicants—that was the sum total of our strength—and even that one church was burdened with a debt of twenty thousand dollars. Since then, 1878, what hath God wrought? I need not remind you of how the case now stands. St. Matthew’s Church has paid its debt and been consecrated. A beautiful rectory has recently been added to its property. St. Paul’s, Elm Grove, has been built by members of that congregation, and St. Luke’s, now with its rectory and parish building complete, has taken the place of the little chapel where Sunday School was held.

“And more than this, the two Churches have combined to redeem our lost inheritance in South Wheeling, and now we have St. Andrew’s. May God bless and prosper it.

“All these monuments, St. Luke’s, St. Paul’s and St. Andrew’s have grown out of and been the development of St. Matthew’s parish work and have had the cordial support of the rector and congregation. It ought to be a great satisfaction to us all to feel that the Church in this city has thus grown, not by splitting into rival organizations, but by the healthy development of the outposts, and it must be said to the credit of the rector and congregation of St. Matthew’s, while they could not but miss the rank and file which from time to time went out from them, to be the substantial basis of other work, yet they have

given them to the general cause, not grudgingly and of necessity, but heartily and cheerfully.”

So much of the past, and now what of the future? Your rector has from time to time spoken to you of his “dreams;” in his long rectorship, almost coincident with the life of the Diocese, he has been privileged to see most of the things he has dreamed of become realities, and his faith is strong that through the continuance of your active sympathy and zealous support, and by the blessing of God, this parish of St. Matthew’s will ere long be equipped with all the needed accessories of modern Church life. Given the tools and given the consecrated lives to employ them, what may we not do in this community for Christ and His Church?

Faithfully your rector,

R. R. SWOPE.

June 27, 1894.



PARISH ORGANIZATION.

Rector,

REV. R. R. SWOPE, D.D., 1410 Chapline Street.

The Vestry,

JOSEPH D. DUBOIS, Senior Warden.

JOHN D. CULBERTSON, Junior Warden.

ROBERT M. BROWNE, Treasurer.

ALLEN BROCK, Registrar.

ALONZO LORING.

N. B. SCOTT.

FRANK J. HEARNE.

GIBSON LAMB.

JOSEPH SPEIDEL.

HULLIHEN QUARRIER.

B. WALKER PETERSON.

G. A. ASCHMAN.

COMMITTEES.

Finance,

J. D. CULBERTSON,

GIBSON LAMB,

R. M. BROWNE.

Music,

J. D. CULBERTSON,

J. D. DUBOIS,

ALLEN BROCK.

G. A. ASCHMAN.

Buildings,

B. W. PETERSON,

J. D. CULBERTSON.

Pews and Sittings,

JOSEPH SPEIDEL,

F. J. HEARNE.

Sunday School,

G. A. ASCHMAN,

N. B. SCOTT.

Delegates to the Diocesan Council,

J. D. DUBOIS,

G. A. ASCHMAN,

PEEBLES TATUM

Musical Director,

PROF. J. A. RAYNES.

Organist,

MISS MARY WILDE.

Lay Readers,

MR. RICHARD WHITEHOUSE.

G. A. ASCHMAN, M.D.

Collector,

MR. NELSON NOBLE, No. 44 Twelfth Street.

All applications for pews or sittings in the Church should be made to Mr. Noble.



CHURCH DIRECTORY.

St. Matthew's Church, N. E. Cor. Fifteenth and Chapline Sts.
St. Paul's Mission, Elm Grove.

St. Andrew's Mission, west side of Jacob Street, north of Forty-second Street.

Rectory of St. Matthew's Church, No. 1410 Chapline Street.

SERVICES.

ST. MATTHEW'S CHURCH.

Sundays.

10:30 A.M.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.

2:15 P.M.—Sunday School.

The Sunday School meets at 9:00 A.M., June to September.

7:45 P.M.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

The Evening Service is suspended during July and August.

Holy Communion.

First Sunday in the month after Morning Prayer.

Third Sunday in the month at 9:30 A.M.

On all Holy Days at 7:30 A.M.

Holy Baptism.

At any time when desired.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Treasurer's Report for Year Ending June 1st, 1894.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Pew Rents..... | \$3,176 10 |
| Sunday Offerings..... | 2,102 62 |
| Easter Offering..... | 954 35 |
| Thanksgiving Offering..... | 16 56 |
| Christmas Offering..... | 33 00 |
| Total Receipts..... | \$6,282 |

EXPENDITURES.

| | |
|--------------------------------|-----------|
| Bishop's Salary..... | \$ 600 00 |
| Rector's Salary..... | 2,700 00 |
| Choir..... | 1,106 25 |
| Janitor..... | 300 00 |
| Insurance, three years..... | 288 00 |
| Natural Gas..... | 110 78 |
| City Gas..... | 107 67 |
| Repairs..... | 18 54 |
| Music, F. W. Baumer..... | 6 35 |
| Jos. Graves, Envelopes..... | 1 25 |
| Postage..... | 11 15 |
| Printing..... | 68 45 |
| Janitor's Sundries..... | 4 80 |
| Laundry..... | 5 50 |
| Repairing Windows, J. Cox..... | 5 45 |
| Taxes, Pannell Property..... | 11 27 |
| Christmas Decorations..... | 12 00 |
| Interest..... | 95 00 |
| Commissions on Pew Rents..... | 221 65 |

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SPECIAL.

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| Diocesan Missions..... | \$ 200 00 |
| Sheltering Arms Hospital..... | 25 00 |
| Aged and Disabled Clergy..... | 33 00 |
| Communion Alms..... | 135 84 |
| Sunday School..... | 13 46 |
| Contingent Fund..... | 50 00 |
| Religious and Theological Education..... | 25 00 |
| Permanent Fund..... | 10 00 |
| | —————\$ 492 30 |
| Total Expenditures | 6,146 49 |
| Balance June 1st, 1894..... | \$36 14 |
| Pew Rents due and unpaid June 1st..... | \$ 729 73 |

Money received and disbursed by others than the Church Treasurer.

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| Choir Guild | \$ 239 00 |
| Sunday School..... | 244 94 |
| Brotherhood of St. Andrew..... | 76 29 |
| King's Daughters..... | 524 44 |
| Woman's Auxiliary..... | 63 50 |
| Ladies' Church Improvement Society..... | 380 00 |
| Swope Hospital Guild..... | 250 00 |
| Ministering Children's League..... | 13 27 |
| St. Paul's Mission, Elm Grove..... | 263 42 |
| Rectory Fund..... | 118 50 |
| Bishop's Special Fund..... | 30 28 |
| Missions in Brazil..... | 18 00 |
| | —————\$2,220 86 |
| Total receipts for all purposes..... | \$8,503 49 |

RECTOR'S REPORT.

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| Number of Families or parts of Families | 266 |
| Whole number of Baptized Persons..... | 692 |
| <i>Baptisms.</i> —Infants..... | 43 |
| Adults..... | 5 |
| Total..... | 48 |
| Confirmations..... | 31 |
| Marriages..... | 14 |
| Burials..... | 23 |
| <i>Communicants.</i> —Number last reported..... | 273 |
| Received from other Parishes..... | 8 |
| Added by Confirmation..... | 31 |
| Total Additions..... | 39 |
| Lost by removal..... | 6 |
| Lost by death..... | 1 |
| Total Lost..... | 7 |
| Present number..... | 305 |
| <i>Public Services.</i> —On Sundays..... | 98 |
| On other days | 164 |

ST. MATTHEW'S VESTED CHOIR.

Musical Director,

PROF. J. A. RAYNES.

Organist,

MISS MARY WILDE.

Soprano and Soloist,

MRS. FLORA WILLIAMS.

Librarian,

GEORGE ATKINSON.

Sopranos,

STEPHEN DEVINNEY,
ROBERT EMBLEM,
JOHN KEENAN,
LOUIS D. GRUBB,
WILLIAM VAIL,
BENNIE CARR,
LOUIS KILLMEIER,
ERRETT ROBINSON,
HARRY WHEAT,
EDDIE BORMAN,
HARRY KREIS,

HAROLD SWOPE,
CHARLEY GREEN,
THOMAS KEENAN,
JAMES GARDNER,
RODNEY R. S. CRAWFORD,
HARRY KILLMEIER,
FRED. NORTON,
J. D. CULBERTSON,
EARL LENKARD,
JOHN HABBERFIELD,
HARRY ECKHARDT,

CHAPMAN WATSON.

Altos,

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| DAVID ELLINGHAM, | CLYDE NORTH, |
| PAUL GREEN, | JESSE SPEIDEL, |
| HARVEY POLLOCK, | GEORGE ATKINOSN, |
| WILLIE MILLIGAN. | |

Tenors.

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|----------------|--------------|
| G. A. ASCHMAN, | G. D. GREEN, |
| FRANK LEE, | JOHN MENDEL. |

Bassos.

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|------------------|-----------------|
| C. E. PRATT, | MORGAN MILLER, |
| DON MERRIMAN, | NELSON NOBLE, |
| HERBERT BRANNON, | HARRY JAMISON, |
| CLARE O'NEIL, | WALDO CARNAHAN. |

The Choir was organized November 2nd, 1893, with a roll of forty-two singers, under the direction of Prof. J. A. Raynes.

After twenty-three rehearsals the choir sang for the first time at the evening service on Quinquagesima Sunday, February 4th, 1894. To the date of this report the choir has had forty-eight rehearsals, and sung at seventeen evening services, and has therefore been in attendance on sixty-five evenings. The attendance has been excellent and there have been no defections. One Soprano removed to another city and one was placed with the Altos on account of change of voice. One boy has also been absent for two months on account of grave sickness in the family. With the exception of the one just referred to, and one from St. Luke's Parish, all the boys in the Choir are members of St. Matthew's Sunday School.

One Soprano and one Bass have been added to the Choir which at this date numbers—

23 Sopranos, with an average attendance of 85 per cent.

7 Altos, “ “ “ 90 “

4 Tenors, “ “ “ 81 “

8 Bassos, “ “ “ 71 “

Average attendance of boys, 87.5 per cent.

“ “ men, 76 “

“ “ choir 82 “

Three medals have been presented by the Rector, Dr. Aschman and a lady friend of the choir, which are awarded for Attendance and Punctuality; Progress and Proficiency in Music; and Reverence. These medals are awarded the first of each month and are worn by the holders of them on all occasions of public service. At the end of the year the boy who has had a medal the longest will receive it as his own.

Beginning with the first of June the choir will sing at all services.



THE CHOIR GUILD.

MRS. JULIUS POLLOCK, - - - *President.*

MRS. JACOB GRUBB, - - - *Treasurer.*

MRS. W. SCHWERTFEGER, - *Secretary.*

The organization of a Choir Guild was necessitated by the formation of the Vested Choir. The ladies responded to Dr. Swope's call, and the Guild was established with a membership of twenty-six, with Mrs. Pollock, Chairman; Mrs. Grubb, Treasurer, and Mrs. Schwertfeger, Secretary. An initiation fee of twenty-five cents was agreed upon, resulting in the sum of \$6.50. Donations were received from ladies of the church and members of the Guild amounting to \$33.00, making a sum total of \$39.50.

Of this amount \$32.50 were expended for making the cassocks; \$5.00 for twice laundering the cottas; 50 cents for two cotta patterns; 25 cents for postal cards; \$1.00 for toilet articles for use in the robing room.

The Guild is indebted to Mrs. Swope, Mrs. Ann Delaplain and Mrs. Grubb for donations of material for cottas, of which forty-four were made by the Guild and the ladies of the church. Also to Mr. Nelson, Noble for colliers, and to Thomas Hughes & Co., for cutting out cassocks.

A committee of six ladies was appointed to serve each month in the robing room, but the work has been so systematized that two ladies are quite sufficient, and it is suggested that the usual regulation of Choir Mother and Assistant be adopted.

SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENSES.

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| Offerings at sixteen evening services..... | \$150 37 | |
| Gifts by individuals for choir..... | 88 85 | |
| | | <u>\$239 22</u> |
| By J. A. Raynes, to June 1st, 1894 | \$224 50 | |
| By Changes in Chancel..... | 30 08 | |
| By Music..... | 66 63 | |
| | | <u>321 21</u> |
| By Balance..... | | 81 99 |



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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Report for the Year from the end of May, 1893, to the end of May, 1894.

Officers.

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| DR. G. A. ASCHMAN, | - - - | Superintendent. |
| NELSON NOBLE, | - - - - | Assistant Superintendent. |
| PEEBLES TATUM, | - - - | Secretary and Treasurer. |
| LOUIS FELDMAN, | - - - | Librarian. |
| PROF. J. A. RAYNES, | - - | Organist. |

Teachers.

| | | |
|----------------------|-----------|---------------|
| R. M. BROWNE, | - - - - - | Bible Class. |
| MRS. M. GRIFFITHS, } | - - - - - | Infant Class. |
| MRS. J. WEISTLING, } | - - - - - | |

Main School.

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| MISS GUSSIE WRIGHT, | MISS MARY LAMB, |
| MISS JEANNETTE HORSLEY, | MISS JESSIE BACHMAN, |
| MISS NANNIE JACOB, | MISS ELLEN ELLINGHAM, |
| MISS FANNIE BRADY, | MISS MARY BROWN, |
| MISS ELIZA HOGE, | MISS KATE YOUNG, |
| MISS TELL NICHOLLS, | MISS MARY CARTER, |
| MISS ELEANOR BROWN, | MRS. GEO. B. CALDWELL, |
| MR. WALTER VARDY. | |

REPORT OF THE SUPERINTENDENT.

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| Services were held in the morning..... | 19 |
| “ “ “ “ afternoon..... | 33 |
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| Total..... | 52 |

Scholars on the roll during the year :

| | Males. | Females. | Total. |
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| Infant Department..... | 20 | 29 | 49 |
| Large Department..... | 74 | 122 | 196 |
| Bible Class..... | 9 | 11 | 20 |
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| Total..... | 103 | 162 | 265 |
| Scholars left during year | 21 | 54 | 75 |
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| Number of Scholars now in Sunday School | 82 | 108 | 190 |
| <i>Teachers on the roll during the year.....</i> | 5 | 25 | 30 |
| Teachers left during the year..... | | 10 | 10 |
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| Number of Teachers now in Sunday School | 5 | 15 | 20 |
| Total number on the roll during the year.. | 108 | 187 | 295 |
| “ “ left “ “ “ .. | 21 | 64 | 85 |
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| Total number now in Sunday School..... | 87 | 123 | 210 |

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| Average attendance during the year..... | 127 |
| Largest number present January 21st, 1894..... | 170 |
| Smallest number present August 27th, 1893..... | 78 |

The Infant Department has remained about the same as the previous year. New scholars have come in the same proportion as others have graduated into the Large Department or left the School. There has, however, been a slight decrease from the attendance during the previous year. But in the Large Department and Bible Class there has been a steady gain in the attendance over last year.

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| On the roll of the Large Department and Bible class during the year..... | 188 scholars. |
| On the roll of the Large Department and Bible Class previous year..... | 116 gain 72. |
| Average attendance during the year..... | 78 |
| “ “ “ previous year..... | 57 gain 21. |

Largest number present on any one Sunday, January 21st, 110; previous year, April 2nd, Easter, 90.

Smallest number present on any one Sunday, August 27th, 40; previous year, July 3rd, 17.

During the year 10 scholars were present every Sunday, previous year 2, for which they received gold medals on Christmas.

17 scholars kept lesson-books for which 3 received prizes.

6 scholars graduated in the recital of the Catechism, obtaining over 200 points out of a possible 210, for which they received special rewards.

One little girl received a prize for bringing the most new scholars, 16.

An outing at Wheeling Park was enjoyed by the School in July.

A cake-sale and entertainment to raise money for the purchase of new hymnals was held in November.

Christmas was celebrated in a beautiful manner with a tree and Santa Claus.

200 children received presents according to their standing in attendance besides the award of special prizes.

Every month a report is read giving the standing of the classes according to attendance and good marks. On the whole our school is in a healthy condition, and the individual scholars are beginning to learn and know more. The one drawback is that so many scholars are on the roll who come only a few times during the year. That so many of our parishioners live in the country is one of the causes, and during the summer months there is a great falling-off. The teachers now active in the school are all zealous and doing good work, but a few more are needed who will come and attend regularly, thereby encouraging the attendance of the scholars.

G. A. ASCHMAN, M.D.,

Superintendent.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

RECEIPTS.

| | |
|--|----------|
| By balance on hand June 1st, 1893..... | \$27.42 |
| By contribution from Mr. N. B. Scott..... | 10.00 |
| By Sunday School entertainment..... | 42.00 |
| By contribution from Mr. J. D. Culbertson..... | 5.00 |
| By Easter offering..... | 74.46 |
| By general collection..... | 86.06 |
| Total..... | \$244.94 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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|---|----------|
| To new hymnals for Sunday School..... | \$15.00 |
| To Christmas entertainment..... | 49.50 |
| To Diocesan missions (advent offering)..... | 8.48 |
| To F. W. Baumer & Co., on account of piano..... | 25 00 |
| To general missions..... | 40.00 |
| To sundry bills, papers, leaflets, catechisms, etc..... | 78.04 |
| To balance on hand June 1st, 1894..... | 28.92 |
| Total..... | \$244.94 |

PEEBLES TATUM,
Secretary and Treasurer.



ST. MATTHEW'S CHAPTER No. 653,
BROTHERHOOD OF ST. ANDREW.

G. A. ASCHMAN, M.D., - - - *Director.*
ARTHUR HUBBARD, - - - *Sec'y and Treas.*
Membership 21.

Meetings every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the Church.

The Brotherhood is an important factor in our Church work. Its influence is felt throughout the congregation and we can hardly estimate the value of the work done by these consecrated laymen since the 28th of September, 1891, when Mr. James L. Houghteling, of Chicago, visited us and presented the purpose and plan of the Brotherhood's work. Four men came forward that evening and formed the St. Matthew's Chapter, and since then there has been a steady growth in interest and in membership, as well as increased efficiency in Church work.

Early in the present year it was thought desirable to make the meetings of the Chapter weekly, and this has been followed by excellent results in increased interest.

The attention of the members was directed to the district known as South Wheeling, where it was thought that a good mission field existed. During last summer the members of the Chapter, in conjunction with those of St. Luke's Chapter, visited the people here and prepared the field. In January, 1894, we were enabled to secure a large hall in this part of our city, the title to the same being taken by Rev. Dr. Swope and Mr. Lawrence Sands, here a Sunday School was opened and religious

services held, three members from our Chapter and two from St. Luke's being appointed to carry on the work. The full report of this will be found elsewhere.

Two members of the Chapter were also named to begin a Sunday School at St. Paul's Mission Chapel at Elm Grove, which has been followed by excellent success.

The Chapter was represented at the Brotherhood Convention in Detroit in September by the Rev. Dr. Swope, Dr. Aschman and Messrs. Vardy and Gardner.

On St. Andrew's Day the two Chapters in our city partook of the Holy Communion at an early celebration at St. Matthew's and in the evening a united service was held at St. Luke's Church, when addresses were delivered upon the general topic of "The rule of service and how can we best accomplish its aims?" by Messrs. Aschman, Sands, Brown and Buckley.

Self Denial Week was observed with the result of adding \$7.30 to the general fund.

During the year the following topics have been discussed at weekly meetings:

"Could I aid a stranger in following the order of the Church services; if not, what is my difficulty?"

"What can the members of the Chapter do during Lent to make the services of the Church more interesting and profitable?"

"The benefits and dangers of Lent."

"Denominational Influence in the Public Schools."

"The Episcopal Church and Christian Union."

"The Anti-Catholic Crusade."

"The Bible—in what respect does it differ from other books?"

During Holy Week a brief service was held at noon, the average attendance at which was twenty-five.

During each month committees have been appointed to visit the hotels and leave printed cards of invitation to the Church

services upon the guests. The Brotherhood men at the doors of the Church notice every stranger, and hardly a Sunday passes that we do not have some expression of appreciation of the courtesy extended in this way.

Six Brotherhood men are in St. Matthew's Sunday School.
Five Brotherhood men are in the Vested Choir.

Committees of the Chapter have co-operated with the Vestry in the renovation of the Church and in preparing for the meeting of the Annual Council of the Diocese in June.

At each weekly meeting there are reports of personal work, comprising calls made upon the sick, upon strangers in our city and occasional attendants at Church. A number of the members at the last confirmation class were the direct fruits of personal effort made by members of the Chapter.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

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|-------------------------------|---------|
| Balance June 1, 1893..... | \$38.50 |
| Sunday Evening Offerings..... | 1.38 |
| Cash Donations..... | 34.38 |
| Brotherhood Box..... | 2.05 |
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| Total..... | \$76.29 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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|---|---------|
| Evening Service Leaflets..... | \$ 3.95 |
| Expense of Delegates to Detroit..... | 49.00 |
| Subscription to St. Andrew's Cross..... | 10.67 |
| Buttons..... | 3.10 |
| Stationery..... | .95 |
| Council Dues for 1894..... | 7.50 |
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| Total..... | \$75.17 |
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| Balance June 1, 1894..... | \$ 1.12 |

THE KING'S DAUGHTERS MISSIONARY SOCIETY.

MRS. GEO. B. CALDWELL, - - *President.*
 MRS. N. B. SCOTT, - - - *Vice-President.*
 MRS. MARY C. NORTON, - - *Treasurer.*
 MISS NINA DOWNS, - - - *Secretary.*

The object of this Society is to assist Ministers and their families in our own Diocese, with any other worthy object that may be brought to the notice of the members, particularly the needy in our own Parish and city.

The Society meets every Friday afternoon at two o'clock from October 1st to May 1st.

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| The number of members on the roll..... | 18 |
| The number of active members..... | 13 |
| Number of meetings held..... | 23 |

RECEIPTS.

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|-------------------------------------|----------|
| To balance October 1st, 1893..... | \$ 64.00 |
| To cash received during year | 199.85 |
| To donations of material..... | 132.75 |
| To donations in missionary box..... | 127.84 |
| Total..... | \$524.44 |

DISBURSEMENTS.

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|---|----------|
| By missionary box..... | \$210.00 |
| Donations to poor of the city..... | 132.75 |
| Cash donations to poor of the city..... | 129.33 |
| Sundries..... | 20.00 |
| Total..... | \$492.08 |
| To balance..... | \$32.36 |

ST. MATTHEW'S BRANCH OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE BOARD OF MISSIONS.

MISS ELIZA HOGE, - - - *President.*
MISS GERTRUDE LAMB, *Secretary and Treasurer.*

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|---|---------|
| Number of members..... | 18 |
| Number of meetings..... | 26 |
| Donations to Clergymen in the Diocese..... | \$15.00 |
| “ “ “ other Dioceses..... | 15.00 |
| “ “ Diocesan Missions..... | 20.00 |
| “ of clothing, etc..... | 13.50 |
| Total..... | \$63.50 |

The Society has also done some charitable work in the city upon which a money value cannot be placed. Our number is small but we hope that the visit of Miss Emery, at the time of the Diocesan Council, will be productive of good, by showing the members of our church the greatness of the work and its crying needs. Every woman of our congregation should be enrolled as a member of this, our church's greatest Society.

GERTRUDE LAMB,
Secretary and Treasurer.

To this Report the Rector would add the following from the First Annual Report of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of West Virginia, in the sincere hope that it will call the attention of the ladies to the work done and purposed to be done by the Woman's Auxiliary, so that as a Parish we may have our share in it and be properly represented at the triennial gathering in 1895.

“ The united offerings of the Auxiliary are to be gathered in during the next year and presented at the General Convention in 1895, for the endowment of a Missionary Episcopate. In October, 1892, at St. Paul’s in Baltimore during the opening days of the General Convention, 1,250 women with joyful and thankful hearts met together at the Great Feast and laid as their own gift and that of the multitude whose representatives they were, \$18,200 upon God’s altar for the Missionary work of the Church. In a few days this sum was increased to more than \$20,000. It may not be out of place to mention here that more than \$350.00 of this amount was contributed from our own scattered Parishes, mainly the result of appeals for a donation of twenty cents from each communicant.

At this meeting it was

Resolved, That the Woman’s Auxiliary place before itself for its united offering at the next triennial the endowment of the Episcopate in a Missionary Jurisdiction, subject to the approval of the Board of Missions.”

It remains for the women of our Church to give force and effect to this resolution. It can be secured “by the contribution of a cent a day, by the pennies found in the purse at night, by the gift of a stated sum weekly or monthly, or perhaps a thank-offering for some stated special blessing—by ways such as these the plan may be wrought out.



LADIES' IMPROVEMENT SOCIETY.

This Society was organized early last autumn for the purpose of obtaining the necessary funds for renovating the Church building. They gave a most artistic exhibition of "Pictures from the World's Fair Galleries, by living characters" at the Opera House in November, 1893, which netted \$380.00. Of this sum \$80.00 were given to the Sunday School for the purchase of a piano, and the balance has been used in the work done to our Church, making it one of the most beautiful Church interiors to be found in the State.

The Church has been frescoed, re-carpeted and lighted by electricity; the organ has been turned so that the organist is now in the chancel with the choir; all this has entailed quite a large outlay, but the ladies have undertaken to pay for it and will devote their energies to it during the ensuing year.



THE SWOPE HOSPITAL GUILD.

President, - - - MRS. B. W. PETERSON.
Vice-President, - - - MRS. J. J. HOLLOWAY.
Sec'y and Treas., - - - MRS. JOSEPH GIBBS.

This Society has thirty-four names on its roll. It meets the first Monday afternoon of each month at the residence of some one of its members. Its object is the maintenance of a free bed in the City Hospital, at an annual cost of \$250.00. The funds for this purpose are secured by the contributions of the members and entertainments given by the Guild. During the past year they have paid into the treasury of the Hospital the sum of \$250.00.

The ladies of the congregation are earnestly requested to add their names to the roll of membership and so aid in maintaining one of the most deserving charities of our city.



THE CHANCEL SOCIETY.

Directress, - - - MRS. GEO. B. CALDWELL.
Sub-Directress, - - - - MRS. GIBSON LAMB.
Treasurer, - - - - MISS MARY LAMB.
Secretary, - - - - MISS GUSSIE WRIGHT.

This Society has the care of the Chancel, Vestry Room and Vestments, it also attends to the decorating of the Church for Festival occasions.

There are sixteen members enrolled in this Society. At the beginning of the year there was \$30.00 in the treasury. A beautifully embroidered set of Communion linen was prepared by the Society during the year and used for the first time on Easter Sunday.



THE MINISTERING CHILDREN'S LEAGUE.

BISHOP PETERKIN BRANCH.

Directress,

MISS MARY B. LAMB.

Associates,

MISS ELIZA HOGE,

MISS NANNIE JACOB,

MISS JESSIE BACHMAN,

MISS NETTIE WILDE.

This Society has fifteen members. Eight meetings were held during the year.

Two packages of books, picture-cards and games were sent to an Indian School, value \$10.27.

Books sent to the City Hospital, \$3.00.

There are now on hand a number of dressed dolls and scrap books, together with two dollars in money.



ST. ANDREW'S MISSION,

SOUTH WHEELING,

Cor. 42nd and Jacob Sts.

Lay Worker in Charge,

MR. RICHARD WHITEHOUSE.

Mission Committee,

L. E. SANDS, St. Luke's Chapter, Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

DR. C. E. PRATT, St. Matthew's Chapter, " " " "

G. D. GREEN, St. Matthew's Chapter, " " " "

ROBT. H. DEVINE, St. Matthew's Chapter, " " " "

Superintendent of the Sunday School,

THOS. DAVISON.

SERVICES.

Sundays—Service and Sermon at 10:30 A.M.

Sunday School at 2:30 P.M.

Wednesdays—Young Men's Bible Class at 7:30 P.M.

Fridays—Sermon and Service at 7:30 P.M.

The building is open for reading, athletics and games on Monday and Saturday evenings for Young Men, and on Thursdays for Boys.

On Tuesday evenings it is reserved for Young Ladies meetings.

WHEELING, May 30th, 1894.

To Dr. R. R. Swope, Rector of St. Matthew's :

As per request I herewith send you a report of work at St. Andrew's Mission, covering the period beginning March 1st to May 30th.

In presenting this report I would call your attention to the following matters :

The small amount contributed by the Sunday School and Evening Services.

I would ask you to bear in mind that there has been no canvass made of this district to interest parents in the work, and therefore, children have come of their own choice and largely without parents knowledge, except children of Episcopalian parents who number about ten. Also to the unusual condition of the various industries in this neighborhood during this period.

The large difference in total enrollment and present attendance.

This is also due largely to lack of parental influence. The sudden change from a steady increase to rapid decline beginning April 25th, was due to the opening of Mozart Park at that time, many of the children having to push their way through the crowd of park patrons on their way to the school.

The time of opening (2:30 P.M.) is unfortunate in this respect: Dinner being served here at the stroke of 12, children have two hours in which they are subjected to many counter attractions to the Sunday School. That any choose to come is a high compliment to those in whose favor the choice is made and a strong expression of the desire for the instruction given.

And yet with these and many other adverse conditions, much good has been done which could not have not have been done in any other way, good of a character which can not—indeed should not be reported here.

Ten evening services have been held in which much interest was manifested, and favorable impressions of a lasting character were made and about which comment has been of a most complimentary character.

Sunday School has been held continuously since March 4th. Its growth has been natural, no aggressive effort or means of any kind other than the usual teaching of the lesson has been made.

A boys' club was organized April 12th and has met Thursday of each week. At these meetings the boys are taught military tactics, amused with games and instructed with good reading matter of various kinds. The attendance was uncontrollably large and weekly dues with membership cards will be required after June 1st.

A girls club was organized April 24; the club meets Tuesday of each week when amusements are provided of various kinds. They are now preparing to give a public entertainment and social June 10th, to provide funds with which to purchase window-blinds.

An athletic club is being organized of young men and quite a list of names have been handed in, some apparatus has been purchased and dues and membership fees will be charged.

SUMMARY.

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| Number of services held (evening)..... | 10 |
| Average attendance, about..... | 25 |
| Sessions of Sunday School..... | 13 |
| Average attendance..... | 28 |
| Boys club, average attendance..... | 75 |
| Girls club, average attendance..... | 20 |

ATTENDANCE OF SUNDAY SCHOOL IN DETAIL.

| | Scholars. | Collection. |
|-----------------|------------|---------------|
| March 4..... | 10 | \$1.42 |
| 11..... | 23 | 06 |
| 18..... | 25 | 68 |
| 25..... | 29 | 76 |
| April 1..... | 53 | 59 |
| 8..... | 33 | 87 |
| 15..... | 41 | 71 |
| 22..... | 45 | 92 |
| 29..... | 25 | 45 |
| May 6..... | 25 | 55 |
| 13..... | 15 | 38 |
| 20..... | 32 | 47 |
| 27..... | 33 | 44 |
| | <u>369</u> | <u>\$9.20</u> |
| Average..... | 28 | .71 |
| Enrollment..... | 75 | |

ROBT. H. DEVINE,
Secretary.

REPORT OF TREASURER.

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|---|----------------|
| Amount of Sunday School offering..... | \$9.20 |
| Amount of Evening service..... | 4.30 |
| Other sources, Boys club, 45c., Girls club, 57c., A. C., 50c..... | 1.52 |
| | <u>\$15.02</u> |
| Average collection, 13—\$9.20—71. | |
| Average (6 taken by Treasurer) 72. | |

EXPENDITURES.

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| Feb. 26—Kratz Bros. for lumber for fence and coal house..... | \$ 45 |
| “ 26—Gas fixtures, 8 pillars, 20 cts., 8 tips, 15 cts., 6 shade-holders, 60 cts..... | 95 |
| “ 27—10 bars for windows..... | 20 |
| “ 28—Distribution of hand-bills..... | 75 |
| “ 29—W. J. Steen, soldering gas pipe..... | 35 |
| Mar. 7—Setting new and old stove, new damper and ash pan... | 1.40 |
| April 5—C. Whitaker (books)..... | 6.00 |
| “ 14—F. W. Baumer, drum sticks and organ repairs..... | 1.50 |
| “ 16—W. J. Steen, gas lighter..... | 1.15 |
| May 14—Stanton, record and account books..... | 35 |
| April 6—Postal cards (notice evening service)..... | 25 |
| May 22—Right and left bolt, 45 cts., chain, 10 cts., 5 hooks, 25 cts., (for H. bar)..... | 80 |
| “ 22—Horizontal bar..... | 3.00 |
| Total..... | <u>\$17.15</u> |

ROBT. H. DEVINE,
Treasurer.

ST. PAUL'S MISSION,

ELM GROVE.

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| MR. PERCY NORTON, | - | - | - | - | Warden. |
| MR. CHARLES WOODS, | - | - | - | - | Registrar. |
| MISS JENNIE PRYOR, | - | - | - | - | Treasurer. |

SERVICES.

Sunday School, 2 P.M.

Evening Prayer and Sermon Second and Fourth Sundays in each month at 3 P.M.

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|--------------------------------------|----------|
| Number of families..... | 12 |
| Number of baptized persons..... | 33 |
| <i>Baptism</i> :—Adults, - - - - - | 2 |
| Infants, - - - - - | 3 |
| Total, - - - - - | <u>5</u> |
| Confirmations, - - - - - | 3 |
| Communicants, - - - - - | 20 |
| Number of Public Services, - - - - - | 22 |

TREASURER'S REPORT.

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|----------------------------------|-----------------|
| Cash May 1st, 1893..... | \$ 40.49 |
| Collections during the year..... | 222.93 |
| | <u>\$263.42</u> |
| Paid on indebtedness..... | \$218.00 |
| Expenses of the Chapel..... | 24.85 |
| Cash in hand..... | 20.59 |
| | <u>\$263.42</u> |
| Debt on the building..... | \$900.00 |

REPORT OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL OF ST. PAUL'S MISSION.

On Sunday October 22nd, 1893, upon special invitation, ladies, gentlemen and children, to the number of twenty-three, met at St. Paul's Church, Elm Grove, to organize a Sunday School. Mr. Percy Norton was chosen Superintendent, George Atkinson, Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. Ryan, Miss Arnberg, Mrs. Martha Johnson, Miss J. Pryor, Miss May Woods and Mrs. Woods, instructors.

Since the first meeting the growth of the School has been gradual, so that we are able to report seventy-four in attendance on May 27th, the last meeting, the number of teachers having been increased from six to nine, the additional ones being Mrs. Maggie Griffith, Miss Sophie Carr and Miss Amy Chapline, Miss Hornbrook taking the place of Miss Woods.

Upon the opening of the School a library was found necessary. A book-case being donated the School by St. Paul's Church, and over one hundred and twenty-five volumes, by persons interested in the work.

At the Christmas celebration held in the Sunday School room, a tree, presents, candy, etc., were provided for the children and they were afforded a pleasant and enjoyable evening.

On Easter special service was held, Mr. Stephenson of Wheeling making the address; the offering amounting to over \$12.00 which is to be used in charity work in Elm Grove.

While the collections have not been large they have paid the running expenses of the School, and we have cause to feel that our work is productive of great good. We hope to be able to promise greater results in the future than have been accomplished in the past.

Respectfully,

GEO. ATKINSON,

Secretary.

MAY 30th, 1894.

