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"NOT THOUGHTS ALONE, BUT DEEDS"

"God forgive us our poor deeds and our glorious intentions"

We meant to be unselfish, true, and brave,
To work for God and many souls to save;
Too often we forgot our brother's needs,
Our "good intentions" filled the place of deeds.

Forgive us, Lord, for Thou art not deceived
Though we may cheat ourselves when Thou art grieved.
Not plans alone, but deeds, Thy love doth ask,
That every faithful soul may find a task.

Self-righteous, oft we felt a generous zeal
For other souls and even planned to deal
So kindly, wisely, with the sinners; yet
We soon forgot; how useless our regret!

Perchance we tried, half hearted, strangely weak
In faith and purpose; oft we failed to seek
With love the stricken soul that cried in vain
To us for help and comfort in his pain.

We ask Thy help; the mercy we denied
To others, Lord, we crave, with humble pride.
Forgive us, though unworthy in Thy sight,
And grant us grace to plan and work aright.

ASBURY PARK, N. J.

MARTHA A. KIDDER.

TO SUBSCRIBERS.

All subscriptions commencing January, 1911, end with the present number. Every Chapter is earnestly requested to remember the ROYAL CROSS at its first meeting after the receipt of this notice. Appoint some one to collect subscriptions from all the members as we feel that every member of the Order ought to subscribe for the paper which is published only for the interest of the Order.

THE EDITOR.

KINDLY TAKE NOTE.

We hope to have our edition of Hand Books ready some time in October. They will be sent to all who have ordered and paid for them promptly. Should yours fail to reach you by the first of November, please notify me at once.

When sending remittance for crosses

for new members, please remember to send fifty cents for initiation fee at the same time, or mention that crosses are intended to replace lost ones.

E. E. BEHLENDORFF,
General Secretary.

DIOCESAN REPORTS.

MINNESOTA.

The Twenty-first Annual Assembly of the Daughters of the King in the Diocese of Minnesota was held May 12th and 13th, 1911, at Holy Trinity Church, Minneapolis.

The session opened with devotional exercises at 8 p. m., May 12th, the service conducted by Rev. Stanley Kilbourne, rector of Holy Trinity, being followed by a stirring address delivered by Rev. E. B. Woodruff, St. Clements Church, St. Paul.

At 8 a. m., on May 13th, a corporate communion was celebrated. The business meeting was called to order at 10 a. m. Following Hymn 586, and the prayers of the order, an address of welcome was given by Rev. Stanley Kilbourne. The keynote of the address was "Spirituality;" spirituality as opposed to materialism, money-getting, place-seeking, fame-desiring; the words will remain a high and happy memory.

Roll call reported seven Chapters present represented by fifteen delegates. The attendance was about fifty.

Action was taken upon the death of Miss Harriet R. Greene which occurred very suddenly last August. The committee which had this matter under consideration recommended that an informal and personal expression of sympathy be sent to the parents of Miss Greene, that a copy be placed on the minutes, and that the action be reported

to the Royal Cross. It was in accordance with the wish of the entire Assembly that permanent record be made of the sympathy, and the sense of corporate and personal loss in the death of this beloved member and officer. As stated in the full report, "Her untiring devotion as a faithful daughter of the King, endeared her to us as a body, and will continue as an abiding inspiration." The report from Gethsemane Chapter, of which Miss Greene was a member, states that a cluster electric light has been placed in the church in her memory, and a tablet bearing the inscription: "Into His Marvelous Light," the memorial being a tribute from the Gethsemane Chapter D. of K.

Reports were read from seven Chapters. The material in these papers shows that while the work varies widely in the different parishes the spirit is the same in all, each stands ready to aid the Rector as he deems necessary.

From 12 m. until 2 p. m., luncheon was served.

The afternoon session was taken up with election of officers and an address. Miss Hallie Jones was reelected president; Miss May Gibson, recording secretary-treasurer; Miss Chamberlin, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Agnes Groesbeck, traveling secretary.

The address delivered by Mr. A. A. McKechnie, of St. Paul, gave a fitting close to a most enjoyable session.

GRACE WATTS,
Acting Secretary-Treasurer.

FLORIDA.

The Local Assembly of the Diocese of Florida met in Pensacola on May 17th, and 18th, 1911.

The corporate communion was well attended, with Bishop Weed, celebrant, and Rev. John H. Brown, assistant.

The quiet hour with the Bishop was very helpful and we wondered if others are as fortunate as we in having the assistance of their blessed Bishop.

Our business meeting was encourag-

ing and again we listened to words of cheer and encouragement from our president.

The officers are as follows: President, Mrs. Annie C. Jones, Interlachen; Vice-President, Mrs. Mary J. Knight, Jacksonville; Secretary, Mrs. John G. Ruge, Apalachicola, Fla.; Treasurer, Mrs. A. W. Underwood, St. Augustine.

The Daughters are very happy that through *self-denial* they were able to give one hundred and one dollars (\$101.00) towards the Bishop Edwin Gardner Weed Endowment Fund.

May our Daughters grow in grace and through prayer and *self-denial* receive the reward of our King.

Respectfully submitted, F. H. S.,
MRS. JOHN G. RUGE.

LOS ANGELES.

The Tenth Annual Assembly of the Daughters of the King, of the Diocese of Southern California was held in St. Paul's Parish Hall, on Friday, May 19th.

The day was started with a corporate communion service in St. Paul's Pro-Cathedral at 7.30 in the morning, a goodly number representing the different Chapters being present.

At 3 o'clock in the afternoon the business session was conducted in the Parish Hall.

The meeting opened with the Second Vice-President, Mrs. Spalding, in the chair, the President, Mrs. Williams, not being able to attend, through sickness.

In the absence of Dean MacCormack, Rector of the Pro-Cathedral, Bishop Johnson voiced his sentiments in a few words of welcome.

The Chaplain of our Order of this diocese, Rev. Charles E. Spalding, of Coronado, spoke of the tremendous influence of women. Of what one could do to help another, even by a little word or look, or act. It might not seem much to you, but might mean a great deal to the one who receives it.

Bishop Johnson, in his address, urged the Daughters to be more friendly

towards other women wearing the cross; they might be strangers, but one should feel always ready to greet the wearer of the emblem, as she is your sister in the work set apart for us to do.

She might be a stranger in your city and would be glad of the warm greeting you might extend to her, by taking an interest in the Chapter to which she belongs and maybe putting her in touch with your or another Chapter and church in the city in which she is visiting; thus, we might be more as one family.

Then, too, we might help other women and girls who are thrown on their own resources, and sometimes and very often are led astray, even in our Christian institutions, where we often forget to think of their needing our help, as we do of outsiders.

Sometimes they stoop to some petty offense, but generally grows larger as each time comes, and the temptation is not easy to refuse, when a few kind acts of friendship might help that one to overcome the weakness, and she would feel she wasn't alone in the world, that some people cared for her, and took an interest in her welfare.

Other helpful talks were given by Father De Garmo and Rev. E. L. Howse on the "Daughter of the King, in the Parish."

The roll call of the Chapters in the diocese showed several members and delegates to represent the various ones.

A letter of greeting from the president was read in which she spoke of the helpful talks by Bishop Johnson, to the Daughters and other women, every Thursday evening, during the season of Lent. Also of the Junior Chapter which had been organized in the Church of Ascension during the last year.

The secretary read a report of the triennial convention, which was written by Miss King, of Long Beach, who was the delegate for this diocese present at that meeting.

Reports from the different Chapters on their year's work followed, after which an open discussion and informal talks,

on the work done and suggestions what should be done, which proved helpful to all.

A number of the Chapters have kept a day or half-day of each month for a corporate communion and intercession.

Some open their regular meetings, at roll call, by each member present answering with a verse taken from the Bible, and each verse is taken up and discussed, which seems to be a very good way and beneficial.

The election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mrs. Geo. F. Williams; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Charles T. Spalding, of San Diego; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. A. M. Smith, of Los Angeles; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. T. P. Rigney, of Santa Monica.

The meeting adjourned to supper, served by St. Paul's Chapter.

At 7.30 in the evening, a quiet hour with meditations by Father Timon E. Owens, was spent in the Pro-Cathedral.

MABEL MAGEE,

Diocesan Correspondent to the
ROYAL CROSS.

NEW YORK.

The Fifty-second Local Assembly, Daughters of the King, of the Diocese of New York, took place on Saturday, May 27, 1911, at Trinity Church, Morrisania.

It was an all-day meeting as is the custom at this season of the year. There was a celebration of the Holy Communion at ten forty-five in the church at which the Rev. George Ashton Oldham, of St. Luke's, preached a most interesting sermon, taking for his text, "For Their Sakes, I Sanctify Myself." Luncheon was served at twelve forty-five and the business meeting followed at about two o'clock.

The "Word of Welcome" was given by the Rector of Trinity, Morrisania, the Rev. A. S. Hull.

After the reading of the minutes of the last meeting and the reading of the treasurer's report, the roll was called showing fifty-four members present.

The reports of the chapters were read by their respective secretaries. Miss Behlendorff, General Secretary of the Order, then gave an account of the work accomplished in the past three months; her report met with hearty applause.

The speaker of the afternoon was Miss Emily L. Adams who has done such good work in connection with "The Rescue for Young Girls." The President of the New York Local Assembly, Mrs. Wood, also gave a short address during which she spoke most feelingly of the united spirit which prevailed among the Daughters.

Some new business was then taken up; one item was the amendment in which the number of those serving on the Executive Board was increased from seven to nine members; also, a new by-law was added governing the election of officers.

The day was an ideal one as regards weather; one that would have tended to brighten even a dark aspect of affairs but it did not need the sun to make the hearts warm of those present for with the glowing reports of work accomplished by the Chapters as Chapters, the individual work, and the spirit of unity of the Local Assembly as an integral part of the whole Order, and the brightness and hopefulness of Miss Behlendorff's report; all felt that surely the order was doing good work all along the line—"For His Sake." IBRIE RAYMOND.

ATLANTA.

The Eleventh Meeting of the Local Assembly of the Daughters of the King, of the Diocese of Atlanta, was held on Thursday, June 8, 1911, at All Saints' Church, Atlanta, Ga., Rev. W. W. Memminger, Rector.

The services were: corporate communion at 10.30 A. M., Rev. Mr. Memminger, celebrant; meditation at 7.30 P. M. by Rev. John D. Wing, of the Holy Comforter; evening prayer with an address by Rev. Vincent C. Lacey, of Florida (who is now Rector of the Incarnation, Atlanta).

The business session in the afternoon was well attended, most of the Chapters in the Diocese being represented. The Chapter reports were encouraging, showing an active interest in our work. One Chapter organized in the past year. The order has lost a faithful and devoted member, Miss Anna Mitchell, who entered into life eternal on Easter-Even, she was a member of St. Luke's Chapter.

The address of Rev. Mr. Wing at the meditation, on the "Daughters' Hymn," was beautiful and helpful as well as instructive.

The service at 8.30 was conducted by Rev. Mr. Memminger, assisted by Rev. Drs. Pise and Wilmer, Rev. Mr. Lacy and Rev. Wm. Wing, with the full vested choir.

Rev. Mr. Lacy made a strong, helpful address, on the prayer for our Order, especially the clause, "That amid all temptations we may be ready always to forget self in obeying Thy most blessed will." When the services were over, we, with our friends who were present, felt that it was good we had been there and had many thoughts to take with us to help and strengthen us in our daily fight against self.

ALBANY AND CENTRAL NEW YORK.

The Seventh Local Assembly of the Daughters of the King, of the Dioceses of Albany and Central New York, convened in St. John's Church, Ithaca, June 28 and 29. There were present at the registration on Wednesday, June 28, 3 officers, 18 delegates, 5 clergymen and 11 visitors.

At 4 p. m., in St. John's Church, Rev. E. H. Schlueter, Vicar of St. Luke's Chapel, New York, conducted the Quiet Hours preparatory to the Corporate Communion on St. Peter's Day, June 29. The opening service at 7.30 p. m. was held in the Church and was of the greatest help and inspiration to all those fortunate enough to have been present. At the request of the Bishop of Central New York, Bishop Whitehead, of Pittsburg,

made the formal charge to the Assembly, using for his subject "The Daughter's Emulation of the Marys of the New Testament." Addresses were made by the Rev. R. J. Phillips, of All Saints' Church, Syracuse, N. Y., and by the Rev. W. W. Way, of Grace Church, Cortland, N. Y., on "Loyalty to the Principles of the Order and to the Divine King."

The Assembly was opened Thursday morning by the celebration of the Holy Communion, Bishop Whitehead and the Rev. W. H. Hutchinson being the celebrants. The offering of \$20.29 was sent to our missionary in China. At 10 a. m., occurred the annual business meeting of the Assembly. Deaconess Pell-Clarke, of Springfield Center, N. Y., President of the Assembly, presided. The usual routine business was transacted and this was followed by very helpful addresses by the Assembly President and by our General Secretary, Miss E. E. Behlendorff. The Daughters of Albany and Central New York deeply appreciated the effort Miss Behlendorff put forth in attending the Assembly and all were delighted with the splendid report she gave of our Order's financial standing.

At the afternoon session the following persons were elected for the officers of the Assembly for 1911-1912. President, Deaconess Pell-Clarke, of Springfield Center, N. Y.; Vice-President, Miss E. R. Sage, of New Berlin, N. Y.; Secretary-Treasurer, Miss Frances C. White, Ithaca, N. Y.

One of the most important questions discussed at this Assembly was, ways and means of reviving inactive Chapters and methods used in starting new Chapters. At a meeting of the Board of Management, which followed the afternoon session, it was decided to set aside yearly one-half the balance in our Treasury as a Forward Movement Fund. This fund is to be at the disposal of our Assembly President and to be used by her in visiting and encouraging Chapters wherever she thinks her services would be of benefit.

At present, it is the desire of the As-

sembly to strengthen within our own dioceses the Chapters in our coeducational colleges and universities. It is hoped that our desires may be granted since it is now possible to have the work presented to them by one who is so eminently fitted to further our cause.

FRANCES C. WHITE.

MIDDAY REST ROOM FOR BUSINESS WOMEN, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

August 14th, 1911, was a red letter day, for it marked the opening of the new and greatly improved quarters for the Midday Rest Room for business women, at 154 Sansome Street, near Pine. When, in February, 1909, the modest room at 126 Sutter Street was opened and the effort was made to secure comfort and safety at the noon hour for bread-winning women and girls, it was thought by some anxious onlookers to be a mere experiment. Within a few months the possible fifty to avail themselves of the opportunity expanded into more than four hundred, and another floor of the building was fitted up; and still not enough room. Growth is the natural law of life, and space and necessity where growth is assured; and such space was found, with many other advantages, at 154 Sansome Street. Any member of the Order who was fortunate enough to be present on that red letter Monday would have scratched blue Monday out of the calendar. The removal had cost labor and infinite planning and contriving on the part of the president and executive committee. The writer, not being one of the number, is free to say that all the preparations, the adapting of space to conditions, has been wonderfully well done. The great square room had been used for an insurance office, and it has been converted into a cheery, homelike living room. The partitioned alcoves make three cosy corners—one with a piano, one with books and writing materials, and one with couches where weary workers may really rest; so we have a music room, a library and a rest room, indeed. Plenty

of comfortable chairs are truly inviting, and only one flight of stairs from the street is a decided advantage. Large Western windows catch the sunshine if there be any, but the happy faces around the tables create it. One young girl said to me, "I am sure I don't know what I want—I am speechless with delight."

On that red letter Monday, loving hands were putting finishing touches, hanging dainty curtains, here and there a picture against the soft tint of the wall, and arranging flowers everywhere—lovely, great bouquets of the beautiful blossoms wherever space permitted, and a few on each of the small tables prepared for the noonday meal. The huge, shiny coffee and chocolate urns were sending forth fragrant steam. At another counter preparations for tea-making were complete. Our special friend and very first visitor of February 15, 1909, sent a large handmade poster, bright with suggestions of welcome, and just in time, for our girls themselves came trooping in, happy in our happiness, for the whole atmosphere was charged with the true spirit of "loving service." We all know the story of the Midday Rest Room in its inception; every Daughter knows the author of the plan so rich in simplicity, and every Daughter understands that it is her promised rule of service, carried into daily action. It is not to our business women that we would appeal through these columns. Their appreciation of the opportunity is complete. They prefer to pay five cents for the privileges of the place and the hot drink which gives the touch of comfort to their own luncheon; but it is to women who have wondered what work is at hand to do. We, who have proved it, say, "Give yourself." The gift of money through the hands of your secretary to some philanthropic object is only less than half. It is the personal touch, the greeting, the sisterly or motherly look, the following up of an opportunity where a lonely stranger has perhaps strayed into the Rest Room and needs a friend. These rooms are needed in other sections of this great city. Our

clubs are abundantly able to locate them, financially, but are they ready to send at least five members every day to dispense the hospitality of the place? Paid attendants have their own duties in each department, but while the volunteer is busily pouring tea or coffee is her opportunity. Our girls know that the Daughter of the King, wearing her shining cross, is not working there to make money. The comprehension of the motto of the Order—"For His Sake"—is expressed in the simple act of service, and trust and confidence grow naturally with mutual respect and friendliness. God grant that the coming of the Kingdom may be a little more a reality in this corner of the wide world. We are sure of the answer to this prayer, but we long to see the other corners filled. There is a cry from Sixth and Market Streets—"Come and make a midday rest room for us!" and down in the drearier sections—Third and Folsom, for instance. Do we, in our sheltered homes, realize how many of our young girls are unsheltered, especially at the sacred noontide when the prayer for the coming of the Kingdom is on our lips? The door is open; the time is ripe for more located centers of this phase of practical Christianity.

ANNIE A. KELLEY,

*Correspondent for the
Local Assembly.*

CHAPTER REPORTS.

CALVARY CHURCH.

Memphis, Tenn.

The Daughters of the King of Calvary Church can report the following work accomplished for the year ending April 1st, 1911.

25 visits to the hospitals, 22 visits to the Mary Galloway Home, 33 visits to the Home for Incurables, 12 visits to the Day Nursery, 127 charity calls to individuals, 979 parish calls, making a total of 1,158 calls for the year. The Daughters of the King report attendance at Divine Service 1,104.

Flowers sent weekly from the Altar of Calvary Church to the sick of the parish or institutions.

Afternoon Divine Services held at Home for Incurables on the 5th Sunday of the months—May, July, October, and January, respectively; the Daughters of the King arranging for same.

Mary Galloway Home complimented with a tea and musicale at Thanksgiving.

Eggs, fruit, nourishment and delicacies taken to St. Joseph's Hospital, Home for Incurables and Tuberculosis Hospital at various times, and six (6) baskets of provisions given to charity. One waif clothed and placed in day nursery. One man clothed and placed in insane asylum. Three (3) children secured for baptism. Seven (7) children secured for confirmation.

MRS. WALTER YATES,
Secretary.

"COMFORT POWDERS."

One of the sweetest privileges given to the Daughters of the King is the opportunity to minister to the sick, the troubled and the afflicted and it is always a source of satisfaction to be able to leave behind on some such gracious call, a more permanent evidence of love and helpfulness. St. Veronica's Chapter, of Camden, Arkansas, continually uses the exquisite little boxes of "Comfort Powders" prepared by Mr. Frank G. Jackson, of Jefferson, Maine; himself a "Shut-in," to whom a ministry of exceeding sweetness has been given. The "Powders" are gracious promises from Holy Writ, tender assurances of God's love and care; just the dearest and most precious texts; each printed on a tiny slip and rolled delicately, and all enclosed in a dainty, ribbon-bound box. They are sold by Mr. Jackson at \$2.00 the dozen or singly at 25 cents. And once known, no Chapter would willingly be without them. Let each send at least for a sample box and more will always be desired.

SADIE W. INGHAM.

JUNIOR CHAPTER OF ST. MARKS.

San Antonio, Texas.

During the past year our chapter has held bi-monthly meetings during the school term and weekly meetings during the month of June, having disbanded now for the summer until September.

We have seven active members who are quite regular in attendance. At our meetings we do Bible study, all members taking part.

The Self-Denial Fund, amounting to \$5.00, was sent to the Secretary for Miss Richmond, our missionary.

At Thanksgiving and Christmas we sent boxes to poor families and in June served ice cream to the inmates of the City Hospital.

We feel that now our Chapter is firmly established and that we may, in the next year, increase in usefulness "For His Sake."

LILLIE COHMERT, *Directress*,
301 W. Locust St.

IN MEMORIAM.

HELEN MAUD LORRAINE.

On the 27th of March, 1911, Mrs. Helen Maud Lorraine, a charter member of the Daughters of the King of All Saints' Church, Richmond, Va., entered into life eternal. A tribute was paid to her memory at the annual meeting of the Order of the Diocese of Virginia, held in Richmond, June 1st, in the Church of the Holy Comforter.

"Numbered with Thy Saints in glory everlasting."

ANNE TALLULAH MITCHELL.

St. Luke's Chapter, Atlanta, Ga., lost, on April 17th, 1911, one of their most loyal members, Miss Anne Tallulah Mitchell, Matron of the Home of the Friendless. The Chapter attended the funeral in a body, and there were thirty-seven children from the Home who mourned the loss of this most excellent and re-

markable woman. The Home, the Chapter, the Church knew her faithfulness and her influence will long live in the hearts of the many who loved her. A fitting memorial will be placed in St. Luke's Church.

At a recent meeting of our Chapter, the following resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in His infinite wisdom to remove from the field of her earthly labors our friend and fellow-worker, Anne Tallulah Mitchell. Therefore be it

Resolved I. That in Miss Mitchell's death, the Daughters of the King have lost a tireless worker, a faithful and devoted member.

Resolved II. That we desire to put on record our deepest appreciation of her earnestness and singleness of purpose, her sincere devotion to duty and her steadfast faith.

Resolved III. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the minutes of the Chapter.

Committee: NELLIE DIBBLE, *Chairman*,
ANNIE GOODE TORBETT,
MRS. OSCAR RAGLAND,
MRS. C. M. JACKSON.

CAROLINE BRYAN PITTS.

In the death of Mrs. Caroline Bryan Pitts on June 24th, 1911, our Chapter has sustained a sad loss, and her place in Grace Church, Alexandria, Virginia, can never be filled.

She was a woman of generous impulses, rare tact, warm heart and untiring unselfishness. Her loyalty to her friends, her faithful devotion to her church and her love to her husband and children, endeared her to everyone with whom she came in contact. As a charter member of St. Hilda's Chapter since 1894, her work had been sincere and constant as a Daughter of the King, and her sad death, resulting from shock over her husband's death only three weeks previous, leaves two young sons and an older daughter bereaved indeed, Faithful in much, dying in the full communion of the Catholic Church, she has gone to her just reward, "Servant of God, well done!"

JULIA ANN DUBOIS JAMES.

Mrs. Julia Ann Dubois James, of Seymour, Conn., entered into rest on Tuesday, June 27th, 1911, after an illness of some years.

Mrs. James was the daughter of Louis Matthew Mitchell DuBois, and Deborah Mitchell Teller, late of Fishkill, New York.

Mrs. James graduated from St. Mary's Hall, Burlington, New Jersey, in 1857. She afterward returned as a teacher in that institution, and remained in that capacity until her marriage to Mr. Thomas L. James, July 21st, 1870.

After her marriage, Mrs. James came to Seymour, Conn., where she has lived ever since, and throughout her life has found time from her home duties, which were never slighted nor neglected, to identify herself with many good movements for the betterment of the community.

She was ever ready with her sympathy and assistance for the needy, the sick and the bereaved; and her hosts of personal friends will long remember the many pleasant hours spent beneath her hospitable roof.

From childhood Mrs. James has been a devoted member of the church, always interested in everything pertaining to its welfare, and giving most generously of her means and of her talents to the work of Christ. For many years she was identified with the work of the Sunday School, where she was most efficient and beloved.

She was also active in the Daughters of the King, at one time serving as the State President.

She was also President of the Ladies' Association of Trinity Church, now St. Mary's Chapter.

In all branches of church work, Mrs. James maintained an active interest until forced to give up by ill health.

Besides a host of friends, Mrs. James leaves to mourn her loss, her husband, Mr. Thomas L. James, and her two daughters, Miss Ida Louise, and Miss Agnes DePeyster.

ADALAIDE WATSON.

Entered into life eternal early on the morning of July 19, 1911. Miss Adalaide Watson, a member of Christ Church Chapter, Bedford Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y. As a Daughter of the King she was always bright and cheerful and ever ready to do a kind deed.

EXTRACT FROM LETTER OF
MISS RICHMOND.

It is not a monotonous life, as one of our ladies says, whatever we may complain of. It is not monotony and I will proceed to prove it to you by relating a few things that have happened lately.

Here in Soochow, we live inside the city wall, perhaps five minutes, walk from one of the principal gates. From the wall back of the compound, (the door-yard), we can see outside the city and across the creek, the railroad station, to remind us that we are in the twentieth century. A few weeks ago a man came in through this nearest gate, the Tsang Mung, carrying two huge baskets with padlocks on them. The gate police, seeing how heavy they were, asked the man what he had in them and he said, copper coins. The policeman ordered him to open them, but the man said the master had the keys. Then the police said he must put the baskets down and go and get the keys. At the end of three hours he had not returned, so the baskets were taken to the yamen, the magistrate's court, and found to contain pistols and ammunition. The city magistrate is terribly frightened and thinks there is a plot to kill him, similar to the plot that recently came to a head in Canton. Suspicious characters are now searched at the gates but nothing has been found.

Next, we have small-pox all around us here, many cases and several deaths right on our street. Yesterday, when Miss Cartwright, my house-mate, was coming in from her classes, a child of a neighboring house, covered with the eruption, ran up and caught her by the hand in

the most affectionate way. We were all vaccinated a few days ago, and Miss Cartwright's has taken in fine style, so we do not feel alarmed. We had a regular vaccination party, ourselves, the Bible-women, and several children, twenty-one people in all, and two days later I myself, vaccinated five more, among them our gate-keeper's little daughter, who had to be *spanked* first. I performed both operations and I am pretty sure the spanking hurt worse than the vaccination.

The third thrilling tale is this: the other afternoon we had all been to the Missionary Association and were walking home through the city. Mr. Wilson was walking beside me when suddenly an old man, half naked and quite evidently insane, came up close on the other side and began to announce, with much waving of arms and beating of breast, that he would protect the foreigners from the Soochow people, who were all his children. Instantly, as if by magic, there was a rabble of men and boys at our heels. Among them a Chinese policeman who made no effort to restrain our companion. We must have been a funny sight, Mr. Wilson, who is at least six feet three inches tall, towering above us all. I with our escort close at my left elbow, and behind us the narrow street packed with our followers. We proceeded, our old friend now and then varying the program by giving a door a heavy blow. Mr. Wilson did not like to turn him over to the policeman lest he be harshly treated, and I was not at all alarmed. But by and by he began to proclaim in loud excited tones that he was going to kill the foreigners, so Mr. Wilson thought it had gone far enough, and asked the policeman to stop the old man and we went on.

I've always been used to walking anywhere and everywhere by myself, and to going on trips on the boat, so I don't mind crowds of people around me or comments on my appearance at all.

The Bible-women are having large numbers of women attend the afternoon meetings they hold at their own house

and at the preaching halls. Of course, a good many come just out of curiosity; but several seem really interested. At one meeting, the Christian women each take one or two guests and sit down for individual teaching. There is one very interesting case you will like to hear about. One of the students in the Training School left her husband because he took a "small" wife. I am sorry to say he was a communicant—of course he left the church. He and the second wife live with his mother near here. The second wife is a nice, bright woman; she has a little daughter. The student loves her husband's second wife and spends a good deal of time trying to teach her. The old mother is a Christian, and feels very badly about her son, but is apparently proud of both the wives. We hope the second wife will become a Christian too. She often comes up to the school to see her husband's first wife, and stays to a meeting if we are having one. She was there this afternoon for our monthly missionary meeting. I am telling them month by month about our own church work in China, about the beginning of the Mission, and so on.

I would sit up nights to write letters if I could by doing so induce new workers to come, or to go to some other equally needy place. I am not one who think foreign missionaries are the only people who are doing anything; there is plenty to be done everywhere.

What we want is a band of young women, healthy in body and cheerful in spirit, with lots of common sense, patience to bear with the Chinese, who are not perfect, and with their fellow missionaries, who are also afflicted with faults, strange as it may seem. Women who, no matter how well educated or trained they may be, will not think they know more about Chinese people, language, climate and methods of working than those who have grown old in the field. Women who will count the cause as worth the giving up of their private whims and notions. Women who don't think the Chinese are inferior simply because they are not Americans. They

ought to have a sense of humor, it is such a help in difficulties, but if they haven't, good humor goes a long way. And above all *not* the women who think they have honored China by coming out. Instead we want those who consider it a privilege to be allowed to come. We don't want any noble self-sacrificing people, who are quite aware of being so, nor those who talk about taking their lives in their hands to come. None of us, to come here, have left what our Lord left for our sakes, and our lives are in His hand always. We ought to be able to get such women as I have described, because we have just such ones here already; women who are so self-forgetting and so devoted that it is a privilege and an education to know them and to work with them. And we are a sociable set, and have jolly good times together. The climate is not bad if we take proper care of ourselves; the language is difficult, but yields to persistence, and if I may speak personally, my home here is very dear to me, and I have friends who mean too much for me to try to tell it. It is because I know the life is a happy one and the work worth while that I urge young women to come. I hope you will all send to Church Missions House for leaflet No. 201, which gives information about the China Mission.

SUGGESTIONS.

May a suggestion be permitted from a Daughter whose age and experience gives her a little motherly claim to express—not criticism, but anxiety. In this age of irreverence is it well to use the initials "D. O. K." in referring to our Order? When we think of our King—the King of Kings—is it loyal, is it seemly for His Daughter to be in such haste that she cannot write the words and not merely the initials?

Is it a wise step in the upbringing of our Junior Daughters? The writer has been shocked and grieved to hear the manner in which certain Junior and Senior members made a jest of these initials. Let us "For His Sake" take

time for the reverence our almost appalling title demands.

Do we all realize the value of the ROYAL CROSS in the instruction of candidates for membership? What a valuable summary it is of all the various branches of the work. The little file of one year that the writer has in mind was read and studied by earnest women seeking to form new Chapters, and they began equipped by knowledge, cheered and encouraged by full understanding of the work in all parts of the world and by a personal acquaintance with our own Miss Richmond in China. Keep your yearly files ready for just such lovely work. There is strength in united effort.

A. A. K.

A QUESTION.

On my return from the Church conference at Cambridge, Mass., I was glad to find in the ROYAL CROSS a program of the work.

Why do not our Daughters attend? All the other societies and orders of the church were well represented, but the Daughters of the King had only three members there.

I am sure if others would go they would never regret it.

A still wider range of subjects is promised for next summer.

Faithfully, F. H. S.,
M. L. P.

THE OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE IN THE SUBURBAN CHURCH.

Read at the Local Assembly, Richmond, Va.

The Daughters' opportunities in the suburban church are numerous, but apparently insignificant compared with those of the city, and as in every walk of life, it is only the few who are called upon to do the large things. No doubt there are many Daughters who are enabled to do something that really counts and is actual helpful work in our church For His Sake, but to most of us it is

the little acts of kindness that is our only opportunity. But let not that discourage us, for after all it is the little things that make up the universe. Especially to a woman do the small things count. Such a little thing will sometimes make her so unhappy, or enable her to do almost impossibilities.

We expect to pass through this world but once; any good thing therefore, that we can do or any kind word that we can say to any living creature, let us do it now. Let us not defer nor neglect it for we shall not pass this way again.

The regular attendance at the church services is one opportunity of being faithful in service, for it is in the suburbs that it is so easy to roam around in summer and enjoy the fresh air and companionship of our neighbors, and in winter the cold and muddy walking is also a temptation to stay by our fireside and thus leaving our seat vacant in the church.

To try to attend the meetings of our order is also important even if we haven't much to report. We should show our interest, for staying away is apt to discourage others who can attend.

In the country or suburbs, people are more sociable and able to take more interest in each other than is possible in some places, which fact frequently give opportunities for helping to bear one another's burdens.

Service for the Master is surely doing all we can to help and cheer all who come under our influence.

Even though we may think our work is small, in many instances it means so much to those who are helped.

Three Daughters of the King took charge of two small boys whilst the mother went to the hospital to help care for her only daughter who was desperately ill. You can imagine what that help meant to her; she had no relatives to take charge or help; she was tired and worn out with work and worry, having just nursed one child with a broken limb, and when she realized the danger of her little daughter she was completely dazed, but the help she received in having her little lads cared for so lovingly made her

brace up and get safely through those five terrible weeks. When she started for the hospital each day her mind was relieved from all anxiety respecting them and she could give her whole attention to the sick child. It was not only the material help, it was the lovely feeling that somebody cared; it braced her failing courage, strengthened her faith and filled her heart with love and gratitude then and always for those helped her so lovingly through all that trying time.

In the country, we who wear the cross of our order are subjected to criticism and it is so important that we are watchful of our words and actions. Nearly all are acquainted with each other and have opportunities to observe how we fulfill our christian obligations. Little details are held up for example or ridicule.

Freely ye have received freely give of your comfort to the bereaved, helps to the sick and kindness and good fellowship to all.

THINGS WORTH WHILE.

"Not what we have, but what we use;
Not what we see, but what we choose—
These are the things that mar or bless
The sum of human happiness.

The things near by, not things afar;
Not what we seem, but what we are;
These are the things that make or break
That give the heart its joy or ache.

Not what seems fair, but what is true;
Not what we dream, but good we do—
These are the things that shine like gems,
Like stars, in fortune's diadems.

Not as we take, but as we give;
Not as we pray, but as we live—
These are the things that make for peace
Both now and after time shall cease."

DAUGHTERS' PRIVILEGES.

What is the meaning of the word privilege?

According to Webster it means a particular or peculiar benefit or advantage enjoyed by a person, company, or society beyond the common advantages of other citizens.

Much can be said on this subject—our work. The Daughters of the King is not a new work for we should always realize our mission in the church before becoming Daughters, and do our best to be true.

To be a Daughter is a privilege, for has not the church given us Daughters the privilege of doing some of her holiest work?

Do you not deem it a privilege to attend to God's holy altar, the sacred vessels, the linen, and the flowers, as this is in some parishes a part of a Daughter's work, as well as to visit and send flowers to the sick and those who are in trouble?

If we, through selfishness or indifference, neglect our duties and privileges we are not worthy to be called Daughters of the King.

Should it not be a privilege to teach in the Sunday School, as no better opportunity could be afforded to spread Christ's Kingdom? And this work can be further accomplished by assisting in bringing children to holy baptism, into the Sunday School, to confirmation, and this work is increasing in each of our Chapters.

I wonder if all the Daughters fully realize what the Order may mean to them?

God does not intend that our work should always be easy when we stand between Jesus and human need. We pray daily that "Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven," but do we feel the responsibility devolving on us in seeing that it is done?

By whom is God's will done in Heaven? By the innumerable hosts of Angels, and by the blessed company of those dear ones "whom we have loved long since and lost a while."

They do it gladly and perfectly, and to us is given the privilege of sharing their labors.

As a Daughter of the King we must not shrink or falter at the responsibility placed on us, but we must remember that we have the blessed privilege of influencing the lives of those nearest and dear-

est to us, and the greater privilege of sharing in the King's work by living the life of self denial.

Great trials, many disappointments, and sad discouragements come before us, but as Daughters should it not be a privilege to look higher and aim to be true in all we say and do, no matter how hard it may appear?

If there is anything in our lives unbecoming to the life of a Christian, should we not strive by real devotion in our attendance to the service and privilege of receiving the blessed Sacrament, and not by outward appearances alone, but to pray daily for strength and courage to speak when we should, thus proving that we are striving to do our duty as Daughters of the King, and to remember that it is what we are, as much as what we do, that tells in the service of the King.

Lastly, let us remember our duties, privileges, pledges and our promised reward. Remembering that our King suffered for each of us, and count nothing too hard if by His help we can truly bear the cross with greatness of soul for His sake.

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OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAUGHTERS OF THE KING IN THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

Our year in the Sunday School has been a very busy one, filled with many blessings but also with many struggles, disappointments and sorrows. Nevertheless we come together today with our hearts full of faith and love for the Heavenly Father, who is ever present to guide and help us.

At the commencement of our Sunday School year four members of the Daughters of the King, at solicitation of our Sunday School Superintendent, Mr. James Tyler, began teaching. Just at the dawn of the joyous Easter season one of our number answered the call to "Come up higher," leaving us to continue the work in the Master's vineyard.

In the religious life Sunday School

means opportunity. God has given diversity of talent and the field is broad. We realize that the Sunday School children of today will be the church people of the future, and that to have consistent church members, we must begin with the children.

The first and greatest opportunity that presents itself to the teacher is the blessed privilege of studying God's Holy Word. No teacher should attempt to teach without careful and prayerful preparation. It should be said of the Daughters of the King that their smiles should reveal the "joy of His salvation" and should invite all to "come taste and see that the Lord is good."

Therefore, embrace the opportunity to teach the children to study the Old Bible; it was our Savior's; teach them to study the New Testament; it was His last will and testament. Teach the children the church-going habit, reverence for God's name and His word, the use of the Prayer Book, make them familiar with the church year, teach them the beautiful and instructive collects, so that when the twilight of age approaches and the eye waxes dim, they may be balm to their souls.

It is surprising that so many children of Christian parents who are well taught in secular things should be so deficient in spiritual things. You women, to whom the crown of motherhood has been given, awake to the necessity of daily morning devotions, strengthen your little ones for the day's battle against the world, the flesh, and the devil.

We must embrace the opportunity to impress upon the children the duty to ratify their Baptismal vows, it is their bounden duty. There is no gift that radiates more sunshine in the heart than that of song. One of our members lends her melodious voice every Sunday to lead the scholars in their hymns of praise.

The teacher must be tactful, loving, and cheerful for "religion never was designed to make our pleasures less." The teacher should love her scholars, she should ever be ready to give a word of encouragement, for praise means so

much to the young. A teacher should have a charming personality and should make the lessons attractive. The Evil One has so many subtle ways to keep the young from following in the footsteps of the Meek and Lowly Jesus, it behooves us to be ever on the watch tower. George Eliot says, "I like not only to be loved but to be told that I am loved; the realm of silence is large enough beyond the grave."

Let me urge upon the members of this Order to take more interest in the children, for they need our help. The blessed Master has said, "Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these, ye have done it unto me." Let us teach the little ones obedience and unselfish love, for here is the foundation of spirituality in the church. If we faithfully do our duty, when God calls we will be able to stand in His power. We may plant, and another may water, we leave the results to Him. We need to "be still and know that He is God" to remember that it is the Mighty One of Israel who has given us the opportunity for usefulness in this branch of His work.

"Thou must be true thyself,
If thou the truth would teach:
Thy soul must overflow, if thou
Another's soul would reach:
It needs the overflow of heart
To give the lips full speech.
Think truly, and thy thoughts—
Shall the world's famine feed,
Speak truly and each word of thine
Shall be a fruitful seed:
Live truly and thy life shall be
A great and noble creed."

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THE IDEAL DAUGHTER'S AIM.

READ AT THE CONVENTION OF THE
DAUGHTERS OF THE KING OF THE
DIOCESE OF MARYLAND.

What does it mean to each of us to be called a Daughter of the King? And what does it mean to each of us to be a Daughter of the King? Can the aim of the Daughter of the King ever be set too

high? Not for the ideal Daughter surely. Oh the courage of the founders of this noble Order, to adopt the name that we bear—The Daughters of the King.

Some one notices the cross we wear. The question naturally follows, what is it, what does it mean, stand for? Then the reply, it is the emblem of the Daughters of the King. Then you belong to that Order? Yes, I am a Daughter of the King.

And what does it mean to you and to me? This intimate relationship to our King which we have assumed, this drawing near not only to *our* Father, but to *the* King, in whom is all glory and honor and power. He is the ruler of our thoughts, our minds and our hearts, and yet has the love of a great Father, for we are *His Daughters*.

How many of us remember the day when we were initiated into this Order, with the words "Mayest thou have grace ever faithfully to remember that as a Daughter of the Heavenly King, thou hast been sent upon this mission here, to lead thy sisters to thy Father's home." Was it not as though we stepped on Holy ground? Hands seemed stretched forth to draw us near, and a voice bade us come and serve.

This was our Mount of Transfiguration; Oh! the beauty, the sanctity, the loftiness of that sacred service, how it filled us with a longing desire to remain right there, in prayer and in giving thanks, in the near presence of our King; and as St. Peter, and John, and James, it might have satisfied us to build a tabernacle there; but this vision was given us with the same intent that it was given to St. Peter, and John, and James; giving us an inspiration of the high ideal God has for man, showing us the beauty of His Holiness, filling us with His holy aspirations and noble purpose, setting our aims toward the highest, noblest, loftiest sphere.

Oh! may not this be the aim of each one who is a member of this Order of the Daughters of the King. May we ever feel the inspiration of that hour, and

if we do, we are fulfilling our vow, our first rule, prayer. And may I say right here, that all things may be accomplished by prayer. The strength, the growth and the power, of this organization will depend upon how you and I, each individual one, will pray for it.

And God does hear and answer our prayers. Before we ask He answers, and before we realize it the answer comes; often in so natural a way, that we do not recognize it as an answer to our petition.

But God is constantly working out His great plan of salvation, and He is waiting for you and me, to help Him carry it out; so we must pray, believing, that in His way, and in His good time our prayers will be answered.

Pray daily for the blessing upon our Order and the spread of Christ's Kingdom among women; and so may we ever remember the vision that we have experienced in the presence of the King.

St. Peter said, "let us make three tabernacles; one for Thee, one for Moses, and one for Elias, not knowing what he said."

Could the glory of God be continued in any such way as this? The glory of God is implanted in the human soul, not by building tabernacles of which humanity would weary, but it is to be manifested through living beings.

"And it came to pass, that on the next day, when they were come down from the mount, much people met Him."

Now the scene changes. Christ and the apostles have come down from the mount, they are in the world, and of the world; the people crowd around them, it is time for *service*; the call comes from every direction. So we too came away, back into the world, with duties surging all around.

"Bear well this cross, with great souled faith." The opportunities are many; Oh, how they press upon us, are we alert to grasp these? Are we ready to give up self indulgence? "Do we forget self, in obeying His Holy will?"

Those who shall seek His work to do, will surely find it. The ideal Daughter need not look far for duty; it lies right

along her path; all she needs is the willing heart, the deep perception of Christian love; then the avenue of duty will open, widen and spread out before her, even as the avenue of holiness has opened out.

Just to take the duty which lies before us. But do we hear someone say, "Oh, it is so insignificant, it amounts to nothing."

In the smallest deed done, in the spirit of Christ's love, we are serving *our King*, and dare we measure the possibilities of any act of service done "For His Sake?"

God is working out His plan of salvation through us; that one act may be a link in that great plan; then are we to hinder Him by neglecting this duty? We pray for the spread of Christ's Kingdom, and we may help Him answer that prayer by serving Him in matters small or great; and may our aim be always to be ready to serve our Lord and King.

In St. Matthew we read, "He sent them into His vineyard;" and in St. Mark, "They went forth, the Lord working with them."

Not alone, but the Lord working with them; and so we must ever have His holy presence, for by our own efforts we can accomplish nothing; we must return again and again to the Holy Mount in prayer; and we are especially given an opportunity for this, in our corporate Communion service, and there we may meet in one body at the throne of Grace, with one desire, one hope, one prayer, asking Him to empower us with the deepest love for "His Holy Work," that we may truly serve our sisters, and in doing so, serve our Heavenly King.

EMMA BEHLENDORFF.

WOMANS' AUXILIARY NOTES.

AN OCTOBER INSTITUTE.

During the week, October 15 to 22, there is being arranged at the Church Missions House, a four days' Auxiliary Institute which shall include the day of the Officers' Conference, Thursday the 19th.

It is planned to conduct Normal Study

Classes during this Institute for leaders in the Woman's Auxiliary and its Junior Department, and to hold Discussion Meetings for the consideration of the important work before us in the coming year.

This Institute, coming midway between two General Conventions, we hope may bring together many Diocesan Officers from throughout the country, and Parish leaders from a distance, who may be in New York at the time, especially when none of their Diocesan officers are able to come.

SOME THINGS THAT MAY BE EXPECTED.

1. Holy Communion daily.
2. Noonday Prayers.
3. The presence and Help of Missionaries and Secretaries.
4. A Question Box.
5. Normal Teaching of Text Books issued by the Educational Department: For use in the Woman's Auxiliary, "The Conquest of the Continent." In its Junior Department, "The Conquerors of the Continent."
6. Discussion of such subjects as:
The Woman's Auxiliary and the New Apportionment.
The United Offering of 1916.
Volunteers.
The Older Juniors.
Missionary Education.
Missionary Intercession.
United Effort and Christian Unity.
Readjustments in Auxiliary Branches to Meet Present Day Conditions.

NEW STUDY COURSE ON DOMESTIC MISSIONS.

The Board of Missions announces a new study course for the coming fall and winter on missions in our own land. The main text book, "The Conquest of the Continent," is written by the Rev. Hugh L. Burleson, Secretary of the Board. Supplementary text books on different phases of the work will be "An Officer of the Line: The story of a

typical western missionary life." "The Conversion of Mormonism," and "Bishop Kemper and His Contemporaries," a reprint of the valuable historical book by Greenough White. For Juniors the hand books prepared are "The Conquerors of the Continent" by Mary Tracy Gardner, and "Followers of the Trail" by Sarah Lowrie. "Nelly and Gypsy, the Missionary Ponies" is for children. There are also "Suggestions for Leaders;" in teaching, "The Conquest of the Continent." This course is a study of home missionary problems and of the men who have helped and are helping to serve them. It is produced in response to the general and growing demand for some adequate treatment of the subject. The Educational Secretary, 281 Fourth Avenue, New York, will be glad to supply further information.

THE SUMMER CONFERENCE OF THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF THE THIRD DEPARTMENT.

For a whole week in June in Ocean City, Maryland, there was held the first Summer Conference under the auspices of the Woman's Auxiliary. This, destined to be given a place in history, called together the whole of the Third Department and proved valuable in so many ways that, before separating, those who had enjoyed it arranged for its successor next year in the same delightful place.

Each day opened with an early celebration in the quiet little church on the sands where we found the inspiration for the day's responsibilities and pleasures. The daily Bible class under Dr. Caley's expert leadership proved both stimulating and illuminating. Those who attended it were thereby the better ready for the Mission Study Class which followed it. This was under the conduct of Mrs. Pillsbury, of the New Jersey Diocese by residence, but equally belonging to all of us because of her great interest and trained usefulness. To add this Class to her duties as Editor of the excellent Missionary Calendar which is

yearly becoming more and more recognized as a valued aid in the work of informing the Church was but one more proof of the readiness for service which characterizes this true Daughter of the King.

The subject for study, Japan, was made especially vivid by the presence and help of Miss Neely, of Virginia, who has been in that field for a number of years.

Daily Conferences on phases and methods of work, often ending in very free discussion, were held in the afternoon, while each evening there were popular addresses by returned Missionaries and others. Perhaps, what was not on the printed programme—the daily intercourse of those of like mind, yet of varied experience, was, after all, the most profitable element in a most successful week. The human factor in this delightful result was, without question, the President of the Easton Diocesan Auxiliary, Mrs. Finley, whose wisdom and energy was ably seconded by Dr. Garland, the Secretary of the Third Department. They both spared nothing in contributing to the comfort and edification of all and must have felt abundantly rewarded by the outspoken thanks of all. And this year, the attendance should be much larger and more generally representative. Diocesan officers and all indeed who really want that larger view, which means more efficient service, can ill afford to stay away from the Second Summer Conference of the Third Department to be held at Ocean City, Maryland, in June, 1912.

JULIA L. MCGREW.

At the Annual Meeting, held in May, 1911, the Womans' Auxiliary of the Diocese of Washington voted upon and accepted a new Constitution, time having rendered the old one inadequate to its necessities. More officers were needed and new duties assigned. To the three vice-presidents is given the work of extending the Womans' Auxiliary throughout the Diocese. It is hoped that at the meeting on November 7th, reports will be made of new branches organized through the efforts of the vice-presidents. The first vice-president's work lies in the District of Columbia, the second and third divide the four counties in Maryland between them.

The Womans' Auxiliary has suffered a great loss in the death of Miss Cornelia Bradford, its valued and efficient recording secretary for many years. Miss Bradford by her fidelity and interest, as well as her pleasing personality, made herself beloved by the members of the Womans' Auxiliary and will be greatly missed this coming winter.

The United Offering Collectors resolved to hold a Presentation Service of the United Offering annually and selected, with the approval of the Bishop, the Feast of St. Michael and All Angels, or its eve, as the most appropriate time, coming as it does just previous to the gathering of the General Convention every third year. The first Presentation Service will therefore be held on Friday, September 29th, in Ascension Church, at 8 P. M.

MARGARET W. TROTT.

CANADIAN PAGE

A WORD TO OUR MEMBERS.

Once again the active work of our various chapters is about to be resumed, and as we step forward into another year of opportunity and of service we must not forget that it is a year of deeper responsibility than any that have gone before. Our knowledge of the work at home, as well as the work abroad, has grown with our experience, and knowledge and experience mean greater responsibility. We must ever remember the Master's word with regard to the servant who knew his Lord's will and did it not, and how St. Paul fastens that warning upon us when he says "to him that knoweth to do good and doeth it not, to him it is sin." The work that lies before each and every member of the Daughters of the King is not an easy work; it is, as a clergyman recently said, "not a picnic, but a campaign." A great door lies open before us but there are many adversaries. Dear fellow-members, there is a great fight on between the King of Darkness and the King of Light, and we know it will end in ultimate victory, but where shall we be in the day of victory, for the test of that is what are we doing now. We do well to ponder one of the greatest messages of the Book of the Revelation, "to him that overcometh," the promises are only to the one who overcomes. "They overcame through the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they loved not their lives unto the death." There are sins and hindrances to be overcome in our own lives, there are numberless difficulties to be overcome in our Chapter life, there are enemies of the Cross of Christ to be overcome in the world. There is a work for every true Daughter of the King to do this winter, a work that lies close to their hand, the sick and poor to be visited and relieved, the stranger to be welcomed and kept loyal to the church, and do we realize how many strangers there are within our gates, those who have come to us from other lands and speak other tongues; what can we do for these? There are the sin-sick to be brought to the Lord for

healing, the young to be taught; the Word of God to study; the ministry of intercession to perform. Let us appropriate the promise "and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty God of Jacob," and remember "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in My throne."

CHAPTER REPORTS.

The Deaconess House Chapter, Toronto, continues to report much blessing on their work of visiting, and although the Chapter is a small one they are expecting great things from God through the coming winter. Work has been carried on at the Alexandria Industrial School, and a garden party given to the girls on their own beautiful grounds. About a hundred girls were present with the officers and all apparently enjoyed the afternoon. The individual personal work of the members of the Chapter has brought forth much fruit in the extension of Christ's Kingdom. 50 meetings have been conducted and 103 visits recorded.

The Chapters at Vancouver, B. C., and at Chilliwack were privileged to have a visit from Miss Hamilton, President of the Niagara Local Assembly, who has brought back to the Central Officers encouraging reports of their earnestness and enthusiasm.

Ascension Chapter, Hamilton, has had encouraging meetings at which Miss Wade, one of our missionary members in China, has been present. Miss Wade comes back for her furlough and will be doing deputation work in Canada in October and the following months, when we hope many of the Chapters will have the privilege of hearing her. The great need in China just now is for educational missionaries, and there is a great call for our University women to step forward into this wonderful opportunity in that land.

St. Luke's Junior Chapter of St. John, N. B., report 50 meetings held from Whit Sunday, 1910, to the same date in 1911. 15 topics, such as prayer, faith, etc., have been taken by the members in

turn. 5 missionary papers and letters have been read, and two talks on Bible study given. Since January, the Gospel of St. Mark has been studied, led by the Directress. The Chapter undertook the organization of the Home Department of the Sunday School and in this connection over 200 visits were made. 60 Sunday School absentees have been looked up. About 27 visits paid to shut-ins and 40 to the sick. There are 12 charter members and a number of probationers.

A Chapter has been organized in connection with St. Barnabas Church, Toronto, Ont.

SELF-DENIAL FUND.

Sixteen Chapters have contributed to the Advent, 1910, self-denial offering, which now amounts to \$121.96. \$100 was sent to the Superintendent of the Aracanian Mission and the following letter has been received from him.

TEMUCO, CHILE, 21st July, 1911.

MY DEAR MISS THOMSON:

Very many thanks indeed for yours of the 13th April, advising me of the kind gift, proceeds of the Self-Denial of the Daughters of the King during Advent week of 1910. They will be glad to know that the work amongst the Aracanian girls is growing, as we have more in our schools now than ever before and the outlook is bright for the future, notwithstanding the resistance offered to the Gospel by the natural inertia of the heathen, as well as by the active opposition of the Romanists, who lose no opportunity of seeking to undermine and hinder our work by fair means or foul. The average attendance of Mapuche girls for June was 52 and that number will considerably increase this month and next. God grant that very many of them may be led to the knowledge of the Savior and to be indwelt by the Holy Ghost who can alone enable them to withstand. They are, once convinced, very staunch to their convictions and we hope to see a number of them be-

fore long giving themselves to the work, although it is difficult for them to do more than witness for the Master in their immediate surroundings, which a number now do. You will all be glad to hear this, and thanking you and other dear fellow helpers in advancing the King's cause and hastening His coming.

Ever yours, very fraternally,
C. A. SADLER, *Supt. A. M.*

STATISTICS OF THE PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH, 1910.

From the "Report of the Committee on the State of the Church," given at the General Convention, we quote the following figures for the benefit of our readers. The figures are interesting and should be kept for future reference.

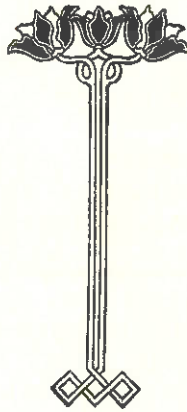
Number of Clergy.....	5,513
Candidates for Orders....	431
Lay Readers.....	2,676
Communicants	937,861
Sunday School Teachers and Officers.....	50,678
Sunday School Pupils....	457,237
Parishes	3,387
Missions	4,719
Church Edifices	6,862
Sittings in Churches....	1,321,311
Rectories	2,898
Theological Institutions...	20
Collegiate Institutions....	15
Academic Institutions....	114
Church Hospitals	66
Orphan Asylums	62
"Homes"	77
Total contributions for all purposes for three years..	\$53,916,064.00

SEVEN HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS TO CHARITY.

Mrs. Mary Lothrop Peabody, recently died in Boston. Of her estate, one million dollars, she left seven hundred thousand dollars to charity, most of it to charities of the church.

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Work in Boston; \$50,000 to the Children's Hospital; \$50,000 to the Convalescent Home of the Childrens' Hospital; \$10,000 to Bishop White, of Michigan City; \$25,000 to Bishop Weller, of Fond du Lac; \$25,000 for a former curate of her parish church; \$5,000 to each of four sons of a former rector of her parish church; \$10,000 to the widow of another former rector; \$10,000 for the widow of the rector of her youth.



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