

Meeting for Organization, Association Hall, Vineyard Haven
Monday, September 12, 1898

In accordance with a warrant heretofore issued and notice duly given, a meeting was held at the above time and place for the organization of a Unitarian Society. John H. Lambert, Justice of the Peace, called the meeting to order and read the warrant for the same issued by himself upon lawful petition to Gilbert L. Smith, and the return of the said Gilbert L. Smith thereto, showing due notice given by posting an attested copy of said warrant upon the door of Stevens Memorial Chapel for the time required by law.

The meeting was then organized by the election of Paschal H. Coggins, by ballot, as clerk, and Gilbert L. Smith as Moderator. Said Clerk was duly sworn according to law.

On motion, the following named persons, (being those whose names are affixed to the petition upon which the warrant for the meeting was issued) were accepted as the charter members of the Society; Paschal H. Coggins, Gilbert L. Smith, Christalina E. Johnson, Mary H. Smith, E. T. Lewis, Rebecca Daggett Getchell, Clara W. Luce, C. Emma Luce, Abbie B. C. Howland, Ina Scott Johnson, Mary G. Bright, Arthur H. Coar, Melusina H. Varick, Arabella M. Walker, Eliza B. Daggett, Sarah B. Gray, T. B. Smith, B. C. Cromwell Jr., Abbie B. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton, Emma T. S. Cromwell, Pattie C. Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Albert Look, Bertha L. Dean, George F. Armsby, Addie E. Armsby, Leslie W. Miller, Maria Persons Miller, Christiana Chappel, Albert H. Coggins, Mary W. Coggins, Carrie L. Coggins.

On motion of Mr. Coar, and after various amendments and full discussion, a code of By-Laws was adopted, a correct copy of which will be found in the Society's "Book of By-Laws and Membership."

Upon motion the society proceeded to the election of the officers provided for in its By-Laws and a Committee on Nominations, consisting of Mr. Coar, Mrs. Getchell and Mrs. Johnson, was appointed by the chair. After due consideration the Committee reported the following nominations; For President, Gilbert L. Smith; for Clerk, Mrs. Abbie B. C. Howland; for Treasurer, Mr. Armsby; for Collector, Mrs. Mary L. Norton; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Mrs. Christalina E. H. Johnson, Albert Look, Mrs. Arabella Walker and Rebecca D. Getchell.

There being no other nominations, the persons nominated by the Committee were by unanimous ballot, elected to the respective offices for which they were named, to hold office until their successors are elected and qualified.

After some general discussion the meeting on motion adjourned to meet on the evening of Saturday September 17th 1898 at the same time and place.

Paschal H. Coggins, Clerk of Meeting

Vineyard Haven, Mass , Saturday September 17 1898, 7:30 PM

Adjourned meeting of Sept 12, 1898 (of the Society). Called to order at 7:45 PM by Chairman Captain Gilbert L. Smith.

In the absence of the clerk of meeting Mr. Arthur H. Coar was chosen by ballot to act as Clerk pro tem of the meeting. Said clerk was duly sworn according to law.

Mrs. Mary L. Norton declining to serve as collector, Miss Ina Scott Johnson was chosen by ballot to serve the Society in said capacity.

The Society then voted unanimously to add the following By-law to the ones previously agreed upon - "Five members shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business."

The Society then took up the choice of Society Committees. It was voted that the Committees consist of the

following: A social committee of five, a Music committee of two, a missionary committee consisting of five and a Sunday school committee of three members.

A nominating committee of three consisting of Mr. Coar, Mrs. Getchell and Mrs. Clara W. Luce chosen by motion. Mr. Coar reported the following names:

For the Social Committee: Mrs. Mary H. Smith, Mrs. Clara W. Luce, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Mrs. Addie E. Armsby, Mrs. Christalina E. Johnson.

For the Music Committee: Mrs. Abbie B. C. Howland, Mrs. Mary L. Norton.

For the Missionary Committee: Miss Thankful B. Smith, Mrs. Emma Luce, Mrs. Rebecca D. Getchell, Miss Ina S. Johnson, Mrs. Arabella Walker

For the Sunday School Committee: Mrs. E. T. Lewis, Mrs. A.. Walker, Miss T. Johnson.

The said persons were unanimously elected by the society for said Committees. In the absence of any further business the Society then adjourned.

Arthur H. Coar, Clerk of meeting pro tem

Vineyard Haven, Thursday Sept. 22, '98

Having been duly sworn in as Clerk of V. H. Unitarian Society by John H Lambert, Justice of Peace, the oath of office was administered by me to the following named persons - Gilbert L. Smith, Christalina Johnson, Arabella Walker, Rebecca E. Getchell, Parish Committee, Ina Johnson , Collector

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

Vineyard Haven, Friday Sept. 30, 1898

The oath of office was administered by me to G. F. Armsby as Treasurer of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society.
Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

Vineyard Haven, Monday, October 3, 1898, 7:30 PM

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in the chair.

Mr. F. Horton Johnson was admitted to membership.

Voted to hold services throughout the winter in the dining room of Association Hall. Services to begin Sunday October 9, '98 to be followed by a Sunday School.

Voted that the Secretary send for necessary materials, and conferring with the Sunday School committee, make necessary arrangements for the Sunday School.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Secretary

Vineyard Haven, Friday, Oct. 21, '98

The oath of office was administered by me to Albert Look as one of the Parish committee of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Secretary

Vineyard Haven, November 14, 1898

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with Gilbert L. Smith in the chair. Voted to adjourn to selectmen's office

for meeting.

The following named persons were unanimously elected to membership: Capt. Lot Luce, Capt. Murray W. Horton, Capt. James V. Claghorn, Mrs. James V. Claghorn, Mrs. Sarah W. Weeks, Mr. H. W. Coye, Mrs. H. W. Coye, Mrs. Euphremia Norton, Miss Edith Norton. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Secretary

Vineyard Haven, April 17, 1899

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in the chair. At this, our Annual Meeting, the following named persons be by unanimous ballot elected to their respective offices until their successors are elected and qualified - For President, Gilbert L. Smith; for Clerk, Abbie B.C. Howland; for Treasurer, Geo. F. Armsby;

for Collector, Ina Scott Johnson. Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Rebecca D. Getchell, Christalina E. Johnson, Arabella M. Walker, F. Horton Johnson, Voted to have the same Social Committee with five additional members: Mrs. R. C. Getchell, Mrs. Carla Coye, Mrs. Margaret W. Claghorn, Mrs. Euphremia Norton, Miss Edith Norton. Voted to have the same Music Committee with one additional member, Mrs. Fannie Look.

Voted that the Missionary and Sunday School Committees remain unchanged. Voted that those who attend the Channing Conference for this Society, to be held in Newport April 25 and 26, 1899, be authorized to plan for meetings to be held in Stevens Memorial Chapel this coming summer. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Secretary

October 1899

Our summer services held in Stevens Memorial Chapel, closed Sunday Oct 1 having been very successful. The following ministers have preached for us during the summer: Rev. Mr. Savory of Hyde Park, Rev. Augustus Lord of Providence, Rev. W. C. Green of Dighton, Rev. J. H. Jones of Providence, Rev. J. T. Sempris of Boston, Rev. L. C. Cornish, Rev. Mr. Hussey of Taunton, Rev. Francis Tiffany of Cambridge, James Lusk of Boston all very acceptably.

October 8, we began holding winter services in Association Hall, Vineyard Haven, Miss Thankful Smith kindly reading the sermon each Sunday.

Vineyard Haven, October 9, 1899

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in the chair. The following named persons were unanimously elected to membership: Mrs. Kate A. Day, Mrs. Harriet B. C. Tilton. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Secretary

Vineyard Haven, March 12, 1900 7:30 PM

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in the chair. The following business was transacted:

Miss Susie Sanderson was unanimously elected to membership. Voted to pay the Rev. Mr. Locke the sum of ten dollars (\$10) for preaching for us March 18.

Voted to send to the American Unitarian Association the sum of ten dollars (\$10) our first contribution to that Society, hoping at some time to become members of it. Voted that Dr. Thompson fill the position of Superintendent of our Sunday School. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

Vineyard Haven, April 4th, 1900

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in the chair. At this, our Annual Meeting,

the following named officers were chosen to serve the coming year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Abbie B.C. Howland; Treasurer, Mr. G. F. Armsby. Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, F. Horton Johnson, Mrs. Chystalina Johnson, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. R. D. Getchell. Collector, Gilbert L. Smith. The following committees were chosen: Sunday School Committee, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Lewis, Miss Ina Johnson. Social Committee, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Clara Luce, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Getchell, Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Margaret Claghorn, Mrs. Euphemia Norton, Miss Edith Norton. Music Committee, Mrs. Abbie Howland, Mrs. Mary Norton, Mrs. Fannie Look. Missionary Committee, Miss Thankful Smith, Mrs. Emma Luce, Mrs. Getchell, Miss Edith Norton.

The following business was also transacted. Voted to have Mr. Jones preach for us the same as last summer if he would do so on the same terms. Voted that the Parish Committee be instructed to confer with Mr. Locke for his services during the month of May and if his terms are in their opinion reasonable to engage him for that time. Voted that Dr. Thompson take up the collection at each service. Voted to adjourn

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

June 1900

Our winter services closed Sunday, May 27. On June 3, we begin our summer services at the chapel. The American Unitarian Association have kindly sent ministers to us the third Sundays of November, December, January, February, March and April. Rev. Mr. George Badger preaching in November, Rev. Mr. Wilson of Fall River in December, Rev. Mr. Jones of Providence in January, and Rev. Mr. Bruton of Fair Haven in February, Rev. J. E. Locke of Boston in March, Rev. Leroy Fletcher Snapp of Malden in April. Rev. Mr. Locke will supply the pulpit for the month of June.

Vineyard Haven, June 25, 1900

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in the chair. The following named persons were unanimously elected to membership: Dr. E. S. Thompson, Mrs. Sarah Guinn, Mrs. Emily Butterfield, Miss I. V. Smith. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B.C. Howland, Clerk

October 1900

Our summer services closed Sunday Oct. 1 having been very successful. Rev. J. H. Jones of Providence preaching for us during the summer. October we began holding services every Sunday in Association Hall. Rev. Mr. Litchfield of Middleboro preaching for us twice a month and Miss Smith reading a sermon on the alternate Sunday. His preaching has been much enjoyed by all.

Vineyard Haven April 22, 1901

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in the chair. At this our Annual Meeting the following named officers were chosen to serve during the coming year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Abbie B. C. Howland; Treasurer, Geo. F. Armsby; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith. Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, F. Horton Johnson, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. R. D. Getchell.

Committees: Music Committee; Abbie B. C. Howland, Mrs. Mary Norton, Mrs. Fannie Look
Missionary or Visiting Committee; Miss Thankful Smith, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Getchell, Miss Ina Johnson.
Social committee; Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Clara Luce, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Emma Luce, Mrs. Johnson, Mrs. Euphemia Norton, Mr. Gunion, Miss Edith Norton.

Voted to send the sum of ten dollars (\$10) to the Am. Unitarian Society, this being our second contribution to that Society. Voted to engage Mr. Litchfield to preach for us the coming summer. Voted, that if the Channing Conference consents, that we have our Church moved to the lot on which the Episcopal

Church formerly stood and that the Parish Committee have authority to make contracts for the necessary work and have the supervision of the same. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

July 8, 1901

A meeting was called at the residence of Mrs. Coye July 8th, 1901 to discuss the matter of forming an Alliance. After discussion, it was voted to form such an Alliance to be called the V. H. Branch of the Women's Alliance.

The following officers were elected to office: President, Mrs. H. W. Coye; Vice President, Mrs. Gilbert Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Secretary, Mrs. Abbie B. C. Howland.

Voted that the membership fee should be 25 cents annually. The Annual Meeting to be held the first Monday of April. Monthly meetings to be held the first Monday of each month. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

August 5, 1901

Meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Coye, Pres. Nine members present. Voted to send note of thanks to Mr. Walker for giving his services in painting the trimmings of the church, also to Mr. B. B. Manchester for giving and placing the concrete walk to the church also to Mr. B. C. Cromwell Jr. for giving paint used in painting the trimmings of church. Plans for the Annual Fair and lawn party were then discussed. Voted to hold the same Aug. 13th, 1901. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

Note: at the end of the book of minutes started here, there is an August 1901 List of Members (of the Alliance) with some notations: Mrs. H. W. Coye, Mrs. Gilbert L. Smith, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. G. F. Armsby, Mrs. John E. Howland (deceased), Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. Kate Day, Mrs. Arabella Walker, Mrs. Fannie Look, Mrs. Ethelinda Lewis, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Miss Thankful Smith, Mrs. Paschal H. Coggins C. City (crossed out), Mrs. Wrightington C. City, Miss Elizabeth Brown C. City, Miss Sarah B. Williams, Taunton Mrs. Henry L Childs C. City, Miss I V. Smith (crossed out), Mrs. Clara W. Luce, Mrs. Isadore Horton, Mrs. Eliza Daggett, Miss Ima Johnson (deceased) Mrs. Euphemia Norton, Mrs. Eliza Roth (not a member), Mrs. Dr. Bright, Mrs. James G. Smith (crossed out) Mrs. Maria R. Brown, Mrs. Emiline Look, Mrs. Sarah Lane, Mrs. Emma Baker, Mrs. Georgiana Calhoun, Mrs. Mary Morgan (deceased), Mrs. Esther Foster, Mrs. Ellen Luce, Mrs. Sarah B. Gray (deceased), Mrs. (?) Guerin (deceased) Miss Claire Millet (not a member), Mrs. Treadwell July 1907, Miss Sophie Eddy Sept. 1907, Mrs. Lowry (?) Jan. 1908, Mrs. Sarah Weeks, Jan. 1908, Mrs. Albert Vincent 1908, Mrs. Fisher 1908 Mrs. Wentworth 1908, Mrs. Annie Fisher 1908, Mrs. Henrietta Brown 1909, Mrs. May Brown 1909, Mrs. Gary Hough Sept 1909, Miss Doris Hough Sept. 1909, Miss Hilda Hough Sept. 1909, Mrs. L. E. Johnson Sept 1909, Miss Katharine Hough 1910.

August 13, 1901

The Annual Fair and Lawn Party (of the Alliance) was held on this date on the grounds of Mr. Abner Foster and was a success in every way. About \$250 was added to the treasury of the Alliance.

Monday, September 2, 1901

Monthly meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Coye, the President. 12 members present. Mrs. Hough and Mrs. Coggins as guests.

Mrs. Coye read a poem entitled "Do The Right Thing:.". The members all recited "Our Faith".** Miss Thankful Smith read a very interesting paper on "Every Day Heroism". Quotations from Unitarian women were given by all. The business of the afternoon was then taken up. Voted on motion to furnish a heater for the church. Also to furnish lamps for same. The next meeting to be held with Mrs. Bright the first Monday in October. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

* Our Faith

The Fatherhood of God,
The Brotherhood of Man,
The Leadership of Jesus,
Salvation by character,
The Progress of Mankind,
Onward and upward forever.

Vineyard Haven Sept. 2, 1901

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in the chair. Voted on motion to have meetings during the winter the same as last winter, the first and third Sunday of each month, beginning Oct. 1st and continue till June 1st 1902. Services to be held morning and evening.

Miss Elizabeth Brown of Providence was voted a member of this Society.

Meeting adjourned to meet at Mr. H. W. Coye's Sept 9th at 7 PM
Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

Vineyard Haven Sept 9, 1901

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with Mr. Armsby in the chair in absence of Capt. Smith.

Voted on motion that we procure the 2nd size of Boynton Wood Heater for heating the church.

Voted on motion that we adjourn to Friday Sept 20th to meet with Mr. Coye on that date.
Abbie B.C. Howland, Clerk

Vineyard Haven Sept. 20, 1901

Severe storm, adjourned to meet Thursday evening Sept 26th.
Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

Vineyard Haven Sept. 26, 1901

Meeting (of the Society) called to order by Capt Gilbert Smith President. Voted on motion that we procure a window for chancel similar to one in Episcopal Church chancel of Cottage City. To cost \$40, thirty for window and ten to put it in place.

Voted on motion that the Parish Committee procure the services of a Janitor for the winter for the church.

Voted to adjourn. Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

Monday, October 7, 1901

The monthly meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. Dr. Bright. 9 members present, Mrs. Miller of Boston as guest. Mrs. Miller read an article on "Libraries". Mrs. Howland two short articles on Alliance work. Quotations were given. The following business was taken up: Voted on motion to send Mr. Armsby a vote of thanks for giving his services in putting in the new heater for our church. Voted to buy lamp and lamppost for church yard to cost \$6. Mrs. Emma Cromwell and Mrs. Fannie Look were the committee appointed to the work for sewing at the Alliance meetings. Voted to allow them \$10 to buy materials for same. Mrs. Clara Luce appointed to have care of church sweeping for November. Voted to have supper the 1st of November, Mrs. Howland to choose her assistant for same.

After a delightful social hour during which dainty refreshments were served by the hostess, it was voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Fannie Look the first Monday in November.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

Monday, November 4, 1901

The monthly meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. Fannie Look, 12 members present. Mrs. Clough as guest. The meeting was opened by the members reciting "Our Faith". The secretary's report of the last meeting was read and approved.

The Treasurer gave her report showing a balance in the Treasury of about \$400. Quotations were given by all and a paper was read entitled "What Women Can Do For The Public Good". The following business was acted upon: Voted on motion that the treasurer procure a new book and start a new account. Voted to give \$40 to the Church Society. The next meeting the first Monday in December to be held with Mrs. Armsby. Mrs. Gilbert Smith to have charge of the next supper to be had in December and to choose her assistant. Voted to send a box of Flowers from the Alliance to Miss Johnson, one of our members, who has been away and is ill. After dainty refreshments were served, it was voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Armsby the first Monday of December.

Abbie B. C. Howland. Sec.

Vineyard Haven Nov.15, 1901

Meeting (of the Society) called to order by Capt. Gilbert L. Smith. voted in regard to the window that the present chancel be arched and that a leaded window after the design of H. R. Hilton be put in at cost not to exceed \$50. The glass in the sash to be same as those now in church with a colored border or some other colored design. Voted that the vote taken on Sept. 26th be rescinded.

Voted that a committee consisting of three, Mrs. Coxe, Capt. Smith and Mr. Armsby have charge of the matter of procuring window and attending to placing etc. Voted that a vote of thanks be extended to Mr. Mark Cummings for his offer to draw plans for window. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

Monday, December 2, 1901

The regular meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Armsby. After the reading of "Our Faith" by the members, the secretary's report was read and approved. A letter was read from the Conference of Alliance Branches sending greetings to V. H. Alliance, also telling the work of other branches which was enjoyed by the ladies present. A bill of \$2.12 for paper for use of tables was on motion ordered paid, said paper to be used by the Alliance only. It was voted on motion that the music committee be empowered to buy an organ for the church provided satisfactory arrangements could be made. It was also voted to have an Annual Meeting the first Monday afternoon in January. After passing a pleasant afternoon it was voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Mary Smith the first Monday in January.

A. E. Armsby, Sec. pro tem

January 6, 1902

The Annual Meeting of the Alliance was held at the residence of Mrs. Mary Smith. The meeting opened with the members reading "Our Faith" and quotations. The Secretary's report was read and approved. A letter was read from Miss Williams sending New Year's greeting to the Alliance. The Music Committee reported they, with Capt. Gilbert Smith's assistance, had purchased the organ for \$45.00. Mr. H. N. Hinckley's bill was presented for the window in the church amount \$32.30. Arrangements were made for a chicken pie supper to be held in the Hall Thursday, January 9th. The ladies were all very generous in their donations. It was voted on motion that a committee be appointed to make out a list of Officers for the ensuing year. Mrs. Armsby and Mrs. Cass Luce were

appointed. After discussion they presented the following names: Mrs. Carla E. Coye, President; Mrs. Mary Smith, Vice President; Mrs. Abbie B. C. Howland, Secretary; Mrs. Rebecca Getchell, Treasurer. These by unanimous vote were elected for the following year. It was voted on motion there would be no tea or lunch served at the Alliance meetings in the future. After partaking of Mrs. Smith's chocolate and dainty cakes the meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. Coye Feb. 3.

Mary L. Norton, Sec pro tem

February 3, 1902

The Alliance held its regular meeting at the residence of Mrs. Coye. The secretary's report was read and approved. It was decided by the ladies present to have a supper, Friday Feb. 7th. Mrs. Mary Smith to have full charge of the clam chowder, Mrs. Dr. Roth the cake, Mrs. Albert Look the coffee, milk and butter, Mrs. Emma Cromwell the Geletine. It was voted on motion that we meet the first and third Monday of each month to sew for the summer sale. Mrs. Litchfield as guest. The next meeting to be held with Mrs. Cromwell Feb. 17th.

Mary Norton, Sec. pro tem

March 3, 1902

Regular monthly meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Coye, 9 members present. It was voted on motion to send some article to the Alliance Fair held in Boise, Idaho, left in the hands of the Secretary. Also voted to hold a cake sale Friday, March 14. Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Luce and Mrs. Baker to have charge of it. Voted to adjourn.

Mary Norton, Sec. pro tem

March 31, 1902

Regular monthly meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Cromwell, 14 members present. It was voted on motion that the Alliance give the Society \$100. It was voted on motion that Mrs. Armsby and Mrs. Albert Look be chosen as delegates to the Anniversary meetings of the Unitarian Churches to be held in Boston the last of May. Mrs. Day invited all the ladies of the Alliance to meet with her Monday evening April 14th. It was decided to hold an Oyster Supper Friday evening April 4th in Association Hall. Mrs. Armsby to have charge of same. Voted to give the secretary the sum of \$1 to use for paper, stamps etc. Voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Lewis the next time.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec

Vineyard Haven April 7, 1902

The Annual Meeting of this Society was held with Mr. H. W. Coye April 7th. and the following offices and committees were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Treasurer, Geo. F. Armsby; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, F. Horton Johnson, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. H. W. Coye, Mrs. Walker. Committees: Music Committee, Abbie B.C. Howland, Mrs. Mary Norton, Mrs. Fannie Look. Missionary - Visiting Committee, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. Mary Smith, Miss Ina Johnson, Miss Thankful Smith. Social Committee, Mrs. Eunice Cromwell, Chairman, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Clara Luce, Mrs. Euphemia Norton, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Eliza Daggett.

Miss Elsie Gould elected a member of the Society. Voted to give up the lay services until further action is taken. Mr. Horton Johnson elected auditor. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B.C. Howland, Clerk

April 21, 1902 (Note: these notes are out of sequence but recorded as originally done)

At the (Alliance) sewing social held with Mrs. Lewis on this date, it was voted to give Mrs. Lizzie Weeks \$5 for her kindness in playing at the church for several months.

May 16, 1902

Special meeting (of the Alliance) called for the purpose of deciding about the music for the summer. It was a unanimous vote that we have the singers from Prof. Bristol's summer School of Music for the months of July and August. To pay \$130 for organist, soprano, alto and bass.

May 5, 1902 (Note: Also out of sequence)

The regular meeting of the Alliance was held at the residence of Mrs. E. T. Lewis. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The following bills were ordered paid: Mrs. Cordelia Luce for singing \$3, Miss Rheno for singing, 50 cents. A letter was read from the Alliance Branch of Lancaster, N. H., asking for a handkerchief and it was voted on motion that the treasurer, Mrs. Getchell, purchase and send a handkerchief not to exceed 50 cents. Adjourned to meet with Mrs. Coye May 19 to sew for lawn party.

Mary Norton, Sec. pro tem

June 2, 1902

The regular meeting of the Alliance was held at the residence of Mrs. H. W. Coye, 10 members present. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. Voted on motion to invite Mr. Litchfield and wife to come and stay through the Convention to be held here in July. Adjourned to meet in two weeks with Mrs. Cromwell to sew for Fair.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

July 7, 1902

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. R. D. Getchell 9 members present with Mrs. George Dean as guest. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. Also the following business was transacted: Voted on motion to send an article to the Marblehead Alliance Fair. Voted on motion to send a vote of thanks to the Taunton Alliance for the generous gift of articles sent by them for our Fair. Also vote of thanks to Mrs. Elizabeth Converse of Taunton for gift for our fair of a set of hand painted studs and cuff buttons. It was voted upon motion to hold the fair on the 19th of August if pleasant, if not, the next day. Also voted to have Prof. Bristol's Concert Aug. 14th. Voted to raise the platform of choir loft floor. Voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Coye July 14th to sew for the fair.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

Aug 4th, 1902

The monthly meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. H. W. Coye, 7 members present, Mrs. Ross from West Chop as guest. The secretary's report was read and accepted. Pleasing quotations were read from each member. The following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion that a vote of thanks be given Mr. George Dean for his kindness in printing cards of notice of church services upon them. Also voted to invite Mr. and Mrs. Litchfield to attend our fair and lawn party held Aug. 19th. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

August 19th, 1902

The Annual Fair (of the Alliance) was held on this date in Masonic Hall and was very successful. About \$265 was added to the treasury. The monthly meeting was held with Mrs. Coye on this date with 5 members present. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. No special business to act upon. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

Sept. 17th, 1902

A meeting of this Society was held at the residence of H. W. Coye to make arrangements for the winter services. A letter was read from the minister Rev. W. C. Litchfield. On motion it was voted to invite Mr. Litchfield to come every Sunday until January 1st 1903 to hold two services each Sunday. Mr. Geo. F. Armsby presented the Society with a thermometer for the church. A rising vote of thanks was given Mr. Armsby for his most generous gift.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec pro tem

October 6, 1902

The monthly meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. Abner Foster. 10 members present. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to pay for a new stool for the organ. Voted upon motion to accept Mrs. Look's offer with thanks. She kindly was giving us reduced rates for Mr. Litchfield's board this winter. Voted upon motion that if any desired, when entertaining the Alliance, to light refreshments served, it was proper to do so. Mrs. Etta Hollister elected a new member and we gladly welcome her to our Society. A poem was read by Mrs. Armsby and greatly enjoyed by all - we hope she will do some more. Miss Smith read from "Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch" and Mrs. Mary Morgan of Cleveland, Ohio, one of our members, spoke of Alliance works at the West. After an unusually pleasant afternoon, we adjourned to meet with Mrs. Armsby Monday November 3rd.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

November 3, 1902

The monthly meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. Armsby 13 members present. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The following business was acted upon: Mrs. Armsby and Mrs. Clara Luce were chosen a committee of two to arrange for a supper next Wednesday. Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Coye were chosen to have charge of the sewing this winter. Voted upon motion to invite Mrs. Litchfield to visit us one Sunday. Voted upon motion to send a handkerchief to the Pueblo Alliance Fair to be held in December. Voted upon motion to hold a Christmas Fair the first part of December. The usual reading of cards and quotations from those present and sewing took up the rest of the time. At the close delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Armsby. Voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Fannie Look the first Monday in December.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

December 1, 1902

The monthly meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. Albert Look. 18 members present. The secretary's report was read and approved.. The following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to send a Duster and Dust bag to the Toledo Alliance Fair. Voted to hold a Christmas Sale Monday Dec. 8 in Dr. Lane's store. Mrs. Look and Mrs. Roth Comm. on Cake, Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Howland Comm. on fancy works. Voted to give \$50 to the Unitarian Society. Voted to have a Christmas tree on Christmas night for the children who attend our church. The usual reading and quotations were had and sewing occupied some time, refreshments were served and a pleasant afternoon was passed by all. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

January 5, 1903

The Annual Meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. Look at the Mansion House. Fourteen members present. It was opened by reading "Our Faith" and quotations. The following letters were read: One from Toledo Ohio branch thanking us for the article sent for their fair. The Brockton Alliance sent greetings to the V. H. Alliance and a cordial invitation to their neighborhood meeting Tuesday Jan 6th. The Branch of the National Alliance connected with the First Religious Society, Roxbury, Mass, extended a cordial invitation to all New England Branches to meet with them Sunday 15th, 1903. A New Year's greeting from the Director of the National Alliance, Mrs. Sarah B. Williams. She feels that a great deal has been done. Last Jan. the National Alliance was incorporated, and its affairs

are now conducted on a business basis. The Annual Meeting for the election of officers will be held in Boston in May during Anniversary week. There will be two Alliance meetings at this time. One a business meeting of delegates, the other an informal conference for all Alliance women who happen to be in Boston. The Treasurer reported \$453.69 in the bank. Had on hand \$38.07. The following bills were presented and ordered paid: Mrs. Look for Mr. Litchfield's board to Jan 1st, 1903, \$29. Mrs. Cordelia Luce, singing one Sunday, \$1. Two new members were added to the Alliance, Mrs. McPhee and Mrs. Symonds. On motion it was voted to give the Society \$100. Mrs. Fannie Look and Mrs. Dr. Roth were appointed committee for supper in January. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Mr. H. W. Coye; Vice President, Mrs. Gilbert Smith; Treasurer, Mrs. R. D. Getchell; Secretary, Mrs. John Howland. Mrs. Fannie Look was appointed delegate to attend National Alliance. After delicious refreshments by Mrs. Look and daughters, it was voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

February 2, 1903

Our monthly meeting (of the Alliance) was held with our President, Mrs. H. W. Coye. Fifteen members present. Mrs. Matthew Chadwick and Mrs. Tufts and Miss Staples as guests. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The following business was acted upon: Voted to pay Mrs. Howland's bill for music for choir (for organ?). Voted to buy towels to be used at the Suppers. Mrs. Clara Luce to have charge of buying them. Mrs. Emma Cromwell and Mrs. Howland to have supper Friday evening Feb. 6th. After Mrs. Coye had served delicious refreshments, it was voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Cromwell the first Monday in March.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

March 2nd, 1903

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. 20 members present, Mrs. Albert Rotch as guest. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. After quotations and the reading of "Our Faith", the following business was acted upon. Voted to send an article to the Leominster Alliance Fair to be held in March. Voted to send a vote of thanks to Capt. and Mrs. Smith for use of hall for the suppers served to those who took part in the play for our Alliance. Also voted to send thanks to those who assisted in the play. Voted to meet every week for a week to sew for our summer fair. Mrs. Hollister and Mrs. Walker to have supper this month to be held Friday evening, March 6. After sewing and Mrs. Cromwell had served dainty refreshments, it was voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Reynolds, Monday March 9.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

Vineyard Haven April 6th, 1903

The Annual Meeting of this Society was held in Association Hall April 6th, 16 members present. The following officers and committees were elected for the ensuing year and the following business transacted:

President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Abbie B. C. Howland; Treasurer, Geo. F. Armsby; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, F. Horton Johnson, Mrs. H. W. Coye, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. Walker; Auditor, Dr. E. S. Thompson. Committees: Music Committee, Abbie B. C. Howland, Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Mary Norton, Mrs. Fannie Look; Missionary Committee, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. Mary Smith, Miss Ina Johnson, Miss Thankful Smith; Social Committee, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Chairman, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Clara Luce, Mrs. Euphemia Norton, Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Eliza Daggett.

Voted upon motion to accept the treasurer's report. Voted upon motion to send \$10 to the American Unitarian Association. Voted upon motion to have one church service on Sunday while there is a Sunday boat.

The following named persons were elected to membership: Albert O. Fischer, Rudolphus W. Crocker, Elisha Luce, Miss Abbie O. Luce, Mrs. Geo. R. Smith, Ernest C. West, Mary A. West, Mrs. Mary C. McPhee, Capt. Harvey S. Cook, Mrs. Mary L. Luce, Mr. John N. Luce. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

Vineyard Haven March 7th, 1904

Meeting (of the Society) called to order by Capt. Gilbert L. Smith. Warrant read. It was voted upon motion to have a new organ if we can raise sufficient money for payment of same. The vote was unanimous.

Voted that three solicitors be appointed by the chair to solicit money for the organ fund. Capt. Harvey Cook, Mrs. Armsby and Mrs. Cromwell were appointed by the chair. Voted upon motion that the treasurer of the society be made treasurer of the organ fund. Voted to adjourn this meeting to Saturday evening Marth12th at 7 PM to meet with Mr. H. W. Coye.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

HERE BEGIN THE MINUTES OF THE SUNDAY SCHOOL WHICH WILL BE INCLUDED UNDER THE CORRECT DATES.

Vineyard Haven, Mass. January 4, 1903

Eleven children and twenty adults remained after the close of the morning service by invitation of the Rev. W. C. Litchfield to consider the matter of a Sunday School. It was decided to organize and Mrs. Abbie Howland, Mrs. Geo. F. Armsby and Dr. E. T. Thompson were elected a committee to present a form of organization and material for work on Sunday next. The names of the children present were Sarah West, Luetta West, Gladys West, Lucille West, Elizabeth McPhee, Mattie McPhee, Dudley C. Howland, Douglas McPhee, Helen Reynolds, Agnes Symonds, Jessie Symonds. A motto was given out for the school to commit to memory. "One good deed each day." Adjourned to Sunday Jan. 11 to met immediately after the morning service.

Note: a small card from the Unitarian Sunday-School Society of Beacon Street, "Our Faith: The Fatherhood of God. The Brotherhood of Man. The Leadership of Jesus. Salvation by character. The Progress of Mankind, onward and upward forever." is included

W.C.Litchfield

January 11, 1903

The second session of the Unitarian Sunday School was called to order by Rev. W. C. Litchfield. The flag and banner were carried by Dudley Howland and Mildred Foster respectfully. W. C. Litchfield, acting Superintendent, Mrs. H. W. Coye, acting Organist. The committee appointed at the last session to prepare "Articles of Association" presented the following.

Articles of Association: This Association shall be known as the Unitarian Sunday School of Vineyard Haven, Mass. The sessions to be held immediately after the morning service in the Chapel. If no morning service is held, the school shall assemble at 12 o'clock.

The officers shall consist of the Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Secretary, Treasurer, Organist, Chorister and Executive Committee composed of the above officers and the teachers of the classes. The Superintendent, Asst. Superintendent, Secretary, Treasurer, Organist and Chorister shall be elected at the first regular session held in January and continue in office until their successors are elected.

If practicable, the festivals of Easter, Children's Sunday, Harvest and Christmas or New Year shall be observed in such manner as the Executive Committee shall recommend provided their recommendation is acceptable by vote of the school.

Voted - That these articles of association be adopted for the regulation of the school

Voted - to adopt the "Star System" for the younger classes. (Note: attached is Unitarian Sunday School system of awarding stars for perfect attendance.)

Perfect attendance to mean Morning Service and Sunday School unless excused.

The following officers were elected. Superintendent, W. C. Litchfield; Asst. Supt. Mrs. H. W. Coye; Secretary, Dr. E. T. Thompson; Treasurer, Miss Clare Millet; Organist, Mrs. A. B. C. Howland; Chorister, Mrs. A. B. C. Howland. One new pupil present, Mildred Foster.

Present 2 officers, 13 adults and 12 children, a total of 27. Collection of .78.

January 18, 1903

The third session of the Sunday School was called to order by the Superintendent.

The flag was carried by Dudley Howland , the banner by Lucille West.

The secretary was absent.

Present at Sunday School, 2 teachers, 8 adults, 11 children, total 21. Present at church 20.

Collection \$0.72.

W. C. Litchfield, Secretary pro tem

January 25, 1903

The fourth session of the Sunday School was called to order by the Superintendent.

The flag was carried by Dudley Howland, the banner by Lucille West.

The day was very stormy but the following children were present at the A. M. Service: Lizzie McPhee, Lucille West, Loretta West, Gladys West, Sarah West, Dudley Howland. At the Sunday School Jessie and Agnes (last name not legible) were present. The absentees were excused on account of the severe storm.

Dr. Thompson declined to serve as Secretary and Miss Clare Millet was elected.

Present at church, 3 adults, 2 teachers, 6 children, total 11. Present at Sunday School, 13. Collection \$0.25.

W. C. Litchfield, Secretary pro tem

Feb. 1, 1903

The fifth session of the Unitarian Sunday School was called to order by the Superintendent. The flag was carried by Dudley Howland and the banner by Lucille West. We were sorry to learn of the illness of Douglas McPhee.

The stars were given to those who had been present for the five preceding Sundays, by the Superintendent. The number present was 22. Collection, \$0.60.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

February 8, 1903

The 6th session of the Unitarian S. S. was called to order by the Superintendent. The flag was carried by Gladys West and the banner by Sarah West.

22 singing books were very kindly given to the S. S. by the Unitarian S. S. of Charlestown, N. H.

A recitation was given by Elizabeth McPhee.. The motto was "Loving is helping, helping is blessing."

Number present, 24, 12 children, 3 teachers and 11 adults. 2 new scholars joined Mr. Litchfield's class, Benjamin Cromwell and Virginia Hunter. Collection was \$0.75.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

February 15, 1903

During the 7th session of the Sunday School, the flag was carried by Sarah West and the Banner by Elizabeth McPhee. The new motto was, "Good deeds are always great." A recitation was given by Clair Millet. A little girl, Grace Dagget Morgan, of Cleveland Ohio, wishes her name to be enrolled on the Sunday School list as a scholar.

We were very sorry to hear that Mildred Foster was ill with Scarlet Fever. Number present 25. 3 teachers, 9 adults and 13 children.

Collection \$0.52.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

February 22, 1903

8th session. Mr. Litchfield, the superintendent, being absent, also the teachers, the session was very short. The children singing a few selections and marching with banners. Recitation by Virginia Hunter. "Our Faith" was then repeated. Collection \$0.35.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

March 1, 1903

The 9th session was opened with the flag carried by Dudley Howland and banner by Robert Cromwell. The motto

was "Dare to do right." Numbers present 23, 6 adults, 3 teachers and 14 children. Mr. Litchfield's class had a meeting. Robert Cromwell was admitted to Mrs. Howland's class.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

March 8, 1903

At the opening of the 10th session, the flag was carried by Dudley Howland and banner by Benjamin Cromwell. Motto: "Be true to each other." Recitation, Helen Reynolds. Star was conferred upon Benjamin Cromwell.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

March 15, 1903

The 11th session of the Children's Hour was called to order by Sarah West and banner by Virginia Hunter. Motto was "Make each other happy." Number present was 8 adults, 3 teachers, and 11 children, making 22. Some Easter songs were tried. Collection \$0.74.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

March 22, 1903

At opening of 12th session, flag was carried by Dudley Howland. As Mrs. Howland was ill, Mrs. Coye acted as substitute. Motto: "Give something." There were 21 present, 3 teachers, 4 adults, and 14 children. Eldon Hunter joined Mrs. Howland's class. Collection: \$0.60.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

Mar. 29, 1903

13th session opened by Virginia Hunter carrying flag and Sarah West the banner.

Laura Lewis was admitted to Mrs. Howland's class. We welcomed Mildred Foster with us again after her long illness. Motto: "Look for the good in everyone." Recitation by Elizabeth McPhee.

24 were present, 3 teachers, 7 adults, 14 children. Robert Cromwell received a star. Collection was \$0.51.

Claire Millett, Secretary

April 5, 1903

14th session was called to order by superintendent. We were pleased to have Helen Reynolds with us again after her illness. Reports of Children's Mission were given. Lucile West was absent on account of illness. Motto: "Truth is the foundation of character." Number attending was 23, 3 teachers, 7 adults, and 13 children. Collection \$0.36. Note: Louise Pinkham was present in Mrs. Howland's class today in place of April 19.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

April 6, 1903

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. Look at the Mansion House, 20 members present. The secretary's report was read and accepted. After quotations and the reading of "Our Faith" the following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to give \$30 to the Society. Voted upon motion to meet every Monday through April. Considerable was accomplished in the way of sewing and after a delicious lunch had been served it was voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Howland April 13th.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

April 12, 1903

At 15th session the children rehearsed their Easter selections. Number present 25, 3 teachers, 7 adults, and 15 children. Collection was given to children's home. New (?) faith cards distributed. Collection taken in the evening service of \$5.74 was given to the S. S. \$4.51 paid for books.

Easter concert by the pupils in the evening.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

April 19, 1903

New motto for the 16th session was "Love your country" as today is the 127th anniversary of the Battle of Lexington. Several pictures were shown by the Superintendent. Elizabeth McPhee recited "Paul Revere's Ride". \$3.50 received for Children's Mission. Number present 29, 3 teachers, 9 adults and 17 children. Collection: \$0.80.

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

April 26, 1903

At the 17th session, letter of thanks for Easter Offering from Mrs. Crasby was read. Voted to reconsider that part of vote on Jan. 4, 1903 requiring attendance at A. M. service as part of perfect attendance at Sunday School and that "directions for pupils" be strictly followed.

Number present 19, 16 children and 3 adults. Collection \$0.40

Claire L. Millett, Secretary

May 3, 1903

18th session called to order by superintendent. Robert Cromwell reported ill. Admitted to Mrs. Cromwell's class Marjory and Florence Dean. Motto: "Try to Please." Recitation, Dudley Howland. 21 present, 3 teachers, 4 adults and 14 children. Collection \$0.56.

Claire L. Millet, Secretary

May 4, 1903

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. John E. Howland with twenty two members present and several guests. The secretary's report was read and accepted. After quotations and reading of "Our Faith" the following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to meet every Monday through the month of May. Voted to have the Summer Fair on August 12th in the dining hall of the Masonic building. Voted to nominate Mrs. Abbie Howland as delegate to meetings to be held in Boston on Anniversary Week, May 18th. Mrs. Mary Luce, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Horton to have the supper next week. After refreshments voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Coye next Monday May 11th, 1903.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

May 10, 1903

At opening of 19th session, flag was carried by Robert Cromwell and banner by Eldon Hunter.

New motto: "Do wrong to none". Recitation, "Little Acts of Kindness" by Helen Reynolds. 2 new scholars admitted to Mrs. Howland's class. Mary Leavey and Edith Cleveland. Number present 29, 3 teachers, 9 adults and 17 children. Collection \$0.40.

Claire L. Millet, Secretary

May 17, 1903

The twenty first session of Children's Hour called to order by the Superintendent. No recitations given. The motto of last Sunday was repeated and the new one given, "Remember good advice."

Two new pupils were added to Mrs. Howland's class, Jennie Pinkham and Atherton Smith.

Present 3 teachers, 19 children, 12 adults - a total of 34. Collection .50.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec. pro tem

May 31, 1903

The twenty second session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Assist Supt.

The flag and banner were carried by _____. The motto of last Sunday was repeated and the new one given, "Obey the Right". Recitation by Louise Pinkham. One new pupil was added to Mrs. Howland's class, George Chapman. Rev. Benj. H. Bailey of Malden addressed the school.

The lines of Our Faith were repeated and the flag and banner retired. Present 3 teachers, 19 children, 9 adults a total of 31. Collection, .59.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec. pro tem

June 2, 1903

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. John Reynolds, nineteen members present, with Mrs. Hillman, Mrs. Rotch and Mrs. Chapman as guests. The secretary's report was read and accepted. After quotations and reading of "Our Faith" the following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to give vote of thanks to Mr. Godfry for singing Sunday forenoon and evening. Voted to pay Mrs. Coye's bill of \$6.66. Mrs. Reynolds than invited us to partake of delicious refreshments after which it was voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Look at the Mansion House the first Tuesday of July.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

June 7, 1903

The 23rd session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Superintendent.

The flag and banner were carried by Lucille West and Sarah West. The motto of last Sunday was repeated and the new one given, "Think no evil."

Mr. Litchfield told of his visit to the Sunday School of Littleton, N. H. last Sunday. After the class lessons a short time was spent singing. Our Faith was repeated, the flag and banner retired.

Present 3 teachers, 14 children, 8 adults, a total of 25. Collection .43. The morning was dull and threatened rain.

The resignation of Miss Claire L. Millett as Secretary and Treasurer was received and notice of an election to fill the vacancy next Sunday. Silver star conferred upon Edith Cleveland.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec pro tem.

June 14, 1903

The twenty fourth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Superintendent.

The flag and banner were carried by Atherton Smith and Edith Cleveland. The motto of last Sunday was repeated and the new one given out, "Be worthy of the confidence of others."

Recitation by Jennie Pinkham. It being the 126th anniversary of the adoption of the American flag several questions were asked by the Supt. and answers were promptly made by the pupils. The Supt. read a poem "Freedom's Song". Miss Abbie Luce was elected Secretary and also Treasurer. One new pupil, Rachel Daggett. Song for next Sunday were rehearsed. Our Faith was repeated and the flag and banner returned. Present 3 teachers, 20 children, 15 adults, a total of 38. Collection .64.

W.C. Litchfield, Sec. pro tem

June 21, 1903

The twenty fifth session of Children's Hour was the observance of Children's Sunday and Flower Festival. The day was rainy so many people were prevented from coming. The "Flower Service" from "Unity Festivals" was used by the minister and chair. The following program was given by the children. Song by School. Song (?) page 70.

Exercise by Mrs. Howland's class. Song by Mildred Taylor (3 ½) of Middleborough. Exercise, "The Three Baskets" by Gladys West, Helen Reynolds, Louise Pinkham, Song by Dudley Howland. Exercise, "The Star, "The Anchor" The Wreath" by Lucile West, Virginia Hunter, Sarah West." "The Two Bequests" Luetta West, Lizzie MacPhee. Song by School. The minister read a Scripture Lesson, offered prayer, followed by an address, "Rights of Children". Gold stars were conferred upon Robert Douglass MacPhee, Sarah West, Gladys West, Helen Reynolds, Mattie, MacPhee, Luetta West, Lucille West for perfect attendance upon Children's Hour. Motion was made that R. Douglass MacPhee, Lizzie MacPhee, Mattie MacPhee and Mrs. MacPhee were about to leave town and our school would thereby lose the presence of 4 faithful attendants much to our regret. A collection of \$2.45 was taken with the promise of another \$1.00.* Hymn 54 from the Hymn Book was heartily sung by the congregation and the Benediction pronounced by the minister.

*The \$1.00 has since the record was written, been paid, making the collection \$3.45.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec pro tem

June 28, 1903

The twenty sixth session of Children's Hour call to order by the Supt. Banner and flag carried by Atherton Smith and Royal Daggett. The last motto was repeated and the new one given, "Helping others is serving God". Mrs. Howland's class being quite large it was divided and Miss Bright took charge of the new class. Present 4 teachers, 17 children, 7 adults, a total of 28.

Collection, 45 cents. "Our Faith" was repeated, the flag and banner returned.
W. C. Litchfield, Sec pro tem

July 5, 1903

The twenty seventh session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The banner and flag were carried by Laura Lewis and Jennie Pinkham. The motto of last Sunday as repeated and the new one given was "Scatter kind words around you". A recitation was given by Atherton Smith. There were present 9 adults, 3 teachers and 16 children. Total 28. Collection 40 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

July 7, 1903

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. Armsby, ten members present with Mrs. White, Mrs. Tufts and Miss Tufts as guests. The secretary's report was read and accepted. The following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to pay Mrs. Howland's bill of 60 cents for doll for fair. Mrs. David Norton was elected a new member. The committees were appointed for the fair. After the business the following program was enjoyed by all. Piano duet by Miss Tufts and Miss Millet, piano solos by Miss Tufts, recitation by Miss Thankful Smith, Solo by Mrs. Howland, reading by Miss Smith. Mrs. Armsby and daughter then served refreshments, fruit punch, ice cream and cake. A very pleasant afternoon was passed by all present. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

July 12, 1903

The twenty eighth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The flag was carried by Robert Cromwell and the banner by Atherton Smith. The second line of the hymn "Scatter kind words around you" was repeated. Silver stars were given to George Chapman and Atherton Smith. Number present, 30, Adults 10, Teachers 3, children 17. Collection .54.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

July 19, 1903

At the opening of the twenty ninth session of the Children's Hour, the flag was carried by Benj. Cromwell and the banner by Dudley Howland. After the lesson, silver stars were conferred upon Marjorie and Florence Dean and a gold star upon Benj. Cromwell. Teachers 3, Adults 8, Children 17, total 27. Amount of collection, 38 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

July 26, 1903

The thirtieth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The flag was carried by Virginia Hunter and the banner by Sarah West. We were sorry to learn of the illness of George Chapman. A recitation was given by Marjorie Dean. Total present 25, adults 8, teachers 3, children 13. Amount of collection 43 cents.

August 2, 1903

Robert Cromwell carried the banner and Louise Pinkham the flag at the opening of the thirty first session of the Children's Hour. (?) Mr. Topham remained and assisted the singing. After the lesson, gold stars were conferred upon Agnes and Jessie Symonds. Teachers present 3, Adults 8, Children 15, total twenty six. Collection, 46 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

August 9, 1903

The thirty second session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Marjorie Dean and Robert

Cromwell carried the banner and flag. The verse, "Scatter kind words" was repeated. The secretary was reported unwell. Present 13 pupils, 3 teachers, 3 adults, total 20. Collection 45 cents.
W. C. Litchfield, Sec pro tem

August 12, 1903

Our Annual Fair (Alliance) was held on this date in the Masonic Hall, it was a success in every way. About \$250 was added to our treasury.

August 16, 1903

The thirty third session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The flag was carried by Dudley Howland and the banner by Benj. Howland. No motto was given. Robert Cromwell was presented with a gold star which he was entitled to on August 9th. Louise Pinkham gave a recitation. A letter was read by Mr. Litchfield from a former member of the class, Elizabeth McPhee, which was very interesting. Teachers present 4, adults 8, children 17, total 29. Collection 55 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

August 23, 1903

At the opening of the thirty fourth session of the Children's Hour the flag was carried by Louise Pinkham and the banner by Robert Cromwell. No motto was given. Number present 26, teachers 4, adults 7, children 15. Collection 44 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

August 30, 1903

The Supt. Being absent, the thirty fifth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by Mrs. Coye. Recitations were given by Robert Cromwell, Helen Reynolds and Laura Lewis. Benj. Cromwell was reported ill. Total number present 12. Collection 23 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

September 1st (1903)

Our (Alliance) regular meeting was held with Mrs. Coye, only 7 members present. The secretary's report was read and approved. The following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to send \$150 to the bank and give \$25 to the Society. Voted to send a vote of thanks to Mrs. Morningstar, Miss Brown, Capt. Smith and Mr. George Dean for their assistance at our Fair. Voted to send an article to Northampton Branch Alliance. Voted to have an organ fund, Mrs. Coye to have charge of the funds. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

September 6, 1903

The thirty fifth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by Mrs. Coye. The banner was carried by Dudley Howland and the flag by Marjorie Dean. Laura Lewis gave a recitation. *

Teachers present 2, Adults 8, children 14, total 24. Amount of collection, 50 cents.

*We were pleased to have present Mr. Tripp of Fairhaven, President of the Channing Conference

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

Sept. 13, 1903

The thirty sixth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The flag was carried by Laura Lewis and the banner by Jennie Pinkham. It was voted to subscribe for the paper "Every Other Sunday" for the members of the school. A gold star was conferred upon Laura Lewis. Number present 21, teachers 4, adults 5, children 12. Collections 72 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

Sept 20, 1903

The thirty seventh session of the Children's Hour was call to order by the Supt. Dudley Howland carried the flag and banner. A gold star was conferred upon Louise Pinkham. A recitation was given by Robert Cromwell. The motto was "Work". Children present 12, teachers 4, adults 4, total 20. Collection 27 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

September 27, 1903

The thirty eighth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The flag was carried by Robert Cromwell and the banner by Atherton Smith. The motto, "Have respect for yourself" was repeated. The new motto, "Scatter kind words" was given out. Present 3 teachers, 2 adults, 17 children, total 22. Collection 30 cents. Closed with repeating Our Faith.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec pro tem

October 4, 1903

At the opening of the thirty ninth session of the Children's Hour the hymn, "The Golden Rule" was sung. No motto was given out. Total present 17, teachers 4, children 8, adults 5. Collection 50 cents. Dismissed after repeating Our Faith.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

October 6, 1903 (Note: No minutes found for Sept. 1903)

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the pleasant home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, about 35 being present. The secretary's report was read and approved. The following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to send a vote of thanks to Mrs. Look for her generous gift of \$20 for the organ fund. Voted to have a Christmas sale and the proceeds of the cake table to go to the Alliance, the remainder to the organ fund. Mrs. Armsby and Mrs. Luce to have the first supper to be held in October and Mrs. Howland to prepare work for the meeting in November. Miss Thankful Smith and Mrs. Cromwell entertained the company with readings and Mrs. Eliza Daggett followed with selections on the graphophone which were enjoyed by all. The Alliance was invited to meet with Mrs. Armsby in November. Voted to adjourn.

Mrs. B. C. Howland, Sec.

Oct. 11, 1903

The fortieth session of the Children's Hour was brief. On account of the weather few were present. Hymn "Angry Words" was sung. No Motto was given out. A recitation was given by Helen Reynolds. Session closed after repeating Our Faith. Amount of collection, 48 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

Oct 18, 1903

The forty first session of the Children's Hour was call to order by Mrs. Coxe. The first service in the book was used. The motto given was "Always be faithful". Number present 20, adults 7, children 10. Amount of collection is 38 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

Oct. 25, 1903

The forty second session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. After the opening service and singing the classes assembled. Total present 12, Children 5, teachers 2, adults 4. Amount of collection, 28 cents. Dismissed after repeating Our Faith.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

Nov. 1, 1903

The forty third session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. One new pupil, Eldon Hunter, joined the school. Present at school, 3 teachers, 7 adults, 10 children, total 20.

Of this number, 18 were present at church. Amount of collection, 38 cents.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec pro tem

November 3, 1903

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. G. T. Armsby with 14 members present and Mrs. Chadwick, Miss Millet and Miss Tufts as guests. The secretary's report was read and accepted and the following business acted upon: Voted that Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Getchell and Mrs. Howland be appointed as a committee of three to purchase paper for tables used at suppers. Voted to have a supper in November. Mrs. Coye and Mrs. Getchell committee for same.

To hold the Christmas sale the 2nd Tuesday in December. Voted to send an article to the Malden Alliance Fair to be held in November. Miss Tufts and Miss Millet then presented a very pleasant gave in which all took part. After choice refreshments it was toed to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Coye in December.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

November 8, 1903

The forty fourth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The second service was used. Jennie Pinkham and Dudley Howland were given god stars having been present the required number of Sundays. Adults present 3, teachers 3, children 11, three new pupils being present, total 20. Collection 36 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

November 15, 1903

The forty fifth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The fourth service was used. Robert and Benjamin Cromwell were reported absent on account of illness. Recitation by Dudley Howland. Adults present 4, Teachers 3, Children 7, total 14, Collection 26 cents.

Carla Coye, Sec pro tem

Nov. 22nd, 1903

The forty sixth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The Harvest Service was read. Recitation by Dudley Howland. Present 3 adults, 3 teachers, 11 children, total 17. Collection, 20 cents.

Carla E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

November 29, 1903

The forty seventh session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt and the seventh service used. The song, "Golden Rule" was sung. Adults present 4, teachers 3, children 8, total 15. Collection, 34 cents.

Carla E. Coye, Sec pro tem

December 1st, 1903

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with the president, Mrs. Coye, 11 members present, little George Chapman as guest. The secretary's report was read and accepted. Most of the time was taken up with planning for the Christmas sale to be held the 10th of December and in sewing for same.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec

Dec. 6, 1903

The forty eighth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The seventh service was used. Dudley Howland and Benj. Cromwell volunteered to get the Christmas tree. Number present 20, adults 3, teachers 3, children 14. Amount of collection, 18 cents.

Carla E. Coye, Sec pro tem

Dec. 13, 1903

The forty ninth session of the Children's Hour was devoted to singing preparatory to the Christmas exercises. The day being stormy and only a portion of the school present, no regular exercises were held. Six children were present

all of whom attended church. Collection 4 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

Dec. 20. 1903

The fiftieth session of the Children's Hour was devoted to singing and recitations suitable to the season. Children present 9, teachers 2, adults 4, total of 15. Amount of collection, 17 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

December 27, 1903

The fifty first session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt.

The tenth service was used. Genevieve Rodney and Carroll Cleveland were given silver stars which were due last Sunday. Total number present 10, children, 7. Amount of collection, 11 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

January 5, 1904

The Annual Meeting of the Alliance met with Mrs. Gilbert Smith on account of the severe weather and a number of members being sick there were only four present and the election of officers and all business was postponed until the first meeting in February.

Carla E. Coye, Sec pro tem

No session of the Children's Hour was held on January 3rd or 10th on account of bad weather. All scholars excused from attendance. Five came to the church and found it locked on January 10th - Agnes and Jessie Symonds, Genevieve, Rodney and Carrol Cleveland.

C. E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

Jan 17, 1904

At the fifty second session of the Children's Hour eleven scholars and 2 teachers were presents. Virginia Hunter was reported ill. A recitation was given by Dudley Howland. Amount of collection , 42 cents.

C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

Jan. 24, 1904

No session of the Children's Hour. Mr. Litchfield did not come as the boat did not wait for the train. Laura Pinkham entitled to star.

C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

Jan 31, 1904

The fifty third session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. A recitation was given by Dudley Howland. 10 scholars and 3 teachers were present. Collection 28 cents.

C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

Feb. 2nd, 1904

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. J. E. Howland, 5 members present.

The secretary's report was read and accepted and the following business acted upon: The \$3 sent from the Hingham Alliance was voted to be given to the organ fund. Voted to give \$100 to the Society. Mrs. Look and Mrs. Chapman offered to have the next supper. So few being present the Annual election of officers was postponed. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

Feb 7, 1904

Ten scholars and two teachers were present at the fifty fourth session of the Children's Hour. Genevieve Cleveland being ill her absence was excused. Amount of collection, 30 cents.

Carla E. Coye, Sec pro tem

Feb 14, 1904

The fifty fifth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt.

Ten scholars and two teachers present. Dudley Howland ill. Amount of collection, 9 cents.

Carla E. Coye, Sec pro tem

Feb 28, 1904

No session of the school last Sunday. The fifty sixth session of the Children's Hour was opened by singing and the seventh service was used. The new pupil, Rachel Lewis was present. Recitations were given by Robert Cromwell and Dudley Howland. The election of officers resulted as follows for the ensuing year: Supt, Rev. W. C. Litchfield; Asst. Supt, Mrs. C. E. Coye; Sec and Treas., Abbie O. Luce; Organist, Mrs. John A Howland. On account of bad weather election has not occurred before. Collection, 9 cents. 9 children and 2 teachers present.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

March 1, 1904

The monthly meeting of the Alliance met with Mrs. Albert Look, seven members present, Mrs. Swift as guest. The secretary's report was read and accepted. The following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to lay the Westboro application for money on the table. Voted upon motion to send a handkerchief as asked to the Montana Alliance. Voted upon motion to leave \$200 or whatever is necessary for expenses in the bank, the remainder to be used for the organ fund. Voted upon motion to send a vote of thanks to Mrs. Armsby, Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Baker, also Capt. Smith for the \$19 received from the Whist Party and the use of the hall. Voted upon motion to pay Mr. Litchfield's expenses when stopping over the usual length of time at the hotel. Voted to have a meeting the 22nd of this month just for sewing. Voted upon motion that each members strive to earn \$1 and at the regular meeting the first Tuesday in April to write how she earned it in verse or prose. The money to be used for the organ fund. Mrs. Howland and Mrs. Cromwell to have the supper in March. After Mrs. Look and daughter served dainty refreshments it was voted to adjourn the next meeting to be with Mrs. Cromwell.

Abbie B. C. Cromwell, Sec.

March 6, 1904

The fifty seventh session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt.

Three teachers and fourteen pupils were present. Two from Mrs. Howland's class were absent on account of illness, Robert Cromwell and Carroll Cleveland. A recitation was given by Virginia Hunter. It was voted to give \$5 to the organ fund if needed. Amount of collection, 39 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

Vineyard Haven March 12th 1904

Meeting (of the Society) called to order by Capt. Harry Cook, Capt. Smith being absent.

Voted upon motion to buy the new organ. Voted upon motion that a committee be appointed by the chair to purchase said organ if satisfactory and select location for same. The Chair then appointed on that committee Capt. Gilbert Smith, Mr. G.F. Armsby and the choir. Voted upon motion that we accept Mr. Armsby's resignation as treasurer of the organ fund. Capt. Harvey Cook appointed treasurer of the organ fund. Voted to adjourn to meet with Mr. H. W. Coye Saturday night, March 19th.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

March 13, 1904

The fifty eighth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt.

Helen Reynolds gave a recitation. Mr. Litchfield gave a talk on "How the Bible Came to Be". Number present, 20. Amount of collection, 29 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

Vineyard Haven March 19th

Meeting ((of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in chair. Secretary's report read and accepted. Voted upon motion that the present organ committee instructed to make the necessary alterations in Chapel needed to place the organ in proper position.

Amount of money now raised and pledged \$719.00

Adjourned to meet with Mr. H. W. Coye next Saturday evening Mar 26th at 7 PM.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

March 20, 1904

The fifty ninth session of the Children's Hour was opened with the tenth service. Laura Pinkham and Carrol Cleveland were reported ill. Teachers present, 3, scholars, 16. Amount of collection, 17 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

March 22, 1904

The election of the (Alliance) officers as held on this date, meeting with Mrs. John Howland. The following officers were elected to office to serve during the year: President, Mrs. Henry W. Coye; Vice President, Mrs. Gilbert Smith; Treasurer Mrs. R. D. Getchell; Secretary, Mrs. John E. Howland. Mrs. Howland was elected a delegate to attend the Alliance meetings in May in Boston. Voted to have the next Alliance meeting the first Monday in April, Mrs. Look inviting us to meet at the Mansion House. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

March 27, 1904

The sixtieth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt.. Rachel Pinkham was presented with a silver star. Teachers present 2, Scholars 10. Collection 16 cents.

Abigail O Luce, Secretary

Vineyard Haven Mar. 26, 1904

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in chair. Secretary's report read and accepted. Amount of money raised during the week One hundred fifty eight dollars and fifty cents. Whole amount raised \$877.50.

Voted to adjourn to meet next Saturday evening at 7PM with Mr. H. W. Coye

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

Vineyard Haven April 2nd, 1904

Capt. Smith being absent, Mrs. Howland, Sec, was chosen moderator (of the Society meeting). Voted upon motion to buy material for a curtain for the railing at the chapel. Voted to adjourn to meet with Mr. H. W. Coye next Saturday night.

Amount raised for organ fund during the week 52.50. Total \$925.50

Abbie B.C. Howland, Clerk

April 3, 1904

At the sixty first session of the Children's Hour songs were sung and recitations given appropriate to Easter. At the close of the session, each child was presented with an Easter Egg. Children present 13, Adults 4, Teachers 3.

Amount of collection, 37 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

April 4th, 1904

The Annual Meeting (of the Society) was called to order by Mr. H. W. Coye. The President and Clerk being absent it was voted to adjourn the meeting to April 13th. Five members present.

Carla E. Coye, clerk pro tem

April 4, 1904

A very pleasant afternoon was spent (by the Alliance) with Mrs. Look at the Mansion House on this date. After the secretary's report was read and accepted the following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to give one dollar each year to the Southern Circuit Work. Also voted upon motion to give over to the Society \$50. Voted that the Secretary send a report of this meeting to the Conference of Alliance Branches of South Eastern Mass. to be held at Norton, Mass. on April 14th. 30 members present. A very interesting program then followed. Mr. Litchfield gave a very interesting paper "What I Saw On My Way From Middleboro to Boston". Miss Eldridge played a violin solo very delightfully and Mrs. Marshall of Cottage City, of our new members read Will Carleton's poem "The New Church Organ" which was very appropriate to the occasion. Mrs. Howland sang a solo. After the program all took part in rhyme, funny and pathetic told of their struggles to earn the dollar for the organ fund. This was very interesting and amusing. After this Mrs. Look and daughters served elaborate refreshments which added greatly to a very enjoyable Alliance meeting. Voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Cromwell two weeks from date.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

P.S. to the above - Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Charles Norton were appointed the money from the dollars each had earned and announced the result, \$46.

Vineyard Haven, April 9th, 1904

The adjourned meeting of the Society was held at the residence of Mr. H. W. Coye. The meeting was called to order by the President Capt. Gilbert L. Smith. Ten members were present. Amount reported raised for organ fund since April 2nd, \$112.95 making a total of \$1037.90. No further business appearing, it was voted to adjourn to meet April 16th at the same place.

Carla E. Coye, clerk pro tem

April 10, 1904

The sixty second session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. The sixth service was used. Opening hymn was "We Are Happy Children". Robert Cromwell was absent on account of illness. Adults present 5, teachers 2, children 11. Amount of collection, 21 cents.

Abigail Osborne Luce, Secretary

Vineyard Haven April 13th 1904

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held in Association Hall Wed. Evening April 13th, seven members present. The secretary's report was read and accepted. On motion it was voted to elect the officers on one ballot. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Capt. G. L. Smith; Treasurer, Capt. G. L. Smith; Collector, Capt. G. L. Smith; Clerk, Abbie B.C. Howland. Parish Committee, Capt. G. L. Smith, Mrs. H. W. Coye, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. Arabella Walker, Capt. Harvey Cook. Music Committee, Mrs. Abbie B.C. Howland, Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Mary Norton, Mrs. Fannie Look. Missionary Committee, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. May Smith, Mrs. Ethalinda Lewis, Miss Thankful Smith. Social Committee, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Clara Luce, Mrs. Euphemia Norton, Mrs. Carla Coye, Mrs. Ethelinda Lewis, Mrs. Day, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Eliza Daggett. The following named persons were elected to membership: Rev. W. C. Litchfield, Mrs. Etta Hollister, Mrs. Lizzie Chapman, Mrs. Edward Lord, Mrs. Lizzie De Hough, Mr. John Reynolds, Mrs. John Reynolds, Mrs. Charles Look. Owing to the absence of the Treasurer, it was voted to adjourn the meeting to April 16 at the residence of Mr. H. W. Coye.

Carla E. Coye, Clerk, pro tem

April 16th, 1904

Meeting (of the Society) called to order by the President Capt. G. L. Smith. Secretary's report read and accepted. Voted to adjourn to Sat. evening April 23rd at the same place.

Carla E. Coye, Clerk pro tem

April 17, 1904

The Supt. Mr. Litchfield being away the sixty third session of the Children's Hour was called to order by Mrs. C. E. Coye. Recitation was given by Helen Reynolds. Two teachers and nine children were present. Collection, 9 cents.

Mrs. C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

April 23, 1904

Adjourned Annual Meeting (of the Society). Meeting called to order by President. Moved that the Treasurer's report be accepted, carried. Moved to adjourn without date.

Carla E. Coye, Clerk pro tem

April 23, 1904 (Organ Fund)

The meeting (of the Society) called to order by the President G. L. Smith. Secretary's report read and accepted. Received \$5 from Fairhaven Branch Alliance, \$5 from Alliance and Friends of Littleton for the organ fund. Voted to adjourn till next Sat. evening at same time and place.

C. E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

April 24, 1904

The sixty fifth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Recitations were given by Helen Reynolds and Dudley Howland. Number present 11, teachers 2 children 9. Collection 13 cents.

Mrs. C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

April 30, 1904 (organ)

Meeting (of the Society) was called to order by the President Capt. G. L. Smith. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. Received for organ fund \$2 from Miss Elizabeth Brown of Providence and \$1 from the Dighton Branch. The organ committee reported that the organ put in the Chapel by Mr. Brooks is not satisfactory and the committee decline to accept it in its present condition. Voted to accept the partial report of the committee. Letters were read from Mr. Brooks and Mr. Follett asking the Society to wait and meet Mr. Brooks Monday night May 2nd before making a final decision. No further business appearing it was voted to adjourn to Saturday evening May 7th at the same time and place.

C. E. Coye, Clerk, pro tem

May 1, 1904

The sixty fifth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Number present 11, teachers 2, children 9. Collection 19 cents.

Mrs. C. E. Coye,

May 3rd, 1904

The Alliance met with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. The secretary's report was read and approved. On motion it was voted to change the day of our meetings from the 1st Tuesday of each month to the 1st Monday. It was also voted as the next Sunday was the 25th anniversary of Mr. Litchfield's ordination to purchase 25 pinks and present to him after the service. Mrs. Cromwell was appointed committee for same. Our genial hostesses served one of her usual dainty lunches and those present all passed a very pleasant afternoon.

Carla E. Coye, Sec pro tem

May 7th, 1904 (Organ)

Meeting (of the Society) called to order by the President Capt. G. L. Smith. Secretary's report read and approved. Mr. Henry Swift gave \$2 for the organ fund and the 3rd church of Hingham, \$5. Whole amount raised \$1,059.90. Voted to adjourn to Sat. evening, May 14 at the same time and place.

C. E. Coye, Clerk pro tem

May 8, 1904

The sixty sixth session of the Children's Hour called to order by the Supt. A collection was taken for a Children's Mission. Robert and Benj. Cromwell were unable to be present on account of illness. Teachers present 2, children 9.

Mrs. C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

May 14th 1904

Meeting (of the Society) called to order by the President Capt. G.L. Smith. \$10 was received from Mrs. Mary G. Bright for the organ fund. Letters were read from Mr. Brooks, Mrs. Follett and Rev. Henry A. Stimson in regard to repairing the organ. It was unanimously voted "That Mr. Brooks be informed that the society is not satisfied with the organ and that he is requested to remove it from the Chapel according to agreement. Also that the Society will assume no risk of damage by fire or otherwise so long as the organ remains in the Chapel." Moved to adjourn to Sat. eve May 1st same time and place.

C. E. Coye, Clerk pro tem

May 15th, 1904

The sixty seventh session of the Children's Hour was called to order. Singing followed. Mr. Kent made some very interesting remarks to the school. Teachers present 3, children 8. Collection 14 cents.

Mrs. C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

May 21st 1904

The adjourned meeting of the Society was called to order by the President. Secretary's report was read and accepted. Capt. Smith reported \$3.15 from proceeds of Mrs. Kent's lecture for the organ fund. Capt. Cook reported all money subscribed for organ fund had been collected. Moved to adjourn to Sat. Eve May 28th at the same time and place.

C.E. Coye, Clerk pro tem

May 22, 1904

The sixty eighth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Teachers present 3, children 10. Collection 12 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

May 28 1904

The meeting (of the Society) was called to order by the President, Capt. G. L. Smith. Mr. Walker's bill of \$11.78 was presented for varnishing the church, less \$5 for the organ fund. Mr. Coye read a letter from Mr. Hammond organist of Holyoke, Mass, in regard to our purchasing a pipe organ. A letter was also read from Mr. Charles Chadwick wanting to furnish a new organ or the Chapel. It was voted a letter be written to Mr. Brooks telling him that the organ must be moved from the Chapel on or before June 8th. Motion was carried unanimously. moved to adjourn to Sat. Evening June 4th at the same time and place.

C. E. Coye, Clerk pro tem

May 29, 1904

The sixty ninth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Asst. Supt. The eleventh service was used. A recitation was given by Helen Reynolds. Mr. (?) Maglaflan made a few remarks to the school. Total present 14, teachers 2, adults 5, children 7. Collection 10 cents

June 4th, 1904

Meeting (of the Society) was called to order by the President Capt. G. L. Smith. Secretary's report was read and approved. A letter was read from Mr. Brooks saying Mr. Follett would come to Vineyard Haven as soon as he could find a competent man to assist him. A letter was also read from Hook and Hastings organ builders sending prices of organs. We moved to adjourn to Sat. June 11th at same time and place.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec. pro tem

June 5, 1904

The seventieth session of the Children's Hour as called to order by the Supt. Several hymns were sung and a recitation given by Helen Reynolds. Children present 11, teachers 2, adults 5, total 18. Amount of collection 25 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

June 6, 1904

The Alliance met with Mrs. Armsby, twenty one members present, Mrs. White and Miss Tufts as guests. The secretary's report was read and accepted. On motion it was voted that we send the Alliance Branch at Farmington, Rev. A. H. Coar, Minister, \$2 for their organ fund. Also voted to have the fair on the 11th of August at the same place as last year. Also voted that we have acetylene gas put into the chapel if the company are willing to wait until the fall for their money. Considerable sewing was accomplished after which our hostess served delicious refreshments. The meeting was very pleasant and enjoy by all present. It was then voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. Gilbert Smith next Monday afternoon.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

June 11th, 1904

The President being absent, Capt. Harvey Cook was appointed chairman of meeting (of the Society). The Secretary's report was read and approved. Letters were read from Mr. Charles Chadwick saying he could furnish an organ for \$1,000 or more, from Emmons Howard saying they could furnish a good organ for \$1,150, from Hook and Hastings Co. saying had an instrument nearly completed which would be playable within a week, and wished if it were possible someone in the Society might visit the factory and see it believing it would be easy to us to favor them with an order. It was voted that Mr. Coye write a letter to Mr. Brooks asking if he would remove the organ from the chapel on or before Sat. next (June 18) expressing the sentiments expressed at this meeting. This was a unanimous vote of the Society. Voted to adjourn to Sat. evening, June 18th at the same time and place.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec pro tem

June 12, 1904

The seventy first session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Asst. Supt. Recitations were given by Jessie Symons, Benj. Cromwell, Virginia Hunter and Robert Cromwell. Teachers present 1, scholars 9. Collection 28 cents.

Mrs. C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

June 18th, 1904

In the absence of the President, Capt. G. L. Smith, Capt. Harvey Cook was chosen chairman of the meeting (of the Society). A letter was read from Mr. Brooks saying he was doing all he could to have the organ removed. One from Mr. Follett saying he had received a letter from Mr. Brooks in regard to moving the organ and he intended to bring a man from the factory the first of next week and take it away. One from Hook and Hastings organ builders that the organ mentioned in their last letter was ready for any members of the Society to see and hear. Voted that the Society accept Mr. Coye's proposition to go and see Hook and Hastings organ without any expense to the Society.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec. pro tem

June 19, 1904

Being Children's Sunday the morning service was given over to them. The time was occupied with songs, recitations and an address by Mr. Litchfield. Number of children present 14. Amount of collection 39 cents.

June 25th, 1904

Meeting (of the Society) called to order by the President Capt. G. L. Smith. The secretary's report was read and approved. Moved that the organ committee make Hook and Hastings an offer of \$1,000 for the \$1,150 organ. Rising vote of thanks to Mr. and Mrs. Coye for their services in going to see the organ. Voted to adjourn until next Sat. evening July 2nd.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

June 26, 1904

The seventy third session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Helen Reynolds was reported ill. George Hough was present as a visiting member. Teachers present 2, children 6. Collection 10 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

July 2nd, 1904

The meeting (of the Society) was opened by the President Capt. G. L. Smith. Records of last meeting read and approved. After discussion in regard to the organ it was voted that the Society propose to Hook and Hastings that they send and set up in our church their No. 5 organ, that the society have the privilege of using it for one month and if satisfactory they shall pay eleven hundred dollars for it with conditions named in Hook and Hastings letter, but if not satisfactory, it may be returned to the factory the society paying all the expenses. Motion carried. Voted to adjourn to Sat. evening July 9th at same time and place.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

July 3, 1904

The seventy fourth session of the Children's Hour was opened with singing. A recitation was given by Laura Lewis. Remarks by Rev. Mr. Headle. Mr. Litchfield's class was absent. Mr. Headle took Capt. Smith's class. 4 members were present. Teachers present 3, Scholars present 11. Collection 17 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary.

July 9th, 1904

Meeting (of the Society) was opened by President Capt. G. L. Smith. Records of last meeting read and approved. Moved and seconded that Mr. Coye be instructed to write Hook and Hastings accepting the organ on conditions named in their letters. Moved and seconded that the same committee which enlarged the church be appointed to lower floor for the new organ. Voted to adjourn to meet July 16th at same time and place.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

July 10, 1904

The seventy fifth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Teachers present 3, children 7, adults 4. Collection 15 cents. Closed after repeating Our Faith.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

July 11th, 1904

The Alliance met with Mrs. Howland, 18 members present, Mrs. Jackson and friends as guests. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. On motion it was voted to take \$40 from the bank to pay Mr. Litchfield. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

July 16th, 1904

Meeting (of the Society) was opened by the President. Records of last meeting read and approved. Voted to adjourn to meet next Saturday night - July 23rd, at same time and place.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

July 17, 1904

The seventy sixth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Asst. Supt. Mr. Litchfield being absent, Mr. Rich of Dighton made some remarks to the school. Teachers present 2, children 5. Collection 13 cents.

Mrs. C. E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

July 23, 1904

Meeting (of the Society) was opened by the President. Records of last meeting read and approved. \$2 had been received from Mr. Eben Bodfish for the organ fund. Voted to adjourn to meet one week from tonight July 30th at same time and place.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

July 24, 1904

The seventy seventh session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Several songs were sung, responsive reading and prayer followed. Mildred Taylor was present as a visiting neighbor. 5 children, 3 teachers and 4 adults were present. Amount of collection, 23 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

July 30, 1904

The meeting (of the Society) was opened by the President Capt. G. L. Smith. Records of last meeting were read and approved. There being no business to come before the meeting, was voted to adjourn to meet one week from to-night -Aug. 6th - at same time and place.

Abbie B. C. Howland

July 31, 1904

The first service was used at the seventy eighth session of the Children's Hour which was called to order by the Supt. and songs were sung. We were sorry to hear of the illness of Robert Cromwell. A recitation was given by Helen Reynolds. Teachers present 3, adults 5, children 8. Amount of collection, 24 cents.

Abigail O. Luce, Secretary

August 1st, 1904

The Alliance met with Mrs. Gilbert L. Smith, Miss Nickerson, Miss ---, Miss --- as guests. No special business was brought up. The various committees for the fair were read and it was decided not to meet again to sew until after the Fair on August 11th. Saturday, August 13th, the chairman of each committee are to meet with Mrs. Coye and report how much money was made. Mrs. Smith and niece served delicious refreshments after which it was voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

August 7, 1904

The seventy ninth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Songs were sung. Present 5 children 3 teachers and 2 visitors. Collection, 19 cents.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec. pro tem

August 13th, 1904

The meeting (of the Society) was called to order by the President Capt. G. L. Smith. The addition to the organ fund was \$2.00 from a friend, 30 cents from the "Essence" contribution. The Society voted unanimously to accept Hook and Hastings organ and instructed the treasurer of the organ fund to send the organ co. such funds as he has on hand towards payment of the same. On motion it was voted that the amount due the society from the entertainment Saturday evening Aug. 29 be given to the organ fund. Voted to adjourn to Saturday evening Aug. 27, at same time and place.

Mrs. C. E. Coye, Clerk pro tem

August 14, 1904

The eightieth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Several songs were sung. Collection, 12 cents. Children present 6, teachers 2, total 8.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec. pro tem

August 21, 1904

The eighty first session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Songs were sung. Teachers present 2, 4 children, total 6. Collection, 9 cents.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec. pro tem

August 27th, 1904

Meeting (of the Society) called to order by the President Capt. G. L. Smith. Reported the amount from Children's Carnival as 38.96. Paid off insurance on organ 22.00 leaving a balance of 16.96. Received from Mrs. Eaton 5.00, Alliance 8.06 total \$30.00 for the organ fund. Moved to adjourn for four weeks Sept 24 at same time and place.

Mrs. C. E. Coye Sec. pro tem

August 28, 1904

The eighty second session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Several songs were sung. 2 teachers and 5 pupils present, total 7. Collection, 6 cents.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec. pro tem

September 4, 1904

The eighty third session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Mrs. Abigail O. (Luce) Smith having moved to St. Louis, MO, Mrs. Reynolds was unanimously elected Secretary and Treasurer to fill the vacancy. Several songs were sung. There were present 2 teachers, 5 pupils, 2 visitors, a total of 9. Collection, 16 cents.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec. pro tem

September 5th, 1904

The Alliance met with Mrs. Albert Look, Mrs. Spaulding, Miss Brown and Mrs. Dean as guests, 11 members present.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion that the money made from the Children's Carnival be turned over to the organ fund, \$8.06. Voted upon motion that we send Mrs. Look a vote of thanks for her donation to the music fund this summer. Voted to thank Mr. Litchfield for his gift of a glass to be placed upon the organ. Voted to thank Miss Elizabeth Brown of Providence for the benefit of our Society. Miss Henrietta Brown of Providence read a very interesting paper, an account of her recent visit to the St. Louis Exposition which was greatly enjoyed by all present. Mrs. Dean of Melrose Highlands sang several selections very delightfully. Mrs. Look's refreshments were enjoyed by all and a social chat, a vacation from the

usual sewing was also enjoyed. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

September 11, 1904

The eighty fourth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Several songs were sung followed by responsive reading and prayer by the school. Record of the last session read and approved. A short session with the classes was held. One new pupil was added to Mrs. Howland's class, Elmer Birdsall. Present 2 teachers, 6 pupils, 2 visitors, a total of 10. Collection, 15 cents. Closed with repeating "Our Faith" by the school.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec pro tem

September 18, 1904

The eighty fifth session of the Children's Hour was called to order at 12 o'clock. Singing and opening service by the school. Record of the last session read and approved. Voted to abolish the "Star System" with exception of Elmer Birdsall who has already been present three Sundays. Voted to adopt the "Card System" of giving a care for five Sundays attendance. A division of Mrs. Howland's class was made, Mrs. Coye taking one portion of it for another class. Present 3 teachers, 8 pupils, 1 visitor, total 12. Collection, 18 cents.

W. C. Litchfield, Sec. pro tem

Sept 24th, 1904

The President Capt. G. L. Smith being absent, Capt. Harvey Cook was chosen chairman (of the Society meeting). Mr. Gookin gave 1.00 towards the organ fund. It was voted that the society decline to let the organ for organ pupils to practice on. Voted to adjourn subject to the call of the President.

Mrs. Coye, Clerk pro tem

October 3, 1904

The Alliance met with Mrs. H. W. Coye, the president, 14 members, and Miss Brock as guest. The secretary's report was read and accepted. The following business was acted upon: The Richmond letter of appeal was laid on the table. Voted that we send an article for the Dover sale. Voted to accept the offer of the Crinell Pub. Co. Voted to have the Christmas sale December 8th. Voted to meet to have a free organ recital if the musicians spoken of by Mr. Litchfield could come. Considerable sewing was accomplished and after Mrs. Coye had served dainty refreshments it was voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell in two weeks.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

October 9, 1904

The Supt, Mr. Litchfield being absent, the eighty eighth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by Mrs. C. E. Coye. Several hymns were sung. Responsive reading and prayer by the school. Recitation was given by Helen Reynolds. Dudley Howland was absent on account of illness. Present 2 teachers, 10 children. Amount of collection 15 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

Charlotte H. Reynolds, Secretary

October 16, 1904

Eighty ninth session of the Children's Hour called to order by the Supt. Hymns were sung. Recitation was given by Helen Reynolds. Agnes Symonds absent on account of illness. Present 3 teachers, 13 children. Collection, 27 cents.

Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. C. E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

October 23, 1904

The ninetieth session of the Children's Hour called to order by the Supt. Songs were sung, opening service read.

A recitation was given by Jennie Pinkham. Present 10 pupils, 3 teachers, total 13. \$1 was collected. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

W. C. Litchfield, Sec pro tem

October 30, 1904

The ninety first session of the Children's Hour was opened by singing and the seventh service was read. Rachel Lewis reported ill. Mr. Litchfield distributed the Annual Report of Children's Mission among the children and gave a brief outline of the work. Teachers present 2, pupils 10, collection 42 cents. Closed after repeating "Our Faith".

C. H. Reynolds, Secretary

November 6, 1904

The ninety second session of the Children's Hour called to order by the Supt. Singing and opening service by the school. One new pupil added to Mr. Litchfield's class, Howard Duley. Teachers 3, pupils 7, visitors 2. Collection 16 cents.

C. H. Reynolds, Secretary

November 13, 1904

The ninety third session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Singing and opening service by the school. Mrs. Coye, Jennie Pinkham and Robert Cromwell reported sick. A stormy day. 2 teachers, 8 pupils, and 4 visitors present. Collection 30 cents. School closed by repeating "Our Faith".

W. C. Litchfield, Sec pro tem

November 15, 1904

The Alliance met with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 8 members present. The secretary's report was read and accepted and the following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to give the Society \$100. To decide at the next meeting where to hold the Christmas sale. Reading of the different committees appointed for the sale then followed. Sewing occupied most of the time and at the close Mrs. Cromwell served the ladies with crackers, charlotte russe and hot chocolate. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

November 20, 1904

The ninety fourth session of Children's Hour opened with singing and the thanksgiving service was read. Atherton Smith gave a recitation. Present 3 teachers, 13 pupils, 2 visitors. Collection 40 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

C. H. Reynolds, Secretary

November 27, 1904

The ninety fifth session of the Children's Hour opened with singing. Rachel Lewis, Lena Pinkham, Robert Cromwell reported sick. Present 3 teachers, 10 pupils, total 13. Collection 29 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

W. C. Litchfield, Sec pro tem

December 4, 1904

The ninety sixth session of the Children's Hour opened with singing. Committees were appointed for Christmas as follows: to get a tree, Dudley Howland; engage hall, Howard Duley, Elmer Birdsall; refreshments, Mrs. Abby Howland, Emma Cromwell, Ada Smith; presents, Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Reynolds. Teachers present 3,

pupils 8, collection 26 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

C. Reynolds, Secretary

December 5th, 1904

The Alliance met with Mrs. Charles Look, 12 members were present. The secretary's report was read and accepted and the following business was acted upon: It was voted upon motion that the amount of money sent for the organ debt be left to the discretion of the President and Treasurer, that they send all that they think could be spared. It was voted upon motion that the Alliance raise \$5 for a Christmas gift to Mr. Litchfield and to raise the money by soliciting. Mrs. Gilbert L. Smith appointed as solicitor. Considerable sewing was accomplished and we were glad to welcome as a new member one of our young ladies, Miss Virginia Hunter. Mrs. Look served delicious candies which were enjoyed by all present. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

December 11, 1904

The ninety seventh session of the Children's Hour opened with singing. Records were read. Benj. Cromwell reported sick. Remarks were made by Mr. Headle taking Mr. Litchfield's class. Teachers present 3, pupils 9, collection 31 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

December 18, 1904 A severe storm. No session (of the Children's Hour).

December 25, 1904

Ninety eighth session of the Children's Hour called to order by the Supt. Dudley Howland gave a recitation. A vote of thanks was given to Capt. Gilbert Smith for use of the hall for Christmas exercises.

Mr. Litchfield, the Supt., presented books to Dudley Howland, Howard Duley, Helen Reynolds, Elmer Birdsall for attendance t church and Sunday School every Sunday since Oct. 1st. 3 teachers, 12 pupils present. Collection 23 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Coye, Sec. pro tem

NOTE: A "Cash" book was kept of the Alliance financial records from 1904 to 1927. Pertinent expenses will be noted for each year following the last Alliance entry for that year.

Alliance financial notes for 1904: Balance from old book (which we do not have) - \$165.91. Income - dues were .25 per member, and the income from donations, Association Hall supper, a Cake Sale, August Fair and Lawn Party (\$224.85) plus several later small donations, Children's Carnival, and two more suppers, brought the total income to \$474.33. Expenses - Miss Foster for singing, donations to other churches (to Farmington, Maine \$2 for organ), to Dudley Howland for blowing organ (.25 per Sunday), Minister's board at the Mansion House, \$125 to the Society, flowers for Mrs. Cromwell's funeral and \$57 to the organ Fund and \$7.50 for music, total expenses for 1904, \$474.33.

January 1, 1905

The ninety ninth session of Children's Hour opened with singing. Two teachers, twelve pupils were present. Mr. Litchfield absent. Atherton Smith and Agnes Symonds reported ill. Collection 15 cents.

Mrs. C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

January 2, 1905

The Alliance met with Mrs. Louise Daggett, 23 members present. Treasurer's report read and approved. Received from sale \$81.85. Money in the bank \$27.50. On hand \$20.50. A motion was made to give the Society \$50 taking \$27.50 from the bank and the money on hand making up the amount from the money received from the supper Friday night. A committee was appointed to make out a list of officers to be voted upon, the same to serve the

coming year. Mrs. Armsby, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Daggett, Mrs. Getchell, Mrs. Lorenzo Luce. The following officers were elected to serve the coming year. President, Mrs. Henry Coye; Secretary, Mrs. John Howland; Treasurer, Mrs. R. D. Getchell. Mrs. Daggett and Mrs. Fannie Look were appointed to help the president in arranging the sewing for the coming year. We were glad to welcome two new members to our Society, Mrs. Henry Swift and Miss Gerkin. Voted to adjourn to meet with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell the first Monday in Feb.

Emma F. S. Cromwell, Sec. pro tem

January 8, 1905

Mr. Litchfield was unable to get here as we had no boat. C. H. Reynolds, Secretary

January 13, 1905

The one hundredth session of the Children's Hour opened with singing. Mr. Griffin gave an interesting talk to the children. Benj. Cromwell reported ill. Present 3 teachers, 12 pupils, one new pupil joined the school. Collection 36 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

C. E. Coye, Sec pro tem

January 22, 1905

The one hundred and first session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt., with singing and responsive reading. Mr. Litchfield gave an interesting talk to the children. The election of officers for the year was as follows: Supt, Rev. W. C. Litchfield; Asst. Supt., Mrs. C. E. Coye; Sec. Treas. Mrs. S. P. Chapman; Organist, Mrs. John A Howland. Present 3 teachers, 9 pupils, 1 visitor, total 13. Collection 11 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

L. P. Chapman, Sec.

January 29. 1905

The one hundred and second session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Recitation was given by George Chapman. Helen Reynolds recited two selections. A bill was presented for S. S. supplies of \$2.70. A vote was made that the bill was to be paid. Present 3 teachers, 14 pupils, 1 visitor, total 18. Collection 40 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

L. P. Chapman, Sec.

February 5, 1905

The one hundredth and third session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Singing and reading of the records. Virginia Hunter reported sick. It was voted to send \$2 to the Unitarian Sunday School Society. Present 14 pupils, 3 teachers, 1 visitor, total 18. Collection 30 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

L. P. Chapman, Sec.

February 6, 1905

The Alliance met with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, seven members present. The secretary's report was read and accepted. A letter was read from Mrs. Thomas Wood and Co. and one from the New England Associate Alliance. Mrs. Litchfield was a guest of the Alliance.

Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sec. pro tem

February 12, 1905 No session of the Children's Hour. Mr. Litchfield was not here. Lizzie P. Chapman, Sec

February 19, 1905 No session of the Children's Hour as we did not have a boat. L. P. Chapman, Sec

February 26, 1905

The one hundred and sixth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Recitation was given by Helen Reynolds. Dudley Howland gave two selections. Paid Mr. Litchfield 25 cents for pictures. Present 3 teachers, 14 pupils, total 17. Collection 30 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

L. P. Chapman, Sec.

March 1905

Financial records of the Alliance for 1905

Income: Balance brought forward \$132.28, dues, suppers, donations, cake sale, sale of aprons, entertainment, \$5 from Taunton Alliance, Fair and Lawn Party (\$253.71), Christmas Sale (\$75)

Expenses: Large donations to Capt. Smith for the Society, payment on organ, boy to pump organ, dues to AUA and Southern Circuit work, \$49.41 to Capt. Smith to pay for piping chapel for gas, minister's board, Miss Foster for singing, Mr. Johnson's board, \$2 to Alton, Ill., 50 cents rent of stove.

Year end balance, \$294.32

March 5, 1905

The one hundred and seventh session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Robert Cromwell and Helen Reynolds reported sick. Present 3 teachers, 9 pupils, total 13. Collection 21 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

L. P. Chapman, Sec

March 6, 1905

The Alliance met with Mrs. Chapman, 14 members and 2 guests present. The secretary's report was read and accepted. The following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion to meet every two weeks, the next meeting to be with Mrs. Lewis. Voted to send a note of sympathy to Mrs. Look and daughter on the death of their husband and father and the church and society will greatly miss him and the help which he was so willing to give. Mrs. Daggett gave an interesting report of the National Alliance Meeting, which she and Mrs. Swift attended in Boston. Mrs. Chapman's delicious candy was enjoyed by all. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

March 12, 1905

The one hundred and eighth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Assist. Supt. Spent in singing and reading of the records. As Mr. Litchfield absent, Mr. Bygrave took Mr. Litchfield's class. Two new pupils came in the school. Recitations given by Louise Pinkham, Atherton Smith, Lena Pinkham, George Chapman. Present 3 teachers, 16 pupils, total 19. Collection 24 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Lizzie P. Chapman, Sec.

March 19, 1905

The one hundred and ninth session of the Children's Hour was opened by singing and reading. Dudley Howland, Helen Reynolds, Atherton Smith reported ill. Recitation was given by Louise Pinkham, Jenny Pinkman, Elmer Birdsall. Present 3 teachers, 8 pupils, 3 visitors, total 14. Collection 21 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

L. P. Chapman, Sec.

March 26, 1905

The one hundred and tenth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing.

Atherton Smith recited. Agnes Symonds reported ill. Present 3 teachers, 13 pupils, total 16. Collection 16 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Lizzie P. Chapman, Sec.

April 2, 1905

The one hundred and eleventh session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Easter songs were rehearsed. Robert Cromwell reported sick. Recitation was given by Virginia Hunter, Elmer Birdsall. Present 3 teachers, 9 pupils, total 12. Collection 17 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Lizzie P. Chapman, Sec.

April 3, 1905

The Alliance met with Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 12 members and 2 guests present. The secretary's report was read and accepted and the following business acted upon: Voted upon motion that the treasurer draw from the bank sufficient money to pay the bills presented for payment, said money not to exceed \$100. Voted on motion to purchase fifty receptacles for money to be used for the purpose of collecting money for the organ fund, to be given out at the next meeting. Voted to send a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Day who has been ill for a long time. Voted to adopt the by-laws as presented by Mrs. Coye. Mrs. Smith's delicious fudge was enjoyed by all. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

Vineyard Haven April 3, 1905

The Annual Meeting of the V. H. Unitarian Society was held Monday evening April 3 at 7:30 o'clock. Five members present. It was voted to accept the Secretary's and Treasurer's reports. Voted the secretary cast one ballot for the following officers to serve for the coming year. President, Capt. G. L. Smith; Treasurer, Capt. G. L. Smith; Clerk, Abbie B. C. Howland; Collector, Capt. G. L. Smith. Parrish committee, Capt. G. L. Smith, Mrs. H. Coye, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Capt. Reynolds, Mrs. A. Walker. Music Committee, Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Howland, Mrs. Mary Norton, Mrs. Fannie Look. Missionary Committee, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. E. Lewis, Miss Thankful Smith. Social Committee, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Clara Luce, Mrs. Charles Look, Mrs. Euphemia Norton, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Day, Mrs. May Smith, Mrs. Eliza Daggett, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Ada Smith, Mrs. Eliza Lord. The following named persons were elected members of this society - Mr. and Mrs. Henry Swift, Mr. Wm. Walker. Voted to send \$5 to the Am. Unitarian association. Voted to place the Sec. and Treas. reports on record in the books. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society in account with Gilbert L. Smith, Treas.

To amt paid Rev. W. C. Litchfield Preaching during year	571.75
1904 June 30 To amt. paid H. N. Hinckley repair roof	9.45
Aug. 27 To amt. paid T. W. Tilton, organ ins.	22.00
Aug. 27 To amt. paid Treasurer, Organ Fund	16.90
Nov. 4 To amt. paid John C. Carrion, Janitor	18.00
Dec. 5 To amt. paid V. H. Gas and Elec. Light Gas	.90
1905 Jan. 4 To amt. paid V. H. Gas and Elec. Light Gas	1.20
Feb 18 To amt. paid telephoning Mr. Litchfield	.30
Mar 4 To amt paid H.V. Laurence flowers, Capt. C.	3.15
Mar 27 To amt. paid Channing Conference (--?)	5.00
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	648.71

Credit - Cash on hand 46.52
By amt. recd. Genl. Collections during

financial year	204.83
By amt. recd. Am. Unitarian Association during the year.	125.00
By amt. recd. Woman's Alliance during the year	210.00
1904	
June 18 By amt. recd. Mrs. G.D. Calhoun, Contribution	5.00
Aug. 4 By amt. recd. Wentworth reading	4.90
Aug. 22 By amt. recd. Children's Carnival	38.96
Sept 7 By amt. recd. Mrs. Sawyer, contribution	1.00
Sept. 7 By amt. recd. Gilbert L. Smith Loan	12.50
	648.71

Secretary's Report (Of Alliance activities) April 3, 1905

To the President and members of the V. H. Unitarian Society:

Another year has quickly passed and again we meet to elect our officers and to transact the business necessary for our future growth and development. Surely we can record progress made in the year that has passed. It is James Freeman Clarke who says, "Progress, in the sense of acquisition is something; but progress in the sense of being is a great deal more. To grow higher, deeper, wider, as the years go on, to conquer difficulties and acquire more and more power; to feel all one's faculties unfolding, and truth descending into the soul - this makes life worth living." I feel sure that our little society, the best interests of which are so dear to us all, has made true progress along both these lines. As we sit Sunday after Sunday and listen to our dear pastor's earnest, helpful and inspiring words, we do indeed grow higher, deeper, wider, and feel truth descending into our souls. In the sense of acquisition in a more material way, progress has surely been made. The new organ, the attainment of which many were so skeptical has materialized. Much of our work the past year has been for this purpose. To Mrs. Coye, our able Alliance President, belongs the credit of this great undertaking. Hereafter we should never fear to follow where she leads. It is with sadness that we record the death of several of our members during the past year. The dear Father has call them higher. So let us, "Cherish their memory in our heart

But, lest it grow a selfish thing;
Make channels for a thousand streams
Of which their love shall be the spring."

We have sent contributions to the Am. Unitarian Society, the Channing Conference, the Unitarian S. S. Society, the Society for the Children of the Destitute and have enlarged the Chapel. We feel that this society owes so much to the Woman's Alliance of this Society for the help and interest shown by them. Eight new members were enrolled the past year. We trust that in the year before us each one of us may strive with renewed zeal to do his or her part to the best of his ability. May we who represent the only liberal movement on the island, and knowing the cost of our precious Unitarian faith, stand firm on the side of freedom, faith and hope in religion. May we be loyal to our grand heritage and do what we can to make its gospel a good news for all mankind.

Respectfully submitted,

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

April 9, 1905

The one hundred and twelfth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Recitation by Jennie Pinkham. Present 2 teachers and 10 scholars. Collection 12 cents. School closed by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec pro tem

April 16, 1905

The one hundred and thirteenth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Asst. Supt. Recitation by

Elmer Birdsall. Present, two teachers and twelve scholars. Dudley Howland reported sick. Collection 21 cents. School closed by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec pro tem

April 23, 1905

The one hundred and fourteenth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Three teachers and 15 scholars present. Collection 13 cents. School closed by repeating "Our Faith".

An Easter Service was held in the morning. Opened with readings by Mr. Litchfield. Then followed a song by the children. Responsive reading and singing. Recitations by Atherton Smith, Louisa Pinkham, Helen Reynolds, Robert Cromwell, Elmer Birdsall, Virginia (?) and Dudley Howland. A very pretty duet was sung by Genevieve Cleveland and Effie Swift. The children's exercises closed with a song by the children. Collected for Children's Mission, \$3.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec pro tem

April 30, 1905

The one hundred and fifteenth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Several songs were sung. Three teachers and thirteen pupils present, total sixteen. Collection 18 cents. School close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. G. S. Chapman, Sec.

May 1, 1905

The Alliance met with Mrs. J. E. Howland. The secretary's report was read and accepted. The following business was acted upon: Voted upon motion that the Alliance offer to pay Mr. and Mrs. Litchfield's fare to Boston and return to attend the Anniversary meetings. Mrs. Ogilvie and Mrs. Perry were elected members of the Alliance. Voted to send Mrs. Look a vote of thanks for her gift of \$4 to the organ fund. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

May 7, 1905

The one hundred and sixteenth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. We were pleased to have Marjory Dean and Florence with us again. 1 visitor, 3 teachers, and 12 pupils present, total 14. Collection 15 cents. School close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. L. P. Chapman, Sec.

May 14, 1905

The one hundred and seventeenth session of the Children hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Mr. A B. C. Howland was reported ill. Mrs. Ada Smith, Mrs. A. B. C. Howland and Mr. Litchfield were elected delegates to attend the Sunday School convention to be held in Boston May 26th. Collection 11 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

May 21, 1905

The one hundred and eighteenth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Asst Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Mrs. Howland reported ill. Mr. Bygrave gave an interesting talk to the children. Recitations were given by Helen Reynolds and Elmer Birdsall. Present one teacher and ten pupils. Collection 12 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. S. Chapman, Sec.

May 28, 1905

The Asst. Supt. called the one hundred and nineteenth session of the Children's Hour together. 9 scholars present with Mr. and Mrs. Maglathan acting as teachers. Recitations by Helen Reynolds and Elmer Birdsall. Collection 20

cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec pro tem

June 4, 1905

The Supt. called the one hundred and twentieth session of the Children's Hour together. 9 pupils and 2 teachers present. Recitation by Helen Reynolds. Collection 14 cents. Closed by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. G. S. Chapman, Sec.

June 5, 1905

Mrs. Henry Smith entertained the monthly Alliance meeting at her pleasant home, quite a large number present and the work for the summer sale progressed rapidly. The Sec. report was read and approved. The Treasurer reported the work of the year from May 1st 1904 to May 1st, 1905 and all were surprised at the amount of money raised by such a small organization. It was voted to hold a meeting every week through the month of June. After a delicious treat of cake and ice cream the meeting closed to meet with Mrs. Cromwell Monday afternoon, June 14.

Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sec.

Vineyard Haven June 5, 1905

The meeting (of the Society) was called to order by the President, Capt. Gilbert Smith. He also read the call for the meeting. Mrs. H. W. Coye was elected clerk pro tem. A letter was read from Rev. Mr. Litchfield resigning as pastor of this church. It was voted to accept his resignation with regrets. It was moved that a committee of three be appointed to solicit subscriptions for expenses of the society for 1 year beginning July 1st 1905. The following were appointed; Mrs. Albert Look, Mrs. Benj. Cromwell, Mrs. John Howland. This committee to report to the Parish committee on or before June 20th. A vote was taken that the Parish committee be instructed to furnish a supply of pulpit until a minister is settled. Meeting adjourned until Monday evening June 12th at Association Hall dining room.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Clerk pro tem

June 1, 1905

The Supt. called the one hundred and twenty first session of the Children's Hour together. Mr. Lusk of Boston gave an interesting talk to the children. It was voted to send a letter of thanks to Mr. Litchfield for the flag and banner. Mrs. Reynolds taking Mrs. Howland's class. Mr. Lusk taking Mr. Litchfield's class. One teacher, 13 pupils present. Collection 18 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. S. Chapman, Sec.

June 12th, 1905

It being a very rainy evening very few members were present and the meeting (of the Society) was adjourned until June 19th at Association Hall dining room.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Clerk pro tem

June 18, 1905

The Asst. Supt. called the one hundred and twenty second session of the Children's Hour together. Spent in singing and reading of the records. Mr. Semond gave an interesting talk to the children. We were pleased to have Mrs. Howland with us again. Present 3 teachers, 6 pupils. Collection 22 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. S. Chapman, Sec.

June 19th, 1905

The adjourned meeting (of the Society) was opened by the President Capt. Smith, he reading letters from Mr. Locke who wished to supply the pulpit through the month of August and longer if desired by Society. Mr. Litchfield's letter contained suggestions in regard to our selecting a minister and recommended we have Mr. Brown, the field

agent, come and look the matter over which might be of great benefit to us. Mr. Leonard of Winthrop preached June 18th as a candidate and it was voted not to give him a call. It was also voted that the purchasing of envelopes to be used for next year beginning July 1st be left with the Parish Committee. Moved to adjourn until July 3rd at 7:30 o'clock in Association Hall dining room.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Clerk pro tem

June 20th 1905

The committee appointed to receive subscriptions (for the minister's salary) met at the residence of Mr. H. W. Coye and gave their report to the Parish Committee which is as follows. The total amount subscribed for the year, \$260.40. It was decided to send for 2000 envelopes, all to be numbered and distributed by the soliciting committee before the 1st Sunday in July. No further business appearing the meeting was closed.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Clerk pro tem

June 25, 1905

The Asst. Supt. called the one hundred and twenty third session of the Children's Hour together. Spent in singing and reading of the records. Mr. Johnson gave an interesting talk to the children. Present 3 teachers, 10 pupils. Collection 26 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith"

Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sec.

July 2, 1905

The Asst. Supt. Called the one hundred and twenty fourth session of the Children's Hour together. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Carol Cleveland reported sick. Present 3 teachers, 12 pupils. Paid 12 cents for cards. Collection 19 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. S. Chapman, Sec.

July 3, 1905

The monthly meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. Armsby, a large number present. The secretary's report was read and approved. Voted to meet every Monday through July. Voted to meet with Mrs. Annie Look, July 10th. Move to have two cake sales in July. Voted to have our Fair Aug. 10, 1905. Voted the Alliance pay \$2 for the church envelopes. After delicious refreshments were served, it was voted to adjourn.

Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sec. pro tem

July 3rd, 1905

A meeting (of the Society) was held on the above date and adjourned to July 10th, 1905.

July 9, 1905

The Asst. Supt. called the one hundred and twenty fifth session of the Children's Hour together. Spent singing and responsive reading. Mr. Johnson gave an interesting talk to the children. Present 3 teachers, 9 pupils. Collection 25 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. S. Chapman, Sec.

July 10th, 1905

The meeting (of the Society) was opened by the President Capt. Smith. It was voted to invited the Rev. Mr. Johnson of Cambridge, who had preached for us the Sunday before, to preach for us through the months of July, August, Sept. and October. 11 present and unanimous vote. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

July 16, 1905

The one hundred twenty sixth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and reading of records. Recitation given by Marjory Dean. Rachel Lewis reported ill. Present 12 pupils, 3 teachers. Collection 21 cents, Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Lizzie Chapman, Sec.

July 23, 1905

The one hundred and twenty seventh session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Asst. Supt. Spent in singing. Paid 24 cents to Mr. Johnson for cards. Being such a bad storm, the school closed. Present 4 pupils, 3 teachers. Collection 11 cents.

Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sec.

July 31, 1905

The one hundred and twenty eighth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Asst. Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading recitation was given by Louise Pinkham. Miss Stone taking Mrs. Howland's class. Present 11 pupils, 3 teachers., Collection 7 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith"

Mrs. Geo Chapman, Sec.

August 6, 1905

The one hundred and twenty ninth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the new Supt., Mr. Johnson. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Present 3 teachers ,16 pupils. Collection 15 cents. Close by reading "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sec.

August 7, 1905

The monthly meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. G. L. Smith. The secretary's report was read and approved. The treasurer reported a gift of \$2 was received from Mrs. Harry Cook and \$4 from Mrs. Look. It was voted to send each of them a note of thanks. The ladies were pleased to vote in two new members, Mrs. Josiah Bodfish and Marjory Dean. It was also voted that after the opening of the banks and the entertainment to be given by Mr. J. O. Norton, that we make up the balance due on the organ fund from the proceeds of the Fair. As secretary I am glad to say that we had to take only about \$90 from the proceeds and the note was received on August 26th and our Society is free from any debt. The first of last September we owed \$275 for our organ and \$50 for gas fixtures, in less than a year we have paid for them and I think we can look back and say that our last year's work was not a failure.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec pro tem

August 20, 1905

The one hundred and thirtieth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Mr. Johnson. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Present 3 teachers , 16 pupils. Collection 25 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sec.

August 27, 1905

The one hundred and thirty first session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Mr. Johnson. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Present 3 teachers, 10 pupils. Collection 8 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sec.

September 10, 1905

The one hundred and thirty fourth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. (Note: no explanation of the skip of two sessions.) Spent in singing and responsive reading. Present 2 teachers, 10 pupils, 1 visitor. Collection 12 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sec.

September 11th, 1905

The Alliance met with Mrs. Albert Look with Rev. W. H. Johnson as guest. The Sec. report was read and approved. The treasure reported the proceeds of our summer fair, \$258.71 with a balance in the treasury of \$244.67. A bill of 80 cents was presented by Mrs. Lewis for dolls and ribbons which was ordered paid. A letter was read from the Sudbury Alliance asking us to purchase one of their calendars and it was voted to order one as a sample. Mrs. Lewis was appointed as a committee to have the vine on the church made ready for winter. Mrs. Chapman was appointed to see that the church was swept and to ask any one to assist her that she liked. It was voted to extend to Mr. Johnson the same courtesy extended to Mr. Litchfield, that if he came down Friday night, the Alliance would pay the bill. A vote was also passed that we purchase of Mr. Bodfish 1 piece linen for roller towels, also 1 piece for dish wipes. It was voted to meet twice a month 'til our Christmas sale. Mrs. H. W. Coye resigned as President of the Alliance and Mrs. Benj. Cromwell, Jr. was elected President to fill the vacancy. After a dainty lunch of ice cream and cake the Alliance closed having made a good beginning for their winter sale.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec. pro tem

September 17, 1905

The one hundred and thirty fifth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Mr. Johnson. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Present 3 teachers, 8 pupils. Collection 32 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sec.

September 24, 1905

The one hundred and thirty sixth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Helen Reynolds recited. Present 3 teachers, 7 pupils. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sec.

October 2, 1905

The Alliance met with Mrs. G. D. Getchell, a goodly number present. The secretary's report was read and approved. A rising vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Coye for her earnest and faithful work as President during the past years. Voted to pay Mrs. Coye's bill of \$1.67. Voted to sell the sample calendar from the Sudbury Alliance for what it will bring and not order any more. Mrs. Getchell's resignation as treasurer was accepted with much regret and a rising vote of thanks was given her for her faithful and efficient services during the past years. Mrs. H. W. Coye was elected treasurer to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Getchell. A pleasant afternoon was passed and Mrs. Edward Lord will entertain the Alliance in two weeks. Voted to adjourn.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Sec.

October 8, 1905

The one hundred and eighth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Present 3 teachers, 7 pupils. Collection 14 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sec.

October 15, 1905

The one hundred and (thirty) ninth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Present 1 teacher, 7 pupils. Collection 11 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".
Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec. pro tem

October 22, 1905

The one hundred and tenth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Close by repeating "Our Faith". Collection 13 cents.
Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec. pro tem

October 29, 1905

The one hundred and eleventh session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Close by repeating "Our Faith". Collection 4 cents.

October 31st, 1905

An adjourned meeting of the Unitarian Society was held in Association Hall dining room. The meeting was opened by the President, Capt. G. L. Smith. It was unanimously voted to extend an invitation to the Rev. W. H. Johnson to preach for us till Jan. 1st 1906. No further business appearing it was voted to adjourn, subject to the call of the President.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Clerk pro tem

November 5, 1905

The one hundred and twelfth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Present 2 teachers, 5 pupils, 1 visitor. Collection 12 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".
Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sec.

Nov. 6, 1905

The Alliance met with Mrs. Armsby. The treasurer reported \$219.61 in treasury. A letter was read from Alton, Ill. Their Society were building a new church and they were asking aid from several branches. It was voted that this church send \$2. It was also voted to hold the Christmas sale the first Wed. in December, the president of the Alliance to secure a place. Mrs. Getchell was appointed to see Mrs. St. John in regard to a notice in the paper. The supper committee for November were Mrs. Charles Look, Mrs. Josiah Bodfish and Mrs. Rebecca Getchell. Miss Etta Robinson was voted a new member. It was vote to pay the President \$5 for articles for the fair. The hostess served one of her dainty and generous lunches and a very pleasant afternoon was enjoyed by all present.
Mrs. Coye, Sec. Pro tem

November 12, 1905

The one hundred and thirteenth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Collection 12 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".
Mrs. G. S. Chapman, Sec.

November 19, 1905

The one hundred and fourteenth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt spend in singing and responsive reading. Collection 16 cents.
Mrs. G. S. Chapman, Sec.

November 26, 1905

The one hundred and fifteenth session of the Children's Hour was called to order by the Supt spent in singing and responsive reading. Collection 26 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. G. S. Chapman, Sec.

December 3, 1905

The one hundred and sixteenth session of the Children's hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Collection 23 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. G. S. Chapman, Sec

December 4, 1905

The Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with a good number present. The secretary and treasurer's reports were read and accepted. Letters were read from Miss Williams enclosing \$1 for her dues to the Alliance. One from Derby asking for a handkerchief for the sale, Dec. 14th. It was voted that the Pres. send a handkerchief. Arrangements and plans were made for the Christmas sale Dec. 6 and the Chairman of each committee and all interested were to meet with Mrs. Cromwell Saturday afternoon Dec. 9th to report the amount of sale at fair. Capt. Oliver gave the Alliance one pound of coffee. It was voted that the first meeting in January be a social meeting and be held in Association Hall dining room at half past two o'clock. The President appointed the following committee to arrange for a tea at the social, Mrs. Daggett, Mrs. Swift, Mrs. Fannie Look. Mrs. Smith treated the ladies to some of her delicious home made candy. All went home feeling that they had had a pleasant time.

Mrs. Coye, Sec pro tem

Alliance financial notes for 1905: Cash on hand, \$265.12.

Income - Dues, Cake Sales, sale of aprons, suppers, Entertainment (\$50), Fair and Lawn Party (\$253.71), small donations, Christmas Sale (\$75), totaling \$294.32.

Expenses - Minister's board at Mansion House, Lottie Cook and G. Foster for singing, Hook and Hastings Organ Fund \$5 plus \$47 plus \$94.09, boy to pump organ, materials for sewing items for the Fair, to the Society \$30 plus \$14 plus \$35, to the Society for piping Chapel for gas (\$49.41), \$2 to church in Alton, Illinois

December 10, 1905

The one hundred and seventeenth session of the Children hour was called order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Collection 2 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. G. S. Chapman, Sec

December 17, 1905

The one hundred and eighteenth session of the children hour was called to order by the Supt spend in singing and responsive reading. Collection 11 cents.

Mrs. G. S. Chapman, Sec.

December 24, 1905

The one hundred and nineteenth session of the children hour was called to order by the Supt. Spent in singing and responsive reading. Collection 22 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. G. S. Chapman

December 31, 1905

The one hundred and twentieth session of the Children hour was called to order by Supt spent in singing and responsive reading. Collection 29 cents. Close by repeating "Our Faith".

Mrs. G. S. Chapman, Sec.

Note: These minutes of the Unitarian Sunday School end, all the pages in the book were used. In 1938, George Chapman Jr. wrote from Provincetown to Mrs. Hutchinson of the "Stevens Memorial Church, (Unitarian)" stating

that he had found the first record book of the Unitarian Sunday School which went from the beginning of 1903 to the end of 1905. His mother, Mrs. Geo. Chapman, Sr. had brought this book to Provincetown when the family moved there in 1909. She had been the last secretary of the Sunday School. Mr. Chapman Sr. had been in the telegraph office. Mr. Chapman Jr. returned the book and this correspondence is in it.

December 27th, 1905

The Unitarian Society held an adjourned meeting in Association Hall dining room to make arrangements for services the ensuing year. It was voted unanimously to engage the Rev. W. H. Johnson for one year beginning Jan 1st, 1906. He to have a vacation the months of Jan. and Feb. and to supply the pulpit during his vacation. The meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the President.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Clerk pro tem

January 1st, 1906

The Alliance met in Association Hall dining room. The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were read and approved. A vote of thanks was given Mrs. Birdsall for her kindness in selling so many articles left from our Christmas sale. A vote of thanks was also given Mrs. Samuel Look for her generous donation of \$5 to be used for music. An invitation was read from the Brockton Branch inviting this Branch to their Neighborhood meeting Jan. 11th. Meetings of the Alliance Branches on the first Monday of each month and we were cordially invited to be present. After the reading of quotations came the election of officers for the ensuing year. The officers are as follows: Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Pres.; Mrs. Gilbert Smith, Vice Pres.; Mrs. John Howland, Sec.; Mrs. H. W. Coye, Treasurer. Directresses are to be Mrs. Albert Look, Mrs. Henry Daggett, and Mrs. Reynolds. After the close of business a social time was enjoyed by all, and the committee appointed to serve the lunch proved that the President knew the qualifications of some of the ladies at least and the ladies showed their appreciation of their work by disposing of it in short time. Adjourned to meet 1st Monday in February.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Sec pro tem

Note: A separate Alliance book started in 1906 shows that the following paid dues for 1906 and 1907:

Carla E. Coye, Mary H. Smith, Rebecca D. Getchell, Abbie B. C. Howland, Addie Armsby, Arabella Walker, Mary L. Norton, Ethelinda Lewis, Fanny Look, Euphemia Norton, Esther Foster, Emeline Look, Emma Baker, Sarah Leane, Ellen Luce, Eliza Daggett, Emma Cromwell, Thankful B. Smith, Louisa L. Daggett, Etta Hollister, Lottie Reynolds, Frances Marshall Norton, Nellie W. Dean, Lizzie Chapman, Elisa Lord, Anna Marshall, Lizzie DeHuff, M. Elizabeth Cannon, Sarah Lufts, Mrs. Hunter, Eda Gerkess, Lily Swift, Helen Reynolds, Nellie Perry, Annie Look, Mrs. Josiah Bodfish, Marjorie Dean, Miss Eddy, Etta Robinson, Mrs. Ella Norton, Martha P. White, Sarah B. Williams, Margaret Claghorn, and Mabel Robinson.

February 5, 1906

The Alliance met with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. The Sec. and Treas. Reports were read and approved. A letter was read from Miss Williams asking for a report of the work done by our branch since the fall work began. The Sec. was requested to write the report. It was voted to hire Genevieve Cleveland to sing in the church the month of February.

It was also voted that the Alliance meet the first and third Monday afternoon of each month. Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Reynolds to have the supper for the month of February. It was also voted to hire Gertrude Foster to sing for us after her return from Brockton in April. Mrs. Albert Look entertained the Alliance the third Monday of the month, Mrs. Cromwell served one of her dainty suppers and all expressed themselves as having a pleasant time.

Mrs. Coye, Sec. pro tem

March 5, 1906

The Alliance met with Mrs. Ellen Luce at the residence of Mrs. Foss. The Sec. and Treas. reports were read and approved. A letter was received from the Alliance Branch of Winthrop asking for a handkerchief for their sale the last of March. It was voted to send a handkerchief and the president (asked) Mrs. Cromwell to purchase and send the same. An item from an Ohio paper was read about Mrs. Mary Morgan of Cleveland, Ohio who passed away

Nov. 24th. She was beloved by all who knew her. Her remains to be brought to Vineyard Haven the last of March. It was voted to give the Society the sum of \$50. The supper for the month of March to be in charge of Mrs. Swift and Mrs. Louise Daggett. A vote was also taken and carried that Genevieve Cleveland be hired to sing until Miss Foster returned. At the close of business the hostess invited the ladies into the dining room where she served a most generous collation.

Carl E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

April 2, 1906

The regular meeting of the Alliance met with Mrs. Benj. Cromwell. The secretary's report was read and approved. Also the treasurer's report. Miss Martha P. White and Miss Katharine White were elected members to the Alliance. Invitations were read and a dainty collation was served by the hostess and a pleasant time was spent by those present.

Carla E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

April 2nd, 1906

The Annual Meeting (of the Society) was held in Association Hall dining room at 7:30 o'clock. The President, Capt. G. L. Smith called the meeting to order. Mrs. H. W. Coye was chosen clerk. The clerk's report was read and accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Mrs. Benjamin Cromwell was appointed teller for the evening. President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Abbie B. C. Howland; Treasurer, Capt. G. L. Smith; Collector, Capt. John L. Reynolds; Parish Committee, Capt. G. L. Smith, Mrs. H. W. Coye, Mrs. Rebecca D. Getchell, Mr. Elisha Luce, Mr. Henry B. Swift; Music Committee, Mr. H. W. Coye, Mrs. Albert Look, Mrs. Mary Norton, Mrs. Abbie Howland; Missionary Committee, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Ethalinda Lewis, Miss Thankful Smith; Social Committee, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Clara Luce, Mrs. Charles Look, Mrs. Euphremia Norton, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Eliza Daggett, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Eliza Lord, Mrs. Ada Smith, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Swift.

On motion it was voted to send \$5.00 to the Am. Unitarian Society. Eight new members were added to the Society as follows: Rev. W. H. Johnson, Mrs. Emma Treadwell, Miss Alma W. Fischer, Mr. John E. White, Mrs. Martha P. White, Mr. Josiah P. Bodfish, Mrs. Lucy Bodfish, Mr. Walter H. Marden. It was voted to send Mrs. Samuel Look a vote of thanks for her donation for music, Sunday, April 1st. Moved to adjourn subject to the call of the President.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Clerk pro tem

May 7, 1906

The Alliance met with Mrs. Armsby with a large number present. The Sec. and Treas. reports were read and approved. On motion it was voted to hire Mrs. Flanders to play the organ till October 1st at \$3 each Sunday. It was also voted that the Treasurer draw \$50 as the Society needs it and that we take the penny collection to pay the organist. Mrs. Fannie Look and Mrs. Chapman to have the cake sale for the month. The box of penny collections was opened and \$3 taken out. Mrs. Cromwell was elected delegate to the National Alliance in Boston May 22nd. The hostess served one of her fine salad suppers which was enjoyed by all.

Carla E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

June 4th, 1906

The Alliance met with Mrs. G. L. Smith. The Sec. and Treas. Reports were read and approved. The committee for the cake sale, Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Look. A motion was made to sweep the church. Several ladies volunteered their services and appointed Thursday morning at 9 o'clock for the work. The president spoke of the entertainment Mr. Johnson suggested consisting of Scottish songs etc, no date given as yet.

Carla E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

Vineyard Haven June 13th, 1906

The President, Capt. G. L. Smith called a meeting of the Society to make arrangements for the ensuing year and it

was voted to continue the plan of last year. The following committee was appointed for soliciting; Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. Charles Look, Mrs. John Howland. This committee to purchase the number of envelopes needed. No further business appearing it was voted to adjourn subject to the call of the President.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Clerk pro tem

July 2, 1906

The Alliance met with Mrs. John Howland. Secretary and Treasurer's reports were read and approved. A letter from Westboro was read asking for some article for sale in Oct. Mrs. Howland having resigned her position as secretary, Mrs. Mary Norton was chosen to fill the place. The president, Mrs. Cromwell, appointed the committees for the Annual Summer Fair.

Carla E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

August 6, 1906

The Alliance met with Mrs. Albert look. The Secretary and Treasurer's reports were read and approved and 11 members were present. The Secretary was bewildered ? With the greatness of the new office and as a consequence the reading cards were left at home the Alliance devotional work was postponed. The only business transacted was the possible absence of the President from home on account of the illness of her little one and the transferring of her official duties to the worthy ex-President and Treasurer, Mrs. Coye. It being the last meeting to the Annual Fair, the afternoon was given to finishing the work. Our hostess served cake and wafers and delicious iced lemonade was especially enjoyed, the afternoon being unusually hot. After a pleasant session, goodbye's were said and the meeting was adjourned until the call of the President for a "New Years" work.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Sept 10th 1906

The Alliance met with Mrs. John Howland. The President called the meeting to order and 13 members were present.

The Sec. and Treas. reports were read and approved. The Annual Fair held in August was a success in every way and the Treasurer reported \$266.58 to be added to the Treasury. It was voted to send a letter of thanks to Miss Ada Chadwick for her kindness in playing at the church this summer. It was also decided to hold a cake sale at Walter Norton's store. Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Swift to be in attendance. Devotional cards were read and quotations followed. Then the sewing was taken up, the President at the same time telling in a very entertaining manner interspersing with bits of anecdotes of her absence from home and for a time at least her listeners were taking the same journey meeting the same persons. Little Miss Nellie Howland with her quaint ways proved irresistible while serving delicious candy prepared by the hostess. Adjourned to meet in October.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 6, 1906

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of the Pres, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. 9 members present. The Pres called the meeting to order and "Our Faith" was read by the members. The Sec and Treas. reports were read and accepted and the following business transacted: Vote to send a note of thanks to Mrs. Samuel Look for her gift of \$5. Voted one dollar be paid the secretary for expenses. A letter was read from Eureka, California asking for a handkerchief for their sale. Voted Mrs. Howland send a handkerchief. The President read a letter from New York in regard to subscriptions for the "New Unitarian". No action taken. A letter was read from Miss Williams declining the election to office. No action was taken. After a long delay, it was voted to hire Mrs. R. W. Crocker as organist until Jan 1st 1907 at \$2 each Sunday. Dainty refreshments of delicious tea and fancy crackers were served by the Hostess. After a pleasant afternoon the meeting was adjourned and the busy workers said goodbye to the Hostess and went home.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

November 5, 1906

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the residence of Mrs. Geo. Armsby, 13 members present. "Our Faith" was read and quotations given by the members. Secretary and Treasurer reports were read and

accepted.

The secretary read several postals and letters from different Branches asking for some assistance for Fairs to be held. Voted the Pres. and Sec. select articles and send to the Alliances. Voted the Pres appoint a Committee to receive articles to send South for colored persons. Mrs. Look, Mrs. Josiah Bodfish were chosen. Articles to be carried to Mrs. Look's barn. Voted to hold a sale, Dec, 12th, afternoon and even. The Treas. reported a gift of \$5 from Mrs. Dr. Huff. Voted a letter of thanks be sent to Mrs. Dr. Huff. Received one dollar from Mrs. Bright for dues and donation. One new member, Mrs. M. A. Claghorn received a unanimous vote. Postal cards were purchased by the members present to aid the Scandinavian Sailors and Immigrants Home in East Boston. Voted to send Postals asking for donation for our mid-winter sale. Very dainty refreshments were served by the Hostess which all enjoyed and after a pleasant afternoon the meeting adjourned to meet with Mrs. Gilbert Smith November 12th.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 3, 1906

The Alliance met at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 7 members present. After the reading of "Our Faith" and the quotations given the Sec. and Treas. Report was read and accepted. One new member, Mrs. Holcomber received a unanimous vote. Letters read by the President in regard to so Souvenir Letters for raising funds for church. Price per thousand \$38. Voted the Pres. and Sec. meet and make necessary arrangements before accepting the offer. Also the Sec ask for information in regard to a less number at the same rate. No other business coming before the meeting the Sec. laid aside the report and the ladies took up the work for the afternoon of our hospitable hostess her guests could say. She did tempt me for the candy served was enjoyed by all present. Adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 12th, 1906

On this date occurred our mid winter sale (by the Alliance) from which was raised \$82.68. Mary L. Norton, Sec. Alliance financial notes for 1906:

Balance, \$294.32.

Income: Dues, articles sold, Suppers, Cake Sales, small gifts, Fair and Lawn Party (\$266.58), and Christmas Sale (\$82.68).

Expenses: organ boy for pumping, Crowell Coal Co., materials to sew items for sale, Genevieve for singing, Minister's board, Annie Gonyon for singing, dues to the National Society (\$4.34), Mrs. Flanders singing, and organist, the Society (\$50), \$5 Christmas gift to Mr. Johnson, Minister.

Vineyard Haven December 27th 1906

Meeting (of the Society) called to order with President Gilbert L. Smith in the chair. The notice for the meeting was read by the clerk, the meeting being called for the purpose of supplying the pulpit for another year. A letter was read from Mr. Johnson saying that he would come for another year as he had been coming, he would send supplies for 3 mo. or longer but could not come to reside here. A motion was carried to the effect that we get the sense of the meeting whether we have a settled minister or not. It was the sense of the meeting that we try to obtain a minister who would reside here during the year. Voted that the salary to be paid the minister shall not be over \$800. Voted to adjourn until Monday evening Dec. 31st at 7 PM at Association Hall dining room.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

January 7, 1907

The Alliance met at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 9 members present. After the reading of "Our Faith" and the quotations had been given the Sec. and Treas. Reports were read and accepted. The Treas. reported for the mid winter sale \$82.68 also in the Treasury Jan. 1st, 1907 \$441.05. Sec. read a note of thanks from Mrs. Johnson acknowledged giving a Christmas gift from the Alliance. Through the Sec. Mr. Johnson, our Pastor, expressed his pleasure for the kind remembrance to him. The Treas. having paid the bill for the Pastor's board, reported that Mrs. Samuel Look, our kind friend again made us a present, at this time of \$2. Voted a note of thanks be sent to Mrs. Look. The Alliance was much surprised to learn by letter that the Douglas Pub. Co. had expressed the thousand letters ordered without having submitted the proofs for approval as agreed. A committee appointed to examine

them. Voted the secretary look over the books and if any letter of sympathy had been sent a member on the death of a relative, the Sec. send a letter to Mrs. Elisha Luce. Not record was found by the Sec. Mrs. Chapman and Mrs. Swift to have a supper this month. The following officers were chosen for the New Year. Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Pres.; Mrs. John Howland, Vice President; Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.; Mrs. Henry W. Coye, Treas. Directresses appointed by the Pres: Mrs. Henry Swift, Mrs. Macomber. Delicious refreshments were served. After a pleasant afternoon the meeting was adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Jan 21st, 1907

The sewing meeting of the Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye, 7 members present with Mr. Somers as guest. As there was business of importance to come before the meeting which was necessary to be acted upon before the next regular meeting in the absence of the Pres. And Vice President, the Sec. called the meeting to order and a Pres. Pro tem was chosen, Mrs. Coye. Mrs. Coye asked the Sec to read a letter and the Souvenir Letters were offered for inspection and as a result it was voted the Sec. write the Pub. Co the Alliance would accept the letters if could be bought for 32 per thousand instead of \$38 as the Alliance members agree with the previous committee that the pictures were not distinct. Voted a letter be send Mrs. Howland telling of our church and Alliance work. No other business coming before the meeting the remainder of the afternoon was spent in sewing and general conversation.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

February 4th, 1907

The Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Coye, 10 members present, with Mrs. Edgar Luce as Guest. Pres. called the meeting to order and "Our Faith" was read and quotations given. Sec and Treas. report - read and accepted and the following business was transacted: Letter read from Douglas Pub. Co. accepting our offer of \$32 per thousand for the Souvenir Letters. Voted to accept them. Voted the Sec send letter asking if the company would accept the following proposition for payment of the letters, \$10 in Feb., in March and the balance in April. Pres. appointed Mrs. Albert Look to have entire charge of the letters. Letter was read from W. Channing Brown asking assistance in raising \$150,000 for the Unitarian Association. Voted to send one dollar. Left in care of the Treas, to send one dollar. Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Bodfish to have a supper. Voted the Alliance pay \$50 to Capt Smith if he asked for it. Letters read from Miss Williams asking for report of the work of the year which shall include her visit to the island last summer. Report to be sent by March 1st. Some conversation was held in regard to increasing pay for singing. Pres. Appointed Mrs. Coye to ascertain if Gertrude Foster would sing for one dollar each Sunday. No other business coming before the meeting it was adjourned and the remainder of the afternoon spent in sewing socially and Mrs. Cromwell read an amusing story called, "Pigs is pigs" which all enjoyed.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb 18th, 1907

The sewing meeting of the Women's Alliance was held with Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish, 9 members present with Mrs. Porter as guest. No business came before the meeting. Mrs. Look brought with her some of the Souvenir Letters and some of the Ladies purchased a few for future use. Mrs. Cromwell read a short story, "The Strikers at Putney" really showing what a loss to the church there might be without the Ladies work. Everyone enjoyed the candy served by Mrs. Bodfish. Work was finished and the afternoon was a social one.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 4th, 1907

The regular monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. Pres. called the meeting to order and "Our Faith" was read and Quotations given. Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted. Pres reported \$21.50 for the supper. Sec. read a letter from the Prov. Alliance inviting our Branch to a Neighborhood meeting March 7th. Sec. instructed to send a letter of regrets. Pres. Read the program of the meeting.

No other business coming before the meeting, it was adjourned.

Mary L. Norton. Sec.

March 20th, 1907

The Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Howland, 10 members present. A supper was decided upon to be given by Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with assistants Friday March 20th. The condition of the organ was brought before the meeting, But while the matter was discussed, no action was taken. The Alliance received an invitation from the Dighton Branch to attend a Neighborhood Meeting. Sec. instructed to send a letter of regrets. A pleasant afternoon was passed and much sewing accomplished especially in the line of buttonholes. All enjoyed the candy served by the hostess. No other business coming before the meeting it was adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Vineyard Haven March 25, 1907

Meeting (of the Society) called to order by President Gilbert L. Smith in the chair. It as the unanimous vote of all present that we extend a call to Rev. Mr. Quimby of Malden to become our pastor for one year. Voted to adjourn subject to the call of the President.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

April 1st, 1907

The regular monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 7 members present. "Our Faith" was read and quotations given. Sec. and Treas. Reports read and accepted. The following business came before the meeting: Voted that should there be need of money to pay Capt. Smith for the Society, the Pres. and Treas. be empowered to dray money from our treasury to pay him. It was suggested that the "organ matter" be brought before the Annual Meeting. Also about cutting down tree or trees in the back of the church yard. Sec. reported need of new book for the reports and was instructed to buy one from the money given the Sec. for expenses. Mrs. Cromwell reported \$13.70 from supper given. No other business coming before the meeting, It was voted to adjourn after accepting Mrs. Smith's invitation to meet with her in two weeks. Mrs. Smiths candy was delicious and tempting to all present.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Vineyard Haven April 1st, 1907

The Annual Meeting(of the Society) was held at the residence of Capt. Gilbert L. Smith, eleven members present. The President, Capt. Smith called the meeting to order. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted also the clerk's report and it was voted to put them on record. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Abbie B. C. Howland; Treasurer, Capt. G. L. Smith; Collector, Capt. John Reynolds; Parish Committee, Capt. G. L. Smith, Mrs. H. W. Coye, Mrs. Rebecca Getchell, Mr. Elisha Luce, Mr. Henry C. Swift; Music Committee, Mrs. H. W. Coye, Mrs. Mary Norton, Mrs. Fannie Look, Mrs. Abbie Howland; Missionary Committee, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Ethalinda Lewis, Miss Thankful Smith; Social Committee, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Clara Luce, Mrs. Lottie Reynolds, Mrs. J. B. Bodfish, Mrs. Swift, Mrs. Chapman, Mrs. Look, Mrs. Eliza Daggett, Mrs. Claghorn, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Lord.

On motion it was voted to send \$5 to the Am. Unitarian Association. Mr. John P. Norton was elected to membership. It was voted to sent to the factory and have a man come down and put the organ in thorough repair, voted that the matter be left to the music committee. Voted that the matter of cutting down trees near the

Chapel be left to the discretion of the President, Capt. Smith. Voted to adjourn subject to the call of the President.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

V. H. Unitarian Society in account with Gilbert L. Smith, Treasurer

1906-07	To amt due treasurer close financial year April 2nd, 1906	9.91	
	To amt due expenditures during year	719.65	
		-----	729.56
	Credit By amount received from all sources during the year ending		
	April 1st 1907		753.22

	Balance in treasurer's hands		23.66
	Gilbert L. Smith Treas. April 1st 1907		

To the President and members of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society (from the Alliance)

Another year has rolled by since our last Annual Meeting. A year of prosperity and success I am sure for our little Society, the prosperity and success of which lies so near our hearts. We have indeed been helped and strengthened by the earnest sermons of our pastor and we feel that we were indeed fortunate to secure so able a man. We are about to take a new departure, to have a resident minister, one who will settle among us, and all hope that it will prove of benefit to the society. We have sent the usual contributions to the Am Unitarian Association, the Channing Conference, the Unitarian S. S. Society, The Society for the Children of the Destitute, and have sent money from time to time in response to the many appeals which come to the Society and the Alliance. As a society we feel that we owe much to the earnest, helpful work of the Woman's Alliance to these brave women whose work financially is such a help. Eight members were enrolled the past year, and though our work may seem small, we are sure it is on the right side. As has been said, 'The pioneers are always in the minority. If we care for truth, we shall not wait until it becomes popular.' Several members have gone from us this year, may their vacant places be incentive to us who remain for better, nobler service. Therefore we stand at the close of the year, with our courage still unabated, though we have had adverse winds, we will be like the kite -for true courage is like a kite - a contrary wind only raises it higher.

Let us then, we, who represent the only Liberal movement on the island, each and every member be true to this our Grand Heritage. A grand heritage it is this gospel we preach. "A Gospel of God's eternal, boundless love, the good news that every human being is God's child; that here on earth, co-operating with God and discovering his laws, we may begin the creation of His kingdom; that we may broaden and enlarge it until it encloses the world and that it reaches out into the limitless ages of the future." This is the gospel that Christ preached; this is the gospel we preach today.

Respectfully submitted, Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

April 15, 1907

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 9 members present. Voted to send flowers to Mr. Johnson, our Pastor, who is seriously ill. The Sec. to send a letter of sympathy to accompany the gift. The Pres. To have charge of the matter and collect from Alliance members the sum of 10 cents to pay for expenses. Voted to send a Souvenir Letter of sympathy to Mrs. Day, one of our Alliance members who has been sick and unable to be with us. It was suggested a letter of sympathy be sent Miss Gertrude Foster on the death of her sister.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 29th, 1907

The meeting (of the Society) was called to order by the President. It was a unanimous vote that we have Mr. Quimby for our minister if he would come for \$800, he to have one month's vacation during the year. Voted to

adjourn subject to the call of the President.

Abbie B. C. Howland, Clerk

May 6th, 1907

The regular monthly meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. John E. Howland, 7 members present. Meeting called to order by the Vice Pres. Mrs. Howland. "Our Faith" was read and Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted with one correction to be made by the Sec. Treas. reported a gift of \$2 from Mrs. Samuel Look. Voted a letter of thanks be sent to Capt. Randall and Mrs. Look. Sec. read a letter from Woman's Suffrage Association in regard to sending a Speaker here. Voted the Sec. send a letter saying owing to the small membership, the Alliance would not take advantage of the offer. Letter read from Mrs. Crocker asking for \$2 per Sunday. Voted to pay Mrs. Crocker \$2 per Sunday from 1st of June until Sept. 1st. Mrs. Coye to attend to the matter. Voted to have a supper Wed. May 15th at Association Hall if the dining room could be secured. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 28th, 1907

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. John Norton, 6 members present with Mrs. Charles Morgan Luce as guest. No business came before the meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 3rd, 1907

The regular meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. J. W. Savage. The afternoon was stormy but 11 brave members were present. The Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read and quotations given. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The Treas. Report of the money earned and paid out by the Ladies for the year was especially interesting. The following business was transacted: Voted the Sec. send a long letter to Mrs. Howland telling what work the Alliance had been doing since she had been away. It was suggested the Ladies make cake for sale at the Hall after the dancing if Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Bodfish could make arrangements with the (?) men's committee. Many attempts were made to have a supper but no vote was taken at the meeting. After the business was finished the remainder of the afternoon was spent in sewing and general conversation. Dainty refreshments were served by the hostess and were much enjoyed. After a pleasant afternoon the meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 15th, 1907

An adjourned meeting of the Society was held in Association Hall dining room for the purpose of choosing a committee to solicit for the minister's salary. The following committee were appointed: Mrs. Benj. C. Cromwell, Mrs. Charles Look, Mrs. Ethalinda Lewis, Mrs. John E. Howland. Meeting adjourned subject to the call of the President, Capt. G. L. Smith.

Carla E. Coye, clerk pro tem

June 17, 1907

The Alliance met at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 12 members present with Mrs. Treadwell and Mrs. Stelley as guests. It was suggested that the church be swept and dusted and volunteers to meet on Wednesday was accepted by the Pres. No action was taken, but I met with favor when suggested that appeals be sent out for our Summer Fair. Collection 50 cents which was taken to the Treas. Mrs. Cromwell's fine ice cream and cake were enjoyed by all members present. The meeting was adjourned after much work was completed and a pleasant afternoon had passed.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 1, 1907

The regular meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Chapman, 8 members present. The first business

of the meeting that came before the members was balloting on our new members which resulted in a unanimous vote for Mrs. Stelley and Mrs. Treadwell and they were declared members. Sec. promised to read her report at the next meeting. Treas. report read and accepted. Letter read from Mrs. Clifford telling of her election as Director (of the National Alliance) in place of Miss Williams, also would like to meet the Alliance Members. Voted the Sec. answer the letter inviting her to made a date suitable for her convenience. Voted the Sec send out appeals for our Fair. Mrs. Henry Swift invited the ladies to meet with her on Monday July 8th (?) company should present the Pres. Be notified in time. Mrs. Chapman's delicious candy was much enjoyed, and after a pleasant afternoon meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 8th, 1907

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Swift with 16 members present including our new member Mrs. Stelley and Mrs. Dottridge, Mrs. Savage, Mr. and Miss Quimby as guests. Mrs. Cromwell appointed the committees for the Fair which was decided to be held on Aug. 10th. There was no other business before the meeting. Mrs. Swift served delicious ice cream and fancy cakes, the afternoon being hot, the ice cream was refreshing. Work finished was brought in and the members were busy with new work and the afternoon was enjoyed by all.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 15th, 1907

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye, 7 members present with Mr. Quimby our Pastor as guest. No business came before the meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 5th, 1907

The Alliance met with Mrs. Hollister, Pres absent. Mrs. Coye appointed Mrs. Henry Daggett Sec. Guests Mrs. Kelley 93 years old, Mrs. St. John, Mrs. Abbie Smith. Sec and Treas report read and accepted. Letters read from Mrs. Clifford and Nantucket. Fine candy was served by the hostess also fancy crackers and tea and coffee.

Mrs. Henry Daggett, Sec. pro tem

August 12th, 1907

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Ben C. Cromwell, 10 members present with Mrs. Quimby, Miss Quimby and Miss Nickerson as guests.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Aug 15th, 1907 Thursday

Our Annual Fair (Alliance) was held on this date at Masonic Hall. Afternoon and evening. All the members were glad to know that \$211.75 was added to the Treasury.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

September 9th, 1907

The Alliance meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith. Voted Sec. send Souvenir letters to Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Swift expressing gladness of good reports of them while in the hospital. Miss Eddy received unanimous vote for membership and was declared a member, the Sec. to notify her. Voted Mrs. Coye make fall arrangements with Mrs. Crocker for playing the organ. The money box was opened and \$6.90 reported in it. Moved our Sec. ask each member to contribute an article for the Christmas Fair. 7 Members were present with Mr. Mrs. Quimby. Pres called the meeting to order. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. A postal was read from Warwick asking for contribution. No action taken. Mrs. Smith's tea much enjoyed.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 9th, 1907

The Woman's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 16 members present. Guests Mr. and Mrs. Quimby, Mrs. Hoving and Miss Brock as guests. Meeting called to order by the Pres. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted with one correction to be made by the Sec. Sec read a letter from the N.E. Association Alliance to be held in Manchester which was also requested to be read from the pulpit. No action taken. Letter read from Mrs. Crocker in regard to having more pay for organ playing this winter. Mrs. Coye was appointed to consult with Mrs. Crocker telling her the Society did not feel able to pay more than one dollar per Sunday. Letters were signed by the members and guests present telling of hearty welcome home to be sent to Mrs. Lewis and Mrs. Swift on their arrival home. Voted the Alliance send one dozen dahlias to Mrs. Howland. A supper was planned to be given by Mrs. Coye with assistants.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 14th, 1907

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look with seven members present. Mr. Mrs. and Miss Quimby, Mrs. Albert Vincent and Miss Brock as guests. Plans were made for the reception. Plans were made for supper.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Oct. 21st, 1907

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) met with Mrs. Abner Foster, 10 members present with Mr. and Mrs. Quimby and Mrs. Savage as guests. A letter was read from John L. Robinson pastor of the Unitarian Church in Virginia asking for assistance. Voted to be indefinitely postponed. Mrs. Cromwell read interesting pages from Joseph Lincoln's "Old Home House" while busy fingers completed much work.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 28th, 1907

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) met with Mrs. Charles Look. The afternoon being stormy 7 members were present with Miss Jennie Look and Louise Pinkham as guests. It was suggested a supper be talked up for November. Mrs. Charles Look was appointed to get Mrs. Flanders lowest price for the dancing social. Voted the Sec. send a letter to Mrs. Tufts welcoming her home from the hospital to be sent to her home here.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Oct. 17th, 1907 (Alliance)

Reception held in the chapel for the pastor and family.

November 4th, 1907

The regular meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 17 members, Mrs. Day who has been ill so many weeks and Mrs. Coleman as guests. Pres. Called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. The Sec. and Treas. Reports were read and accepted. The following business was transacted: Mrs. Charles Look reported having seen Mrs. Flanders in regard to music for the dancing and Mrs. Flanders would think the matter over. Mrs. Coye reported Mrs. Crocker would play the organ for the same rate for a while. Mrs. Cromwell appointed Mrs. Elisha Luce to interview Mrs. Manchester in regard to the dressing for the ivy at the church. A supper was planned for by Mrs. Albert Look and Mrs. Walker with assistants for Friday night. Voted the Alliance buy quarter of ton of coal have it sent to Association Hall for its use during the winter. Mrs. Cromwell read selections from Joseph Lincoln's book. Everyone enjoyed Mrs. Daggett's delicious refreshments but the early darkness of the afternoon hastened the sewers home each one having passed a pleasant afternoon.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 11th, 1907

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 11 members present and Mrs. Coleman, Louise Pinkham present, also Mr. Quimby as guest. Sec. read a letter from Woman's Suffrage asking if the Alliance would take 25 cards to increase the enclosed number. Voted the Alliance send for the 25 cards. Sec. read a postal card asking for contributions to Fair. Left with the Sec. and Pres. Mrs. Charles Look report for the music was heard and the ladies voted not to engage Mrs. Flanders at the price asked for at the next social as not believing the Alliance able to pay the amount. Mrs. Albert Look reported Miss Bertha Look would play the piano for the next dancing. We all enjoyed Mrs. Smiths apples and a social afternoon.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 25th, 1907

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 8 members present and Mrs. Coleman as guest.

The following business was acted upon: Voted to send for flowers for Mrs. Howland. Voted to pay \$8 get a harp if possible if not a pillow of flowers. Mrs. Coye to have care of the same when received. The members present giving or promising contributions for the flowers. Mrs. Coye to receive the money and the Sec. collect from absent ones. No other business came before the meeting, it was adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 2nd, 1907

The regular meeting of the Woman's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Coye with 9 members present. Pres. Called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted. The Sec. read a letter written to Mrs. Coye from Mrs. Day expressing sorrow for Mrs. Howland's death. Mrs. Day also sent a pair of slippers, her work, for the Fair. It was reported that Mr. Manchester would take the dressing for the church lawn if someone would spread it. Mrs. Elisha Luce would ascertain if her husband would do the work. Sec. read a postal from N. E. Alliance inviting members to attend. No action taken. Voted the Alliance sell cake and ice cream at the Christmas Ball. Mrs. Elisha Luce invited the Alliance to meet with her for the next meeting. Mrs. Cromwell also appointed the committee for the Christmas Fair. Everyone enjoyed Mrs. Coye's candy. Voted to adjourn.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 9th, 1907

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Elisha Luce 7 members present with Mrs. Coleman as guest. The only business at the meeting was the change in the time of the Fair from the 19th to the 18th. Sec to notify Mrs. St. John and ask her to send notice to the paper. The President invited the members to meet with her at the next meeting. Voted to adjourn.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 16th, 1907

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. Cromwell, 8 members present. Mrs. Coye reported the work on the church lawn was very satisfactory and the Alliance voted thanks should be extended to Mr. Manchester and Mr. Luce. There was no action taken in regard to writing a letter to Mr. Howland after Mrs. Howland's death at the meeting with Mrs. Coye but Mrs. Coye, Treas. And the sec. sent a letter from the Alliance and read a copy before this meeting for the benefit of the members present. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

1907

Annual financial record for the Alliance

Income: Cash on hand (\$441.05), Articles sold, dues, suppers, sale of articles, donations (\$25 from Capt Wm. Randall) sale of Souvenir letters, collection by Mrs. White (\$15), Summer Sale (\$211.75), penny collections, Christmas Sale (\$57.26), Totaling \$502.32

Expenses: Singer, organist, organ boy, materials to make articles for sale, coal, flowers, minister's board,

donations to Capt. Smith for the Society, dues to National Alliance, Southern Circuit, Unitarian Assoc.,
repairing organ, Totaling \$275.29

Jan. 6th, 1908

The Annual Meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Josiah Bodfish with 13 members present and Mr. Quimby, our Pastor, and daughter, Mrs. Wentworth, Mrs. Bodfish's mother, Mrs. Young, Mrs. Sarah Weeks as guests. The Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. Reports read and accepted. Mrs. Coye the Treas. Adding to her report a quotation thus keeping the Alliance in regular order for the monthly meeting when quotations should be given. The following business was transacted: Sec. read a letter from Mr. Clough with Mrs. Howland, thanking the Alliance and the Unitarian Society for the flowers sent for Mrs. Howland, her dear sister. Sec. read a letter of Christmas greeting to each member of the Branch from Mrs. Clifford the new director of the Mass. Alliances Branches also expressing sorrow for our Alliance in the death of Mrs. Howland. Sec. read a postal from Brockton Branch inviting the members to a Neighborhood meeting. Voted the Sec. send thanks and regrets for not being able to attend. No action was taken in regard to N. E. Assoc. postal. Sec. read a tribute to Mrs. Howland from Mr. Quimby our Pastor in the Christian Register. Voted that the Sec. send a letter to Mrs. Clifford thanking her for her kind letter and write the members were sorry she could not have visited us. The following officers were elected for the New Year: Pres, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell; Vice Pres., Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish; Sec., Mrs. John O. Norton; Treas., Mrs. Henry Coye. Delegate to May meeting, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. One new member was elected. One ex member renewed her membership in the Alliance. It was voted the Pres. and Vice Pres. meet and choose the committee for the Summer Fair and bring the named in at the next meeting, that the Comm. may have entire charge of the work thus assisting the Pres. for the future. After delicious ice cream and cake served by the hostess, and a social time, the meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

February 3rd, 1908

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 6 members present with Mrs. Wentworth and Mr. Quimby as guests. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read and quotations given. The Pres. read the Sec.'s report which was accepted. Treas. Report read and accepted. Sec. read a postal, written to Mrs. Coye, asking for contributions to a Fair. Voted the Sec send some article. Sec. read an invitation from the N. E. Branch to a neighborhood meeting. Voted the Sec. send a letter of thanks, also wish if any of the members should be in New Bedford at that date would be pleased to accept the invitation. Sec. asked for information in regard to keeping longer the Women's Suffrage cards. Voted the cards be returned and offering the explanation that others had been in the field recently. Mrs. Cromwell read a letter from Concord in regard to appeals. Voted to be laid on the table. Mrs. Cromwell read some of committee for Summer Fair. It was suggested that a basket of pound packages be sent to Mrs. John Luce a member who had sickness in her family. The packages to be left at Mrs. Coye's not later than 11 o'clock Friday morning. Voted Mrs. Coye have care of the matter. Some of the ladies volunteered to solicit. Voted to have a supper, Mrs. E. T. Lewis to have charge of it. After the business, our hospitable hostess served delicious coffee and Charlotte Russe. Later in the afternoon Mr. Quimby brought up for consideration the entertaining of the Channing Conference this year with the Vineyard Haven Society. It was thought best to carry the matter to the next meeting. After a social and busy afternoon, the meeting was adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 10th, 1908

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Coye with 11 members present, Mr. Quimby and Mrs. Wentworth as guests. Arrangements were made for a supper.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 17th, 1908 The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Chas. Look 8 members present with Mrs. Foster, Miss Jennie Look, Mr. Quimby and Mrs. Wentworth as guests.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 2nd, 1908

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. U. A. Claghorn. The President called the meeting to order, 9 members present with Mr. Quimby and Mrs. Ellen Norton as guests. "Our Faith" was read by the members. Mrs. Wentworth was unanimously elected as a member of the Alliance. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Sec read a report from Mrs. (?) thanking for gift for fair. Pres. read a letter from W. Channing Brown. Mrs. Coye suggested the matter be left until Mr. Quimby, our Pastor, came to the meeting as he might give the members some information. Mrs. Coye read an interesting article about Mrs. Blackwell who was a Congregationalist Minister, afterwards became a Unitarian Minister. She was to preach once a month in a church that was soon to be finished. Mrs. Blackwell was 84 years of age. Mrs. John Luce thanked the ladies of the Alliance for their kindness to her in her sorrow. Mrs. Cromwell entertained the members with a sketch of the pleasant reading of Nantucket. Mr. Quimby came in later in the afternoon and after reading the letter of W. Channing Brown suggested the Alliance contribute the same amount as last year. The matter be looked into by the Alliance. No further business coming before the meeting, it was adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 9th, 1908

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. E. L. Lewis with 10 members present with Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Ralph Look and baby as guests. The following business was acted upon: It was voted not to engage Mrs. Moulton, the impersonator, for the benefit of the Alliance. Mrs. Albert Vincent and Mrs. Fisher were unanimously elected as members of the Alliance. Mrs. Lewis delicious tangerine oranges and candy were much enjoyed by the ladies.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 16th, 1908

The Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 12 members present. Miss Thankful Smith and Mr. Quimby as guests. The only business before the meeting was preparation for the supper. Mrs. Coye to ascertain if Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Tufts would assist Mrs. P. Norton. Miss Thankful Smith entertained the members by reading amusing thoughts from Mr. Foley on Christian Service and Medicine. Mrs. Smith's apples were much enjoyed. The next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 23rd, 1908

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Josiah Bodfish, 9 members present. Voted to send Mrs. Day pinks from the Alliance. Mrs. Coy to attend to the matter. Mrs. Bodfish served afternoon mints and fudge which all members enjoyed. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 5th, 1908

Monthly meeting of the alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 11 members present, Mrs. Porter and Mr. Quimby as guests. "Our Faith" was read and quotations given. Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted. Mrs. Coye reported that Capt. Smith would like to have \$200. Mrs. Coye reported she had received a telephone message from Mrs. Day's daughter saying her mother was pleased with the pinks and knew who sent them. Mrs. Cromwell asked if any of the ladies would serve the ice cream and cake for the dance. Mrs. Bodfish and Mrs. Charles Look to serve the ice cream and cake. The cakes should be carried to the Hall Monday at 3 PM. It was voted Mrs. Robinson write for terms and ascertain if Mrs. George Channing Darling could come in May for entertainment. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 13, 1908

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held Apr. 13, 1908 in Association Hall dining room. at 7 PM. The meeting was called to order by President and Mrs. Henry W. Coye appointed clerk.

Moved that officers of parish committee be appointed on one ballot. Mrs. Coye was appointed teller. The Treasurer's report, read and accepted, was as follows:

Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society in accord with Gilbert L. Smith

Dr.

To amt paid Rev. I. P. Quimby for Preaching	\$733.69
To amt paid Rev. A. E. Mullett for Preaching	14.00
TO amt paid Rev. Anson Titus for Preaching	28.00
To amt paid Janitor	13.00
To amt paid American Unitarian Association	13.90
To amt paid Channing Conference	7.50
To amt paid Wire netting	.39
To amt paid Insurance on Organ	17.60

\$828.08

Credit

By amt in Treasury, beginning year	\$ 23.66
By amt recd, Sunday collections	227.96
By amt recd Woman's Alliance	408.00
By amt recd Other Contributions	253.65

\$913.27

Balance in Treasurer's hands \$88.19

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith

Clerk, Thankful B. Smith

Treasurer, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith

Collector, Capt. John Reynolds

Parish Committee, Capt. G. L. Smith, Mrs. H. W. Coye, Mrs. Rebecca Getchell, Mr. Elisha Luce, Mr. Henry C. Swift.

Music Committee, Mrs. H. W. Coye, Mrs. J. I. Norton, Mrs. Fannie Look, Mrs. G. P. Bodfish.

Missionary Committee, Mrs. R. D. Getchell, Mrs. Mary Smith, Mrs. Ethalinda Lewis, Miss Thankful B. Smith

Social Committee, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Clara Luce, Mrs. Lottie Reynolds, Mr. J. P. Bodfish, Mrs. Swift, Mrs. Look, Mrs. Eliza Daggett, Mrs. Claghorn, Mrs. Lewis, Mrs. Lord.

Voted to adjourn subject to call of President.

Mrs. H. W. Coye, Clerk pro tem

April 20th, 1908

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) met with Mrs. Isaac Norton, 6 members present. No business came before the meeting.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 4th, 1908

Mrs. Abner Foster entertained the monthly meeting of the Alliance at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 6 members present. The Pres. And Vice Pres. being absent, the Sec. called the meeting to order and Mrs. Coye was chosen Pres. pro tem. "Our Faith" was read, quotations given. Sec. and Treas. Reports were read and accepted. Sec. read a letter from the Sec. of Consumer's League in regard to having a speaker on the subject of child labor. Voted the Sec. answer the letter saying the Alliance would do nothing about it this year. Sec. read a letter from the N.E. Association. Voted to lay on the table. Mrs. Coye read a letter about the Southern circuit work. Voted to continue the work. Mrs. Annie Fisher was unanimously elected a member of the Alliance. Mrs. Robinson brought the terms of the entertainment, \$25. Voted the matter be decided at the next meeting. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 18th, 1908

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye with seven members present and Mr. Quimby as guest. The only business coming before the meeting was the planning for the ice cream and cake to be served for the May Ball by the Alliance. A committee was appointed by the Pres. Sec. read a letter from the Consumer's League. No action was taken.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 25, 1908

An adjourned meeting of the Society was held in Association Hall dining room for the purpose of arranging for preaching during the ensuing year and to transact such other business as might come before the meeting. Called to order by the President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith. Secretary's report read and accepted. It was voted unanimously to employ Rev. I. P. Quimby on the same terms and conditions as last year; viz as minister of the Society from June 1, 1908 to June 1, 1909 with one month's vacation, salary \$800. It was voted that the Chair appoint a committee to solicit funds for the clergyman's salary. The following were appointed: Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish, Mrs. Addie E. Armsby. Voted that the President and Clerk confer for the purpose of suggesting at the next meeting a change in the manner of calling the meetings of the Society; that if so desired, the bylaws be changed in accordance therewith. Voted to adjourn subject to call of President.

T. B. Smith, Clerk

June 8th, 1908

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 8 members present with Mrs. Morgan Luce as guest. Meeting called to order by the Pres. "Our Faith" was read by the members present. Sec. report read and accepted. Voted the ladies pay one dollar for flowers purchased for decoration of Mrs. Howland's grave on Memorial Day. Voted the Alliance pay Mrs. Crocker, as organist, during June July and August \$2 each Sunday. Voted to lay on the table the matter relating to the engagement of Mrs. Moulton as impersonator for the benefit of the Alliance No other business coming forth, the meeting was adjourned. Our hospitable hostess served ice cream and cake which all enjoyed.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 14, 1908

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Armsby with 13 members present, Mrs. Morgan Luce and Mr. Quimby as guests. The entire afternoon was devoted to the dressing of dolls. Fortunately no business came before the meeting as it would have been difficult to have held the attention long from the special work so interesting were these designs of dolls clothes. At times the unfolding of the design seemed to astonish the sorters if the Sec. could judge by exclamations and happy laughter. Two prizes were given by Mrs. Armsby. Mrs. Cromwell having dressed twelve dolls, won first prize, a china basket filled with lovely great strawberries. Mrs. Robinson having dressed ten, got the second, a unique hat filled with candy. Everybody seemed happy and willing to be tempted with Mrs. Armsby's nice cake and ice cream. All present carried away memories of an afternoon pleasant enough to live over again.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 15, 1908

An adjourned meeting (of the Society) was held in the dining room of Association Hall for the purpose of arranging for the Channing Conference to be held with this Society June 23 and 24. The meeting was called to order by the President. It was voted that a committee of three be appointed by the Chair to ascertain how many can be entertained. The following were appointed: Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Ethalinda Lewis. Voted to adjourn to meet Thursday evening of the same week for a further consideration of the subject.

T. B. Smith, Clerk

At the adjourned meeting held June 18, 1908, in the dining room of Association Hall, the committee appointed to

ascertain what arrangements could be made for the entertainment of visitors of the Channing Conference to be held here June 23 and 24 reported that 21 could be entertained and that \$6 could be collected.

Voted that a collation be served in the dining room of Association Hall and that arrangements for the same be left to the President of the Alliance, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, and the Vice-President, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish.

Voted to adjourn subject to the call of the President.

T. B. Smith, Clerk

July 6th, 1908

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held with Mrs. Abner Foster, 6 members present. Meeting called to order by the Vice Pres., Mrs. Bodfish. "Our Faith" was read and quotations given. Sec. and Treas. Reports read and accepted. Voted that the Sec. write a letter to Mrs. Samuel Look from the Alliance thanking her for the gift of a ham for the Conference Supper. No other business coming before the meeting, it was adjourned. Mrs. Foster's lemonade was very refreshing, the afternoon being intensely hot.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 20th, 1908

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. J. P. Bodfish, seven members present with Mr. Mrs. Quimby as guests. No business came before this meeting but much sewing was accomplished. During the afternoon our hostess served ice cream and cake and crackers which each one enjoyed and wished our absent members could have had some too.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 3rd, 1908

The monthly meeting of the Woman's Alliance was held at the pretty home of Mrs. Stelley, Oak Knoll, West Chop with 13 members and a large number of guests present. The ladies and guests were entertained on the broad piazza overlooking the harbor which had been transformed into one large roomy home with attractive arrangements which showed the deft hand of the ladies in every way. The day was ideal and the beautiful view made the guests exclaim many times - this view is perfect - and perhaps its influence was inspiring for the work accomplished was perfectly done and all hearts for the time at least seemed perfect judging by bright faces and honest laughter. The Pres. Called the meeting to order. Sec. and Treas. Reports were read and acted. Quotations were given, the Faith Cards being absent from the Sec's bag, the part of the regular work was omitted. This query came to the Sec.'s thoughts - should we as members, be dependent upon our cards, but rather from memory be ready at all times to repeat "What Hands Do For Us All". The business coming before the meeting was: Mrs. Cromwell reading again the names of the Committees for the Fair. It was voted the ladies meet on Monday in the Masonic hall at 3 PM to arrange the tables.

After the business delicious refreshments were served by Mrs. Stelley the hostess assisted by Miss Eddy friend and Mr. Stelley which were enjoyed by all. Miss Eddy delighted us with her music and reluctantly, one and all late in the afternoon laid aside the work and said goodbye to the hospitable friends to take the ride homewards. It was another red letter day for the Alliance. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 12th, 1908

The Annual Fair (of the Alliance) was held at Masonic Hall and \$238.40 was added to the treasury.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

September, 1908 (no day given)

The September meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 7 members present and Mrs. F. O. Luce as guest. Meeting was called to order by the Pres. "Our Faith" was read and the Sec. report read and accepted. Sec. read a report from Mrs. Maria T. Swain Sec. of Nantucket Alliance asking a member of the Vineyard Haven Alliance. Allots were distributed and Mrs. Swain was unanimously elected a member of the Alliance. It was voted the Sec. send a letter to Mrs. George Chapman of Provincetown thanking her for gifts for the Alliance Fair and tell her the work the Alliance had done. Late in the afternoon the hostess served delicious cake and ice cream

and also invited the ladies to look among handsome old fashioned dishes and quaint articles. Everyone enjoyed the afternoon and seemed interested in the sewing work. The meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 5th, 1908

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 10 members present. The Pres. being absent in the early part of the meeting, it was called to order by the Sec. and Mrs. Coye was voted Pres pro tem. "Our Faith" was read and quotations given. Sec. and Treas. Reports read and accepted. Sec. read a letter from N. E. Association Alliance. Mrs. Cromwell arriving took charge of the meeting and reported having received a letter saying if any member should like to come and could not afford the expense, it would be furnished by applying at the Boston headquarters so desirous were the Newport Alliance to have the Vineyard Haven Alliance represented. Voted the secretary send in a bill for expenses for Alliance work. Voted a letter of sympathy be sent Mrs. George Chapman. It was suggested Mrs. Lewis, with assistants hold a cake sale Friday if Walter Norton's store could be rented. Mrs. Smith served pears, peaches, grapes and delicious home made candy. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 19th, 1908

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Edward Lord, with 8 members present. A Cake Sale to be held on Friday at Walter Norton's store. The ladies to bring cake at 2 o'clock. Mrs. Cromwell could not get the rooms for the cake sale as suggested at the last meeting so the members of the Alliance were to be asked to make cake for this week's sale unless notified to the contrary by the Pres. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

November 2nd, 1908

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Coye, 7 members present and Mrs. Quimby as guest. The Pres. and Vice Pres. being absent the Sec. called the meeting to order and Mrs. Coye was chosen Pres. pro tem. "Our Faith" was read. The Sec. report read and accepted. Mrs. Chas. Look had received a paper containing the account of Miss Pauline Quimby's marriage. It was read for the benefit of the members present by Mrs. Henry Daggett. No business came before the meeting. Everyone enjoyed Mrs. Coye's delicious popcorn.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 9th, 1908

Sewing meeting met at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 8 members present, Mr. Quimby, Miss Jennie Look, Mrs. Getchell as guests. It was voted the Alliance hold a Christmas Sale on December 10th at Masonic Hall. Mrs. Coye to interview the Master of the Lodge to ascertain if the Hall could be rented for that date. Mrs. Chas. Look invited the next meeting to be held at her home. Mrs. Bodfish read the list of Committee names for the Christmas Fair. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 16th, 1908

The sewing meeting of the Alliance met with Mrs. Chas. Look, 7 members present, with Mr. Quimby, Miss Jennie Look and Miss Clarice Look as guests. Mrs. Look served fine candy with everyone enjoyed. Mrs. Henry Daggett invited the Alliance to meet with her in two weeks. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 30th, 1908

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, with 12 members present and Miss Ellen Norton, Mrs. Coleman and Mr. Quimby as guests. A letter from Mrs. Clifford of New Bedford was read also a letter from Fairhaven Alliance inviting the members to a meeting on Dec. 10th to meet Mrs. Davis of New York who would talk on Alliance work. Voted to send a letter of thanks be sent to Fairhaven Alliance for the invitation and regrets. The meeting coming on the same date of the Fair which would prevent our members from accepting. \$12.87 reported from the sale of cake and ice cream served by the ladies at the Thanksgiving Ball with 50

cents to be collected. Mrs. Albert Look invited the Alliance to meet at her home at the next meeting Dec. 7th. Everyone enjoyed Mrs. Daggett's fine home made candy. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

December 7th, 1908

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look. Owing to the severe storm in the early part of the day only four members were present in the afternoon. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec and Treas. Reports read and accepted. Gift reported from Mrs. Walker of Boston, sent to Dr. Huff for our Fair. Voted a letter of thanks be sent. Mr. and Mrs. Walker. Sec. read a letter Mrs. Coye had received from Miss Williams enclosing one dollar for the Alliance. Mrs. Cromwell read a letter Mrs. Chas. Look had received from Mrs. Stelley enclosing one dollar for ice cream for the Fair. Sec. read a letter from Nat. Alliance. No action taken. Sec read a postal from Miss Williams in regard to new officers. Voted the Sec. write Miss Williams that the members being so far away and unacquainted have no choice. Sec. write a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Walker whose sister has recently died. The afternoon was spent in sewing after business was finished. Bravery is richly rewarded and I am sure the ladies who ventured out into the storm this afternoon felt amply repaid as late in the day, when seated at little tables with the soft light of the gas throwing its brightness onto delicate china and cut glass dishes which delighted the eye, and enjoying the refreshments served by the hostess, consisting of delicious hot chocolate, sandwiches, marguerites, olives and fancy cakes. The guests were few, but Mrs. Look must have felt her efforts were appreciated from the hearty manner in which the ladies partook of everything in sight. There was a sigh for the absent members at the gathering, but a pardonable rejoicing among the favored few, for the privilege of the afternoon when we said goodbye to our hostess, at the time, too wishing to ourselves a successful Fair. Meeting adjourned.

Alliance Financial records for 1908

Income: Balance on hand, \$453.07, dues, articles sold Souvenir letters, gifts, cake sales, suppers, Summer Sale (\$238.40), Christmas Sale (\$74.62) Totaling \$521.00.

Expenses: Singer, organist, organ boy, materials to make items for sale, donations to Capt. Smith for the Society, minister's board (with Mrs. Look at the Mansion House), flowers for sick members, dues to National Alliance, American Unitarian Society, Southern Circuit work.

Ending balance \$337.04

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 10th, 1908 The day our mid winter Fair was held and \$74.82 was added to our Treasury. Mary L. Norton, Sec.

January 4th, 1909

Monthly meeting of the Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith and 8 members were present, Mrs. Coleman, Mrs. Getchell, Miss Jennie Look as guests. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. reports were read and accepted. Sec. read an invitation from Cambridge Alliance. No action taken. Voted the Sec. send a vote of thanks to Mr. Manchester for his gift of dressing for the church lawn. Voted flowers be sent to Mr. Armsby who is sick and the President have the care of getting them to him. Mrs. Albert Look was appointed teller and the following officers were elected for the coming year: Pres. Mrs. Henry Coye; Vice Pres., Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish; Sec. Mrs. John O. Norton; Treas. Mrs. Albert Look. The Pres appointed Mrs. Bodfish care of suppers; to cut the work, Mrs. Henry Daggett, Mrs. Ellen Luce; aprons, Mrs. Albert Look, Mrs. Abner Foster; fancy work, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. No other business coming before the meeting it was adjourned. Everyone enjoyed Mrs. Smith's fine apples.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb 1st, 1909

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Josiah Bodfish, 8 members present with Mrs. Porter and Mr. Quimby as guests. The new Pres. Called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read and Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted. The first business of the year was Mrs. Coye's telling the ladies she could not be

the Pres. for the coming year. Her resignation was accepted. Mrs. Bodfish was appointed teller and counted the ballots for the new pres. Mrs. Albert Look received the votes for Pres. After some persuasion she accepted the office. Mrs. Look resigned as Treas., and into the familiar place after balloting, was elected the faithful Mrs. Coye. Voted: if Capt. Smith's consent could be obtained, to place a closet, with lock and key, in Association Hall dining room for holding the articles belonging to the Alliance. Mrs. Bodfish to attend to the business. Voted a Relief Committee be appointed and the Pres. appointed Mrs. Abner Look for the South and Mrs. Henry Daggett for the North end of the town. Voted Mrs. Foster carry something to Mrs. Elisha Luce a sick member from the Alliance. Mrs. Bodfish served delicious chocolate, sandwiches and crackers which all present enjoyed. After a delightful afternoon the meeting was adjourned after accepting an invitation from Mrs. Isaac Norton to meet with her the next sewing afternoon. Meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 15th, '909

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Isaac Norton, 8 members present with Mrs. Coleman and Miss Jennie Look as guests. It was voted that for the future the price of our Souvenir Cards would be five cents each instead of ten cents, the former price. Mrs. Bodfish was to consult with the Dancing Club committee in regard to serving cake and sandwiches and coffee for the benefit of the Alliance at the 22nd of Feb. Ball. Mrs. Albert Look and Mrs. Tufts to have charge of the affair. Mrs. Look took a list of names of those willing to assist with money or cake for this special occasion. No other business came before the meeting. Adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 9th, 1909

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Abner Foster with 9 members present, Mrs. Coleman and Mr. Quimby as guests. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read, quotations given, anecdotes related. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. The following business was transacted: Mrs. Foster reported that she had carried half dozen pinks with little green added to Mrs. Elisha Luce and would take others sometime later, thinking this a better way of giving than giving all at one time. The ladies of the Alliance expressed themselves as pleased with this method. Mrs. Bodfish reported she had talked with Capt. Smith in regard to the closet for the Alliance. He had made a closet, separating from a large closet already in the kitchen of Association Hall and if the lock and key purchased would belong to Capt. Smith, there would be no expense. This seemed to meet with favor with the members present although there was no voted taken to accept the proposition. Mrs. Daggett asked what the duties of the Relief Committee were and they were explained to her. No other business came before this meeting, in a general way talking over the Whist benefit to the Alliance. Mrs. Albert Look invited the Alliance to meet with her if no other place could be found. Mrs. Foster served fine fudge and saucers of delicious popcorn. It seemed encouraging and enjoyable to many members present and after a social afternoon, the meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 15th, 1909

The sewing meeting of the Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish with 7 members present, Mrs. Porter, Miss Jennie Look and Mr. Quimby as guests. Mrs. Look, the Pres., being absent the Vice Pres was in charge to act should any business come before the meeting. Mrs. Coye showed postal cards with a picture of our chapel on them which Capt Smith had had photographed by Mr. Briggs. Some of the ladies purchased them at 2 cents each. Mrs. Cromwell read a paper notice passed to her by Sec. on churches warned by Judge McDonough of Fall River giving the law in regard to Fairs for churches saying "it made no difference what the motive behind the lottery is, or the purpose to which the money is to be devoted whether for a poor widow, new church fund or offers of theatrical manager, it is a violation of the law and nothing in the way of chance but what comes within the scope of this law". Mrs. Cromwell also read "Nantucket Skipper" and "Goodbye Teddy" and "Hallow Bill". A pleasant afternoon was passed with our willing workers.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 5th, 1909

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 8 members present and Miss Jennie Look as guest. Meeting called to order by Pres. "Our Faith" was read and quotations given. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. The only business was a cake sale. The Pres. was to talk with Mrs. Bodfish for a sale Friday. Mrs. Look solicited cake from members present to be brought to Walter Norton's store on Friday unless notified to the contrary. Mrs. Isaac Norton offered to assist that day. Mrs. Coye passed around for the ladies to see a program and picture in Gardener of the church Mr. Litchfield, our former pastor had preached. Mrs. Cromwell served (?) which was enjoyed by all the ladies and after a pleasant afternoon the meeting was adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 5, 1909

The Annual meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held in Association Hall dining room at 7:30 PM. The meeting was called to order by the President and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Miss Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Capt. John S. Reynolds; Parish Committee, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith, Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Rebecca D. Getchell, Mr. Elisha Luce, Mr. Henry C. Swift; Music Committee, Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Mary H. Norton, Mrs. Fannie A. Look, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish; Missionary Committee, Mrs. Rebecca D. Getchell, Mrs. Mary H. Smith, Mrs. Ethelinda Lewis, Miss Thankful B. Smith; Social Committee, Mrs. Emma L. Cromwell, Mrs. Addie A. Armsby, Mrs. Clara W. Luce, Mrs. Lottie Reynolds, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish, Mrs. Lillie A. Swift, Mrs. Fannie A. Look, Mrs. Eliza Dagget, Mrs. Margaret A. Claghorn, Mrs. Ethelinda Lewis, Mrs. Eliza Lord. Two new members were elected: Mr. Wm. H. Boardman and Mrs. Esther B. Foster. Voted to adjourn subject to the call of the President.

T. B. Smith, Clerk

April 26th, 1909

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) met at the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 6 members present with Miss Jennie Robinson as guest. Mrs. Henry Daggett read a letter from Mr. Stelley giving the goods purchased by Mrs. Stelley for the Alliance as her contribution. Voted a letter of sympathy by sent Mr. Stelley whose wife was a member of the Alliance and had died. Also a letter acknowledging the gift from Mr. Stelley with thanks. Voted a letter of sympathy be sent Mrs. Benj. Clough whose mother had recently died. It being thought as Mrs. Crocker comes to the chapel when she is at home here.

Mary. L. Norton, Sec.

May Meeting (of the Alliance) with Mrs. Coye. Mrs. Coye appointed Sec. pro tem. Sec and Treas. Report read and accepted with correction in Sec. report about sending letter to Mr. Stelley. Mrs. Mary Smith appointed delegate to National Alliance May 25th. Letter read from Mr. Stelley.

Carla E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

May 10, 1909

An adjourned meeting of the Society was held in the dining room of Association Hall for the purpose of arranging for preaching after May 31, 1909 and to transact other business.

The President called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

Of the 9 persons present, 8 voted to amend Article 2 of the By-Laws so that it will read as follows: The annual meeting of the Society shall be called by a warrant under the hands of the Parish Committee or a majority of them, directed to the Clerk, or if there be a vacancy in that office, to any member of the Society, specifying the subjects to be brought before the meeting. The warrant shall be served by posting an attested copy on the principle outer door the place of worship and in one other public place in the town, at least two Sundays previous to the time of the meeting. Special meetings may be called by the Clerk at the request of a member of the Parish Committee by posting notices three days, at least, before the meeting, but one of these days must be Sunday. It was voted not to invite Rev. I. P. Quimby to continue his pastorate after May 31, 1909. Voted that the President of the Society request the Committee on Pulpit Supply of the American Unitarian Society to supply us with preaching after the close of Mr. Quimby's pastorate until further notice and so far as practicable with men who are candidates for

permanent places. Voted to adjourn sine die.

T. B. Smith, Clerk

May 17th, 1909

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) with Mrs. Abner Foster, 7 members present. Mrs. Henry Daggett brought to the meeting some poetry written by Mr. Manchester and Mr. Lord which had been read at Mrs. Stelley's funeral. Mrs. Cromwell reading thus to the members present. Notice read of N. E. Associate Alliance Meetings to be held in Lynn, Mass. No action taken. Sec. read a postal from Arlington Street Alliance offering to send article for Summer Fair if one was to be held. Sec. reported had answered the postal saying the Alliance would hold sale in August but date not decided upon. Voted to send appeals for Fair. Voted to send pinks to Mr. Lorenzo Luce who has been sick for some time. Mrs. Henry Daggett to have charge of these same as in her route. Afternoon with quite a little sewing done and pleasant.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

At the adjourned meeting of the Society held in Association Hall May 19, 1909, it was voted that the Chair appoint a committee to solicit funds for the clergyman's salary. The following were appointed: Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Fannie A. Look, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, Mrs. Ethelinda T. Lewis. Voted to adjourn sine die

T. B. Smith, Clerk

June 7th, 1909

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held with Mrs. Albert Look with 7 members present and little Eli Porter Phillips as guest, nephew of Mrs. Bodfish. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The following business was transacted: The Sec. reported that Mrs. Benj. Clough thanked the ladies for the letter sent after the death of her mother and wished the ladies to know she appreciated it.

The Sec. thanked the Alliance members for her husband for the beautiful pinks sent by them to him. Mrs. Cromwell after a reading of paper by Coye moved Article 4 be changed at the next meeting. Motion carried. Mrs. Look suggested each member give an article for the fancy work table. Voted the Fair be held on the 12th of August and the Pres. to ask Mrs. St. John to send notice to the local paper. One new name was presented for membership and Mrs. Bodfish and Mrs. Cromwell were appointed tellers and ballots were passed and collected. Whole number of votes cast 7, 3 in the affirmative and 4 in the negative, therefore the candidate was not elected. No further business came before this meeting and the ladies took up the sewing work. Mrs. Look's lemonade, cookies, olives and fancy crackers were much enjoyed by all present and late in the afternoon the meeting adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 21st, 1909

The Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 5 members present with Mrs. Morgan Luce as guest. A letter was read from Unitarian School Society. Voted to lay the matter on the table. Voted to have a food sale. Mrs. Coye and Mrs. Smith to have care of it. The ladies all enjoyed the lemonade and fancy cakes served by the hostess.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 12th, 1909

Monthly meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Coye, 7 members present, Rev. Paul Revere Frothingham and wife and Mr. Henry W. Coye as guests. Meeting called to order by the Vice Pres. In the absence of the Pres. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report given and accepted. The following business was transacted: Voted a letter of thanks be sent to Mrs. Look for gift. Voted the bylaws be laid on the table. No other business coming before the meeting the ladies took up the sewing for the afternoon. All present enjoyed Mrs. Coye's ice cream and cookies. Some of the ladies later in the afternoon were persuaded to accept a second helping. Meeting adjourned after a pleasant afternoon.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 19th, 1909

Sewing meeting held with Mrs. Albert Look with 6 members present. It was voted and accepted the invitation to meet with Mrs. Frothingham the first Monday in August. Sec. to write to Mrs. Frothingham. Voted the alliance accept Mrs. and Mrs. Frothingham's choice of gift, \$25. It was planned Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Bodfish, Mrs. Dean with Mr. Elisha Luce clean the church. Meeting Friday morning at 7 o'clock. Mrs. Look read the committee for the Fair. It was voted to postpone the business monthly meeting until Sept. 1st. Mrs. Look's fine candy was much enjoyed.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 26th, 1909

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) met with Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 6 members present and Mrs. Moran Luce as guest. Voted the ladies accept Mrs. Hough's invitation to entertain the Alliance members and decided the time two weeks from today. Mrs. Coye informed ladies. Mrs. Frothingham had invited the ladies to sail to West Chop in her launch - to be talked over at this meeting. The ladies voted to go in the launch weather permitting. Mrs. Coye to inform Mrs. Frothingham. Mrs. Smith's ice cream and cookies did taste good this PM. Perhaps this testing and approval may bring a gift to Mrs. Coye's ice cream table at the Fair. Meeting adjourned.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 2nd, 1909

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 8 members present and Mrs. Morgan Luce as guest. The vice Pres. called the meeting to order in the absence of the Pres.. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. report read and accepted with one correction. Treas. report read and accepted. The following business was transacted: Mrs. Coye reported having had a letter from Mrs. Crocker (organist) saying she wished two dollars each Sunday during July and August. Voted to pay Mrs. Crocker two dollars during July and August. Mrs. Coye reported having bought wreath of flowers for Mr. Albert Look's funeral. It was voted to solicit the money for payment, if possible, from our members, if not enough collected, to take from the Treasury. Vice Pres. appointed Mrs. Mary Norton for south part of town and Mrs. Louise Daggett for the north as Collectors. Moved the bylaws be taken from the table. Mrs. Coye read the bylaws for the benefit of the members present. Mrs. Cromwell moved to rescind her motion of June 12th. Motion was carried. Voted to leave the by laws as in the beginning. The following names were presented for membership, Mrs. Cromwell acting as teller, all voting who wished: Miss Henrietta Brown, Mrs. May Brown. Mrs. Getchell, and Mrs. Henry Swift. All were elected to membership. Sec. to notify. Voted a letter of sympathy be sent Mrs. Albert Look whose husband had recently died. No other business coming before the meeting, it was adjourned. Later in the afternoon it was voted to reopen the meeting. The name of Mrs. Truman Abbe of Washington was presented. Voted on and she was elected a member. Sec. to notify. Voted to make Mrs. Paul Revere Frothingham an honorary member. Again the meeting was adjourned. Mrs. Cromwell then served ice cream, fancy cakes which were much enjoyed by all.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 9, 1909

The Women's Alliance met at the summer home of Mrs. Paul Revere Frothingham with 16 members present, and Rev. Paul Revere Frothingham as guest. It was a beautiful afternoon some of the ladies making the journey not quite the "one horse shay" but one horse three seater which caused some solicitude for the animal and made some conversation on the way. There was need to be some planning for entering and departing from this vehicle on account (?) of height and narrowness of seats but after things were adjusted the ride was delightful. The way by launch by those enjoying the water was considered a special privilege. The ladies were received on the broad piazza overlooking the beautiful water. In the early afternoon the members were invited to the corner room and surprises which gladdened all hearts were given by the hostess. First the checks \$25 from Mr. and Mrs. Frothingham, \$50 from Mrs. Frits and \$25 from Mrs. Grew. A rising vote of thanks followed the reading. Then came the showing of gifts for our Fair. The beauty of selection and the generosity of the given. Mrs. Robert Shaw was indeed appreciated by our Alliance and the Sec. felt sure the Alliance members were grateful to the kindest of friends, Mr. and Mrs. Frothingham whose personal efforts brought so much to our treasury. Sec. to write letters to all. Again to the piazza to listen to the reading "Postmarks" by Miss Smith which caused laughter and seemed very appropriate

for the afternoon. Just as the reading closed came bounding gracefully by, the beautiful racing yachts, giving a view long to be remembered. Then came the monkey and organ whose real human efforts were shown at he gathered the pennies quickly from our hostess and easily doffing his little red cap acknowledging quicker than the world for benefits bestowed. How old the monkey's face looked! How human the ears! Then came the invitation to the dining room where all were delightfully served delicious refreshments. Work study was talked over and under Mrs. Frothingham's winning ways, for that afternoon, at least, the future looked very busy. Soon came the departing and we all said goodbye to our host and hostess carrying memories of one of the happy things of life. Remembrance of the absent caused the only shadow of sorrow.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 12, 1909 On this day was held our Annual Summer Fair which added to our Treasure \$353.40.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 16th, 1909

The sewing meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gary Hough, 6 members present and the Misses Hough as guests. Our hostess gave an interesting talk and good suggestions for future work. The business coming before the meeting. Mrs. Hough asked to include her daughters, Doris and Hilda's names with hers to be presented for membership in the Alliance. Mrs. Hough entertained the ladies with interesting and amusing articles from Joseph Lincoln's "Our Village". All enjoyed the refreshments served by the Misses Hough. After a pleasant afternoon including the delightful view of water and land scenery from the pretty house, some of the ladies early goodbye but each one happy to have had the kind invitation. Some ladies fingers were already busy with future work for the good of the Alliance.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

September 6th, 1909

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 5 members present. In the absence of the Pres. and Vice Pres. Mrs. Gilbert Smith was chosen Pres. Pro tem. The Sec. report read and accepted. In the absence of Mrs. Coye, the Treas. report was read and accepted. The following business was transacted: Voted to refer the last articles to a later meeting. The following names were presented, voted on, and each person unanimously elected: Mrs. Gary Hough, Miss Doris Hough and Miss Hilda Hough, Mrs. L. E. Johnson. A rising vote of thanks was given the Misses Brown for their assisting at the Fair. Unfortunately the penny collection was forgotten at this meeting. Later in the afternoon, Miss Thankful Smith read "The Transfiguration of Miss Philissa" and Mrs. Claghorn reading "The Wickedness of Claretta", both selections were delightfully entertaining. Mrs. Smith served ice cream and cake. The afternoon was very enjoyable to all.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 18th, 1909

The sewing meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Swift with 5 members present and Mrs. Savoy as guest. A letter was read of the Fairhaven Alliance inviting the Vineyard Haven Alliance to an open meeting held in the Parish House, October 28th. Voted to send a letter of thanks with regrets that none of the members would be near to accept the invitation. Mrs. John C. Goff to speak on Post Office Mission Work. Voted to have a supper, Mrs. Coye as Chairman with voluntary assistants. Miss Thankful Smith read "The Big Wind" from Friendship Village by Zona Gale. Mrs. Swift served delicious home made candy.

Carla E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

Nov. 1st, 1909

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 7 members present and Miss Wass, teacher in school here, as guest. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Voted to send Mrs. Samuel Look a letter of thanks for her give of \$1.50 from the Minister's board when Mrs. Coye paid the bill. Voted the replying to the Friendship Calendar to be sent to the national President to be left with the Sec. Voted one dollar be given from the Treas. To be given to the Sec. to buy postals and stamps. Sec. read an interesting letter Mrs. Coye had received from Mrs. Frothingham in regard to Alliance work. One name presented for Membership, Mrs. Cromwell appointed teller, ballot passed and counted. Mrs. Treadwell was

unanimously elected a member. Voted to have a cake sale, Mrs. Bodfish to have charge, and appoint her assistants. Voted to answer one appeal by sending two dollars. Something to do, as suggested by Mrs. Frothingham, to keep in touch with other churches and the ladies felt, after Mrs. Frothingham's generosity, it would be some appreciation of her interest in the Alliance. Mrs. Coye read interesting articles from Word and Work. Voted: Capt. Smith present his bill for articles lost at Fair and it be paid.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

November 8th, 1909

Sewing (Alliance) met at the home of Mrs. Edward Lord with 7 members present. The following business was transacted: Voted to send flowers to Mrs. Lorenzo Luce and Mrs. Cromwell who were sick. Voted Mrs. Coye see Fred Peakes and tell him the Alliance would serve cake and ice cream if desired but no supper. Voted to hold the Fair Dec. 15th, Mrs. Look to ascertain from Mr. Cleveland if the Hall could be rented for that date and then notify Mrs. St. John. Mrs. Albert Look entertained by reading several amusing stories.

Carla E. Coye, Sec. pro tem

Vineyard Haven, Nov. 16, 1909

A meeting of the Society was held in the dining room of Association Hall, called to order by the President at 7:30 PM. It was voted to employ Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn for the winter if his services as preacher could be obtained at the rate of \$800 per year. A letter from Rev. George Kent was read requesting that, if this Society was not represented in the Channing Conference, such a representative known as a Director, be appointed. It was voted that Capt. Gilbert L. Smith be the Director. A letter was read from Augustus R. Pierce, asking the Society to contribute \$5 to the Channing Conference. Voted contribute \$5. Voted to adjourn subject to call of President.

T. B. Smith, Clerk

November 22nd, 1909

Sewing Meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye, 9 members present. Mrs. Coye reported the Alliance were to serve cake and ice cream on Thanksgiving Night at the hall. Mrs. Bodfish solicited cake from the members present for that evening. No other business came before this meeting but much sewing was done during the afternoon. The next meeting was appointed with Mrs. Henry Swift.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 29th, 1909

Sewing Meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Henry B. Swift with 6 members present. The following business came before the meeting: Sec. read an invitation the Pres. had received from Andover, N. H. to attend a meeting at Mrs. Robert Shaw's in behalf of Proctor Academy. Voted Sec. to send thanks and regrets. Mrs. Look read the names of the committee for the Fair.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 6th. 1909

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 8 members present and Miss Henderson as guest. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec and Treas. reports read and accepted. Sec. read a letter of thanks sent for appeal for fairs. Treas. read letter of letters of thank for appeals for church work. Voted to pay the Minister's board for the 1st Sunday in the month. No other business coming before the meeting, the ladies took up the sewing for the Fair. Mrs. Smith served apples which were much enjoyed by all present.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Alliance financial record for 1909.

Balance \$337.04.

Income: Articles sold, dues, Cake and Ice Cream Sale, Suppers, Cake Sale, Summer Sale ((\$353.40), Christmas

Sale (\$68.60).

Expenses: Singer, organist, organ pumping boy, materials to sew for sale, the Society \$100 plus \$100 plus \$50, flowers for sick members, flowers for Mr. Look when he died, Minister's board

January 3rd, 1910

The Annual Meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye with 8 members present and Mrs. Buckshorn as guest. In the absence of the Pres, the Vice Pres. Called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted. Mrs. Coye, as Treas. reported that she had received \$50 from Charles Clifford of New Bedford as a gift from Mrs. Clifford's estate, to carry on the work here she was so much interested in as National Director. Voted the Sec. send a voted of thanks to Mr. Manchester from the Alliance for the dressing given for the church lawn. Voted a letter be sent Mrs. Lorenzo Luce whose husband has recently died. Then came the election of officers. Miss T. B. Smith appointed teller and the following officers were elected for the New Year: Pres., Mrs. Albert Look; Vice Pres., Mrs. B. C. Cromwell; Sec., Mrs. J. O. Norton; Treas., Mrs. Henry W. Coye. It was voted that the Pres., Mrs. Look and the Vice Pres., Mrs. Cromwell, meet and appoint the committee for the Summer Fair. Mrs. Lewis H. Buckshorn was voted an honorary member of the Alliance. No other business coming before the meeting, it was adjourned for the following program: Duet, Mrs. Coye and Mrs. Norton; Paper, Miss T. B. Smith, "Life of Stevenson" which all enjoyed. "The Cane Bottom Chair" by Thackery, recitation by Miss Marshall, also sketch reading from "Anne of Green Gables", both entertaining and given in Miss Marshall's charming way. Each lady had some quotation to read provided by the Committee and so making a whole(?) for work done by the members. Then the social hour or hours interspersed with Mrs. Coye's nice home made candy which entertained the ladies in itself since each lady was constantly busy by the rapidly disappearing refreshment. Then the lamps were lit and together in imagination we took the trip abroad with Miss Marshall as she related interesting stories of what she had seen and her privilege of vacation in Europe. Reminding the ladies of the largeness of the world as each tourist finds something new and something old everywhere. Delightfully entertained, minutes flew by warned us for a goodbye. I am sure the members felt grateful to the Committee in charge for the innovation literary movement for the monthly meeting and the enjoyable program presented.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Jan 17th, 1910

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Josiah Bodfish, 8 members present and Mrs. Porter as guest. The only business to come before the meeting was reading of Committee for the Summer Fair and reading of letter by Pres from Mrs. Samuel Look and family thanking for flowers sent for Mr. Look's funeral. All who were present were fortunate to enjoy the large dishes of filled peanuts served by Mrs. Bodfish.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

(No date - but assumed to be the first Monday February 1910)

The monthly meeting of the Woman's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Buckshorn. Notwithstanding the extreme cold weather, 9 members were present. In the absence of the Pres. and Vice Pres., the Sec. called the meeting to order and Mrs. Coye was elected Pres. pro tem. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Sec. read a letter thanking for money sent for an appeal. Sec. read a letter from Eureka asking help for church home by voting 50 cents for hours work and each send name or names to Sec. No vote taken. Mrs. Claghorn offered to contribute her work of an afghan for the Summer Fair. Voted to pay for the materials. Mrs. Coye gave in interesting account of the Associate Meeting with Mrs. Smith, being entertained overnight by Mrs. Frothingham. No other business coming before the meeting it was adjourned for the program which consisted of reading by Mrs. Buckshorn of extracts from Work and Word so keeping the Alliance in touch with sister Branches and Unitarian work. Hymns and hymn writers followed with an introductory hymn played by Mrs. Buckshorn, "What a Friend We Have In Jesus", not often sung among Unitarians. Mr. Buckshorn, as guest, read the Hymns and their history. Mrs. Buckshorn playing special tunes on the piano for illustration. How familiar were the several old tunes! How painstaking the work! How privileged the Alliance members to listen and be entertained in such a charming way! There was a time of sadness for some of us as memory brought back the thought the voices of the old church choir (which) were silent and that had sung and resuming the works and music being played in the afternoon hour.

Another part of the entertainment was the invitation to the dining room where our hostess served sandwiches and cake. Over our tea cups were told entertaining stories, even a young guest of four years suggesting a name for a forgotten one to finish some word for a Memorial work. The came the goodbye after an afternoon so beautifully instructed and entertained. To have been there was a delight, to be been absent, a regret.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb 21st, 1910

The sewing meeting of the Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 9 members present. The only business to come before the meting was the distribution of tickets by Mrs. Coye among the member to sell for lecture to be given by Mr. Buckshorn. Mrs. Cromwell to have next meeting. During the meeting Mrs. Smith served home made candy which the ladies enjoyed.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 7th, 1910

The monthly meeting of the Woman's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 6 members present. The Vice Pres., Mrs. Cromwell called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Readings and quotations given. The following business was transacted: Voted a letter of thanks be sent Mr. Buckshorn for his kindness in giving the Unitarian Society his fine lecture and his hospitality in entertaining in entertaining the assistant (the Alliance?) . Voted to send a letter to Capt. Gilbert Smith for his generosity in aid of the Society. Mrs. Coye, Treas., reported the proceeds from the lecture, \$33.99, Mrs. Cromwell adding the gift of a penny making an even \$34. I am sure the members of the Alliance appreciate the privilege of listening to the entertaining and instructive lecture with equal appreciation of the generosity in adding to the Treasury of the Unitarian Society. Mrs. Cromwell offered to have a supper this month, no assistants appointed or date planned. Mrs. Coye reported having sent flowers from the Alliance to Miss T. B. Smith who is in the hospital. Voted to send one dollar to Eureka, California in answer to an appeal. No other business coming before the meeting, it was adjourned and the ladies were delightfully entertained by Mrs. Buckshorn's paper on Louis Burbank. To listen was to enjoy and following the work done which showed (?), the ladies could truly say that "God moves in mysterious ways His wonders to perform" though this being a 20th century brain. There followed a social hour with sewing for the Annual Fair. Later in the afternoon the hostess served delicious clam bullion with crackers and so passed away work for the mind and work for the hands with remembrance of a happy Alliance afternoon.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 21st, 1910

The sewing meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Abner Foster, 9 members present. The following business came before the meeting: Sec. read an appeal letter. No action taken. Voted to purchase a dozen pinks as a memorial for Mrs. Abbie Howland. Voted to send a dozen pinks to Mr. Litchfield. Mrs. Coye the Treas. to have charge of the purchasing and sending. Mrs. Coye asked what disposal should be made of the flowers bought for Mrs. Howland after the service. The ladies suggested that the flowers be taken to the cemetery for her grave. Mrs. Coye reported Mrs. John Howland would not sing in the chapel this summer. No action taken. Mrs. Eliza Daggett and Mrs. Elisha Luce are sick members. Mrs. Foster appointed to take pinks to Mrs. Luce and Mrs. Albert Look to Mrs. Daggett.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 4th, 1910

The monthly meting of the Woman's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. George Armsby with 12 members present and Mrs. Porter as guest. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The following business came before meeting. Sec. read a letter from Miss T. B. Smith thanking the Alliance for sending flowers to her while in the hospital. Voted to lay the matter of the Potter Place chapel on the table. Mrs. Coye read a letter from Mrs. Litchfield

thanking the Alliance for flowers sent to him. Voted to send a letter of thanks to Mrs. Stelley for his gift of \$5 to the Alliance. Voted that the Music Committee see Mrs. Howland and find out how long she will sing and consult with Miss Cleveland and bring the matter before the next Alliance meeting. Voted that before the next Alliance meeting to pay Mrs. Armsby for material for shawl for the Fair. Late in the afternoon the hostess served delicious refreshments which were much enjoyed by the ladies present.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 4, 1910

The annual meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held in the dining room of Association Hall at 7:30 PM. The meeting was called to order by the President and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Miss T. B. Smith; Treasurer, Capt. G. L. Smith; Collector, Capt. John S. Reynolds; Parish Committee, Capt. G. L. Smith, Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Rebecca D. Getchell, Mr. Elisha Luce, Mr. Henry C. Swift; Music Committee, Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Fannie A. Look, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish; Missionary Committee, Mrs. Rebecca D. Getchell, Mrs. Mary H. Smith, Mrs. Ethelinda Lewis, Miss T. B. Smith; Social Committee, Mrs. Emma T. Cromwell, Mrs. Addie A. Armsby, Mrs. Clara W. Luce, Mrs. Lottie Reynolds, Mrs. Lucy P Bodfish, Mrs. Lillie A. Swift, Mrs. Fannie A. Look, Mrs. Eliza Daggett, Mrs. Margaret A. Claghorn, Mrs. Ethelinda Lewis, Mrs. Eliza Lord The Treasurer, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith, gave a report of the financial condition of the Society which was accepted. It was voted unanimously to call Rev. Louis Buckshorn to the pastorate of the Society for one year, from May 1, 1910 to May 1, 1911 if he would accept the position with a salary of \$800. Voted to adjourn.

T. B. Smith, Clerk

April 18th, 1910

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 5 members present. The business before the meeting Mrs. Coye reported that Miss Cleveland would sing from June until Sept, \$1 each Sunday. Mrs. Smith's delicious maple syrup candy was a pleasant surprise coming from Vermont, and enjoyed and appreciated as the real article.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 2nd, 1910

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Lewis Buckshorn with 8 members present. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Sec. read a letter from Nat. Alliance. Mrs. Cromwell was voted as delegate to the National Alliance in Boston. Mrs. Cromwell offered to be Flower Committee for the month of May. Voted Mrs. Cromwell be made a committee to make arrangements for the selling or renting of the cabinet organ. After the business meeting, a social hour was held and sewing for the Fair taken up. Mrs. Buckshorn's peanuts served were much enjoyed by the ladies.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 16th, 1910

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish with 7 members present. The peanuts served by the hostess were enjoyed by the members present.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 6th, 1910

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look with 8 members present. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Voted to have the Fair 5 of August. Voted to have the Fair in Association Hall. Mrs. Smith to ascertain if the hall could be secured. Mrs. Cromwell offered to have a supper next week. After the business the ladies took up the sewing for the Fair. Mrs. Look served candy during the afternoon which the ladies accepted freely.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 13th, 1910

The sewing meeting of the Alliance met with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 8 members present, Mrs. Morgan Luce as guest. It was voted to rescind the vote of August 5th for the Fair. Voted to have the Fair the 6th of Aug. No other business came before this meeting. The ladies were entertained with gramophone selections. Mrs. Cromwell served grape juice her own hand work which was just delicious and fancy cookies which were very much enjoyed by all. Mrs. Coye to entertain next week.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 13, 1910

A meeting of the Society was held in the dining room of Association Hall at 7:30 PM. The President called the meeting to order. In the absence of the Clerk, Mrs. Carla E. Coye was appointed to act in that capacity. It was voted that the President appoint a committee to solicit funds for the clergyman's salary. The following were appointed: Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish. Two new members were added to the Society: Rev. Lewis. H. Buckshorn, Mrs. Adeline N. Buckshorn. Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

Carla E. Coye, Clerk pro tem

June 20th, 1910

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Lewis Buckshorn with 6 members present. The matter of sending flowers to Mrs. Mary Brown who is in the hospital came before the meeting while no final vote taken., given into the care of Mrs. Gilbert Smith to find some way of sending flowers to the hospital. Mrs. Coye reported she had made arrangements to have the church lawn cut. The price each time to be 19 cents to be paid when bill presented. The members present were much pleased with the price to be paid. And there was no dissenting voice in having the work paid from the Alliance Treasury. Mrs. E. T. Lewis offered to entertain the ladies at the next meeting which will be in two weeks of account of the 4th of July coming on the regular Monday meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 20th, 1910

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye, 8 members present with little Eli Porter as guest. The following business came before the meeting: Voted to have the Fair the 12th of August in Association hall if the place could be secured for that date. Voted to pay for the flowers for the church Baccalaureate Sunday. During the afternoon the ladies were served with delicious strawberries and cream and lovely sponge cake, also in Mr. and Mrs. Coye's garden and the sponge cake, also Mrs. Coye's own self being the baker of the cake. Many exclamations of delight were expressed and many voices asking for the receipt of the golden brown cake which seems so easy to make and fails in many hands. After a pleasant afternoon the meeting was adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 27th, 1910

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Lewis H. Buckshorn with 6 members present. The matter of sending flowers to Mrs. Mary Barrow who is in the hospital came before the meeting while no formal vote was taken, given into the care of Mrs. Gilbert Smith to find some way of sending the flowers to the hospital. Mrs. Coye reported she had made arrangements to have the church lawn cut. The price each time needed being 10 cents, to be paid when bill presented. The members present were much pleased the price to be paid and there was no dissenting voice in having the work paid from the Alliance treasury. Mrs. E. T. Lewis offered to entertain at the next meeting which will be in two weeks on account of the 4th of July coming on the regular Monday meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 11th, 1910

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. E. T. Lewis with 6 members present, Mrs. Fisher as guest. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec report read and accepted. Mrs. Coye reported having received a letter from Mrs. Crocker who asked for \$2 each Sunday during July and August (for playing the organ). Voted to pay Mrs. Crocker the price she asked. Letters of thanks were read by the Sec. No other business came before this meeting. Mrs. Lewis served iced lemonade, delicious ice cream, cake and cookies which were much enjoyed by the ladies present.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 18th, 1910

The sewing meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look with 7 members present, Mrs. Woodward of Watertown, Mrs. E. T. Lewis and little granddaughter, Clarice, as guests. The only business coming before this meeting was the voting to send flowers to Miss Henrietta Brown, who had assisted the Alliance in the Summer Fair who had recently met with a painful accident. To send the flowers as a remembrance and appreciation of her work. Mrs. Gilbert Smith to have charge of the matter. Again the ladies were served with delicious ice cream, cookies and crackers which all accepted and enjoyed. Mrs. Gilbert Smith to have the monthly meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 1st, 1910

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, with Mrs. Woodward, Mrs. Myers and Mrs. James Fuller as guests. Meeting called to order by the Pres. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Mrs. Coye presented the name of Miss Katharine Hough for membership. Pres. appointed Mrs. Johnson and Miss Cannon as tellers. Ballots were passed and Miss Hough was unanimously elected a member. Voted a letter of thanks be sent Miss Walker for beautiful articles received for the Fair. Voted the sale of the afghan to be left with Mrs. Claghorn. Mrs. Coye and Mrs. Bodfish have care of the advertising. For the social hour, Mrs. Claghorn read a poem called "Ladies Aid". Mrs. Myers gave an entertaining talk on the Washington Alliance of which she is a member. Mrs. Smith served delicious sherbet and home made candy. Much enjoyed by all present. Mrs. Cromwell invited the ladies at her home for the next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 8th, 1910

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 9 members present and Mrs. Myers of Washington as guest. Mrs. Coye reported Genevieve Cleveland would be away the remaining Sundays of the month. Mrs. Coye's friend offering to fill the vacancy. Voted to accept the offer with pay for the expense of the music.

Mary L. Norton, Sec

September 10th, 1910

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Look with 6 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. report read and accepted. Mrs. Coye being absent on account of sickness, her Treas. report was not read. Voted to send a letter of thanks, also a handkerchief to Miss Elizabeth Brown in appreciation for her assistance at the Summer Fair. No arrangements were made for solo singing, although there was much general conversation in regard to music. The opinion being it best left until October meeting. For the Social hour Miss Thankful Smith entertained delightfully two humorous selections. Mrs. Look's candy was much enjoyed by all present. There was no special work, it being the first meeting after the Fair.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 3rd, 1910

The monthly meeting of the alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look with 5 members present and Mrs. Fisher as guest. Pres called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Sec. read a letter of thanks from Miss Elizabeth Brown for the handkerchief received from the Alliance. Sec. read a letter from (?) Unitarian Women's Alliance in regard to a cook book for the sale. No action taken. Sec. read a notice from National Alliance in regard to Word and Work, the officers of the branch to sign names and return blank forms to receive the Word and Work. The officers did as requested. Sec. to mail the same. Voted the Sec. be given postals of church for her work. No other business came before this meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Oct. 1910

The sewing meeting of the Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 24th, 1910

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Abner Foster.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 31, 1910

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. At this meeting it was decided to have a supper Nov. 11th. The next meeting to be held at the home of Mrs. Buckshorn.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

November 7th, 1910

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. Buckshorn. In the absence of the Secretary, Mrs. Buckshorn was appointed Sec. pro tem. The Secretary read reports of the previous meetings. As there were no corrections, these were approved. The Sec. read appeals from Boise, Idaho and Eugene, Oregon. These were referred to the Sec. and Treas. After discussion, it was decided to hold the Christmas Sale on Wed. Dec. 14th. The Pres. then read the names of the members and assigned them to the various tables. The name of Mrs. Steel was presented for membership. The balloting proceeded in the usual way and she was elected a member of our Alliance. No other business came before the meeting and it adjourned to meet next week with Mrs. Swift.

A. M.. Buckshorn, Sec. pro tem

November 14th, 1910

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) met with Mrs. Henry Swift, 10 members present. Changed the date of the Christmas Sale from December 14th to December 9th provided we could get the hall. Next meeting with Mrs. J. P. Bodfish Nov. 21st.

November 21st, 1910

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) met with Mrs. Bodfish, 11 members present and one guest, Mrs. Swift. Decided to have the sale the 9th of December.

November 28th, 1910

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) with Mrs. Getchell, 8 members present and Mrs. Marshall guest. On motion of Mrs. Coye, it was voted to send flowers to our dear member, Mrs. Norton, who was passing through a severe trial at the hospital.

December 5th, 1910

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Coye, 14 members present. In the absence of the Pres., the Vice Pres. Called the meeting to order. The report of the Sec. was read and approved. Members were all busy taking last stitches before the sale on Friday. Soliciting was the order of the day. Many articles were asked for,

and promised, during the afternoon. On motion of Mrs. Coye, it was voted to meet at the hall on Thursday afternoon to arrange tables for the Sale. Christmas candy was served and all went away feeling they had a pleasant afternoon.

A. M. B.

Alliance financial notes for 1910:

Balance: \$468.51

Income: Dues, Sale of Candy, sale of tickets to a Travelogue, small gifts, Cake Sale, sale of sewn items, Suppers, Summer Sale (\$251.78), small gifts, Christmas Sale (\$63.18).

Expenses: Organ boy, materials to make items for the Fair, the Society \$100 plus \$100 plus \$100, singer (Miss Robinson), organist, flowers for several sick members, Joseph Livee (?) for mowing church, Church Home in California, dues to National Alliance, Southern Circuit Work,

January 2nd, 1911

The Annual Meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. E. T. Lewis with 10 members present and Miss Elizabeth Kittridge as guest. Meeting called to order by the President. Sec. pro tem Mrs. Lewis H. Buckshorn's report read and accepted. Treas. report read and accepted. Mrs. Bodfish was appointed teller, but it was voted by the members present that the Sec. cast one vote for an officer thus hastening the work to be done. The following officers were elected for the New Year: Pres, Mrs. Lewis W. Buckshorn; Vice Pres., Mrs. B. C. Cromwell; Sec., Mrs. John O. Norton; Treas., Mrs. Henry W. Coye. The following officers for planning and cutting work were appointed: Mrs. Abner Foster, Mrs. Henry W. Daggett, Mrs. Albert Look, Mrs. Henry Swift. It was decided to have the meeting first and third Mondays in the month. Letters read from Associate Alliance and thanks for gifts received for Christmas. Mrs. Henry Daggett invited ladies to meet with her for next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

January 16th, 1911

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett with 10 members present. Sec. read an interesting letter from Mrs. Hough of New Bedford enclosing a report of a delegate, friend of Mrs. Hough, of the Alliance, and Unitarian meeting at the Isle of Shoals of last June. So interesting was the report, it was just happening while we read, and the style so entertaining that the hearers were transported to the little church for the time and were listening attentively to each speaker receiving into mind and heart thoughts and suggestions that were inspiring and helpful and when the meetings were over, the for delegate, we left, too, left the church and Isle and we came back into the room of the Alliance meeting wishing in our hearts, I am sure, that the same delegate might attend another conference and the report wing its way to this Isle, not Shoals but of the Sea. So appreciative of Mrs. Hough's kind thought of us, and the privilege of reading the report, it was decided the Sec. send a letter of thanks to her, and by her to the delegate whose report was loaned. It was voted, after discussion, the Alliance pay for the alterations in the heating of the church. Mrs. Coye reporting Capt. Smith as saying they would not exceed twenty dollars.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 6th, 1911

The Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 6 members present. "Our Faith" was read. By request of the Pres. the Sec. read from Word and Work the names of the National Alliance, the methods of opening Alliance meetings, extracts from Washington and Eureka Alliance Fairs, our Alliance having contributed articles. The following business came before the meeting: Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Sec. read a letter from Mr. John Howland thanking for flowers sent by the Alliance. Sec read a letter from Mrs. Charles Norton thanking for flowers sent to her by the Alliance while in the hospital. Voted Mrs. Buckshorn be delegate to the National Alliance, choose her alternate. 6 members present. Gave articles to the little son of Mrs. Johnson who is ill. Voted to send a plant to Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bodfish, Mrs. Cromwell to have care of the matter. Sec. read an appeal from Farmington, Maine. Voted if the Sec. and Treas. find any article (?) from the work left from the Fair, to contribute, if not, send 50 cents. During the afternoon, Mrs. Cromwell served candy which the ladies enjoyed. Mrs. Henry Daggett offered to entertain the ladies for the sewing meeting Feb. 20th.

Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 18th, 1911

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 8 members present and Mrs. Wright as guest. Pres. called the meeting to order. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Sec. read extracts from Word and Work. Sec read a letter from Andover, New Hampshire in regard to contribution to Potters Place Church. Voted to lay the matter on the table. Sec. read a letter from the Fairhaven Alliance, an invitation to an address by Rev. Paul Phalin. Voted to accept the invitation and to ask Mrs. Hough who is a member to attend. Letter read from the little son of Mrs. Johnson thanking for gifts from the Alliance. Letter read from Mrs. Litchfield thanking for expression of sympathy shown in late bereavement. Voted to hold the Fair in Assoc. Hall on Aug 8th. Sec read names of Comm. prepared by the Pres. or the Summer Fair. Voted the Sec. send a letter from the Alliance to Mr. and Mrs. Frothingham. Sec. to write to Unitarian Association, 25 Beacon Street for the address. After the business the ladies took up the work and a social hour was enjoyed. Mrs. Smith served delicious orange ice cream. Mrs. Albert Look offered to entertain the ladies at the next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 20, 1911

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look with 7 members present and Mrs. Wright as guest. Mrs. Gilbert Smith suggested as a money earner for the Parish house, surprise parties be held, each member invite ten guests to her house planning her own entertainment with restricted simple refreshments, collecting ten cents from each one present and contributing the money towards a Parish House. Quite a discussion followed but nothing definite decided upon and no vote taken. Mrs. Look served assorted candy and home made vinegar candy. Mrs. Daggett was to have the meeting if possible, if not, Mrs. Coye invited the ladies to meet with her

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 27th, 1911

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) met at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett. The afternoon was stormy and only five members ventured to attend. Mr. Manchester had contributed a load of dressing for the church lawn and the Sec. was instructed to send him a letter of thanks.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 3rd, 1911

The monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Lewis H. Buckshorn, 7 members present with Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. Wright as guests. Pres. called the meeting to order, "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. The following business came before the meeting: Voted the Sec. express thanks for the Alliance to Capt. Smith for his placing the dressing on the church lawn. The Pres. appointed Mrs. Cromwell and to chose her assistant, to decorate the church for Easter. Voted to purchase three dozen pinks to be used for Easter decorations, afterwards to be distributed among the church sick and carried to the grave of Mrs. Abbie Howland. Voted the Alliance meet every week. No other business coming before the meeting, the ladies took up the sewing of the afternoon. Mrs. Buckshorn's brown sugar cakes and cookies were delicious. It has not been previously recorded but the penny collection or more is taken at every meeting of the Alliance. A very important feature in the summing up the proceeds for the Fair and should the efforts of the Alliance ladies at the last moment in struggle for it requires patience and work, little and great amount to be gathered from the Collection box.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 3, 1911

The annual meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held in Association Hall at 7:30 o'clock. The meeting was called to order by the President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Miss Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Capt. Gilbert L.

Smith; Collector, Mr. John S. Reynolds; Parish Committee, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith, Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mr. Elisha Luce, Mrs. Rebecca D. Getchell, Mr. Henry C. Swift; Music Committee, Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Fannie A. Look, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish; Missionary Committee, Mrs. Rebecca D. Getchell, Mrs. Mary H. Smith, Mrs. Ethelinda Lewis, Miss T. B. Smith; Social Committee, Mrs. Emma T. Cromwell, Mrs. Addie A. Armsby, Mrs. Clara W. Luce, Mrs. Lottie Reynolds, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish, Mrs. Lillie A. Swift, Mrs. Fannie A. Look, Mrs. Eliza Daggett, Mrs. Ethelinda Lewis, Mrs. Eliza Lord, Mrs. Margaret Claghorn. It was voted that the President appoint a committee to solicit funds for the clergyman's salary the ensuing year. The following were appointed: Mrs. Carla L. Coye, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish. It was voted unanimously to ask Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn to remain our pastor the following year; vis, from May 1, 1911 to May 1, 1912, terms and conditions the same as former year, salary \$800 with one month's vacation. Voted to adjourn.

T. B. Smith, Clerk

April 10th, 1911

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 6 members present with Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. Wright as guests. No business came before this meeting but the ladies were busy sewing. Mrs. Cromwell served lovely angel and nut cake and ice cream.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 17th, 1911

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 6 members present and Mrs. Fisher as guest. It was voted at his meeting the alliance pay Genevieve Cleveland one dollar for singing at the Easter service. Voted the alliance send a note with the dollar. Mrs. Smith served lovely cake, homemade candy and tea.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 24th, 1911

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye with 5 members present and Mrs. Fisher as guest. No business came before the meeting. The ladies were very industrious stopping only to enjoy Mrs. Coye's nice treat of home made and assorted candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 1st, 1911

The monthly meeting of the women's Alliance was held the home of Mrs. Albert Look with 6 members present and Master Fisher Buckshorn as guest. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The following business came before the meeting: Voted Mrs. Coye make arrangements for having the church lawn mowed. Voted to have the church cleaned. Mrs. Albert Look Chairman to choose her assistant. Voted Mrs. Coye see Genevieve Cleveland and ascertain if she will sing for us during July. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. No other business, During the afternoon Mrs. Look served delicious ice cream and fancy cakes.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 8th, 1911

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 7 members present. Mrs. Coye reported Genevieve would sing for us during July.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 15th, 1911

The sewing meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Lewis Buckshorn with 7 members

present . The only business coming before the meeting was the call for the next Alliance meeting to be in three weeks. It was reported to the Alliance meeting by Mrs. Coye that the mother of Mrs. E. T. Walker was dead and the ladies present thought it fitting a letter of sympathy should be sent to Mrs. Walker. The members present all enjoyed Mrs. Buckshorn's home made candy.

June 4th, 1911

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. E. T. Lewis 6 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted. Sec. read a letter from Mr. Stelley sending to the Alliance \$5 in memory of his wife. Voted the Sec. send a letter of thanks for the gift. Sec. read a letter from New Bedford Alliance sending a gift of \$20. Voted a letter of thanks be sent to the New Bedford Alliance for the gift. Mrs. Coye offered to have care of flowers for the church during the month of June, Mrs. Lewis assisting. No other business came before this meeting. All present enjoyed Mrs. Lewis's nice candy.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 19th, 1911

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the pretty new home of Mrs. J. P. Bodfish with 11 members present with Mrs. Alaric Swift and Master Fisher Buckshorn s guests . Mrs. Bodfish reported Mrs. Isaac Norton as sending the Modern Priscilla to the Alliance for two years. Voted the Sec. send a note of thanks to Mrs. Norton for the gift. Mrs. Coye reported her time for caring for the flowers in the church would be finished next Sunday and there would be no Alliance meeting again this month, so it was decided that Mrs. Buckshorn and Elizabeth would have charge for the month of July. Mrs. Bodfish served delicious lemonade and sandwiches which were enjoyed by all.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 26th, 1911

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Swift with 9 members present. No business came before the meeting. Sec. read an article on (?). During the afternoon Mrs. Swift served delicious ice cream and fancy cakes.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 3rd, 1911

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Lewis H. Buckshorn with 6 members present. The afternoon was very warm, the ladies were entertained on the shady cool piazza and were comfortable to take up business and sewing. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. Reports were read and accepted. The business coming before the meeting was reading by Sec. of a postal from Shirley asking for an article for fair. Sec. reported matter attended to. Mrs. Coye reported gifts received from Mrs. Hough sent by the New Bedford Alliance. It was thought best to give to Committee our fancy work for price for the table and Sec write later to New Bedford Alliance thanks for gifts and price as requested. Miss T. B. Smith read "Widder Green" an amusing bit of poetry. Mrs. Buckshorn served lovely lemonade and cookies. Mrs. Gilbert smith to entertain the ladies for the next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 10th, 1911

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with seven members present It was a piazza afternoon, the weather so hot that the shady piazza was a luxury and the ladies accepted with pleasure the chairs on Mrs. Smith's piazza. The only business to come before the meeting was sending letter of thanks to Arlington Street Church for articles for the Fair. During the afternoon quite a little sewing was finished. Mrs. Smith served cherries gathered from her tree while the ladies were sewing which were delicious. Cookies and sherbet so acceptable in the heated days.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 17th, 1911

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held the home of Mrs. Albert Look with 8 members present. No business came before this meeting the ladies giving the afternoon to the sewing. Mrs. Look's refreshments of old fashioned Conway cookies were a treat and the lovely lemonade was enjoyed by all present. Mrs. Cromwell to entertain the ladies for the next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 24th, 1911

The Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 14 members present with Mrs. Harry Dean and Mrs. Eugene Carpenter and Miss Oliver of Worcester as guests. The business coming before the meeting was the suggestion of Mrs. Hough was the orchestra with dancing as a help toward keeping the people in the evening. Mrs. Cromwell as Committee to interview Capt. Smith for permission to use the hall for dancing and Mrs. Bodfish to make arrangements with the orchestra. Mrs. Buckshorn asked the committee if everything was satisfactory if anything more was necessary. Mrs. Cromwell was appointed to make the coffee for the supper for the Fair. Mrs. Smith and the Misses Brown to have care of supper. Mrs. Bodfish to attend to the posters. Mrs. Buckshorn reported (?) for the caring of the flowers for the church had expired and Miss Elizabeth Cannon to find the flowers for August. After the business was finished the ladies took a delightful travel abroad, Mrs. Hough reading Miss Doris Hough's letters received. It was a unanimous vote that Mrs. Hough express to Miss Hough the appreciation of the members for the privilege of listening to such intensely interesting letters and receiving knowledge of so much that is grand and beautiful in the world. Busy fingers accomplished work for the Fair which looms so near. Mrs. Cromwell served lovely frappes and cookies which all enjoyed.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 31st, 1911

Special meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Bodfish with 10 members present and Mrs. Lee as guest. The meeting called for the purpose of changing the time of opening the Fair (the customary time being early in the afternoon). The meeting was called to order. The first business, presenting the name of Mrs. Eugene Carpenter for membership. Ballots were cast, collected which resulted in a unanimous vote and Mrs. Carpenter was declared a member, Sec. to notify her. Mrs. Carpenter coming to the meeting in the afternoon, the Sec. informed her with pleasure the Alliance welcomed her as a member. Then came the vote for the change of time for opening the Fair. Quite a discussion followed the motion, but it was voted later to make a trial for this year and begin the sale at 3 PM Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Bodfish added the time on some of the posters she had on hand. The ladies to go to the hall on Thursday morning for arranging of tables. Mrs. Bodfish served lovely large chilled peanuts during the afternoon.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

(No date)

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Lewis H. Buckshorn with seven members present, Mrs. Gilmore, Mrs. Myers and Mrs. Freeman as guests. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. It was suggested that the time for the Fair and the committees be appointed. No other business came before this meeting and it was adjourned for the programs and social hour, the ladies having brought home work instead of taking up Alliance work for the afternoon. Miss .T. B. Smith recited splendidly showing her retentive memory, "Robert - Sicily" also gave an amusing monologue both thoroughly enjoyed by the ladies present. Mrs. Hough continued the reading of Miss Hough's delightfully entertaining letters. After which delicious cake and ice cream served. Mrs. Henry W. Coye to entertain for the next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 7th, 1911

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gary Hough on the broad piazza, 9 members present, Mrs. William Morse, Mrs. Myers and Mrs. Goddell as guests. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec and Treas. Report read and accepted. Mrs. Coye gave report of the success of the annual Summer Fair which was interesting to all present. The following business came before the meeting: It was voted that the Sec. write a letter of thanks to Mrs. Ketchum for her singing in the chapel. Voted flowers be sent to Mrs. Elish Luce who is very ill. Voted Mrs. Hough as chairman, having the church cleaned on Friday morning at nine o'clock. Mrs. Buckshorn referred to the National Alliance to be held in Washington October 25th. No other business came before this meeting. It was adjourned for a social hour and program which was the continued travel of Miss Hough delightfully told in interesting letters read by Mrs. Hough. Mrs. Hough's refreshments were delicious and tempting which consisted of sandwiches, chocolate, tea and candy. Her afternoon was very enjoyable the ladies lingering long beyond the usual time for closing the afternoon.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 2nd, 1911

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye, three members present. No business could be transacted so the meeting was adjourned to meet with Mrs. Albert Look Monday October 9th. Mrs. Coye served white and purple grapes.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 9th, 1911

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance adjourned from Mrs. Henry Coye's was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 6 members present, Mrs. George Walker as guest. Pres and Vice Pres. being absent, Sec. called the meeting to order and it was voted to choose a Pres. pro tem. Voted Mrs. Coye Pres. pro tem. Meeting was called to order by Pres. pro tem. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Mrs. Coye suggested a note be made of the meeting at her home and the reason of the postponement being not enough members present for a quorum. Sec. read a letter from (?) Montague in regard to appeal for a Parsonage. Voted to lay on the table. Mrs. Coye stated Mrs. Myers would entertain Mrs. Buckshorn if the Alliance would pay traveling expenses. Voted to pay traveling expenses, sending fifteen dollars. Sec. to write a letter to Mrs. Buckshorn and add if not sufficient, the Alliance would pay balance due on her return home. Mrs. George Walker invited the ladies to meet with her at any time, the ladies accepted the invitation for next Monday afternoon. No other business came before this meeting and it was adjourned.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

(No date) The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. George Walker with three members present. Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 6th, 1911

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look with 7 members present, Mrs. Freeman and Miss Eldridge as guests. Pres. called the meeting to order. Sec. report read and accepted. The business first before meeting: Mrs. George Walker name was proposed for membership. Ballots cast and collected in favor of Mrs. Walker and she was declared a member. Mrs. Walker was welcomed as a new member and the Sec omitted the usual note of acceptance. Mrs. Freeman's name proposed for membership. Ballots cast and collected, all in favor of Mrs. Freeman and she was declared a member and welcomed into the Alliance. Mrs. Buckshorn referred very kindly to Mrs. Claghorn and her part in the Alliance work. The members then listened to an interesting report from Mrs. Buckshorn as delegate to the Conference in Washington. Sec. read postals: One from Dorchester being too late to answer was laid on the table. Others referred to Sec. and Treas. To send suitable articles as requested for Fair. Our Pres. asked the ladies to think over, perhaps, for next meeting the proposition of omitting the winter fair and in its place, each member pledging to give amount which would plan or expect to buy at the Fair. No other business coming before the meeting, Miss Eldridge entertained delightfully at the piano singing, also instrumental solos. Mrs. Look served chocolate candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

November 13, 1911

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Abner Foster with ten members present. The business of omitting the Fair was brought before this meeting. After much discussion and a cast vote of no fair as trial and the members pledging amount for usual sale, it was voted to hold a sale and supper in Association Hall dining room Dec. 5th, 1911.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 20th, 1911

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye, 10 ,members present. Sec. read a letter from New Bedford Alliance inviting the Vineyard Haven Alliance to a luncheon the 12th of December. Voted to send a letter of thanks with regrets that the members would be unable to accept for that date. No other business came before this meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

November 27th, 1911

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Lewis H. Buckshorn, 11 members present , Mrs. Hunter as guest. The business coming before this meeting, Mrs. Hunter's name proposed for membership. Ballots were cast, collected, all in favor of Mrs. Hunter. She was declared a member and, being present, we welcomed her to the Alliance. No other business came before the meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 4th, 1911

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 9 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Sec. read postals of thanks. Pres. notified the ladies to meet at the Hall 2:30 PM for arranging the tables and any work needed. No other business came before the meeting. Mrs. Cromwell served apples.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Alliance financial reports for 1911

Balance \$335.98.

Income: Dues (still 25 cents), small gifts, Party, Cake Sale, articles sold, Gift of \$20 from the New. Bedford Alliance W. C. Clifford bequest, \$5 gift from Mr. Stelley, sale of postals, Social (\$20.00), Summer Sale (\$249.34), Christmas Sale (\$59.92).

Expenses: Mrs. Luce for washing table cloths, the Society \$50 for the heater plus \$100 plus \$100, Mrs. Buckshorn's expenses to Washington (\$15), flowers for sick members, Organist, organ boy, violinist, materials for sewing items for Fair, Easter Flowers, cutting grass, Alliance dues, Southern Circuit work, Owen's Greenhouse for Easter Flowers.

January 22nd, 1912

The Annual Meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Miss T. B. Smith, 9 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted. The following business came before the meeting: Pres. read of Associate Alliance in West Newton. Pres. read about the Edward Everett Hale statue. After discussion it was voted to contribute one dollar from the Alliance , small amounts being helpful as it keeps the Alliance in touch with the outside world. Sec. read postals of thanks for gifts sent to Fairs. Pres. Read postals asking for handkerchief for Fair at Arlington. Referred to Sec. and Treas. Voted to have the Annual Summer Fair August 7th. Mrs. Coye reported Mrs. White as sick in the hospital. Voted to send flowers, Sec. and Treas. to attend to the matter and Sec. to write Mrs. White a letter if still in the hospital. It was suggested by the Pres. that we use word Unitarian in our table decoration. This is each table having one letter from this word

standing for the articles on sale. The ladies were to report at the next meeting on the suggestion. The request was also granted that Mrs. Coye and Mrs. Daggett and Mrs. Norton have twenty five cent table for the Fair. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Pres., Mrs. Lewis H. Buckshorn; Vice Pres., Mrs. B. C. Cromwell; Sec., Mrs. John O. Norton, Treas., Mrs. Henry W. Coye. Delegate to May meeting Mrs. Lewis Buckshorn, alternate Mrs. Gilbert Smith. Meeting adjourned for a reading by Miss Smith, her selection a wonderful imaginative Irish Fairy Tale.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb 5th, 1912

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 8 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec and Treas. report read and accepted. Sec. read a letter Mrs. Coye received from Mr. Stelley enclosing five dollars in memory of his wife. Voted a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Stelley. Voted to send a plant to Mrs. Wright. Mrs. Cromwell gave a report of the meeting of the associate Alliance which she attended. Mrs. Cromwell suggested the ladies earn a dollar for the Alliance and give experience of earning. No vote was taken but it was quite favorably commented on. Voted a cake sale at the Mrs. B. Cromwell's on Friday at 3 PM and a Whist Party was planned for Valentine's night. No other business came before the meeting. Mrs. Smith served delicious ice cream and cake.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 12th, 1912

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye with 9 members present. The following business came before this meeting: Sec. read a letter from Mrs. Wright thanking for the plant the Alliance sent and enclosing one dollar as a gift. Still no formal vote taken on the suggestion of earning one dollar by the members for the Alliance but generally received with favor. Mrs. Coye served delicious corn balls.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 19th, 1912

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Bodfish, 10 members present. Plans were made for serving ice cream for the ball given by Nobnocket orchestra. Mrs. R. L. Freeman offered to entertain the ladies for the next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb., 26th, 1912

The sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. R. L. Freeman, 10 members present, Miss Shorey as guest. Mrs. Buckshorn, our Pres. asked the ladies, to notify members that it had been decided for each member to earn a dollar for the Alliance giving experience of earning and the ladies present were given list of names.

Sec. read a letter of invitation to attend Neighborhood meeting. No action taken. Mrs. Freeman served lovely home made candy. Mrs. Foster or Mrs. Cromwell to notify Sec when the next meeting will be held.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 4th, 1912

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Abner Foster, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Sec. read a letter from Alliance Branch of Summit, NJ. Referred to Com. Sec read a letter from Andover, NH asking for contribution. Voted to lay on table. Voted to send flowers to Mr. Stelley. Sec. read the names of the National Alliance officers, extracts from Word and Work. Voted to give a rising vote of thanks to Mrs. Wright for her gift of four dollars to the Alliance. Sec. read a letter of thanks from Arlington for contribution of handkerchief. Ballots cast for Miss Storey, was elected, for Mrs. Wright, she was elected. Mrs. Foster served delicious home made candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 11th, 1912

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. George Walker with 9 members present. Mrs. Josiah Luce as guest. Pres. read list of committees for the Summer Fair. Mrs. Walker served lovely coconut cakes.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 18th, 1912

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 5 members present, Miss Brock of New Bedford as guest. Sec. read a letter from New Bedford Alliance giving five dollars to the Alliance. It was the decision of the Alliance Mrs. Coye write a letter of acknowledgement taking the place of the letter usually written by the Sec. Mrs. Cromwell's lovely angel food cake and tempting chocolate was much enjoyed. Mrs. Cromwell's reading "The Message to Garcia" was appreciated by the ladies present.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 18th, 1912

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Swift, 8 members present. The business coming before the meeting was the planning of the supper the ladies were to serve for the Merchant's Ball, the planning of the supper, the ladies who were to serve for the Merchants' Ball, Mrs. Hough's opening of the basket of articles, gift from New Bedford Alliance which she had brought with her with like the olden time finding of the Christmas Gifts. Those were the searching of the presents from the stockings by the little ones, these were the finding of some bit of lace or silk from their town or foreign land which to the imagination of the older finders brought future joy in the planning of use for the home Fair. The exclamations of delight were identical. Meeting adjourned for the monthly meeting and experience meeting at Mrs. Buckshorn's for April 8th.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 1, 1912

The annual meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held in Association Hall at 7:30 PM. The meeting was called to order by the President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith. The secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted; after which the following report of the Treasurer was read and accepted.

Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society in account with Gilbert L. Smith, Treas.

Cr.

Cash on hand beginning of year	\$7.03
Amt. received from all sources during year ending March 31st, 1912	779.45

\$786.48

Dr.

To amt paid Louis H. Buckshorn	\$743.37
To amt paid Natl. Conference	10.00
To amt paid A. Unitarian Association	12.00
To amt paid Channing Conference	10.00
To amt paid Janitor	5.75

\$781.12

Due Mr. Buckshorn	\$5.36
Deficit	66.67

Gilbert L. Smith, Treas.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith;

Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Henry C. Swift; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Carla E. Coye, Elisha Luce, Rebecca D. Getchell, Henry C. Swift; Music Committee, Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton, Fannie A. Look, Lucy P. Bodfish; Missionary Committee, Rebecca D. Getchell, Mary H. Smith, Ethelinda Lewis, Thankful B. Smith; Social Committee, Emma F. Cromwell, Addie A. Armsby, Clara W. Luce, Lucy P. Bodfish, Lillie A. Swift, Fannie A. Look, Ethelinda Lewis, Eliza Lord, Doris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B. Foster.

It was voted that the President appoint a committee to solicit funds for the clergyman's salary for the ensuing year. The following were appointed; Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton, Emma F. Cromwell, Lucy P. Bodfish.

It was voted unanimously to ask Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn to remain as pastor the following year from May 1, 1912 to May 1 1913 the terms and conditions same as former year; vis, salary \$800 with one month's vacation.

Three candidates for membership in the Society were proposed and elected unanimously; Eugene Carpenter, Annie G. Carpenter, Doris Soule Hough. Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

April 8th, 1912

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Louis Buckshorn, with 14 members present, Mrs. Calhoun and Mrs. R. W. Crocker as guests. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec report read and accepted. Treas. being absent on account of sickness, no report was read from her although she sent her dollar and ways and means of earning it. One dollar each from Mrs. Henry Swift and Mrs. Albert Look. Sec. read report of Associate Alliance in Quincy. Pres. gave a list of names from the manual to each member present to write for contributions to the Remembrance Table for the sale of Aug 7th. Each member using the same form for writing and signing the Sec.'s name. Alliance was then turned to the "Experience Meeting" or ways and means of earning one dollar for the Alliance. Everyone present was, well I ought to say, in just a little pardonable excitement this afternoon, equal to reports from a Presidential Campaign, as the reports came in, grave and gay. Hair cutting, I say the following, very carefully, stealing from husband, one member suggesting (?) receiving bad as given, dressmaking, making holders, ice cream, self denials, selling peanuts and candy and instruction, cleaning closets. The Sec. wishes each members ways and means could be filed in the records. But the perfect harmony and interest of the work can be related as a matter of small successes. Sec. and Mrs. Bodfish were the receiver and the counters of the money, which was \$28. Mrs. Hollister's one dollar received in the night's mail made the total \$29. Mrs. Calhoun and Mrs. Crocker as guests, each contributed one dollar. To have been there was a privilege, to have been absent a regret. Each member feeling it was a red letter day for the Women's Alliance. Delicious refreshments were served during the afternoon. Sec. read Mrs. Howland's report of earning dollar for Organ Fund, 1904.

Mary L. Norton. Sec.

May 6th, 1912

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look. The afternoon was stormy and five members only ventured out. Owing to the small number present, the ladies decided to postpone business meeting for one week. Sec. to ask Mrs. Elisha Luce if she would have the Alliance at her home. The members present took up the sewing with interest and quite a little work was accomplished. Mrs. Look served lovely ice cream, cookies and fancy crackers which were thoroughly enjoyed by the ladies present.

Mary L Norton, Sec.

May 13th, 1912

The adjourned meeting of the Woman's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Elisha Luce, 8 members present. "Our Faith" read. Treas. Report read and accepted. Reading of discussion of Pres. Elliot and question and answers read. Sec. report read and accepted. Voted to buy postals. Voted to send vote to thanks to Mr. White for playing and for money for Music. Voted to send vote of thanks to New Bedford Branch for articles received.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 20th, 1912

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Abner Foster, 8 members present. No business came

before this meeting but Sec. read an article from the New Bedford Standard sent by Mrs. Hough giving an account of the open Unitarian Church in New Bedford for visitors. Mrs. Foster served delicious home made candy.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 27th, 1912

The sewing meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Swift with seven members present. Mrs. Bodfish solicited cake for the "May Ball". The Alliance serving the cake and ice cream. No other business came before this meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 3rd, 1912

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held on the piazza at the home of Mrs. George Walker, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The business coming before this meeting was the voting to send flowers to Mrs. Armsby and to omit the Alliance meeting for one week. Mrs. Coye to entertain the ladies for next meeting. Mrs. Walker served nice candy which all present enjoyed.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 17th, 1912

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye, 8 members present. Sec. read a letter of thanks from Mrs. Armsby and Mrs. Tufts for the flowers sent. It was decided the ladies go to clean the church on Wed. morn. No other business came before this meeting. Mrs. Coye served lovely strawberries and the cake was baked in her fireless cooker which the members present thoroughly enjoyed. Mrs. Freeman to entertain for next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 24th, 1912

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. R. L. Freeman with 8 members present. During the afternoon, Mrs. Freeman served lovely lemonade and cake which the ladies enjoyed very much

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 1st, 1912

The Monthly Meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Bodfish with 8 members present and Mrs. Porter as guest. Vice Pres. called the meeting to order in the absence of the Pres. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Treas. reported for the first time no money received. Later in the afternoon Mrs. Gilbert Smith brought six names for membership received from Miss Elizabeth Brown with money enclosed. Each person unanimously elected. Voted the Sec. write a letter of thanks to Miss Brown for her interest in the Alliance to notify the ladies of their being elected member of the Alliance. Voted the Sec. have one dollar for postage. Mrs. Gilbert Smith offered to donate postal cards with church picture for acknowledging thanks for gifts for the Alliance Remembrance Table. No other business came before this meeting. Later in the afternoon Mrs. Bodfish served lovely cookies and (?) some tonic.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 8th, 1912

The sewing meeting of the Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Lewis Buckshorn, 10 members present and Mrs. William Randall as guest. Business coming before the meeting: Voted to have a supper and dance, Sec. to ascertain the Nobnocket playing, the engaging of Association Hall from Capt. Smith. Mrs. Randall's name presented for membership, ballots cast and collected. All in favor of Mrs. Randall and she was unanimously elected a member. Mrs. Buckshorn served lovely iced tea and crackers assisted by Miss Kittridge and Fisher Buckshorn.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 10th, 1913

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 7 members present. No business came before this meeting. Mrs. Smith served delicious lemonade which was very refreshing, the afternoon being very warm, cherries and fancy cakes which all present enjoyed. Mrs. Albert Look to entertain next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec. 6

July 15th, 1912

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith. Seven members present. No business came before this meeting. Mrs. Smith served delicious lemonade which was very refreshing, the afternoon being very warm, cherries and fancy cakes which all present enjoyed. Mrs. Albert Look to entertain at next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 22nd, 1912

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) met at the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 11 members present Miss Moore as guest. Voted to have Mrs. Flanders play and pay four dollars if Mrs. Eddy not available for the dancing, if the entertainment was a failure. Mrs. Look served marshmallows and coconut candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 29th, 1912

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. B. C., Cromwell with ten members present. Mrs. Gilbert Smith reported in regard to Miss Eddy, uncertain of coming on account of mother's illness. Mrs. Cromwell served delicious refreshments.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Aug. 5th, 1912

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Lewis Buckshorn, 9 members present. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The business coming before the meeting: Voted to rescind the vote for the supper and dance. Voted to serve the cake and ice cream for Mrs. Hough's party Sat. evening at Association Hall. If the price 20 cents a plate is satisfactory. No voted taken but it was suggested the ladies meet at 2 o'clock at the hall to arrange the tables for the Fair. Chairman of the Music Committee having engaged Mrs. Gorman for three Sundays, Mrs. Dean for last Sunday in August. No further business came before this meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 26th, 1912

Sewing Meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gary Hough with 9 members present. Miss Kind as guest. The business coming before the meeting: Mrs. Coye reported gift of five dollars for the fair from Mr. Stelley. Voted Sec. send a letter of thanks to Mr. Stelley. Mrs. Coye reported \$250.29 added to Treasury from the Summer Fair. Mrs. Hough served delicious sherbet with ginger sauce and cookies. Not to have meeting first Monday in Sept.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

September 9th, 1912

Monthly meeting of the Woman's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 8 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. read and accepted. The business coming before the meeting: Voted to have the mid-winter Fair Dec. 3rd. Voted the Alliance approve the action of the Chairman of the Music Committee to engage Mrs. (?)Downey for playing. No other business came before this meeting. Mrs. Cromwell served ice cream in cones which the ladies enjoyed, also grapes and peaches.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 7th, 1912

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith with 7 members present. Vice Pres. Called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted. Voted a letter be sent Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish whose husband is in the hospital. The Channing Conference at Fairhaven was talked over and it was suggested Capt. Smith send for ten tickets as a possible number of members of the Society and Alliance to attend. No other business came before meeting. Mrs. Smith's refreshments were much enjoyed and the old time Isabella grapes were delicious.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 14th, 1912

The sewing meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 5 members present. The business coming before the meeting: Voted the Sec. send greetings from the Alliance to Mrs. Buckshorn who is in New Hampshire with Mr. Buckshorn on a vacation. Mrs. Cromwell read a letter from Plymouth Rock, (?) Co. sent to Mr. Buckshorn asking to supply for Fair. Voted to accept a donation. Sec read a postal saying donation to be sent Nov. Mrs. Cromwell's chocolate and fruit cake were delicious.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

October 21st, 1912

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. R. A. Freeman with 4 members present. Sec. not notified in time so was absent.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Oct. 28th, 1912

The sewing meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henrietta Hollister with 11 members present, Mrs. Luce, Mrs. Gowell as guests. A vote of thanks given Mrs. Gilbert Smith for her gift of five yards of gingham for aprons to the Alliance. The ladies enjoyed Mrs. Hollister's sandwiches and tea.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 4th, 1912

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. Reports read and accepted. Sec. read a letter from Mrs. Low, from Mrs. Brown and postal from Mrs. Bodfish also appeal from Andover NH. No other business came before this meeting. Mrs. Look's lovely chocolate and fancy crackers were enjoyed by all the ladies present.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

November 11th, 1912

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. John O. Norton, 9 members present, Mrs Ellen Norton as guest. The business coming before the meeting: Each member contribute four articles for the Fair. At each meeting a member bring something salable. The members purchase and price paid should be given to the contribution box. Mrs. Buckshorn read names of Committees for the Fair. Mrs. Foster to entertain at the next meeting. Candy served by the hostess.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 18th, 1912

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Abner Foster, 8 members present and Mrs. Ellen Norton as guest. Mrs. Cromwell brought dozen doughnuts for her contribution. All were sold. Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Look reported \$9 receipts for Card party. A supper was talked over but no action taken. Mrs. Gilbert Smith brought sample of apron for Fair Sale as advertised. No action taken for orders at this meeting. Mrs. Foster's home made candy was lovely.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

November 25th, 1912

The sewing meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. E. T. Lewis, 9 members present. Mrs. Coye reported Mrs. George Walker had offered a hand painted vase for the Alliance, Value \$3, Mrs. Walker contributing \$1.50, making \$1.50 for the Alliance to pay. It was accepted and Mrs. Cromwell appointed to have the care and planning for this sale. It was suggested by Mrs. Coye and approved by the members of the Alliance that Mrs. Ellen Norton be asked to assist at the Fancy Works table at the Fair. The rapid disappearance of the candy served by Mrs. Lewis was proof positive that it was enjoyed by the ladies present.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

December 9th, 1912

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 9 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Sec. read postals of thanks from Alliance for gifts sent for Fairs. Mrs. Buckshorn read articles from Word and Work. A social for the New Year was talked over for some date in January. Mrs. Coye reported having received from Capt. Smith for Mrs. Calhoun gift of one dollar for our Fair. Mrs. Buckshorn and Mrs. Coye counted the money received from sales at Winter Fair and reported \$53.76. Mrs. Daggett's peanuts and lovely great apples which all enjoyed. Adjourned for first Monday in January for meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Alliance financial records for 1911

Balance: \$217.14

Income: dues, small gifts, Social, \$5 from Mr. Stelley, Cake Sales, Cake and Ice Cream Sales, Supper for Dance (\$22.63), \$10 from Mr. White, articles sold, Summer Sale (\$259.29), Winter Sale (\$53.76).

Expenses: Flowers, organist, violinist, organ boy, materials for sewing for the Fair, the Society \$60 plus \$100 plus \$125 plus \$50, mowing lawn

January 6th, 1913

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Swift, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Sec. read articles from Word and Work selected by the Pres. Sec. read program for N. E. Associate Alliance. Being the Annual Meeting the officers were chosen for the New Year after the members voted, the Sec. cast one vote for Officers in place of members balloting. Mrs. Daggett cast the vote for the Sec. All of the officers were re-elected: Pres., Mrs. Louis H. Buckshorn; Vice Pres., Mrs. B. C. Cromwell; Sec., Mrs. John O. Norton; Treas., Mrs. Henry W. Coye. It was decided to hold no meeting until Feb. 1st. No other business coming before the meeting, it was adjourned for the program. Miss T. B. Smith read a very interesting article called the "Bulyer Diamonds". During the afternoon, Mrs. Swift served lovely candy which all enjoyed.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb 3rd, 1913

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 5 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The business coming before the meeting: Voted the Sec. send a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Hough and Mrs. Soule from the Alliance. Voted to hold the Summer Fair Aug 12th, 1913. Mrs. Gilbert Smith presented to the Alliance a gift of patchwork made in the Universalist church Society from Mr. G. D. Calhoun. Mrs. Smith served lovely hot ginger cookies and grape juice.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb 10th, 1913

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 9 members present. Pres. called the

meeting to order and the Sec. read Annual Report to be sent as requested to Mrs. Allerton for the March meeting. Mrs. Cromwell's refreshments were so much enjoyed, consisting of tea with milk, sugar or lemon, dainty cookies and sandwiches.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 17th, 1913

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. George Walker, 10 members present. Card party planned by Mrs. Cromwell. Mrs. Walkers candy was enjoyed by all.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 24th, 1913

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at he home of Mrs. Henry W., Daggett, 10 members present with Mrs. Ellen Norton as guest. At this meeting, the Pres., Mrs. Buckshorn read names of Comm. for the Summer Fair tables. Mrs. Cromwell reported \$8.20 received from card party and she had decided to open her house for another card party, refreshments left, and with some additions, sufficient for the evening. All the ladies enjoyed Mrs. Daggett's nice candy. Mrs. Bodfish to entertain at the next meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 3rd, 1913

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Bodfish with 7 members present. Business meeting postponed for week. Sec. not having her report. Sec. read an article presented by Mrs. Henry Daggett, (about) what Pres. Taft thought of Unitarianism.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 10th, 1913

Adjourned monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Louis Buckshorn, 10 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted. Articles read from Word and Work. Sec. read an invitation from Fairhaven Alliance to Neighborhood meeting. Sec. read letter from Mrs. Allerton in regard to receiving Annual Report (from) Vineyard Haven Alliance. She suggesting the Alliance might like to send greeting to the new Director, Mrs. Clifford P. Sherman, when elected. For the entertainment of the afternoon, Mrs. Buckshorn read a paper entitled "Woman and Labor", very interesting and the Sec. felt sure the ladies were grateful for the privilege of listening. Mrs. Buckshorn served candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 17th, 1913

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the Mansion House, Mrs. Wright entertaining, 11 members present. The Pres. read again the names of Comm. for Summer Fair. Mrs. Robert Adams name proposed for membership. It was voted the Sec. cast one ballot in the affirmative and Mrs. Adams was elected a member. The Sec. to officially notify Mrs. Adams that she was a member. Mrs. Getchell read interesting articles from the "Register" giving to the ladies present some knowledge of the Unitarians in the Southland. Mrs. Wright served candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

March 24th, 1913

The sewing (meeting of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye, 9 members present with Mrs. Porter as guest. The Fairhaven invitation was brought before the meeting and the Sec. was instructed to send letter with thanks and regrets that it would not be possible to accept the invitation. Mrs. Coye served candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 7th, 1913

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Louis Buckshorn, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. report read and accepted. The following business

came before the meeting: Voted to send greetings and best wishes for speedy recovery to Pres. Eliot who is ill in hospital. Voted to send greetings and best wishes to Hilda Hough who is ill in hospital. Mrs. Buckshorn served lovely chocolate and oatmeal cookies.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 7, 1913

The annual meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held in Association Hall 7:30 PM. The meeting was called to order by President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith. The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted; after which the following report of the Treasurer was read by the Clerk.

For the year ending April 7, 1913

Receipts

Balance on hand commencement of year (April 1, 1912)	\$5.36
Received Sunday Collections	200.95
Received Woman's Alliance	335.00
Received Unitarian Association	100.00
Received Other Subscriptions	229.15

	\$870.46

Expenditures

Louis H. Buckshorn on account of salary 1911-12	66.67
Louis H. Buckshorn on account of salary 1912-13	790.04
American Unitarian Association	100.00
Louis H. Buckshorn New Year's Present	10.00
Janitor's Service (Celestine)	6.75
James H. Norton, Concrete steps	25.00
H. N. Hinckley, Repairs on Chapel	14.87
Contribution to A. U. Association	5.00
Contribution to Channing Conference	5.00

	\$1023.33

Gilbert L. Smith, Treasurer

Voted to accept the Treasurer's Report.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Miss Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Mr. Henry C. Swift; Parish Committee; Capt. Gilbert L. Smith, Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Rebecca D. Getchell, Mr. Elisha Luce, Mr. Henry C. Swift; Music Committee; Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Fannie A. Look, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish; Missionary Committee, Mrs. Rebecca D. Getchell, Mrs. Mary H. Smith, Mrs. Ethelinda Lewis, Miss Thankful B. Smith; Social Committee, Mrs. Emma L. Cromwell, Mrs. Addie A. Armsby, Mrs. Clara W. Luce, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish, Mrs. Lillie A. Swift, Mrs. Fannie A. Look, Mrs. Ethelinda Lewis, Mrs. Eliza Lord, Miss Doris S. Hough, Mrs. Annie G. Carpenter, Mrs. Esther B. Foster.

It was voted that the President appoint a committee to solicit funds for the salary of the clergyman the ensuing year.

The following were appointed: Mrs. Carla E. Coye, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Emma L. Cromwell, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish, Mrs. Annie G. Carpenter.

It was voted unanimously to ask Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn to remain as pastor the following year, From May 1, 1913 to May 1, 1914, terms and conditions the same as previous year, viz; Salary \$800 with one month's vacation.

Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

April 14th, 1913

The sewing meeting of the Alliance met at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 5 members present. Mrs. Coye read letter from Mr. Stelley enclosing gift of five dollars in memory of Mrs. Stelley.

Report of Mrs. Coye

April 21st, 1913

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Eben Bodfish, 11 members present. At this meeting Mrs. Cromwell solicited money for refreshments for the card party for the benefit of the Alliance. At his meeting there was no formal vote taken but someone suggested to meet in two weeks. No objection was made. Mrs. Albert Look offered to entertain the Alliance at the next meeting. Lovely refreshments served, cake and ice cream by the hostess.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 5th, 1913

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. The following business came before the meeting: Voted to renew the subscription to Southern Circuit Work. Mrs. Eben Bodfish's name was proposed for membership and ballots were cast and collected, all in favor of Mrs. Bodfish and she was unanimously elected a member of the Alliance. Being present, she was given a welcome as a member. Mrs. Buckshorn read a notice from Committee on college girls. Voted to send Mrs. Eugene Carpenter as delegate to National Alliance May meetings to be held in Boston. Sec. to notify her. Delicious refreshment, cocoa (?) served by the hostess during the afternoon. Next meeting to be held in two weeks.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 19th, 1913

Sewing meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 9 members present. Mrs. Buckshorn reported Mrs. Eugene Walker as sick. Voted to send her flowers with a note from the Alliance. Quite a conversation was carried on about the Memorial Service to be held at the church lest there should not be books enough for the evening's use. It was decided to have printed programs, Mrs. Hough offering to pay the expenses, Mrs. Buckshorn to arrange matters with Mr. Buckshorn who is not at home at the present time. Lovely ice cream and crackers served by Mrs. Cromwell during the afternoon, 13 cents collection.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 26th, 1913

Sewing Meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Rebecca C. Getchell, 8 members present., Mrs. Julia Luce as guest. Mrs. Getchell paid fifty cents into the collection box as her substitute for refreshments which was an innovation but a very acceptable one to the ladies present. Although she explained it required a little courage on her part, but she felt it would help the Alliance more in that way.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 2nd, 1913

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Louis Buckshorn, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec and Treas. Reports read and accepted. A food sale was talked over among the ladies present, for Friday afternoon. Mrs. Buckshorn gave a list of members to be solicited from. Mrs. Gilbert Smith to entertain for the next meeting.

June 9th, 1913

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 7 members present. Business coming before the meeting: Voted a post card be sent Mr. L. A. Wright one of our members who is at her home in Concord, NH, but visits the Vineyard and meets with the Alliance and interested in our work. Sec. to ask Mr. Isaac Chase if he will sing at the church next Sunday. The ladies enjoyed Mrs. Smith's lovely cake and the Sec. may be pardoned if she thinks the ladies were quite glad it did not reach the food sale in time and they were permitted to eat thereof.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 16th, 1913

The sewing meeting of the Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye with 8 members present.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 23rd, 1913

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Eben Bodfish with 7 members present. No vote taken but the ladies decided to hold a food sale on Friday. Mrs. Bodfish offering her home as the place for the sale. Mrs. Buckshorn read a letter in regard to the Alliance (?)pin. During the afternoon, Mrs. Bodfish served lovely lemonade.

June 30th, 1913

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 8 members present. No vote taken but the ladies talked over the plan of earning a dollar for the Alliance by the 1st of August. Mrs. Carpenter offered to write letters to absent members, and other present were given a list of names by the Pres. to ask to assist. During the afternoon Mrs. Daggett served cooling refreshments.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 7th, 1913

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. Eugene Carpenter entertaining the ladies, 14 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report was read and accepted. Mrs. Gilbert Smith presented several names for membership and action held over until the next meeting. Tea and lemonade served during the afternoon by the hostess. Cake sale.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 14th, 1913

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Bodfish, 6 members present, Mrs. Porter and Mr. J.P. Bodfish as guests. Sec. read a postal from Mr. Coye telling of Mrs. Coye's injury while taking a short vacation and ride from New Bedford on cars. He wrote, "I am happy to say she is very much better, the fracture is beginning to knit and is not so painful. It is the thigh bone which is broken and the hip terribly bruised. She has the best of care and sends love to all at this meeting". At the suggestion of Mrs. Buckshorn it was decided to send home grown flowers from members as a change from the regular flowers sent from the greenhouse. Ladies to bring to Mrs. Bodfish who will attend to the transportation. Voted Mrs. J. P. Bodfish as Treas. during Mrs. Coye's absence. \$14 received from food sale at Mrs. Charles Norton's, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell in charge. During the afternoon, Mrs. Bodfish served cooling refreshments.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 21st, 1913

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 6 members present, Master Charles Clough as guest. The afternoon being very hot, the ladies adjourned to the comfortable piazza for sewing. At this meeting it was voted to change the date of the Fair from Tues. Aug 12th to Thursday, Aug. 14th on account of the pageant coming on the former date. Mrs. Smith served refreshing lemonade, cake and cherries.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 28th, 1913

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 7 members present. Mrs. Clayton of Canton, Mass. Alliance as guest. Mrs. Clayton on leaving gave 25 cents for the apron table. Mrs. Look's refreshments, cooling lemonade and crackers were much enjoyed.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 4th, 1913

The monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 7 members present. Vice Pres. called the meeting to order., "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read, Treas. report read by acting Treas., Mrs. Bodfish. Sec. read letters from Mrs. Wright and Miss Sophie Eddy enclosing one dollar each for the Alliance earning collection. Mrs. Cromwell served delicious iced tea and sandwiches. Mrs. Daggett read a letter from Mrs. Coye by nurse all present glad to hear any word of or former Treas.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 11th, 1913

Sewing meeting held at the home of Mrs. Eben Bodfish, 6 members present . Final arrangements for the Fair and an early adjournment. Mary L. Norton. Sec.

August 18th, No meeting. Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Sept. 2nd, 1913

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Louis H. Buckshorn, 5 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Following business came before the meeting: Voted to send flowers to Mrs. John Luce. Voted to send something to the New Bedford Alliance Fair when the date is known. During the afternoon Miss Kittridge and friend served cake and lemonade.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Sept. 22nd, 1913

Alliance meeting held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 5 members present. Voted at this meeting the Alliance pay Capt. Smith amount due him less pledged for last year. Sec. read a letter of greeting from Sherborn Alliance asking for contribution of handkerchief for Fair. It was decided to substitute a bag instead of a handkerchief and recognize the appeal.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Sept. 22, 1913

A meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held in Association Hall. The President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM.

A letter from Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn was read by the clerk, wherein he stated that an invitation had been given to him from the Trustees of Unity Home, New Bedford, to become its pastor. In accordance with this, he asked our Society to consider his resignation, to take effect on or before, Dec. 1, 1913, as the Society might decide. It was voted unanimously to accept Mr. Buckshorn's resignation with regret for his departure and the wish that success may attend his efforts in his new field of labor. Voted the said resignation take effect Nov 1. 1913.

Thankful. B. Smith, Clerk

October 6th, 1913

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 5 members present. Vice Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted. Mrs. Cromwell suggested that instead of having a Christmas Fair that we have a supper with dancing for the young people who were home for vacation at that time and sell any articles we have made and make the greatest work for the Summer Fair. While no action was taken, the ladies present seemed favorable toward the experiment. Mrs. Henry Swift invited the ladies to meet with her for the Nov. meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

November 3rd, 1913

Monthly meeting of the Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Henry Swift, 4 members present, Pres., Vice Pres., and Treas. being absent and no quorum. Sec. read letters and appeals. Sec. reported Mrs. Coye sent thanks for many kindnesses. Mrs. Hollister was reported not well, that is a lameness that would not let her walk far. Mrs. Swift

served candy during the afternoon. Mrs. Louise Daggett work for another calling and sewing.
Mary L. Norton, Sec.

November 17th, 1913

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 5 members present. Mrs. Daggett served peanuts.

December 8th, 1913

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 6 members present. Vice Pres. called the meeting to order. Sec. report read and accepted. The only business coming before the meeting was the reading of letters coming from our director and voting for the Fair to be held Dec. 19th. Mrs. George Walker invited the ladies for an all day session at her home on Dec. 15th. The ladies accepting after recovering from the surprise of the new kind of invitation. Mrs. Cromwell's refreshments were delicious.

Mary L Norton, Sec.

Dec. 15th, 1913

The ladies were delightfully entertained at the home of Mrs. George Walker and much sewing was accomplished in the all day session, 8 members present. Two names were presented for membership, Mrs. Charles D. Elder, Mrs. Amalia N. Eaton. It was voted the Sec. cast one vote for each in the affirmative and they were elected members. Mrs. Walker's lovely dinner of clam chowder and rice pudding was thoroughly enjoyed by the ladies privileged to attend.

Mary L. Norton, Sec

Alliance financial records for 1913

Balance: \$175.95.

Income: Dues, Cake Sales, small gifts, Social at Mansion House, dues, \$5 from Mr. Stelley, sale of small articles, \$20 from Mrs. Hough, Fair (\$187.40), Christmas Sale (\$41.38).

Expenses: Organist, soloist, organ boy, violinist, Southern Circuit Work, materials to make articles for the Fair, flowers, the Society \$235,

Jan 5th, 1914

Annual Meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye, 5 members present. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Ballots cast for President. Mrs. Cromwell reported Mrs. Buckshorn must resign as president, but it was voted the Sec. cast one vote for Mrs. Buckshorn as Pres. and she was elected. Pres. Sec. to inform her of her election. Voted the Sec. cast one vote for Mrs. Cromwell as Vice Pres. And she was elected Vice President. Voted the Pres cast one vote for the Sec., Mrs. John O. Norton and she was elected. Voted the Sec. cast one vote for Mrs. Coye as Treas. And she was elected Treas. Voted to elect Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish as delegate to May meetings in Boston and Mrs. Cromwell as alternate. Thanks read from Mr. Stelley for gift from the Alliance. Voted to meet first and third Mondays in the month. No other business came before the meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

January 19th, 1914

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Getchell, 3 members present. Small numbers but very pleasant meeting.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 2nd, 1914

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett., 9 members present. Vice Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Voted accept resig. of Vice Pres. Sec. to cast one (ballot) for Mrs. Cromwell as Pres. Voted to send letter of thanks to Capt. Smith for hire of hall for Christmas and add a postscript for his wife. Mrs. Daggett served apples.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 6th, 1914

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Swift, 6 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Following business came before the meeting: Pres. read a letter from Mrs. Buckshorn enclosing a letter to be read and acted upon in regard to pay director's expenses. Voted to send \$2 for one year of director's expenses. During the afternoon Mrs. Smith served candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 6, 1914

The annual meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Henry W. Coye. The President, Gilbert L. Smith, called the meeting to order at 7:30 PM. The following report of the Treasurer was read by the Clerk and accepted by the Society.

Report of the Treasurer of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society for the year ending April 1, 1914.

Credit

Received during the year from the Womens' Alliance	\$370.00
Individual Subscriptions	186.66
Sunday collections	95.55
American Unitarian Association	50.00
Sunday School Fund	2.00

\$703.21

Debit

Amt. pd deficit 1912-13	152.87
Amt. pd Louis H. Buckshorn	516.69
Amt. pd Insurance on organ	15.84
Amt. pd Janitor	7.00
Amt. pd A. U. Association	5.00
Amt. pd Channing Conference	5.00
Bal. in Treas.	.81

\$703.21

Gilbert L. Smith, Treasurer

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year. President; Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Henry C. Swift; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Carla E. Coye, Rebecca D. Getchell, Elisha Luce, Henry C. Swift; Music Committee, Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton, Fannie A. Look, Lucy P. Bodfish, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee, Rebecca D. Getchell, Mary H. Smith, Ethelinda Lewis, Henry W. Coye; Social Committee, Emma F. Cromwell, Addie A. Armsby, Clara W. Luce, Lucy P. Bodfish, Lillie A. Swift, Fannie A. Look, Ethelinda Lewis, Eliza Lord, Dorris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B. Foster.

It was voted the chair appoint a committee to solicit funds for the salary of the clergyman for the ensuing year. The following were so appointed: Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton, Emma F. Cromwell, Lucy P. Bodfish, Annie G. Carpenter.

It was voted unanimously to ask Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn to preach for us three months at a salary of \$10 per Sunday. Voted that Capt. and Mrs. Gilbert L. Smith be delegates to the annual meeting of the American Unitarian Association and if one or both be unable to attend, they appoint a delegate or delegates to fill the vacancy. Voted to adjourn to meet April 13, 7:30 PM at the residence of Henry W. Coye.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

April 13, 1914

A meeting was held at the residence of Mr. Henry W. Coye, 7:30 PM for the purpose of considering the employing Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn for the months of July and August. It was voted to so employ him, the salary to be as previously voted by the Society, viz, \$10 per Sunday. Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

April 20th, 1914

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Daggett with 6 members present. Sec. read a letter from the Alliance Director, Mrs. Sherman, asking if the ladies would like to have her visit the Branch Voted the Sec. write her the ladies would be pleased to meet her at her convenience. Sec. read a postal asking for subscriptions to Good Housekeeping to assist New Jersey Branch. Voted the Sec. write the Alliance could not assist and the members did not wish to subscribe. Vote the Sec. write a letter to Mrs. George H. Dean who is ill in Melrose Hospital. Voted to send Mrs. Gilbert Smith and Mrs. Abner Foster pot of pansies, Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish to take the money for payment for the Alliance to Mr. Bradley. Mrs. George Walker reported having \$11.08 for the supper in Association Hall. Mrs. Daggett served candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 4th, 1914

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye, 5 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted. Mrs. Swift reported Mrs. Foster thanked the ladies and was much pleased with the plant. Our church closed - we are struggling to get 2 months service in July and Aug. and we regret cannot assist. Mrs. Coye's candy much enjoyed.

May 1914

Sewing meeting held at the home of Mrs. Eben Bodfish, 6 members present, Mrs. Foss as guest. Mrs. Getchell presented the names of Mrs. E. T. Lewis for membership. Mrs. Eben Bodfish appointed as teller. Ballots cast, all in favor of Mrs. Lewis and was unanimously elected a member of the Alliance. It was the sense of the meeting that a card be sent to Mrs. Lewis immediately. Mrs. Bodfish supplying the ink and paper and stamp - it was voted to give her a vote of thanks. Mrs. Bodfish served lemonade, candy and cake. Sec. called the meeting to order in the absence of Pres. And Vice Pres.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 1st, 1914

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 8 members present. Vice President Mrs. Walker called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Sec. read a letter Mrs. Coye had received from Mr. Stelley with \$5 enclosed in memory of Mrs. Stelley. Mrs. Coye had sent a letter of thanks and then the Alliance took no action. On motion of Mrs. Daggett it was voted to send a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Buckshorn and Mrs. Clifford P. Sherman. Mrs. Bodfish as delegate to the May Meetings in Boston gave an interesting report. No other business came before this meeting. During the afternoon, Mrs. Look served candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

June 15th, 1914

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 8 members present. Sec. read a letter from Mrs. Buckshorn thanking the Alliance for letter of sympathy. Post card from Mrs. Hutchins asking if the Alliance were to have a Fair this Summer. Sec. having reported written a letter to Mrs. Hutchins that the Alliance would have a sale in Aug. and would write her when the date was decided on. Mrs. Cromwell served the ladies with new candy called chewing candy. The members accepted and enjoyed it.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 6th, 1914

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 9 members present. Pres. called meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted, Sec. reading Treas. Mrs. Coye's report in her absence. Sec. read a post card from Nantucket Branch asking for gift of handkerchiefs to Nantucket Branch. It was decided to hold the Fair, Tuesday, Aug. 11th. No other business came before this meeting. The hostess served candy during the afternoon which was enjoyed by all.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 20th, 1914

Sewing meeting held at the home of Mrs. George Walker, 8 members present, Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. Kittridge as guests. Sec. read a letter from Mrs. Clifford P. Sherman appreciating the letter of sympathy sent to her from the Alliance. Sec. reported Mrs. Dean as thankful for letter sent to her while in the hospital. Discussion in regard to change in location for the Fair, among the Alliance members as there was to be no Fair this year. The store of Mrs. Aleta Tilton on Main St. was suggested. Mrs. Henry W. Daggett was appointed to ask Mrs. Tilton if the store could be rented and at the price. Mrs. Hunter offered her lawn if at private residence would be accepted. Mrs. Cromwell read a letter she had received from a New York firm in regard to toys for Fairs. After discussion the matter was given to the care of Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish as Committee on Grabs. All enjoyed Mrs. Walker's refreshments of fancy crackers and iced tea. Mrs. Bodfish offered her home for next meeting if the weather was comfortable.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

July 27th, 1914

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish, 8 members present, Mrs. Porter, Miss Dean as guests. Mrs. Cromwell reported having seen Mr. Powers in regard to a reading for the Alliance. He had a reading at Oak Bluffs after that he would let her know his decision. Mrs. Cromwell reported having seen Miss Brown in regard to the supper and the money collected by Miss Elizabeth Brown for the supper. It would be satisfactory to her and her sister to be given to the Alliance as it was for the church if Capt. Smith was satisfied. It was thought best at this meeting for Mrs. Cromwell to confer with Capt. Smith on this matter. Mrs. Cromwell read names for committees for the Fair. Mrs. Bodfish's refreshments, fancy cakes and delicious ice cream were much enjoyed.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 13th, 1914

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Daggett, 13 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Mrs. Cromwell reported she had seen Capt. Smith in regard to the money collected and sent to him by Miss Elizabeth Brown. He would write to her in regard to giving the money to the Fair. Collected for the (?) Salad Table. The ladies were asked to come to the rooms of Mrs. Tilton to prepare for the Fair. Mrs. Daggett served candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

Mrs. John Luce, Mrs. Bodfish, Mrs. George Walker, Mrs. Henry Swift, Mrs. John Norton met with Mrs. Coye to receive and count the money from the Fair sale. At this meeting it was vote to give Capt. Smith \$50 from the sale for the church use. Voted to send a letter of thanks to Mrs. A. T. Tilton for use of her rooms and to Capt. Gilbert Smith of his kindness during the Fair. Capt. Smith brought in \$3.00 from Mrs. Michel and nephew and niece gift for Fair. It was the sense of the meeting that a letter of thanks be sent to Mrs. Michel and niece and nephew although no vote was taken. Letter read from Miss Brown received by Capt. Smith expressing her willing use for money collected by her for Fair supper t be given to the Alliance.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

August 28, 1914

An adjourned meeting of the Society was held at the residence of Henry W. Coye for the purpose of considering supplying the pulpit after Mr. Buckshorn should have fulfilled his engagement. The meeting was called to order by the President at 7:30 PM. It was voted to have preaching during Sept., Mr. Buckshorn to preach the first Sunday of the month. Voted that Capt. Gilbert L. Smith secure the preachers to fill the pulpit the remaining Sundays in Sept.

Voted to adjourn subject to call of President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

Sept. 14th, 1914

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 5 members present. "Our Faith" read. Sec and Treas. report read and accepted. Voted to omit the Christmas Fair and spend all our energies for the Summer Sale. Voted Sec. send a letter to Mrs. Calhoun thanking for dollar received for Fair. No other business came before this meeting. During the afternoon refreshments were served by the hostess.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

(Note: No minutes for the Alliance are recorded from Sept. 14, 1914 until Jan. 4, 1915)

Alliance financial records for 1914.

Balance \$268.33.

Income: Dues, Suppers, articles sold, small gifts, \$5 from Mr. Stelley, \$10 gift from Mrs. Carpenter, Summer Sale (\$140), Winter Sale (\$35.44).

Expenses: Materials to make articles for sales, the Society \$10, flowers, organist (Mrs. R. W. Crocker) organ boy, organist (Mrs. Fuller), national Alliance dues, Minister's salary \$50, choir expenses \$30.25.

Sept 28, 1914

At the adjourned meeting of the Society held at the residence of Henry W. Coye, it was voted to hold services during the month of Oct, Capt. Smith to secure the preachers. Two new members were elected: Mrs. L. D. Randall and Mr. Benj. Crocker Clough. Voted to adjourn subject to call of President.

T. B. Smith, Clerk

Jan. 4th, 1915

The Annual meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Daggett. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Mrs. Hunter and Mrs. Horning were voted members at this meeting. Following officers were elected for year 1915: Pres. Mrs. George Walker; Vice Pres. Mrs. B. C. Cromwell; sec. Mrs. John O. Norton; Treas. Mrs. Henry W. Coye. Voted to meet twice each month.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

(Note: Mrs. Norton's style and handwriting have notably changed.)

Jan. 18th, (1915)

Sewing meeting held with Mrs. Henry Swift, 4 members present. There being no quorum, no business was transacted.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 1st, 1915

Regular monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Bodfish, 4 members present, Mrs. Porter as guest. No quorum, no business transacted. Very pleasant social afternoon. Mrs. Bodfish served corn cakes, much enjoyed. A letter was read by Mrs. Cromwell (?) donation. Letter from Mrs. Sherman (?) also postal asking cash for Fair.

Feb. 15th, 1915

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Oscar Horning, 5 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. The following business came before the meeting to order: Voted the Summer Fair Aug 3 if the hall could be secured for that date. Sec. to ask Capt. Smith. Report to Mrs. Teller read from Mrs. Clifford P. Sherman, Director. Pres. read a letter from Mrs. Buckshorn to Mrs. Coye. "Alliance Opportunities" read by the Pres. Pres. read list of committees for Summer Fair. Hostess served candy, all enjoyed.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 19th, 1915

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. Henry W. Daggett, 8 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. read and accepted. Sec. read an invitation from the Fairhaven Branch to a Neighborhood Meeting. Voted to be left with the Pres. Pres. notify Sec. Miss Doris Hough being present thought her mother and Katharine might attend. Pres. appointed Mrs. Henry Daggett and Mrs. Lucy Bodfish to ascertain if there was to be an Easter dance. Voted to have a supper - intermission - cake and ice cream if a dance.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 5th, 1915

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 7 members present Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report accepted with one correction. Voted to lay on the table: Cook book from Dayton. Voted lay on the table: Appeal from Proctor Academy. Mrs. Walker reported for the Supper and Dance. Mr. Horning not at home, could not have the dance.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 5 1915

The Annual Meeting of the Society was held at the residence of Henry W. Coye. The President, Gilbert L. Smith, opened the meeting at 7:20 PM. The Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith, reported that there was in the treasury \$76+. It was voted to accept the Treasurer's report.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President; Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Henry C. Swift; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Carla E. Coye, Rebecca D. Getchell, Elisha Luce, Henry C. Swift; Music Committee, Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton, Fannie A. Look, Lucy P. Bodfish, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee, Rebecca E. Getchell, Mary H. Smith, Emma F. Cromwell, Henry W. Coye; Social Committee, Emma F. Cromwell, Addie A. Armsby, Clara W. Luce, Lucy P. Bodfish, Lillie. A. Swift, Fannie A. Look, Eliza Lord, Doris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B Foster. It was voted unanimously to authorize the President to employ Louis H. Buckshorn to preach for the Society beginning the first Sunday of July, preaching not to exceed three months, at \$10 per Sunday.

It was voted the Gilbert L. Smith and Emma F. Cromwell be delegates to the American Unitarian Association and, if unable to attend, to appoint a substitute to fill the vacancy. Voted to adjourn subject to the call of the President.

Thankful. B. Smith, Clerk

April 25th, 1915

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. George Walker, 5 members present. Voted to have a Cake Sale on Friday at Mr. Walker's Paint Shop if the place could be secured. Voted Mrs. Bodfish delegate May Meeting. All enjoyed Mrs. Walker's candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

May 1st, 1915

Monthly meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Horning, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted Mrs. Dean voted as delegate from Alliance May 22nd. Treas. report accepted. Mrs. Foster to entertain at next meeting. Pres. read code for Alliance women. Hostess served lovely candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

May 3rd, (1915)

Monthly meeting held at the home of Mrs. Mary Swift, 5 members present. Sec. report read and accepted. Cake Sale held at the Paint Shop by Mrs. Walker.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

May 1915

Sewing meeting held with Mrs. George Walker, 2 members present. Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 7th, 1915

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. John O. Norton, 6 members present. In the absence of Pres. and Vice Pres., Sec called the meeting to order Pres pro tem Mrs. Coye. "Our Faith" read. Sec. read and accepted. Mrs. Coye reported having received \$5 from Mr. Stelley Voted to meet every Monday until the Fair. Mrs. Daggett invited ladies for an all day meeting May 21st. Next meeting Mrs. Look and all day meeting perhaps Mrs. Ellen Luce would entertain. Hostess served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 14th, 1915

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 8 members present. No business came before the meeting. Mrs. Daggett invited the ladies at her home for next Monday. Mrs. Look served candy. Place of next meeting left with Mrs. Walker.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 28th, 1915

Meeting held with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 5 members present. Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

July (?), 1915

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Horning, 8 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read accepted. Treas. report read and accepted. Mrs. Hollister to entertain for the next meeting. Hostess served delicious grape juice.

Mrs. John. O. Norton, Sec.

July 16th, 1915

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 10 members present. Voted Sec. send postals telling of the Fair. Mrs. James Conden, Ocean View Hotel, Oak Buffs, Mass., Mrs. Charles Morse, West Chop, Mrs.(?), Mrs. Homan, Mrs. (?). Hostess served sarsaparilla.

Mrs. John O. Norton

July 21st, 1915

Sewing meeting held at the home of Mrs. George Walker 7, members present. Voted to have salad supper for the Fair. Voted to buy ice cream. The Pres. to attend to the buying. Mrs. Bodfish have charge of the buying. Fruit and cookies served by the hostess.

Mrs. John. O. Norton, Sec.

October 18th, 1915

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Bodfish, 8 members present, Miss Brock and Miss Copeland as guests. Voted each one contribute three articles to sell for 25 cents or more. Sec. to notify members. Mrs. Bodfish served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 1st, 1915

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Oscar Horning, 6 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Pres. reported had written letter in

regard to Kuchin Reading Stories. Pres. to get information about the readings. Pres. Mrs. Bodfish to find out if can have supper, report at next meeting. Hostess served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

November 15th, 1915

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. Henry Daggett, 9 members present. Hostess served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

December 6th, 1915

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. George Walker with 6 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec report read and accepted. Pres. reported had written letter in regard to Kinchin Stories by had received no reply. Letter read from Mrs. Hough about each member contributing three articles for Fair. Letter was read from Canada Alliance asking for sale of recipe (?) was cake, price 5 cents for benefit of Alliance. Received favorably by some of the ladies present agreeing to take one others two recipes. Postal read about meeting of Post Office Mission in Boston. Voted to postpone the next meeting until 1st of January, 1916. Report of supper Com. Fifty cents due amount when paid would make \$14.50. The hostess served goldenrod popcorn which was much enjoyed. Miss Cannon invited the ladies to meet with her at Mrs. Gilbert Smith's for next meeting.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Alliance financial report for 1915

Balance: \$191.49

Income: Articles sold, small gifts, Cake Sale, \$5 from Mr. Stelley, dues, Summer Sale (\$120.64), Supper (\$14.04), Gift from Mrs. Carpenter (\$10)

Expenses: Organist, organ boy, the Society \$100, mowing lawn, materials for sewing for sale, dues o National Alliance, Southern Circuit Work, Minister's salary (50).

Jan. 3rd, 1916

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 8 members present. Mrs. Gilbert Smith as guest (sic). Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted. Voted to send a shower of post cards to our Vice Pres, Mrs. Cromwell. Voted to send post cards Thursday morning. Letter read from Mrs. Sherman. Voted to have her come send date later. Greetings read from Mrs. Sherman. Programs of N. E. Associate Alliance meeting Com. Mrs. Horning, Mrs. Daggett, Miss Cannon, Com. on General Work, Mrs. Bodfish, Mrs. Armsby, Mrs. Cromwell. It being the annual meeting ballots were cast and all of the officers elected for another year will the following count: cast one vote for Pres., cast one vote for Vice Pres, cast one vote for Sec. cast one vote for Treas. Voted to have a supper. Miss Cannon served hot chocolate, fancy crackers, apples and (?). Voted to send letter to Mrs. Buckshorn to forward to Mrs. Wright's relatives. (?) Mrs. Daggett, Mrs. Horning, Miss Cannon.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Jan. 17th, 1916

Sewing (meeting of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Daggett, 6 members present. Arrangements made for the supper. Mrs. Daggett served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

February 7th, 1916

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Oscar Horning, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted. The supper committee given. Letter read from Mrs. Wright's relatives thanking for letter of sympathy sent from Alliance. Letter read from Mrs. Sherman to Sec. Treas. read a letter from Miss Baueroff in regard to Endowment Fund. Pres. Read from Word and

Work about the Endowment Fund. Voted the Pres. answer the letter as requested and state the situation of the Alliance. Letter read from Ministers' Pension. Voted to lay on the table. At the suggestion of the Pres. A surprise in the way of a birthday cake for Capt. Smith was accepted. Voted Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Horning consult, make the cake and assess the members for the birthday of Capt. Smith, also buy from the greenhouse a potted plant to be sent to Capt. Smith from the Alliance. To meet and Mrs. Horning's on Friday Feb. 11th to go to Capt. Smith's and take the cake. All present enjoyed the chocolate cake and marshmallows served by the hostess.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 4th, 1916

Meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Cromwell. No quorum present for a business meeting. Miss T. B. Smith came in for a short time to read a sermon by John Hayes Holmes. Mrs. Walker, Pres. Reported Alliance invited to the parsonage with other churches for sewing. Mrs. Cromwell served delicious chicken broth and warm crackers.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 18th, 1916

The sewing meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. John O. Norton, 5 members present. The business coming before the meeting: Voted to read over book from the Public Library of Fairhaven, Sec. to write librarian to send as near as

possible to 1st Monday in April. Voted to change the Fair from 8th to the 1st. Miss Cannon to notify Capt. Smith. Hostess served apples.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 20th. 1916

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. Henry W. Daggett, 8 members present. Mrs. Cromwell presented the Alliance with one dollar. Voted thanks be given Mrs. Cromwell for her gift of one dollar. Postal read from Maine asking for gift of money. Voted the Sec. write would be glad to assist but cannot and tell how we are situated.. Pres. and Sec. read letter from Mrs. Clifford P. Sherman. After discussion it was voted to send one dollar to the endowment fund, Treas. to have charge of the matter. Hostess served candy.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

April 3rd, 1916

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 8 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Voted the Sec. write Mrs. Sherman, our director, the Alliance would be glad to have her visit us at any time and ask to let us know when she can come. Voted the alliance pay the Sec. one dollar for postage, etc. No other business coming before the meeting, it was adjourned for the opening of the boxes which had been received from Mrs. Burrage. Hostess served delicious refreshments, cake, sandwiches and tea.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 3, 1916

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Henry W. Coye. The meeting was opened by the President, Gilbert L. Smith, at 7:30 PM. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Henry C. Swift; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Carla E. Coye, Rebecca D. Getchell, Elisha Luce, Henry C. Swift. The following report of the Treasurer, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith was read by the Clerk: \$87.42 cash on hand beginning of year April 5, 1915. Received from all sources during the year ending April 3, 1916, \$329.94, totaling \$408.36

Payments

Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn, Preaching \$120.00

Rev. John D. Hayes, Preaching	15.00
Ernest L. Briggs, cleaning clock	.50
Channing Conference	5.00
American Unitarian Association	5.00
Balance on hand April 3, 1916	\$262.86

Voted to accept the Treasurer's Report.

The following officers were also elected for the ensuing year: Music Committee, Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P. Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee, Rebecca D. Getchell, Mary H. Smith, Emma F. Cromwell, Henry W. Coye; Social Committee, Emma F. Cromwell, Addie A. Armsby, Clara W. Luce, Lucy P. Bodfish, Lillie A. Swift, Fannie A. Look, Eliza Lord, Doris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B. Foster. Voted that the Chair appoint a committee to solicit funds for the clergyman's salary. The following were appointed: Emma F. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P. Bodfish, Annie G. Carpenter, Thankful B. Smith.

Voted the Gilbert L. Smith and Emma F. Cromwell be the delegates to the annual American Unitarian Association; alternates, Annie G. Carpenter and Doris S. Hough.

Voted unanimously that the President invite Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn to preach the coming season for a period not exceeding three months, salary \$10 per Sunday. Voted that the employing the services of a clergyman for the month of June be left to the discretion of the President.

It was voted unanimously that Mrs. Jennie Monroe be invited to be the organist during the coming season, salary not to exceed \$2 per Sunday. Voted the employing of a soloist be left to the Music Committee.

Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

April 17th, 1916

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Walker, 5 members present. Letter from Mrs. Sherman telling of resignation as director. Letter from Canada about the (?) receipt enclosing handkerchief. Delicious home made candy served. Letter read from Principal of Proctor Academy tell of attractions as a preparatory college school. Mrs. Horning invited the ladies to meet with her for the next meeting.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

May 1st, 1916

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. Oscar Horning, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Mrs. George Dean voted as delegate to May meetings from the Alliance for May 22nd. Miss Cannon brought to the meeting - for supper and dance if Baker (?) and friends would consent to play. Discussion. To be left with Miss Cannon, Mrs. Gilbert Smith being interested. Mrs. Foster to entertain next meeting. Hostess served lovely candy Pres. Read card received from Mrs. Buckshorn to Mrs. Norton.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

May 13th, 1916

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. John Norton, 6 members, 7 members present. Letter read from Mrs. Dean saying it would be impossible for her to represent the Alliance at the May meetings and Mrs. Getchell was elected as delegate but she could not attend. Mrs. Walker brought before the meeting the question if we would like to have Mr. Elder preach for us in June. Capt. Smith not wanting to take the responsibility. It was voted by the Alliance to have Mr. Elder preach in June, Miss Cannon to report to Capt. Smith. Hostess served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

May 18th, 1916

A special meeting was called at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye. The Pres. read a letter from Mrs. Buckshorn saying she would be willing to represent the church at the May meetings, that she had met Mrs. Wrightington at

Assoc. Alliance would respond as member from Vineyard Haven. The meeting called to choose Mrs. Wrightington (sic) as delegate. Five members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. Mrs. Wrightington (sic) voted as delegate.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 5th, 1916

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. Abner Foster, 8 members present, Misses Roberts as guests. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. It was voted the Alliance meet every Monday. At this meeting Miss Edith and Miss Mildred Roberts were presented for membership. It was voted that the Sec. cast one vote for each one and they were elected to membership in the Alliance. Voted the Sec. write a letter to Mrs. John Thomas who has been sick. Mrs. Henry Daggett to get the address for the Sec.

Hostess served lovely home made candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 15, 1916

An adjourned meeting of the Society was held at the residence of Henry W. Coye at 7:30 PM for the purpose of choosing a clergyman for the months of July and August, Mr. Buckshorn having notified the President of his inability to accept the pastorate except the first Sunday of July. It was voted that Rev. Charles B. Elder preach the remaining Sundays of that month and during August, at a salary of \$15 per Sunday. Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

June 12th, 1916

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held with Miss Elizabeth Cannon at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 9 members present, Mrs. Gilbert Smith as guest. Sec. read a letter from Miss Marian Normans thanking for letter received and Alliance interest. No vote taken but a suggestion offered (that) some one have care of the flowers for the church each Sunday. Delicious refreshments served, cake and ice cream, by the hostess.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 19th, 1916

Sewing meeting held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 10 members present. Mrs. Coye brought the organ question before the meeting - whether as a test, it should be left for the weather to dry the church or have the organ tuned now. No vote taken. Mrs. Walker responded the Methodist people were to have their organ tuned she had heard and give an entertainment to pay the expense but she did not know at what time but she was willing to find out all particulars and so the matter was left. Mrs. Look served frozen pudding, lovely sponge cake. Mrs. Henry Daggett to entertain if possible, Mrs. Walker to entertain if she could not.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 26th, 1916

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 11 members present. Voted Mrs. Walker pay \$1.50 for her rugs bought of the Alliance. Voted the Alliance purchase a pin and send to the new member of the Carpenter family, Emily L. Carpenter, and Sec. write a note. Plans made for transportation to Misses Roberts on Monday. All enjoyed Mrs. Daggett's candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

July 3rd, 1916

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home Misses Roberts, 14 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec and Treas. report read. Voted to wait and have concert. Capt. Smith's report, water in cellar. Mrs. Walker reported the Methodist had decided to wait until later, hadn't the money now and everyone too busy. Treas. report accepted. Miss Brown reported collected \$36 for salad supper. Mrs. Roberts name presented for membership. Voted Sec. cast one vote for Mrs. Roberts and she as unanimously elected a member. Delicious refreshment and oatmeal (?) served. Beautiful Victrola records were played during the afternoon.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec

Aug. 21, 1916

A meeting (of the Society) to consider the advisability of continuing the services during September was held at the residence of Henry W. Coye. The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM, President in the Chair.

It was voted that the matter be left to the discretion of the President, Gilbert L. Smith. Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

T. B. Smith, Clerk

Nov. 20th, 1916 (Note: gap not explained, second set of notes re Nov. 20th follow)

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. Oscar Horning, Oak Bluffs, 7 members present, Mrs. Elmer Chadwick and Mrs. Clifford as guests. Mrs. Look and Mrs. Cromwell offered their cars for transportation of members. Some misunderstanding about the invitation from Mrs. Horning some of the ladies came in the afternoon instead of the morning as planned by the hostess. Ladies enjoyed the dinner of beef, tomato sauce, potatoes with cheese in casserole, delicious (?) cake, pineapple, apples, peanuts and fudge. Some sewing was accomplished. The gathering darkness of the afternoon hastened a wonderful afternoon, much enjoyed. Mrs. Hollister invited the ladies to meet with her for the next meeting.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 2nd, 1916

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. Albert Look, 12 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted. Mrs. Daggett reported the aprons purchased by Mrs. (?) Morgolas are not paid for. Letter from Mrs. Banoroph read by Pres. Mrs. Daggett offered a suggestion for the Alliance to thank other churches had come for our fancy and money for kitchen aprons. Hostess served tea and crackers enjoyed by all present.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 16th, 1916

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 10 members present and one guest. Mrs. Walker invited the ladies to meet with her the next meeting. Hostess served refreshments.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

November 20th, 1916 (Note: This meeting has minutes twice.)

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. Oscar Horning at Oak Bluffs, 9 members present, Mrs. Clifford and Mrs. Elmer Chadwick as guests. Mrs. Look and Mrs. Cromwell offered their autos for transportation. Very tempting dinner was served by the hostess thoroughly enjoyed by those present, roast beef, tomato sauce, potatoes, with cheese baked in casserole and served, peas, delicious biscuits, cake pineapple cream, apples, peanuts and fudge. Some misunderstanding about the invitation brought the ladies in the afternoon instead of the morning as planned by the hostess. Some sewing was accomplished by the members but the gathering darkness of a fall afternoon hastened the would stay longer. Members home from a much enjoyed meeting. No business came before the meeting. Mrs. Hollister invited the ladies to meet with her for the next meeting.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 4th, 1916

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. Hollister, 7 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Read Sec. report, read and accepted with correction, 9 present at Mrs. Horning's. Voted we have no meetings until the 3 Monday in January. Voted to have Annual Fair, August 2nd. Miss Cannon appointed Com. to engage hall. Mrs. Walker to notify Miss Cannon of the change the 7th for Capt. Smith of the change made from an after meeting of the Alliance. Sec. read two postals received thanking for gifts sent for fairs and for Canada Red Cross work. Hostess served tea and crackers which the ladies enjoyed. Sec. learned by Mrs. Coye 1st Thursday was Relief Corps. Day telephoned Mrs. Walker.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Alliance financial report for 1916

Balance: \$227.89

Income: Suppers, dues, \$15 collection for dance, sale of items, \$5 from Mr. Stelley, Summer Sale (\$211.90).

Expenses: Materials to make items for sale, candles for Capt. Smith's birthday, fees to National Alliance (\$3.25) and \$1 to the Southern Circuit Work, Mr. Mayhew cleaning church, organist (Mrs. Monroe) and organ boy, and \$50 to the Society.

January 15th, 1917

The Annual Meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. J. P. Bodfish, 6 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted, Sec. report from Jan 4th to Jan. 17th. Sec. read an invitation from the new Bedford Alliance to Vineyard Haven Alliance at the Parish House for Feb. Speaker Edward King of the French School at Paris. Voted to accept the invitation with thanks hoping some of the ladies might be in New Bedford on that date to attend. Pres. Mrs. Walker brought the (?) code of Alliance laws for the Alliance members and the card she had received from Mrs. Kimball, our new director, read by Mrs. Cromwell. She also brought the pictures of the headquarters in Boston. The election of officers for the new year: Mrs. George Walker, Pres.; Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Vice Pres.; Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.; Mrs. Henry W. Coye, Treas. Cutting Comm. Mrs. Henry W. Daggett, Mrs. Fannie Look, Mrs. Oscar Horning, Mrs. W. D. Harding. It was suggested Mrs. Horning and Mrs. Walker might work together being in Oak Bluffs. No other business came before the meeting. It was suggested Mrs. Walker give the names of the officers to Mrs. St. John for the paper.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 1917

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye., 4 members present, not enough for a quorum but the Sec. did read a letter from Mrs. Edward Lord asking to have her name dropped from the Society as it did not seem best for her to continue her membership in the Alliance. Mrs. Coye read letter from Mrs. Lord enclosing 25 cents for dues saying she "would feel the same interest in the Alliance". It seemed from the letter she would be a silent member as her dues for another year had been paid. Although could not act in the matter the ladies present did not wish to accept her resignation. It was suggested Mrs. Coye acknowledge the receipt of dues and call and talk with her also the Sec. call and talk with her instead of writing. The matter was left in that way. We were anxious over the word that came over the telephone that our president had been hurt, nothing satisfactory by telephone but we hoped not serious had happened to our president. The hostess served delicious popcorn with hot molasses poured over it tasting like the favorite corn balls. It was suggested that we ought to send some flowers to Mrs. Elisha Luce who is ill.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 20th, 1917

The meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. George W. Walker, 7 members present. The monthly meeting was called to order by the President. "Our Faith" read. Records of previous meetings read and accepted. The following business came before this meeting: Mrs. Walker to pay \$3 for her rugs, \$1.50 for each rug, aprons .60, \$1.20. Letter read from recording Sec. Sec. read a personal letter from (?). Sec. read a letter asking for assistance for Ministers' Pension Fund. Voted the Sec write we had meetings three months of that year and felt we must take the money earned for our Minister's salary. Mrs. Daggett to have the next meeting if not possible to meet

with Mrs. Bodfish. Hostess served salted peanuts and sugared popcorn.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 2, 1917

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mr. Henry W. Coye. The meeting was opened at 7:30 PM by the President, Gilbert L. Smith. The Secretary's report of the preceding meeting was read and accepted, after which the following report of the Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith, was read. Report of the Treasurer of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society for the year commencing April 3, 1916 and ending April 2, 1917.

Credit

Balance from 1915-16 account	\$262.86
Received from Sunday Collections	160.88
Received from Woman's Alliance	50.00
Received from all other sources	61.92

\$535.66

Debit

Paid for Preaching	\$227.25
Paid for Insurance on Organ	24.75
Paid for Channing Conference	5.00
Paid for American Unitarian Association	5.00

\$262.00

Balance to 1917 -18 acct. \$273.66

Gilbert L. Smith, Treasurer

Voted to accept the Treasurer's Report.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Henry C. Swift; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Carla E. Coye, Rebecca D. Getchell, Elisha Luce, Henry C. Swift.

The following officers were also elected for the ensuing year: Music Committee; Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton Lucy P. Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee, Rebecca D. Getchell, Mary H. Smith, Emma F. Cromwell, Henry W. Coye, Henrietta M. Hollister; Social Committee, Emma F. Cromwell, Addie A. Armsby, Clara W. Luce, Lucy P. Bodfish, Lillie A. Swift, Fannie A. Look, Eliza Lord, Doris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B. Foster.

It was voted unanimously to extend an invitation to Charles B. Elder to preach the coming season, time of beginning to be left with the President, salary the same as previous year, viz. \$15 per Sunday.

Voted unanimously that Nina Eldridge be employed as organist. Voted that Gilbert L. Smith and Emma F. Cromwell be delegates to the American Unitarian Association and the Channing Conference. Voted to adjourn subject to call of President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

April 21st, 1917

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Daggett, 6 members present. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted, correction 7 members present. Notice of the New England Associate Alliance read, to be in Fall River April 26. Also some of the changes in the Bylaws of the Alliance. Report of the Annual meeting read. Hostess served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

May 21st, 1917

Sewing meeting held at the home of Mrs. John O. Norton, 8 members present. Voted the Alliance pay for repairs on the organ. Voted the Alliance pay \$3 for the Red Cross Auxiliary at large. Hostess served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 1917

Alliance meeting held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 8 members present. Pres. and Vice Pres. absent. Sec. called the meeting to order. A committee appointed to arrange for luncheon at Mrs. Roberts. Mrs. Bodfish and Mrs. Look appointed. The discussion of having a silk flag came before the meeting. Mrs. Walker reported prices of flag Mrs. Coye reported Frank Luce had over for sale silk. Voted to have the silk flag, 3x5, \$7.50. Mrs. Walker read Comm. for the Fair. Hostess served ice cream and cake.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June

Alliance meeting held at the home Mrs. Roberts and daughters, friend of the Roberts, Mr. Elder, Mr. Roberts and General Harding. Voted to change the date of the Fair to Aug. 8th. Mrs. Bodfish reported Mrs. Cromwell could not get the Masonic Hall as the Masons used it on the first Tuesday. Voted to change the meetings to first Thursday instead of Monday during July. Left with Mrs. Cromwell to confer with Miss Cannon about notice change sale note sent to Gazette after discussion next meeting to be held with Mrs. Brigge members to bring in names at the next meeting for sending out post cards.

Mrs. John. O. Norton, Sec.

July 20, 1917

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Henry Walker, 8 members present. It was voted not to have the regular meeting on Monday but meet at Association Hall 3 PM, arrange the tables for the Fair August . To have notice of the Fair Aug 8th read from the church pulpit next Sunday, Aug, 5th. Mrs. Daggett served crackers and delicious grape juice , refreshing as the day was exceedingly hot.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

August 13th, 1917

Met with Mrs. Coye to count the money. Vote of thanks to Capt. Smith for the hall. Rising vote of thanks for all he had done. Voted a letter of thanks be sent to all who (?) rent churches. Voted a rising vote of thanks be given to Miss Brown. Voted a letter of thanks be sent Miss Brown, Mrs. Coye, Mrs. Daggett, Mrs. Elder, Miss Cannon, Mrs. Norton for her kindness.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 1st, 1917

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Josiah P. Bodfish, 6 members present, one guest. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. no report to read. No meetings held. Sec. reported letters of thanks sent to Mrs. Burrage, Mrs. Homans, Mrs.(?)Bulloch. Voted at the meeting to count the money received for the Fair. Also to Mrs. Isaac Chase for finding organist for the church and solo for on Sunday. Letter of thanks sent to Mrs. Morse for contribution of \$5 sent to Capt. Smith for the Fair. Mrs. Coye unable to continue as Treas. Voted to accept resignation with deep regret. Miss Bodfish to talk with Miss Cannon for Treas. Report next meeting . Next meeting with Mrs. Roberts. Mrs. Bodfish served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 15th, 1917

The Alliance meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Roberts, one guest. Mrs. Bodfish reported Miss Cannon would act as Treas. Mrs. Hollister invited the ladies to meet with her next month. Mrs. Roberts served refreshments.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

November 3rd, 1917

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Hollister, 12 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted. Sec. read an appeal from Branches. Voted to send two aprons to bazaar at Charleston, S. C. for scholarship the big one (?) and for Alliance Bazaar. Treas. read a letter from Mrs. W. D. Harding thanking for letter of sympathy. Sec. read a letter from General Comm. of Unitarian Pension Funds asking for names and addresses of ten or twenty persons who ought to be informed - had tried to get a list from the church and the copy had failed to reach the minister or clerk of the Church or their reply fail to reach the Comm. It was thought best to appeal to the Branches. It was voted to send the following names: Mrs. George Walker, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. John O. Norton, Mrs. Henry Coyle, Capt. Gilbert Smith, Mrs. Elisha Luce, Mrs. Henry Swift, Mrs. Henry Daggett, Mrs. Fannie Look, Miss Thankful Smith, Mrs. Josiah Bodfish, Mrs. Rebecca Getchell. Voted to accept Miss Cannon as Treas. The work of the afternoon was the sewing of rags for mat to fill an order given by a summer member of the Alliance. Next meeting to be held with Miss Cannon at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Gilbert Smith.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 17th, 1917

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 9 members present, Mrs. Gilbert Smith as guest, Mrs. St. John as guest. Pres. sent a letter asking for help at Camp Devens. Voted to send \$10 for Unitarian work. Letter received from Unitarian Food Conservation. No action taken as Food Conservation was taken up on the island. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Walker. Next meeting to be with Mrs. Walker. Delicious refreshments served by the hostess, candy, fudge and lovely apples.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

December 3rd, 1917

Alliance meeting held at the home of Mrs. George Walker, 7 members present. Mrs. A. B. Kimball of Fairhaven as director and guest. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. report read and accepted. Pres. reported having received \$9 from Mrs. Bullock for mats. The matter of reading was discussed for the Alliance, Mrs. Kimball to attend to the matter, asked for suggestions, no vote was taken at this meeting for future reading. Mrs. Kimball was called upon by the Pres. and responded in a very pleasing manner of the Alliance work and gave much information of interest. The ladies were interested, asked questions, ready answers given, at the end of the talk, the ladies present appreciated the privilege of our guest, so familiar with the work. The hostess served apples which all enjoyed. Voted to hold the next meeting in January which will be the Annual Meeting and the election of officers. The meeting was adjourned after a pleasant and enjoyable afternoon. Goodbyes were said to our guest and hostess.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Alliance financial report for 1917

Balance: \$388.79

Income: Dues, items sold, \$5 from Mrs. A. E. Carpenter, \$5 from Mr. Stelley, small gifts, Summer Sale (\$238.23), \$5 gift of Mrs. Martha Morse, rugs sold to Mrs. Bullock for \$9,

Expenses: \$5 to Mrs. Norton for the Red Cross, \$28.55 for Hook and Hastings to tune organ and \$1.30 for boys to assist him, board for Minister, organist (Miss Eldridge) and organ boy, mowing lawn, flag for church, N.E. Alliance dues (\$10), National Alliance dues (\$4.09), Unitarian Service Pension Society (\$5) and \$1 to Southern Circuit Work.

January 1918

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. George Walker. No quorum. Pres. Mrs. Walker, Miss Cannon and Sec. present. Letters read. No action taken. Mrs. Walker read about Temperance work among the soldiers. Poster given to Miss Cannon to take to Capt. Smith for information to do with it. Pres. suggested take work home and if on the regular meeting (?) could work at home and something would be accomplished. Mrs. Walker served Russet apples, quite a treat. Miss Cannon invited the ladies to meet with her, if not convenient, to let the Pres. know.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

February 18th, 1918

The monthly and Annual meeting which had been postponed on account of the weather making a quorum impossible was held at the home of Mrs. Henry W. Coye with 6 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted. A letter read from our director, Mrs. Kimball suggesting a sermon and a book offering to try to get the book from her library, (?) be read at the Alliance meeting if the Alliance interested. Discussion followed after which was voted to try reading one book and the Sec to write Mrs. Kimball asking what arrangement could be made Alliance beginning with the reading of sermons by John Noyas Holmes. Sec. read a letter from Mrs. Coye thanking for letter of sympathy. Letter read from Unitarian Pension Fund and it was voted to send \$5 to Pension fund as there was a splendid report from the Treas. giving the amount in the treasury. Voted to have our Fair 8th of July, 2nd Thursday in the month. Miss Cannon to engage Association Hall for that date. Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Bodfish offered their services for the supper for that date. Voted Mrs. Cromwell as delegate to the May meetings. The Pres. appointed Mrs. Henry Daggett, Mrs. Fannie Look, Mrs. Bodfish, Comm. on aprons. Vote each member furnish 3 articles for the Fair. Sec. read Christmas card greetings from the Roberts. Following officers elected for another year: Mrs. George Walker, Pres.; Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Vice Pres.; Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.; Miss M. Elizabeth Cannon, Treas. Mrs. Cromwell invited the ladies to meet with her for the next meeting.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 4th, 1918

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. No quorum present so the monthly business was not transacted. The Pres., Mrs. Walker reported an invitation to meet at the Methodist parsonage with other churches for a social and sewing gathering. Miss Thankful Smith came in for a short time to read for the Alliance a sermon by John Noyas Holmes, a beginning of the reading suggested Mrs. Roberts. Mrs. Cromwell served chicken broth with crackers. To meet Sec. next month.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 1, 1918

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mr. Henry W. Coye. The meeting was opened at 7:30 PM by the president, Gilbert L. Smith. The report of the last meeting was read by the Clerk and accepted by the Society.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith, Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Carla E. Coye, Rebecca D. Getchell, Elisha Luce, Mary L. Norton; Music Committee, Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton, Lucy Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee, Rebecca D. Getchell, Mary H. Smith, Emma F. Cromwell, Henrietta M. Hollister; Social Committee, Emma F. Cromwell, Addie A. Armsby, Clara W. Luce, Lucy P. Bodfish, Lillie A. Swift, Fannie A. Look, Eliza Lord, Doris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B. Foster. It was voted unanimously to ask Charles B. Elder to preach for the Society the coming season, time of beginning to be left with the President, salary as for previous year, \$15 per Sunday.

Voted unanimously to ask Miss Mabel T. Tilton to be the organist.

Voted the Gilbert L. Smith and Emma F. Cromwell be the delegates to the Channing Conference and Gilbert L. Smith and Rebecca D. Getchell to the American Unitarian Association.

Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

April 1st, 1918

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Walker, 3 members present. No business came before this meeting. Very pleasant afternoon. Miss Smith's readings amusing and entertaining. Served popcorn like cornballs.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Alliance financial records from May 1, 1917 to April 30, 1918

Balance: \$388.79

Income: Mrs. Bullock bought rugs (\$9), dues (25 cents), Mrs. Carpenter gift (\$5), Mr. Stelley's gift (\$5), gift Mrs. Borrage (\$5), gift Mrs. Bullock (\$25), Summer Sale (\$238.23), Gift Mrs. Martha Morss (\$5) totaling (\$581.18

Expenses: Red Cross (\$5), boys for assisting organ tuner, E. Lahaise from Hook and Hastings for tuning organ (\$28.55), board for Mr. Lahaise (\$3), organ boy, organist Eldridge, Wm. G. Manter mowing lawn, flag for church (\$8.26), N. E. Assoc. Alliance dues, Unitarian Service Pension Society (\$5), National Alliance dues (\$4.09), Southern Circuit (\$1)

May 6th, 1918

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Lucy Bodfish, 12 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The following business came before the meeting: Voted the Treas. and Pres. decide what they will expend for materials. Voted Mrs. Lucy attend to having the lawn cut. During the afternoon Miss Thankful Smith read from "The Confusion of Tongues", interesting subjects. The hostess served candy. Mrs. Walker invited the ladies for the next meeting.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

May 20, 1918

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. George Walker, 6 members present. Pres. read a letter from Mrs. Henry Daggett thanking for the flowers sent to her by the alliance. Voted to extend thanks to Miss Thankful Smith for reading at the Alliance. Hostess served candy during the afternoon.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 3rd, 1918

Alliance meetings held at the home of Mrs. Fannie Look. Pres. opened the meeting. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Ten members present. Letter read from Andover in regard to sending two pupils to college. Voted to meet every week at 3PM. Hostess served lemonade and fancy cakes.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 10th, 1918

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 10 members present. No business came before the meeting. Miss Cannon invited the ladies to meet with her for the next meeting at Capt. Smith's. Tea and fancy crackers served by the hostess.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 24, 1918

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. Elder, 10 members present. No business came before the meeting. Next meeting all day with Mrs. Roberts for luncheon. Mrs. Roberts and daughters served coffee. Next meeting 11 o'clock. Reading by Miss Smith. Mrs. Elder requested send a (?). Lemonade served by hostess. A bouquet of flowers presented to the Sec. on her birthday.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

July 8th, 1918

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 10 members present. Sec. read a letter from Mr. Stelley inviting the ladies to meet with him July 10th. Voted to accept the invitation. During the afternoon Miss Smith read from (?) Stockton's. Both delicious cake and ice cream served by the hostess.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

July 13th, 1918 No Alliance meeting held but the members attended the reception held at Mr. Stelley's. Delicious refreshments served during the afternoon. The program: solo, Mrs. Thompson, (?) voice, Mrs. Chase. May Briggs and a recitation by Clarice Look. The kindness of our friend Mr. Stelley giving us the privilege of enjoying his home and lovely water view and delightful program will be a beautiful memory.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

July 22nd, 1918

Alliance meeting held at the home of Miss Elizabeth Cannon - the home of Capt. Smith's camp (on Tashmoo) having the privilege of the dinner hour reported delightful. In the afternoon a business meeting was held. After discussion voted to have a salad supper. Everyone appreciated Miss Cannon's invitation for a day's outing.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

July 22nd, 1918 (Note: the duplication of dates is very clear)

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. George Walker, 8 members present. No business came before the meeting. During the afternoon hostess served delicious lemonade.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 28, 1918

Sewing (meeting) of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with Mrs. Daggett, Mrs. Bodfish and Sec. present in the early afternoon. Later the Misses Roberts came assisted the hostess in serving delicious refreshments. It was suggested by Mrs. Cromwell and approved by the members present as an appreciation for furnishing flowers for Sunday services and assisting in choir singing a gift of \$2.50 apiece be given to the Misses Roberts - the money loaned by Mrs. Cromwell and paid to her by the Alliance. The Roberts surprised, accepted, responding in a feeling manner. The Sec. to send a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Horning whose husband has just died. Mrs. Daggett invited the ladies to meet with her next week. Mrs. Cromwell served fancy crackers, cookies, refreshing punch. It was not the monthly meeting but Miss Cannon's (Treas.) report, very satisfactory, was read. The Alliance proving themselves thinking (?) had done well. To be read again at the next meeting. No collection taken.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 3rd, 1918

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 7 members present. Vice Pres. Mrs. Cromwell called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. (report) read and accepted. Sec. sent a letter of

sympathy to Mrs. Horning. No other business came before this meeting. Next meeting with Mrs. John O. Norton. Hostess served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 26th, 1918

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. Cromwell, 5 members present. Miss Smith's letter of thanks received and read by Pres.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 2nd, (1918)

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Albert Look, 7 members present. Vice Pres called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Sec. read an invitation to meet Miss Lovell. Voted to accept possibly (?) the Vice Pres. accepted. Voted to postpone the meeting until January. Hostess served delicious sandwiches.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

January 20, 1919

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Bodfish, 4 members present, Mrs. Porter as guest. Sec. to write a letter of sympathy to the children of Mrs. Hollister. Hostess served apples which were much enjoyed.
Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 1919

Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 6 members present. The time for Fair was discussed, no action taken. Next meeting to be held with Miss Cannon at Capt. Smith's. Hostess served candy.
Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 3rd, 1919

Monthly meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, 5 members present, Mrs. Horner and Mrs. Whipple as guests. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The following business came before the meeting: Letter read from Mrs. Sterling St. John thanking for letter of sympathy. Sec. read letter from (?)Treas. Department. No action taken. Letter read from Mrs. Elder. Time for Annual Fair talked over. Vice Pres. to inform Mrs. St. John the Annual Fair would be held 7th of August, first Thursday in the month. Delicious refreshments were served, nuts, sandwiches.
Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 10th, 1919

Sewing (meeting of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 4 members present, Mrs. Holmes as guest. Letter read from Service Pension. Voted the Alliance pay the Service \$5. Voted to hold the Fair Aug. 5th, changing from Aug. 7th. Mrs. Bodfish invited the ladies to meet with her next meeting. Mrs. Daggett not sure she could be home that date.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 17th, 1919

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. Bodfish, 5 members present, Mrs. Porter as guest. Hostess served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 24th, 1919

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. John O. Norton, 2 members present, Mrs. Holmes and Mrs. Whipple as guests. Hostess served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 7th, 1919

Meeting held with Mrs. Cromwell. Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Daggett, Mrs. Norton present. No quorum. Next meeting Mrs. Walker's.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 7, 1919

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mrs. Henry W. Coye. The meeting was opened at 7:30 PM by the President, Gilbert L. Smith. The report of the last meeting was read by the Clerk and accepted by the Society.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Carla E. Coye, Rebecca D. Getchell, Elisha Luce, Mary L. Norton; Music Committee, Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P.

Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee; Rebecca D. Getchell, Mary H. Smith, Emma F. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton.

The following Report of the Society for the year ending April 7, 1919 was read by the Treasurer and accepted by the Society:

Amount on hand at commencement of year April 8, 1918	\$232.85
Rec'd Sunday Collections	177.09
Other Contributions	
Mrs. G. D. Calhoun	5.00
Mrs. Helen A Homans	35.00
Miss Mabel T. Tilton	2.00
Mrs. Martha A. Morse	15.00
Woman's Alliance	5.00
	\$62.00

total \$471.94

Paid

Rev. Charles B. Elder, Preaching	270.00
Flowers, Mrs. Hollister's Funeral	3.00
Unitarian Service Pension Society	5.00
American Unitarian Association	5.00
Channing Conference	5.00

288.00

Balance on hand, \$183.94

Gilbert L. Smith, Treasurer

The following Social Committee was appointed: Emma F. Cromwell, Addie A. Armsby, Clara W. Luce, Lucy P. Bodfish, Lillie A. Swift, Fannie A. Look, Eliza Lord, Doris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B. Foster.

It was voted unanimously to employ as preacher for the Society the ensuing year, Rev. Charles B. Elder, time of beginning to be left with the President. Salary same as previous year, \$15 per Sunday.

Voted unanimously to employ Miss Mabel T. Tilton as organist.

Voted that Mr. Elder be invited to represent this church at the Unitarian Layman's League Convention to be held at Baltimore, Maryland. Voted that Capt. Smith and Mrs. Cromwell be the delegates at the Channing Conference and Capt. Smith and Mrs. Bodfish at the Unitarian Association. Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

April 21st, 1919

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. George Walker, 6 members present, Mrs. Holmes and Mrs. Whipple as guests. Hostess served fudge and peppermint candy. Collection 6 cents.

Mrs. John. O. Norton, Sec.

Alliance Financial records May 1, 1918 to April 30, 1919

Balance: \$554.65

Income: dues (25 cents) Mr. Stelley gift (\$5), gift Mrs. Homans (\$5), Summer Sale (\$287.37), dividend from N. B. Institution for Savings to April 1918 (\$17.54), sale of aprons and potholders, gift of Mr. Stelley (\$5), totaling \$896.09

Expenses: materials for sewing, Mabel Tilton organist, boy for blowing organ, gift to Misses Roberts for assisting with music (\$5), to Gilbert Smith for Unitarian Pension Fund (\$5), National Alliance dues (\$2.67), totaling \$83.84

May 5th, 1919

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 6 members, Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Whipple

as guests. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The following business came before the meeting: Sec. presented the ballots for the new members for the year. Voted to accept the ballots. Voted Mrs. George Walker as delegate to May Meetings. Sec. read a letter in regard to Laymen's League. Voted to send for two tickets. Pres. read a letter from Maxwell Savage about young men for the ministry. The Sec. to write him have no young men in our Society. Voted each member give three articles for the Fair. Hostess served apples which were much enjoyed.

Mrs. John. O. Norton, Sec.

June 3rd, 1919

Monthly all day meeting (of the Alliance) held at the home of Mrs. Roberts and daughters. After a much enjoyed luncheon on the piazza, hostess served coffee, delightful surprise sherbet, the regular business came before the meeting: Pres. being absent, Vice Pres. called the meeting to order, 11 members present. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. The Pres. sent articles of business to be voted on: 1st, cleaning of the church, 2nd, appointing comm. for tables for the Fair. Appointing two to send something for two weeks to Mrs. Cassie Luce. Voted Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Bodfish attend to the cleaning of the church. Voted the same comm. for the tables as last year. Mrs. John Norton and Mrs. Fannie Look to carry something to Mrs. Cassie Look for next two weeks. Sec. read the resignation of Mrs. George Walker as Pres. Voted to lay on the table until next meeting. Miss Cannon invited ladies for the next meeting. During the afternoon delightful selections played on the Victrola.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 16th, 1919

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held with Miss Cannon at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, an Alliance member. Mrs. Holmes, Mrs. Henderson as guests, 12 members present. Mrs. Cromwell invited the ladies to meet with her for the next meeting, change for every week sewing, not far from the Annual Fair, needed meetings often to finish the work. Although no vote was taken Mrs. Cromwell brought before the meeting the using of the Lord's Prayer - there being a different wording in the books used at our chapel. Discussion favorable to the change. Mrs. Cromwell asked if she might take the printed Lord's Prayer from the book used in service. No objection. Mrs. Elder to notify Mr. Elder to give change from pulpit. Delicious candy and ice cream served by hostess.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 23rd, 1919

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Crowell, 7 members present. Mrs. Bodfish reported Mrs. Pinkham quite ill, she thought it would be nice to send flowers. No action taken. The children came to the church and she attended service though not as a member of the Society. Hostess served lovely chocolate and fancy crackers.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 30th, 1919

The Alliance meeting held at the home of Mrs. John O. Norton, 6 members present, one guest, Mrs. Holmes. Mrs. Walker brought the business before the meeting. She said Mr. Elder had called and asked her to bring the question before the Alliance in regard to hiring Miss Genevieve Cleveland to sing during the months of July and August. It was discussed and brought before the music committee, 4 being present. It was then voted Mrs. Cromwell, Vice Pres. with the approval of the Music Comm., interview Mrs. Isaac Chase, get the most favorable terms for Miss Cleveland singing. It was thought best to confer with Mrs. Chase as she was interested in our music and Miss Cleveland with Mr. Chase as nurse. Mr. Stelley offered \$5 for Miss Cleveland but for no other one. The question whether the Alliance wished to pay \$5 for singing and the Alliance did not seem willing to do so.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

July 1919

Alliance meeting held at the home of Mrs. Elder, 8 members present. No business came before this meeting but to change the hour of meeting from 2 o'clock to 2:30 during the summer. Southern Circuit work, noting given last year, voted \$1 for five years. (undated note at top of page: "Our sale open at 3 o'clock. Voted to have supper. Mrs. Elder attend to (?). Hostess served ice cream, fancy cake").

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

July 21st, 1919

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Henry Daggett, 8 members present.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 13th, 1919

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Roberts and daughters, 13 members present, Miss Brock as guest. Voted to send flowers to Mrs. Calhoun. Mrs. Fannie Look to have charge. Mrs. Smith and Miss Cannon to entertain next meeting. Mrs. Armsby invited the ladies for the next following Monday meeting. Hostess served tea and pretty biscuits.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 20, 1919

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held at the home of Mrs. Gilbert Smith, Miss Cannon as hostess. Twelve members present, Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Holmes as guests. No business came before the meeting. During the afternoon Mrs. Stewart entertained the ladies with several songs. Hostess served ice cream and cake. To have no meetings until Jan.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 27th, 1919

The sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Armsby, 13 members present, one guest Mrs. Holmes. During the afternoon the Pres. read a petition asking for signatures to be sent to the Senate to ratify the League of Nations and return before Nov. 1st. Those wishing to do so signed the petition. Mrs. Coye reported Mrs. Gilbert Smith ill. Voted to send an expression of sympathy. Mrs. George Walker to send by telephone. Hostess served ice cream and cookie. Mrs. Fannie Look invited the ladies to meet with her for next meeting.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Oct. 1919

First meeting after the fair held with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. Meeting called to order. "Faith" read. Treas. report read, also detailed report of the Fair. Received with enthusiasm. Letter was read by Mrs. Horman from Mrs. Kimball. Request for a donation for the Potter Place Fair, New Hampshire. Voted to send something. Two letters read from the Alliance Fair. It was voted to give Miss McGowan \$10 in gold for a wedding present. Mrs. Bodfish appointed to attend to details. It was voted a copy of the service be pasted on the hymn books that are without it before June first 1920.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Oct. 20, 1919

A meeting (of the Society) was held at the residence of Mr. Henry B. Coye for the purpose of electing a clergyman and organist for the summer of 1920.

Rev. Charles B. Elder and Miss Mabel T. Tilton were unanimously elected to fill the offices. Voted to adjourn subject to the call of the President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

December 1st, 1919

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. Henry Daggett, 5 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. reports read and accepted. Pres. reported bought and send handkerchief for Quincy Alliance as voted by the Alliance. Letter read from the Unitarian Pension Service. It was voted to send \$25. Pres. read a letter calling attention to collection daily reading. Voted to lay on table. Ladies enjoyed Mrs. Daggett's peanuts. No meeting until Jan. 1st.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

February 1920

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. George Walker, 4 (?)5 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. The following business came before the meeting: Pres. read a postal card she had received about young peoples Sunday. No action taken. Voted to meet every week for a while. Voted to send birthday greeting to Mrs. Porter, Mrs. Bodfish's mother. Pres. read vote of thanks from Quincy Branch for gift. Sec. received a letter from Maclan Logan writing of his work in France, read by Pres., would be grateful for any financial help, very pathetic were the stories and the Alliance interested but didn't know how to get in touch with the writing owing to long time between the Alliance meeting and the letter received or written, it was decided to lay on table. Letter read on religion in the home. Letter read in regard to New England directors. Voted to send one dollar this year and give letter to Treas. Then came the balloting for officers for the New Year - all of the officers were re-elected: Mrs. George Walker, Pres.; Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Vice Pres.: Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.; Miss Elizabeth Cannon, Treas.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 9th, 1920

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Bodfish, 5 members present. Mrs. Cromwell was notified of the election of officers and Annual Meeting, date of the Fair, August 5th which she had been chosen to send notice to the Vineyard News.

Place of Fair could not be decided upon. Miss Cannon not being present and some changes to be made in regard to Association Hall, it was left for later notice. No other business came before the meeting. During the afternoon Mrs. Bodfish read an interesting letter from Mrs. Phoebe Norton of Seattle. Mrs. Bodfish served candy. Sec. take letter to Miss Cannon.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 1920

Meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Cromwell. Meeting called to order by the Pres. "Our Faith" repeated, 8 members present. Treas. report accepted. Pres. read an interesting letter from Miss Stevens who has attended several Unitarian meeting of importance, also from (?) Robertson, Treas. Beacon Press. A list of books read and it was voted we send for two books to be read at our meetings. Mrs. R. Glipson Sturges Personal "The Priest" by Dr. Sullivan. It was voted to have a Quahog Chowder at Mrs. St. John's Friday, Feb. 11th. The usual cakes were pledged, the other necessary things listed and Lucy Bodfish to attend to ordering. Voted Sec. write appeals to various Alliances for articles to swell the sales of our Annual said Fair. Voted to send two (?) feet pennies. The Pres. invited the Alliance to an all day meeting with her on Monday, Feb. 21st. Voted to adjourn.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 1920

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held with the Pres. There were present at the opening of the meeting 7 members. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted. Pres. reported Capt. Smith thanked the ladies for the plant sent his birthday. It was voted to have Association Hall for the Annual Fair if possible. Mrs. Walker to talk with Capt. Smith about it. Capt. Smith wished the matter of hiring the church to the Christian Science church be brought before the Alliance members. After discussion it was the sense of the meeting to hire the church to the Christian Science church and Mrs. Cromwell confer with Capt. Smith about the price.. Pres. read a letter from P. O. mission. No action taken. Vote taken on serving refreshments at Alliance meetings. It

was voted to be left with the one entertaining. Invitation read from Fairhaven Alliance. It was voted send thanks and write if possible some one might attend accept the invitation it would depend on the weather. Hostess served a delicious dinner which the ladies enjoyed after a pleasant social day the meeting adjourned.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 15th, 1920

Postponed on account of the death of Mrs. Gilbert Smith an Alliance member.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 21st, 1920

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. John O. Norton, 5 members present. Sec. read a letter received from Capt. Smith by Miss Thankful Smith, clerk of the Society thanking for flowers sent Mrs. Smith. 70 be sent. Absent members of the Alliance to read. Miss Smith suggesting, the Alliance agreeing, it would be better to have the members of the Society read the letter (before?) the Annual Meeting, less embarrassing for Capt. Smith. Quite a little work accomplished. Ladies to meet with Mrs. Cromwell for next meeting.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 5, 1920

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mrs. Henry W. Coye at 7:30 PM on the above date. The President, Gilbert L. Smith in the Chair.

After the reading and acceptance of the report of the last meeting, the following report of the Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith was read by the Clerk:

Credit

By amount in Treasury beginning of year April 7, 1920	\$183.94
Received from all sources during year	199.14

	\$383.08

Dr.

To am't paid Chas. B. Elder, preaching	\$255.00
Charles B. Elder, delegate Layman's League, Springfield	5.50
Chas. B. Elder, delegate to National Conference, Boston	32.43
Mr. Elmer Chadwick, Flowers	4.00
Insurance on Organ	24.75
Owen's Greenhouse Flowers	13.40
Am. Unitarian Association	5.00
Channing Conference	5.00

\$345.08

Balance on Hand \$38.00

Gilbert L. Smith

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Carla E. Coye, Rebecca D. Getchell, Elisha Luce, Mary L. Norton; Music Committee, Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P. Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee, Rebecca D. Getchell, Emma F. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton. The following Social Committee was appointed: Emma F. Cromwell, Addie F. Armsby, Clara W. Luce, Lucy P. Bodfish, Lillie A. Swift, Fannie A. Look, Eliza Lord, Doris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B. Foster.

Voted that Capt. Smith consult with Miss Mabel T. Tilton, the organist, as to condition of organ and that, if necessary, said organ be repaired.

Voted that Capt. Smith and Miss Elizabeth Brown serve as delegates to the Channing Conference and Capt. Smith

and Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell to the American Unitarian Association.
Voted that the names of officers elected at the meeting be sent to the Vineyard News.
Voted to adjourn subject to call of President.

Thankful. B. Smith, Clerk

Alliance financial report from May 1, 1919 to April 30, 1920

Amount brought forward \$812.25
Income: dues, sale of aprons and potholders, dividend from N. B. Institute for Savings to April 1919 (\$30.20) gift Mrs. Homans (\$10), gift Mr. Stelley (\$5 twice), Summer Sale (\$330.24), gift Mrs. Arabella Walker (\$5), sale of jewelry (\$5.11), sale of mattress and spring given by Mrs. Bullock (\$5), totaling \$1,244.48
Expenses: materials for sewing, dues, Mabel Tilton organist, Mrs. Zebulon Tilton cleaning chapel (\$4), boy for blowing organ, Miss Cleveland soloist (\$4), advertising for Fair and Sunday services(\$6.15 plus \$8), gift to Miss McGowan (\$10.25), flowers, Unitarian Service Pension Society (\$25), N.E. Director's Traveling Fund (\$1), National Alliance dues (\$2.34) Wm. G. Manter mowing lawn summer of 1919 (\$3), totaling \$180.42

May 29th, 1920

Alliance met with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, 4 members present. Mrs. Daggett reported she had received \$5 for cot and mattress sold, gift of Mrs. Bullock. Sec. to pass the amount to the Treas. Miss Cannon. Sec. to write Mr. Elder Mr. Crocker was at Memorial Hospital in Worcester for operating on the eye thinking he might like to call on him. Pres. reported she had received a letter from Capt. Smith thanking for flowers sent for Mrs. Smith. Would read the letter later. Hostess served candy. Mrs. Daggett to entertain next time.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 7th, 1920

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. George Armsby, 10 members present, two guests present Mrs. Briggs and Miss Jenny. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted. Cleaning of the church left with Mrs. Roberts. After discussion to find out when Mrs. Tilton and sister could clean the church. Hostess served delicious ice cream and chocolate cake and cookies.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 21st, 1920

Sewing meeting of the Alliance held with Miss Cannon, 14 members, two guests present. Voted to have services advertised. Mrs. Elder to have charge of the matter. Voted Miss Cannon withdraw from the bank money she things would be necessary for expenses before the Fair.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 28th, 1920

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Roberts and daughters, 11 members present and two guests. The regular meeting for the Alliance coming on July 4th, next meeting postponed for one week. Hostess served delicious raspberry punch, fancy crackers.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 4th, 1920

The Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Roberts and daughters. It was time for the business meeting but the Pres. made it a social meeting, the business perhaps next meeting. Present, 13 members, two guests. The meeting given over to the director. She had much information in regard to what it was doing at headquarters, something about College Center opening of meetings to those present gained a better knowledge of that work. It was a privilege to meet her as she seemed enthusiastic about her work and well informed. She was very generous and extended an invitation to anyone to be entertained at her home during the meeting. During the afternoon, delicious cake, ice

cream and coffee were served.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 19th, 1920

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. John Reynolds, 3 members present. A very enjoyable meeting was passed. Pres. read letter from Mr. Elder thanking for gift of hundred dollars from the Alliance. Pres. read interesting letter from the Chairman Dress Company. The supper proposed by Mrs. Walker and a program was talked over but no decision rendered on account of small number present. Hostess served peanuts and salted crackers.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 25th, 1920

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held with the president, Mrs. Walker, 7 members present. Pres. read again the letter received from Mr. Elder thanking for gift of our hundred dollars from the Alliance as some were absent at the last meeting when it was read. Voted to have a series of suppers for the Unitarian members as suggested at a previous meeting by the Pres. Voted to send a letter of sympathy to Mrs. Elisha Luce. During the afternoon the hostess played several selections on the pianola which were much enjoyed by the ladies, also the candy which she served during afternoon. Meet with Mrs. Fannie Look next time.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 8th, 1920

Nov. meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Lucy Bodfish, 12 members present and one guest. Voted to change the hour of meeting from 3 o'clock to 2:30 PM. Read letter Mr. Ernest Arms. Voted send \$25 for (?) Ammerization at Montpelier. Plans for supper discussed and additional names read by the Pres. as guests to be invited to the supper. The ladies enjoyed the apples served by the hostess during the afternoon.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 13th, 1920

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Henry Daggett, 7 members present. Voted to have the next meeting the 1st Monday in December omitting Thanksgiving week. Sermon read by Pres. Hostess served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

December 6th, 1920

Monthly meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of the Pres., 5 members present. "Our Faith" read. Pres. read object of the Alliance. Sec. and Treas. report read and accepted. Sec. read a letter received by Pres. thanking for the \$25. Voted to send violets to Mrs. Coye it being her birthday. Voted to pay \$125 toward the Campaign Fund for 3 years. Voted \$125 be paid in lump sum. Hostess served apples and peanuts.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Treasurer's Annual Report for 1918 to 1919

The money came from Sunday collection and contributions. The expenses show Rev. Charles Elder as minister, \$5 contributed to the Unitarian Service Pension, and \$5 each to the AUA and the Channing Conference.

Jan. 3rd. 1921

Alliance meeting held with Miss Elizabeth Cannon, 5 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our

Faith" read. Pres. read object of the Alliance from the manual. Sec. report read and accepted. Sec. read a letter of thanks from Mrs. Coye thanking for the birthday gift. Pres. read Program Alliance and Unitarian Association. Then came election of officers for another year. Motion made to have the same officers for another year. No votes for Treas. Another motion, same result. The Pres. asked the Treas. to take the Chair which she did and she delivered vote by ballot and the officers were elected for the coming year. Dues for the coming year were paid by the members present. Some sewing accomplished. Hostess served apples. Next meeting to be held third Monday with Mrs. John O. Norton.

Jan 20th, 1921

Sewing meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. A large number of members and guests present. After discussion it was voted to have a picnic and Mrs. Hough's - accept her invitation. The Alliance meeting at 3 PM with usual work, the gentlemen coming to supper at 6 PM. Mrs. Hough serving coffee, the ladies basket luncheon. Next meeting to be on Thursday. All enjoyed the hostess refreshments.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Rebecca D. Getchell, Mary L. Norton, Carla E. Coye, John S. Reynolds; Music Committee, Carla E. Coye, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P. Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee, Rebecca D. Getchell, Emma f. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton. The following Social Committee was appointed. Emma F. Cromwell, Addie F. Armsby, Clara W. Luce, Lucy P. Bodfish, Lillie A. Swift, Fannie A. Look, Eliza Lord, Dorris S. Hough, Annie G Carpenter, Esther B.

Feb. 11th, 1921

Another - Just Among Ourselves- Unitarian supper was held at the home of Mrs. Sterling St. John. There was a special guest as the Alliance had the privilege of entertaining 89 years young Capt Gilbert Smith also Pres. of the Church Society. The ladies looked splendid and the supper with its chowder, remarkably attractive salad much enjoyed by the guests. The cakes and the ice cream, its lighted candles before the guest of honor. Following the custom, Capt. Smith blew out the candles, the guests looking on eager and expectant. An original poem written and read by Mr. Armsby, each member of the Alliance easily recognized as pictured by this clever member and after the poem was ended one wished for a persuasive vote for a copy but now as written for this occasion - perhaps at some future time. Then came instructive and entertaining games planned by the Pres. Then more ice cream for those who wished. Time came too soon to say goodbye and looking backwards another red letter affair for the Alliance. The storm was severe but with good pilots we reached home safely.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 7th, (1921)

The meeting of the Alliance was held with Mrs. Henry Daggett with 5 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" was read. Sec. report read and accepted of the meeting and supper held on Capt. Smith's birthday at Mrs. St. John's. Sec. read report from the Executive Board received for her Annual Report for the Alliance. Treas. report read and accepted. Sec. read an appeal from the Temperance Society. Voted to lay on the table. Vote to send a spray of flowers to Mrs. Pinkham. Voted to send \$25 to the Pension Service. Voted to send fifty postal cards for appeals for our Fair. Voted Mrs. Daggett get a plant and send Mrs. Cromwell for a remembrance. Mrs. Walker reported having heard from Capt. Reynolds every cent of money received for the church sale. Voted to send 2 ft. of pennies to the Alliance Appeal. Mrs. Daggett served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 27, 1921

Alliance meeting held with Miss Cannon, 6 members present. Letter read from the New Bedford Alliance inviting the Vineyard Haven Alliance to a neighborhood meeting. Voted to accept the invitation, as many go as possible. Mrs. Cromwell read a chapter from one of the books bought by the Alliance. A little change in the work cutting of aprons instead of sewing. Miss Cannon served candy.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 4th, 1921

Alliance met with Mrs. Sterling St. John, 4 members present, so there was not enough for quorum. No business transacted. Afternoon spend in sewing pieces for Fair. Hostess served refreshments. Social pleasant afternoon spent.

L. P. Walker for Mrs. John Norton

April 4, 1921

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Society was held at the residence of Mr. Henry W. Coye. The meeting was opened at 7:30 o'clock on the above date by the President, Gilbert L. Smith. After the reading and acceptance of the report of the last meeting, the report of the Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith, was read by the Clerk and accepted by the Society
Foster.

It was voted unanimously that we engage the services of Rev. Charles. B. Elder as pastor and Miss Mabel T. Tilton as organist during the summer services.

Voted that Capt. Gilbert L. Smith consult with the organist to condition of organ, and, if necessary, said organ be repaired.

Voted that the time of services be left to the President and that the salary of Mr. Elder be \$25 per Sunday.

Voted that Mr. Gary de V. Hough be appointed committee to investigate the smaller of Wayside Pulpit. Parish Committee to have authority to purchase if thought best.

Voted that Capt. Smith and Mrs. Cromwell serve as delegates to the Annual American Unitarian Association and to the Channing Conference.

Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

April 18th, 1921

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Cromwell, 6 members present. Pres. read an invitation from Associate Alliance, also read a letter from our director, Miss Steven. Mrs. Cromwell read several interesting chapters from "The Priest" by Sullivan, book bought for reading in the Alliance. Very happy and social afternoon passed. Lovely refreshments served by the hostess. Coll. 36 cents.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Alliance financial report May 1, 1920 to April 30, 1921

Amount brought forward, \$1,064.06

Income: dues (25 cents per member), dividend from N. B. Inst. For Savings (\$23.09 plus \$22.48), Summer Sale (\$444.57), gift from Mrs. Homans (\$10), gift Mr. Stelley (\$5), Mrs. Margaret Hough donation (\$19.25), sale of gold pins and aprons and holders totaling \$1,617.00

Expenses: Flowers (Owen's Greenhouse \$10.40), materials for sewing, Susie (?) and Edith Tilton for cleaning chapel (\$15), boy for blowing organ, Mabel Tilton organist (\$4 per Sunday), to the Society (\$100), Town of Tisbury rental of Association Hall for Summer Sale (\$12), gift to Dr. Elder (\$100), advertising the Vineyard News and the Vineyard Gazette, N. E. Alliance (foreign work Montpelier \$25), Unitarian Campaign (\$125), National Alliance dues (\$2.59), Southern Circuit Work (\$1) totaling \$516.00.

May 1921

Sewing meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. George F. Armsby. It was voted to hold a supper, Lobster salad, ham sandwiches, cake and coffee, each member to bring her picture taken in childhood. List of members taken to

furnish the food. Vote a letter of sympathy be sent Mrs. Coye's sister and brother. Delicious food, salad, served by the hostess.

May 192?

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Roberts and daughters 11 members present. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. report read and accepted. Letter of thanks read from - - -

The July meeting (of the Alliance) was held with Mrs. Hough. The entrance to The Grove with its many (?) of flowers was beautiful and attractive, will long be remembered by those who had the privilege of being present and the arrangements of the little tables and chairs in the grove. The meeting was called for 3 PM. An appeal was read asking for gift for fair Aug. 11th. Coming so soon after our Fair, voted wait a little longer and send something from our Fair. According to the plans, the gentlemen came to the supper and a social hour followed.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Sept. 28th, 1921

The Alliance members decided to have a supper before the leaving of Mr. and Mrs. Elder for their winter home. Mr. and Mrs. Elder to leave on Thursday. Mrs. Ellen Luce offered her home and 32 sat down to a delicious supper of lobster salad, bread and butter sandwiches, cake and coffee. A general conversation followed and amusing games played.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Dec. 17th, 1921

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. John O. Norton, 4 members present. Sec. read a letter asking for a foot, 16 cents, from a church who wished to raise a mile of pennies for repairs on church. No action taken but the object looked upon favorably. Pres. read an appeal from Word and Work. No action taken. Next supper talked over, no decision made. Pres. thought we might meet with her next meeting talk over about sending out appeals for our Fair. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Cromwell or Mrs. Daggett.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

January 1922

Monthly meeting of the Alliance held with Mrs. George Walker. Pres. called the meeting to order. "Our Faith" read. Sec. and Treas. Report read and accepted. Voted to send \$10 to Madam Layson for library work abroad. Sec. read a letter from our director Miss Slayness (?). Cordial invitation from the First Parish Alliance in Dorchester was read by the Pres.

Mary L. Norton, Sec.

NOTE: THE ALLIANCE MINUTES END HERE AND RESUME IN 1933 - POSSIBLY A BOOK OF MINUTES WAS LOST.

April 3, 1922

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Capt. Gilbert L. Smith. The meeting was opened at 7:30 PM on the above date by the President, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith. After the reading and acceptance of the Secretary's report of the previous meeting, the following Report of the Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith, was read and accepted.

Report of the Treasurer of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society for the year beginning April 4, 1921 and ending April 3, 1922.

To Am't in Treasury April 3, 1922	\$137.69
Aug. 6 from Women's Alliance	100.00
Jan 22 Mrs. Helen A. Hornans	30.00
Sunday collections of year	234.26

\$501.95

Debit	
May 26 Tuning Organ	47.62
June 2 Mansion House Organ Tuner for Board	7.00
June 2 Owen's Greenhouse, Mrs. Coye	5.00
Oct. 15 Vineyard Gazette advertising	4.00
Dec. 7 Owen's Greenhouse, B.C. Cromwell	5.00
Mar. 31 American Unitarian Association	5.00
Mar. 31 Channing Conference during Season	5.00
Rev. Chas. B. Elder for 17 Services	425.00

\$503.62

Deficit \$1.67

Gilbert L. Smith, Treasurer

The following Officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Rebecca D. Getchell, Mary L. Norton, John S. Reynolds, Emma F. Cromwell; Music Committee, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P. Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Charlotte C. Reynolds, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee, Rebecca D. Getchell, Emma F. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton. The following Social Committee was appointed: Emma F. Cromwell, Addie F. Armsby, Lucy P. Bodfish, Lillie A. Swift, Fannie A. Look, Eliza Lord, Doris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B. Foster.

It was unanimously voted that we engage Rev. Chas. B. Elder as pastor and Miss Mabel T. Tilton as organist for the ensuing season. Time of service of the season to be left to Capt. Gilbert L. Smith, the salary of Mr. Elder to be \$25 per Sunday.

Voted that Capt. John S. Reynolds, Mrs. Reynolds and Rev. Chas. B. Elder serve as delegates at the Annual Meeting of the American Unitarian Association and Capt. Gilbert L. Smith and Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell as delegates to the Channing Conference.

Voted to adjourn subject to call of President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

Financial records of the Alliance May 1, 1921 to April 30, 1922

Amount brought forward, \$1,1101.00
Income: Gift from Mrs. Eugene Carpenter (\$5), Summer Sale (\$469.10), gift of Mr. Humans (\$10) and Mr. Stelley (\$5), sale of aprons, potholders, dues (25 cents), refund of Mrs. Walker's expenses to Boston (\$7), suppers in October and February, totaling \$1,617.70
Expenses: Supplies for picnic, Mabel Tilton organist, boy blowing organ, Town of Tisbury rental of Hall (\$12), Mrs. Cromwell lobster and oil for supper (\$18), John S. Andrews cutting grass, year's subscription to Christian Register (\$4), flowers, Mrs. Walker expenses to Boston (\$7), Frank Ryder for silver knives forks spoons serving spoons (\$98.86), \$1 to Madison Wisconsin Alliance, Mme. Layson's work in France (\$10), Smith Bodfish Smith for materials for February supper (\$11.07), John Reynolds repairs of chapel (\$100), totaling \$543.80.

April 2, 1923

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Gilbert L. Smith. The meeting was opened at 7:30 PM on the above date by the President, Gilbert L. Smith.

The Secretary's Report of the previous meeting was read and accepted. The Report of the Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith, was also accepted.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, Rebecca D. Getchell, John S. Reynolds, Emma F. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton; Music Committee, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P. Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Charlotte C. Reynolds, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee, Emma F. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton, Rebecca D. Getchell. The following Social Committee were appointed, Emma F. Cromwell, Addie F. Armsby, Lucy P. Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Eliza Lord, Doris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B. Foster,

Charlotte C. Reynolds.

It was voted unanimously to engage Rev. Charles B. Elder as Pastor and Miss Mabel T. Tilton as Organist for the ensuing year. Time of services to be left to the President; the salary of Mr. Elder to be \$25 per Sunday

It was voted to have the necessary repairs on organ.

Voted that Mr. Elder, Mrs. Bodfish and Mrs. Cromwell serve as delegates to the Annual Meeting of the American Unitarian Association and Capt. Smith and Mrs. Cromwell as delegates to the Channing Conference.

Voted to adjourn subject to call of the President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

A separate (Society) Treasurer's Report for June to November 1923

Income was from Collections, the Women's Alliance (\$100), and contributions.

The Expenditures were \$5 each to the AUA and the Channing Conference, \$25 per Sunday to Rev. Charles Elder, Hook and Hastings organ repair, \$41.25, Cape and Vineyard Electric, \$0.53, and funeral flowers, \$3.76.

Financial report of the Alliance May 1, 1922 to April 30, 1923

Amount brought forward, \$973.45.

Income: dues, Dividend from N.B. Inst. for Savings (\$77.69), sale of ice cream, aprons, Summer Sale (\$1,539.06), Mrs. Elder for quilt (\$15), contributions to the suppers, Christmas Sale (\$30.75), Mrs. Carpenter gift (\$5), transfer from National Bank Savings Account (\$50.00, gift from Mr. Stelley (\$5)

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Expenses: sundries, Edith Tilton cleaning chapel (\$14.36), Martha's Vineyard Hospital Assoc. (\$50), Mansion House board for Miss Stavers, Mabel Tilton organist, boy blowing organ, Gilbert L. Smith church expenses (\$150), ice cream from Tisbury Pharmacy, Eugene Oregon Women's Alliance (\$10), A. S. Andrews 12 signs (\$3.50), John Reynolds material for shingling roof (\$3.50), Josiah Mayhew janitorial work cleaning chapel (\$6), Estey Organ Co. tuning and adjusting organ (\$24.95), Town of Tisbury rental of Assoc. Hall and dining room, (\$15), King's Daughters (\$25), Lizzie Walker lobster sandwiches (\$10), Sourthern Circuit Work (\$1), paper plates and doilies, John Andrews lawn care, Christian Register one year (\$4), Red Cross Health Center (\$50), Gilbert Smith church expenses (\$62.25), toweling, N. E. Director's Traveling Fund (\$2), Mme. Lyson's Work in France, The Mary B. Davis Memorial Fund (\$5), NationalAlliancedues (\$2.67).

April 7, 1924

A meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Thankful B. Smith at 7:30 o'clock. The President, Gilbert L. Smith, in the Chair. There not being a quorum present, the Meeting was adjourned until April 11th.

Thankful B. Smith

April 11, 1924

The adjourned meeting from April 7 was called to order 7:30 PM at the residence of Thankful B. Smith by the President, Gilbert L. Smith.

The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Thankful B. Smith; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, John S. Reynolds, Emma G. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P. Bodfish; Music Committee, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P. Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Charlotte C. Reynolds, Thankful B. Smith; Missionary Committee, Emma F. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P. Bodfish. The following Social Committee was appointed: Emma F. Cromwell, Addie F. Armsby, Lucy P. Bodfish, Fannie A. Look, Doris S. Hough, Annie G. Carpenter, Esther B. Foster, Charlotte C. Reynolds.

It was voted unanimously to engage Rev. Charles B. Elder as Pastor and Miss Mabel T. Tilton as organist for the ensuing year. Time of services to left to the President, salary of Mr. Elder to be \$25 per Sunday.

It was voted that necessary repairs be made on the organ.

Mrs. Chas. H. Burn and Mrs. R. M. Packer became members of the Society.
 Voted that Mr. Elder and Mrs. Grace Packer serve as delegates to the American Unitarian Association and Capt. and Mrs. John S. Reynolds as delegates to the Channing Conference.
 Voted to adjourn subject to the call of President.

Thankful B. Smith, Clerk

Notes from the (Society's)Treasurer's report in 1924

\$200 was the income from the Women's Alliance and the Sunday collections and contributions.

\$5 each was sent to the AUA and the Channing Conference. Rev. Charles Elder was paid \$25 per Sunday, funeral flowers, and the Cape and Vineyard Electric bill was \$9.00.

Financial report from the Alliance May 1, 1923 to April 30, 1924

Amount brought forward, \$681.79.
 Income: Transferred from M. V. National Savings Acct. (\$250 plus \$90), dues, Summer Sale including gifts from Mrs. Homans and Mrs. Bullock (\$568.73), small gifts, sale of aprons and pot holders, transferred from M.V. National Savings Account (\$75 plus \$70), totaling \$1,748.35.
 Expenses: Robert E. Crowell wiring and fixtures in chapel (\$150), sundries, Gilbert Smith church expenses (\$100), The Vineyard Gazette June ad, E. H. Manter ad cards for Summer Sale, transferred to M. V. National Bank (\$500), Cape and Vineyard lights in Chapel for Aug. (\$2.99), Southern Circuit Work (\$2), National Alliance dues (\$3.67), Bradley the Florist (\$5), Mabel Tilton organist (\$5 per Sunday), boy blowing organ, Josiah Mayhew janitorial services, totaling \$1,076.30

April 6, 1925

The Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mrs. Mary Norton. The President, Capt. G. L. Smith opened the meeting at 7:30 PM. Mrs. Packer was made temporary clerk due to the absence of Miss Thankful Smith. The Clerk's report of the previous annual meeting was read and accepted. Mrs. Lucy Bodfish and Mrs. Mary Norton were appointed as nominating committee for the officers and committees for the coming year.

A motion was made and duly carried that the clerk cast one ballot for the following officers and committees: President, Gilbert L. Smith; Clerk, Mrs. Grace Morgan Packer; Treasurer, Gilbert L. Smith; Collector, Gilbert L. Smith; Parish Committee, Gilbert L. Smith, John S. Reynolds, Emma F. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton, Lucy P. Bodfish; Music Committee, Mrs. R. M. Packer, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Fannie Look; Missionary Committee, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish; Social Committee, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, Mrs. Addie F. Armsby, Mrs. Lucy P. Bodfish, Miss Doris Hough, Mrs. Anna G. Carpenter, Mrs. Esther B. Foster, Mrs. Charlotte C. Reynolds.

A motion was made and duly carried that Mr. Chas. B. Elder be engaged as pastor and Miss Mabel T. Tilton as organist for the ensuing year at the same salaries as last year.

A motion was made and duly carried that any necessary repairs to the organ be left to Capt. G. L. Smith.

An invitation was given Capt. R. M. Packer to join the Society . He registered his acceptance in the book of by laws.

It was voted that the following be delegates to the American Unitarian Ass'n Conference in May: Mr. Chas H. Brown, Mrs. R. M. Packer. Delegates for the Channing conference at Providence in April: Capt. G. L. Smith, Mrs. Chas H. Burns. The Treasurers report was read and accepted and a vote carried to place in the records.

Treasurer's Report ending April 6, 1925

Balance in treasury beginning of year 1924	12.28
Sunday Collections	300.28
Woman's Alliance	200.00
	512.56
Expenditures	
Feb 6 Flowers funeral Mr. E. C. Lord	5.25

April 1 Am Unitarian Assn	5.00
April 1 Channing Conference	5.00
June 17 C & V Electric	9.00
July 8 Rev. Chas B. Elder	125.00
Aug 7 Rev. Chas. B. Elder	100.00
Sept 6 Rev. Chas B. Elder	125.00
Sept 24 Rev. Chas B. Elder	100.00
Oct. 4 Bradley - flowers Robt Cromwell (?)	4.50
Mar 23 Am Unitarian Assn	5.00
Mar 25 Channing Conference	5.00
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	\$488.75

Receipts \$ 512.56
Balance on hand 23.81
Capt. Packer was appointed a committee of one for the oversight of the church grounds.
A motion to adjourn was voted.

Respectfully submitted, Grace Morgan Packer

Notes from the Treasurer's Reports

There is a notation from June to Sept 1925 of Mrs. Greenough donating \$100 and the Women's Alliance, \$150. There was also a note that Tilton insurance was paid for insuring the organ.

April 5, 1926

The Annual Meeting of the V. H. Unitarian Society was held Monday at 7:30 PM at the residence of Capt. G. L. Smith. Present: Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Packer, Capt. G. L. Smith. The President, Capt. Smith presided. The Minutes of the past Annual Meeting were accepted as read. A motion was made and duly carried that the clerk cast one ballot for the officers and committees nominated for the ensuing year: President, G. L. Smith; Clerk, Mrs. R. M. Packer; Treas., G. L. Smith; Collector, G. L. Smith; Parish Committee, G. L. Smith, John S. Reynolds, Emma F. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton, Lucy B. Holbrook; Music Committee, Mrs. Packer, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Fannie Look; Social Committee, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Lucy B. Holbrook, Miss Doris Hough, Mrs. Anna G. Carpenter, Mrs. Esther B. Foster, Mrs. Charlotte F. Reynolds; Missionary Committee, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Lucy B. Holbrook.

The following were elected as delegates to the Am. Unitarian Assn. conference in May: Mrs. Lucy Holbrook, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell. Delegates to the Channing Conference, Providence: Mrs. Mary Sweet Burn, G. L. Smith.

A motion was carried that delegates have the privilege of choosing their own substitutes.

It was voted to accept the Treasurer's report and include in the minutes of the meeting.

A motion was carried that 1925 electric bill be paid.

A motion was carried that the clerk will write a note to each association member urging them each to greet all attending our services.

It was voted that R. M. Packer have supervision of the church and grounds this year.

Report of the Treasurer of the V.H. Unitarian Society for the year commencing April 1, 1925 and ending April 1, 1926.

Am't on hand beginning of year	23.81
Sunday Collections	248.61
Woman's Alliance	100.00
Contributions Mrs. A. H. Hershell	10.00
Mrs. B. C. Clough	10.00
Mrs. Emily H. Greenough	100.00

Mrs. W. A. Briggs	5.00

	\$497.42
Expenditures	
Rev. Chas B. Elder, pastor	425.00
Insurance on organ	33.55

	\$458.87

Balance in Treasury \$38.87

Gilbert L. Smith, Treas.

Submitted, Grace Morgan Packer

Note: The Treasurer's reports indicate Rev. Charles Elder was paid \$25 per Sunday as were Rev. Louis Cornish, Rev. George Patterson and Rev. Mark Moller. \$5 each was sent to the AUA and the Channing Conference.

Alliance financial report from May 1, 1925 to April 30, 1926

Balance: \$966.91
Income: Dues, gift from Miss Elizabeth Brown (\$50), proceeds from Summer Sale (\$459.19), gift of Mrs. R. M. Packer toward soloist for the summer (\$50), sale of aprons (\$5), dividend from N. B. Inst. for Savings (\$44.17), totaling \$1,601.57
Expenses: cleaning of chapel, flowers, advertising in Gazette for summer services, boy for pumping organ, Mabel Tilton organist, Mrs. Emma Cromwell for material, Elizabeth Chapin soloist, gift to Lucy Bodfish Holbrook (\$10), Gilbert Smith church expenses (\$100), Unitarian Service Pension Fund (\$30), Southern Circuit Work (\$2), Emma Cromwell expenses for Director (\$4), Miss Edith Roberts gift (\$10), Proctor Academy (\$5) totaling \$444.44

April 15, 1927

The Annual Meeting of the V. H. Unitarian Society, called for Monday, April 4th, 7:30 PM was adjourned to meet April 15 at 7:30 PM at the residence of Capt. G. L. Smith. Present: Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Emma G. Cromwell, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Packer, Capt. John S. Reynolds, Capt. G. L. Smith.

The President called the meeting to order. The warrant of the meeting was read. The minutes of the last Annual Meeting were accepted as read.

A motion was made and duly carried that the clerk cast one ballot for the following officers and committees for the ensuing year: President, G.L. Smith; Clerk, Mrs. R. M. Packer; Treas. G.L. Smith; Collector, G. L. Smith; Parish Committee, G. L. Smith, John S. Reynolds, Emma L. Cromwell, Mary L. Norton, Lucy B. Holbrook; Music Committee, Mrs. Fannie Look, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Packer; Social Committee, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, Mrs. Addie Armsby, Mrs. Lucy B. Holbrook, Miss Doris Hough, Mrs. Annie G. Carpenter, Mrs. Esther B. Foster, Mrs. Charlotte Reynolds; Missionary Committee, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, Mrs. Mary L. Norton, Mrs. Lucy B. Holbrook.

The following were elected as delegates to the May Conference, Boston, May 24th: Mrs. Holbrook, Mrs. Cromwell, alternates, Capt. and Mrs. Reynolds. For the Channing Conference: Mrs. Holbrook, Mrs. Cromwell.

A motion was made and duly carried that Rev. Chas B. Elder be engaged as minister, and Miss Mabel Tilton organist for the ensuing year under the same conditions as last year.

A motion was made and duly carried that R. M. Packer have supervision of the church and grounds this year.

It was voted to have the lumber, now in the basement of the church, removed.

It was voted that the small organ, now in the organ loft, be loaned to Chas. Claghorn, subject to recall at any time in the Society.

The Treasures report as follows, was accepted as read.

Treas. Report

Brot fwd June 1926 acct	38.37
Sunday Collection	283.58

Contribution Mrs. Briggs	5.00
Woman's Alliance	150.00
Bal Fwd 1927 acct	23.45
	\$500.90

Expenditures	
Apr. 7, 1926 Channing Conf.	5.00
Apr. 7, 1926 Am. Un. Ass.	5.00
6-19-26 C & V Electric Co	9.00
Dr. Elder	425.00
3-9-27 Am. Un. Ass. 1926-27	5.00
3-9-27 Channing Conf. 1926-27	5.00
	\$454.00

The meeting adjourned subject to call of the President.

Submitted, Grace Morgan Packer

Note: Until this time, Capt. Gilbert L. Smith had been President and Treasurer from 1898. The book of Treasurer's Reports found with our records begins in 1913. \$5 was collected from the congregation for Capt. Smith's funeral flowers.

Alliance financial records for May 1, 1926 to April 30, 1927

NOTE: These records are incomplete but this financial report to the National Alliance summarizes the year's income and expenses.

Income: Members dues \$17.00, Other Means \$519.91, Gifts \$100, Balance from last year \$966.91 totaling \$1603.82

Expenses: Material for work \$44.17, Janitor work in chapel and caring for lawn \$18.50, Music (\$180.75, Capt. Smith for church expenses, flowers \$5.50, Church notices and advertising \$14.50, Expenses for Director \$4, Gift of ice cream sent to Miss Thankful Smith \$3.45, Supplies for social suppers \$10.58, National Alliance dues \$4, postage 84 cents, Southern Circuit Work \$3, toward expenses of Federation \$1, Unitarian Service Pension Society \$30, Subscription to Cheerful Letter 50 cents, Proctor Academy \$5 totaling \$449.96.

Balance May 1, 1927 \$1,153.86

However, there is another page recording Income and Expenses for May 1, 1926 to May 1, 1927 which lists additional disbursements of interest: Carpet for chapel, \$78.24, Sanding and Varnishing chapel floor \$66.57, Piping and labor on heater in chapel \$5.34, Mrs. Layson's Work in France \$10, National Alliance dues \$5.67, V. H. Red Cross Relief \$10.

NOTE: THE "CASH" BOOK OF ALLIANCE FINANCIAL RECORDS ENDS HERE.

March 1928

The following letter was sent to everyone within the V. H. Unitarian Society community by Grace Packer, Clerk

As the clerk I am making an earnest appeal to every one in this community that has been identified with the Unitarian Church WHETHER A MEMBER OF THIS SOCIETY OR NOT to attend a meeting, Monday April 2nd, at 6:30 PM at the residence of Mrs. John C. Norton. After consultation with Mr. Elder, I desire to put before you the situation of the Society.

Capt. Smith our president and treasurer is dead and some one must be appointed in his place and other officers elected. But this can not be done legally not even can Mr. Elder or any other minister be engaged unless there is a quorum of church members present - that is those who have signed the Society's book. It is difficult to get a quorum

as certain members are apt to be out of town when the Annual Meeting is called, moreover death has reduced the church membership.

Now it is necessary for the future of our Society that the church membership be increased. There may be some who have delayed joining the society. If you are one will you join with us now?

Will you make this a personal matter and put aside every engagement to attend this annual meeting. If we will do honor to our dear friend, Captain Smith, who has carried the Society in his heart for many years, we will take up the task fallen from his hands.

(A note follows: "Result - 6 members")

April 21, 1928

The Annual Meeting of the V. H. Unitarian Society was held Monday, 7:30PM at the residence of Mrs. John O. Norton. Inasmuch as the President has died during the past year, his vacancy was filled by a motion electing Capt. Reynolds. The meeting was opened by the reading of the Warrant, followed by the clerks report of the last annual meeting, which was accepted as read.

The following names were presented for membership and was voted on by the members present: Mr. Geo. Rolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford Clough, Capt. Simeon Pinkham, Mrs. Louise Daggett, Miss Nellie Mae Parish, Mrs. Ruth Brown, Dudley Howland, Mrs. Ed. Lord, Mrs. Nellie Dean, Mrs. Florence Mann and Steven Smith.

The following signed the By-laws: Geo. Rolfe, Mr. and Mrs. Clough, Capt. Simeon Pinkham, Mrs. Louise Daggett. The following were elected to the respective offices for one year: President, John S. Reynolds; Clerk, Mrs. Packer; Treasurer, John S. Reynolds; Collector, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. The following were elected to serve on the Parish Committee: Mrs. John O. Norton, Louise Daggett, Mrs. Packer, Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Reynolds; Music Committee, Ruth Burns, Mrs. Bradford Clough; Social Committee, Mrs. Cromwell - Daggett - Holbrook Dr. Miller, Capt. Pinkham - Capt. Packer - Mr. Clough; Missionary, Mrs. Cromwell - Norton - Holbrook.

The delegates to the May meeting were elected as follows: Mrs. Lucy Holbrook, - Geoge Rolfe.

Channing Conference: Capt. Packer - Mrs. Cromwell.

It was voted to engage Dr. Elder for the season 1928 under the same conditions as last year. Also to engage Miss Tilton as organist and that she arrange to have the organ put in condition. Capt. Packer was appointed superintendent in grounds and chapel.

Voted to take \$4 from the treasury for flowers sent to Capt. Smith, the balance, \$6, raised by subscription.

In view that the Society has lost by death their beloved president, Capt. G. L. Smith, the following were selected to draft resolutions - copy of same to be sent to the family, the Gazette, Christian Register, and spread upon the minutes: Dr. Leslie W. Miller, R. M. Packer, Geo. Rolfe. The meeting adjourned at call of the President.

Submitted Grace Morgan Packer. Clerk

Treas. Report

Receipts

Cash in hand, Jan 1, 1927	23.45
Sunday collections	266.61
Rec'd Woman's Alliance	140.00

\$430.06

Disbursements

6-13 Dr. Cornish	25.00
7-3 Dr. Mark Moller	30.60
George Patterson	31.32
Dr. Elder	325.00
Flowers, Mrs. Fannie Look	5.00
C & V Electric Co.	9.00
cost funr. Capt. Smith	4.14

Note from Treasurer's book includes additional income of \$68 from the Women's Alliance.

A letter was received from Louis C. Cornish, President, American Unitarian Association, February 20, 1928:

Dear Mrs. Packer:

I feel a sense of personal loss in the passing of Captain Smith. I never knew him well, but I always knew him. He has been a dominant figure for so many years. It is difficult to think of Vineyard Haven without him. Thank you heartily for sending me the word of his going.

At the 29th Annual Meeting of the Stevens Memorial Church, Vineyard Haven, held April 2nd, 1928, the following Minute was adopted: -

The Society of the Stevens Memorial Church here records its profound regret at the death of Captain Gilbert L. Smith, and offer its sincere tribute to the devoted service which, from the day of its foundation until the end of his life, he rendered to this Society; to the faithful way in which he performed every duty and discharged every obligation which, as a public-spirited citizen he was ever ready to assume whenever occasion served or need arose; as well as to the consecrated spirit in which he consistently upheld, and did his best to promote by precept as by example, the ideals of liberal Christianity and the way of life to which the teachings of the Master would lead the world if they could be freed from the clouds of misunderstanding and perversion by which their radiance has so long and so often been obscured.

It is ordered that copies of this Minute be sent to the family of Captain Smith, to the Christian Register, and to the Vineyard Gazette.

April 1, 1929

The Annual Meeting of the V. H. Unitarian Society was held Monday, April 1 - 7:30 PM at the residence of Mrs. John O. Norton. The meeting was called to order by the President, John S. Reynolds.

The warrant was read.

The clerk's report was accepted as read. The treasurer's report was accepted as read.

The same officers and committees were elected as for the preceding year - with one exception. That the Music Committee be the Women's Alliance.

The delegates elected for the May Meeting are: Mrs. Holbrook, Cromwell and Dr. Elder.

The President is allowed to name two delegates for the Channing Conference.

Dr. Elder, it was voted, to be asked to return as summer minister.

It was voted that Miss Tilton be asked to be the organist and supervise all necessary repairs to the organ.

Captain Packer to be asked to continue as supervisor of grounds.

As policy on fire insurance was expiring in the immediate future, it was voted to authorize the President to increase the insurance as he deemed best.

Captain Reynolds was also authorized to inspect the chapel and recommend with estimates the necessary improvements and repairs to the chapel, to the Women's Alliance.

A motion was made and duly carried that Mrs. Packer and Dr. Miller prepare an appeal in the hopes of enlisting a wider public in the interest, sympathy and to secure pledges for the support of the Unitarian church.

A motion was made and duly carried that Captain Reynolds add to the above mentioned duties the investigation of installing an electric light and time clock to the Wayside Pulpit.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the call President.

Submitted, Grace Morgan Packer, Clerk

Treas. Report 1929

July 1 Mr. Elder	100.00
Aug. 3 Mr. Elder	125.00
Oct 2 Mr. Elder	125.00
7-17 W. G. Manter	4.00
Vineyard Gazette adv.	2.10
Ins. on Organ	38.50
Elec. Light bill	9.00

Total Expenses	503.60

Balance	9.00

	494.60
Total collection	387.70
23 Alliance	68.00
31 Alliance	22.00
13 Alliance	106.90

	494.60

Note: The Treasurer's Reports for 1929 also note tuning the organ and a lock on the door.

April 7, 1930

The thirty second Annual Meeting of the V H. Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mr. John O. Norton, on April 7, at 7:30 PM. Eight members were present.

The meeting was called to order by the President John S. Reynolds.

The warrant was read

The Clerk's report was accepted as read. The Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

The following names were presented by Mrs. Packer for membership: Mrs. E. P. Saltonstall, Mrs. Nathan Hutchison, and Mrs. G. P. Bunage. They were elected by majority vote.

The same officers and committees were elected for the seceding year. A motion was made and duly carried that a building committee be named. The duties of this committee are that they have the power to act in all necessary repairs to the chapel. The committee for the coming year are Capt. John S. Reynolds, Ralph M. Packer and Mrs. B. C. Cromwell.

The delegates elected to the May meeting are Mrs. Holbrook and Dr. Elder. As the Channing Conference was April 6, no delegates were named.

After a lengthy discussion the following motion was made by Dr. Miller and duly carried. That the clerk correspond with Mrs. Saltonstall for the purpose of securing her cooperation in reference to the filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Dr. Elder. Mr. John N. Martin had been presented by the President, and it is understood he should be the first interviewed.

It was voted to ask Miss Tilton to be organist and to see that necessary repairs be made to the organ.

It is understood that Capt. Packer will see that the grounds and church be in good condition June 1st.

In view that the society have lost a devoted friend and minister in the resignation of Dr. Elder, a motion was made and duly carried that a note of proper dignity be sent to Chas B. Elder.

It was decided to make the appeal for financial and moral support an annual affair.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the call of the president.

Submitted, Grace Morgan Packer, Clerk

The following letter was sent by Mrs. Packer to Rev. Charles B. Elder, D. D. on April 10, 1930:

Dear Sir,

At a meeting of the Society of the Stevens Memorial, held on April 7th, I was by resolution instructed to express to you the profound regret of the Society at the decision that you have felt compelled to make in regard to discontinuing the service which you have so long and so satisfactorily rendered as its summer pastor; and to couple with this expression of regret the very deep appreciation and the very sincere thanks of the Society for the devoted spirit and admirable efficiency with which you have invariably discharged the duties of the position.

Please accept my assurance that I am confidently voicing the feeling of the entire membership of the Society in adding to this imperfect statement of appreciation of your professional services an expression of most cordial personal respect and esteem, and the hope that we may long enjoy the pleasure and inspiration of your presence among us.

Yours very sincerely,

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Dr.	
1928 Balance	9.00
6-3 Painting and Carpentry	57.68
Tuning organ	41.24
Insurance 500 .00 total	86.75 (Bldg 35.00, Organ 15.00)
Dr. Elder	450.00
Am. U. S	5.00
Reynolds bill	26.25
Mrs. Clough	5.00
B. C. Cromwell, Clock	58.31
Typewriting	4.02
Electric Light bill	4.26
Hinckley Lumber co.	4.26
Labor, lock	1.50
Tower	6.55

	764.56

Receipts	766.14

	1.58
Cr.	
Collection	301.34
Pledges	220.00
Checks from Alliance	59.13
	185.67

	766.14

May 5, 1930

A meeting was called by order of the President on May 5, 1930, at 7:30 PM at the residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. Twenty seven notices were mailed to members and friends. Fourteen present.

The President called the meeting to order. The purpose : For the members and interested persons to meeting with Rev. John Nial Mark, Arlington, Mass. Mr. Mark by vote of the Annual Meeting of the Society, held the first Monday in April thru an interview by Mrs. E. P. Saltonstall authorized by said meeting was asked to consider the offer of being summer pastor of our chapel. A motion made by Mrs. Walker, seconded by Mrs. Cromwell was: That Rev. Mark be invited to be pastor for 1930 at a weekly rate of thirty five dollars. for the months June to September inclusively. The motion was duly carried. Mr. Mark accepted the invitation. It was further decided that Rev. Mark be responsible in filling the pulpit any Sunday that he would be absent.

The meeting was adjourned at the call of the President. As no motion was presented, Mrs. Cromwell was thanked informally for opening her home for the meeting and her hospitality to Mr. Mark

Submitted, Grace Morgan Packer, Clerk

Note: The Treasurer's Report shows \$730.10 income from Sunday collections, donations and from the Alliance. There were several ministers this year, Clarence Southworth, Dr. Gill, Dr. Mark, Adolph Roosbach and Dr. Elder who each were paid \$35 per Sunday. The light bill was \$11.60. \$5 was sent to the AUA

April 6, 1931

The thirty third annual meeting of the V. H. Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mrs. John O. Norton on April 6, at 7:30 PM. Five members were present. In absence of the President, the meeting was called to order by the Clerk.

The motion was made and duly carried that Ralph M. Packer be chairman pro tem. The warrant was read.

The clerk's report of the last Annual Meeting was accepted as read. The Treasurer was absent. Mrs. G. D. Bunage was announced as having signing the fellowship of membership.

The same officers and committees were elected for the succeeding year, with the following addition; that Mrs. Nathan Hutchison's name be added to the Parish Committee. That the Alliance be retained as Music Committee.

The following were elected as delegates to the May Meetings: Mrs. Lucy B. Holbrook, Mrs. E. P. Saltonstall. There were no delegates nominated for the Channing Conference.

The motion was made and duly carried that Miss Mabel Tilton be organist for the coming season and that she attend to all necessary repairs to be make to the organ.

A motion was made and duly carried that Captain Packer attend to the grounds and keeping the church clean for the coming season.

A motion was made and duly carried that the Society pay the bill for flowers for Dr. Leslie Miller. This bill represents flowers \$2 sent to Dr. Miller in his last illness and \$3 for funeral flowers. Flowers had been ordered by the clerk after having been OK'd by Mrs. John O. Norton, Mr. Rolfe, Miss Parrish and Ralph Packer.

Inasmuch as our society has lost a member of the Society since 1898, the following were elected by the meeting to draft resolutions: Dr. Leslie Miller, Captain Packer, Mrs. John O. Norton and Mr. Rolfe. As Dr. Miller was a man nationally known it was voted that these resolutions be printed in the Register as well as the Vineyard Gazette.

A motion was made and duly carried that Mr. Mark be invited to be the pastor this summer under the same arrangements as last summer.

Miss Parrish was voted the thanks of this society for her generous gift in form of the electric light with clock for the Wayside Pulpit. Miss Parrish made the offer that if the expense involved in the installing of a motor to the organ was not too large that she would bear the expense. Capt. Packer was asked to investigate the cost and report data to Miss Parrish.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned. Submitted, Grace Morgan Packer, Clerk

The special meeting of the Unitarian Assn. met with Mrs. Norton Tuesday April 28, 1931. In the absence of the Clerk, Mrs. Cromwell was appointed as clerk pro tem. The report of the clerk was read and accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. The check for thirty dollars was credited to the Society. The two accepted bills were accepted as a gift to the Alliance.. Meeting adjourned to the call of the President.

E. F. Cromwell, pro tem

Treasurer's Report 1930-31

Cr. by balance 1930 account	1.58
Collections	355.95
Cash from Alliance	270.76
Cash from donations	101.81

	730.10
Dr.	
To total expense	703.60
Balance on hand	26.50

	730.10

By J. S. Reynolds, Treas.

April 4, 1932

The 34th annual meeting of the V. H. Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mrs. John O. Norton, April 4th at 7:39 PM. Eight members were present.

The meeting was called to order by the President. In absence of the secretary it was voted that Mrs. Nathan

Hutchinson act as clerk pro tem. The Clerk's report of the last annual meeting was accepted as read.
 The Treasurer's report was accepted as read.
 The same officers were elected for the succeeding year: Capt. Reynolds, Pres. and Treas; Mrs. Ralph Packer, Clerk; Mrs. Cromwell, Collector. It was voted that we give our President a rising vote of thanks.
 The President appointed members to serve on the following committees: Social Committee, the Alliance; Missionary Committee, Mrs. Reynolds, Cromwell, Daggett, Hutchison. The President appointed two delegates to the May meeting in addition to Rev. Mark; Mrs. Holbrook, Mrs. Saltonstall. The President appointed Mrs. Hutchison and Mrs. Cromwell delegates to the Channing Conference.
 The motion was made and duly carried that Miss Mabel Tilton be organist for the coming season and that she attend to all necessary repairs to be made to the organ.
 The President announced that he would attend to the care of the grounds of the church for the coming season.
 A motion was made and duly carried that the church be opened the second Sunday in June.
 A motion was made and duly carried that Mr. Mark be invited to be the pastor this summer under the same arrangements as last summer.
 It was voted that the insurance bill for the chapel, the sum of \$55.00, be paid when due, or before June 10, 1932.
 It was decided to leave to the President's discretion the matter of having the tower of the church repaired.
 There being no further business the meeting adjourned.

Submitted, May Bell Hutchison, Clerk pro tem

1931-32

5-11-32	Flowers, Mr. Leslie Miller	5.00	
6-7&8	Preaching 17 times @ \$35	595.00	
	Singing 4 times @ \$7	28.00	
6-14	Tuning organ	23.00	
Sept			
9-11	Mr. Mark, 2 bills, advertising	14.00	
9-11	Insurance on organ	7.24	
10-22	Walter Luce	1.00	
3-29-32	Paid dues A. U. A.	5.00	
10-22-31		5.00	
March	Electric Lights for March 1932	24.60	
April 3	Frederick Luce for attending light and Wayside Pulpit 15@25	3.75	

		711.59	
Dr.			
Balance 1930		26.50	
	Collections	0	(???)
	Dr. Elder	10.00	
	Miss Parrish	25.00	
	Alliance	346.05	

		711.59	(???)

NOTE; HERE BEGINS ANOTHER BOOK OF ALLIANCE MINUTES AFTER THE GAP FROM 1922 TO 1933

Jan. 9, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Hutchinson, 5 members present. No business came before the meeting. The ladies enjoyed Mrs. Hutchinson's cinnamon rolls and coffee. Report given - the Sec who was absent on account of the

storm by Miss Mildred Smith.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Jan. 16, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Louise Daggett, 5 members present. No business came before the meeting. Ladies enjoyed Mrs. Daggett's candy. Coll. 35 cents.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Jan. 23, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Cromwell, 5 members present. Mrs. Cromwell, Pres. Presided. No business came before this meeting. Coll. \$1.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Jan. 30, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. John O. Norton, 5 members present. No business came before the meeting. Coll. 17 cents. Next meeting to be with Mrs. Cromwell.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 2nd, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Norton, 5 members present. Mrs. Cromwell, Pres. presided. Having learned of the illness of Mrs. Elder it was the wish of the Alliance the Sec. write to Mrs. McGregor telling her how sorry we were asking her to write us more about the sickness. Coll. \$1.05. Mrs. Norton to pass to the acting Treas. Mrs. Daggett. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Norton. The ladies enjoyed Miss Mildred Smith's tomato soup recipe.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 9, 1933

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Norton, 6 members present. Mrs. Cromwell, Pres. presided. Letter read from Mrs. McGregor in answer to one sent to her from the Alliance in which she said Mrs. Elder had overtaxed her strength and the doctor thought was improving and in time would be herself again. At this meeting was changed from Monday to Thursday afternoon. Coll. \$1.13.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 20, 1933

Alliance Meeting with Mrs. Harding with 9 members present, no business came before is meeting. Some of us had not been to Mrs. Harding's home since improvements had been made and found the change very convenient, inviting and homelike. The ladies were busy sewing and a social hour was enjoyed. Later in the afternoon we were invited to the new dining room and around the table enjoyed the coffee, delicious biscuits and oatmeal cookies served by the hostess sorry all of the members could not have been present to have enjoyed this very happy social afternoon. The letter was read from Mrs. Elder to Mrs. Harding.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 2, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Cromwell, 7 members present. Mrs. Cromwell, Pres. presided. 3 service read. Sec. report read and accepted. Alliance meeting postponed for two weeks. Coll. 60 cents. Delicious cake and coffee served by the hostess.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 16, 1933

Alliance Meeting with Mrs. Louise Daggett, 7 members present. Sec. to write for the Alliance a letter to Mrs. Thomas of Montclair thanking for the remembrance and pattern for the aprons. Delicious ice cream and fancy cookies served by the hostess. Coll. 70 cents.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 30, 1933 Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Louise Daggett.

Monday April 3, 1933

The thirty-fifth Annual Meeting held on Monday, April 3, was adjourned for lack of a quorum.

Submitted, G. M. Packer, Clerk

April 6, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Cromwell, 8 members present. Pres. Mrs. Cromwell presided. 3rd service read from the small service book. Sec. report of several meetings read and accepted. One appeal read. Voted to lay on the table. Coll. \$1.05. The maple candy was much enjoyed.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 13, 1933

Alliance Meeting with Mrs. Cromwell, 10 members present, Mrs. Arthur Stewart as guest. Pres. read notice of meeting of Treas. and Secretaries. Voted to pay Capt. Reynold's bill. Voted to have Mrs. Ralph Taylor soloist at the church this summer. Next meeting will be held on Monday instead of Thursday with Mrs. Look.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 12, 1933

The thirty-fifth Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mrs. John O. Norton on April 12, 1933 at 7:30 PM. Seven members were present.

The meeting was called to order by the President.

The secretary's report of the last Annual Meeting was accepted.

The Treasurer's report was accepted as read.

In August 1932 three new members joined the church, Mrs. Florence Mann, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Taylor.

The same officers were elected for the succeeding year: President, Captain Reynolds; Clerk, Mrs. Ralph Packer; Collector, Mrs. B.C. Cromwell; Treasurer, Capt. Reynolds.

The following committees were appointed by the President: Parish Committee, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. Louise Daggett, Mrs. John Reynolds, Miss Nellemae Parrish; Missionary Committee, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Miss Nellemae Parrish, Mrs. Nathan M. Hutchison.

Delegates to May Meeting: Mrs. Holbrook, Mrs. Saltonstall.

Delegates to Channing Conference: Mrs. B.C. Cromwell, Mrs. Nathan M. Hutchison.

It was voted, and the motion carried, that Miss Mabel Tilton have charge of the organ as usual - attending to necessary repairs, etc. (Clerk to please notify Miss Tilton)

Arrangements for grounds and care of Chapel to be under the supervision of Capt. Reynolds.

It was unanimously voted to ask Mr. Mark if he would be willing to accept a reduced salary of \$30.00 a Sunday for the coming summer.

It was voted that the secretary write Mrs. W. J. Bagshaw, Ocean Ave., Oak Bluffs, a note inviting her to attend our Church services this summer.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Grace Packer, Clerk
M. B. Hutchison, Ass't

1932-33

Preaching 15 Sundays @ \$35

525.00

Singing 14 Sundays @ \$7

98.00

Singing 1 Sunday@ \$5	5.00
Light bill to Nov. 1932	11.69
Repairs on church and expense on lawn	27.20
Freight and carting organ blower	3.34
Lettering and painting sign for church	4.00
New lawn mower	9.00
Insurance on church	55.51
Printing Mr. Mark, adv. acct	17.00
Roll, new pulpit quotations	1.50
Wm. Luce care of lawn during summer	3.75
April 1933 balance due Treas.	14.79

	775.78
Dr.	
6-4 Check from Alliance	37.42
6-27	155.45
9-15	201.69
Oct.	96.68
Apr. Pd. Light bill from Nov	5.79
Pd. Wm Luce, care of light and organ	4.00
U. U. Assn.	5.00
Collections (sic)	270.00

	775.78

April 17, 1933

Alliance Meeting with Mrs. Norton, 5 members present. Coll. 61 cents. Refreshments served. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Reynolds.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 24, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Reynolds, 7 members present. Sec. presented the delegates ticket for the May Meetings but there seemed no one to go. Hostess served candy much enjoyed. Next meeting to be with Mrs. Harding.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

May 8, 1933

Alliance Meeting with Mrs. Harding, 10 members present. Mrs. Cromwell, Pres. presided. 5th service read from the large service book. Sec. report read and, with additions, accepted. Sec. read her Annual Report to the General Alliance which was accepted. A long discussion followed. Sec. read card thanking Sec. for report.

May 15, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Miss Parrish, 8 members present at the beginning, Miss Roberts and Mrs. McGregor coming in later. Coll. 95 cents. Ladies enjoyed Miss Parrish's refreshments.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

May 22, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Cromwell, 5 members present. The delegates ticket was to be given to Mrs. Hutchinson who thought she might represent the Alliance at the May Meetings to be held in Boston. Coll. 75 cents.

Ladies enjoyed Mrs. Cromwell's refreshments.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

May 29, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Hutchinson, 5 members present. One appeal read, no action taken. Mrs. Hutchinson as a delegate to the May Meetings held in Boston read a very interesting report. A vote of thanks was given her. The members present would like to hear it again and so few were present she was asked to read it again at the next meeting. Vote to subscribe to the Christian Register for one year. Coll. 48 cents, Sec. to pass to Treas. Ladies enjoyed Mrs. Hutchison's refreshments.

June 5, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Norton, 9 members present. Mrs. Cromwell presided. 3rd Service read from the small service book. Sec. report of several meetings read and accepted. Sec. received receipt from the National Alliance for money sent by the Treas. and passed by Sec. to her. Mrs. Hutchison read her report of the May Meetings she attended as delegate from the Alliance as requested. Interesting and enjoyed by those present. Mrs. Hutchison reported she had called on Mrs. George Smith who would not be able to be present today. Coll. \$1. Refreshments served.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 12th, 1933

Alliance meeting with Mrs. Cromwell, six members present. Letter received from Mrs. Lucy Bodfish Holbrook enclosing Treas. report read at the May Meetings thinking it might be interesting to be heard. Voted to send a letter of sympathy to Miss Ruth Brown whose mother had died. We addressed the letter to her at West Tisbury. Coll. \$1. Ladies enjoyed the refreshments.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 19th, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Norton, 9 members present. Mrs. J. Simmons Draper as guest. Mrs. Draper said she had been elected as delegate from her Alliance to Star Island, Isle of Shoals. Interesting meetings held in this place by Unitarians. Mrs. Hutchison did not think she could go as delegate from the Alliance. No report of Coll. given the Sec. Refreshments served.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

June 26th, 1933

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Hutchison, 11 members present. A letter of thanks and appreciation was read from Miss Ruth Brown for the letter sent her from the Alliance. No report of Coll. given to the Sec. Ladies enjoyed Mrs. Hutchinson's refreshments.

July 11th, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Louise Daggett, 9 members present, Mrs. McGregor as guest. Correction Mrs. McGregor as (?) not a guest. Voted to give Mrs. Edith Roberts \$10 for lecture and pictures for the benefit of the Alliance. Pres. Asked the Sec. to write a letter of thanks to Mrs. Cook. Sec. to write a letter to Mrs. Gifford our director to meet the Alliance on July 17th. Voted to send card to notify the members payment of Alliance dues. No report of Collection given the Sec. Ladies enjoyed Mrs. Daggett's refreshments. Next meeting with Mrs. Norton.

Report given the Sec. by the Pres., Mrs. Cromwell - Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

July 17th, 1933

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Norton at Lake Tashmoo, 11 members present and two guests. Letter read from Mrs. Gifford who would be able to be present on July 17th. Would like to meet the alliance in Aug. The ladies were entertained on the Piazza fronting the lake which added much to the pleasure of the ladies, a happy party. The weather looked humid at first but the afternoon proved very comfortable without the hot sun. Mr. Norton and daughter assisted the hostess in serving refreshments which were much enjoyed by the ladies. Coll. \$1.78. Next meeting to be with Mrs. Harding.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

July 1933

Meeting (of the Alliance) held with Mrs. Harding. No report given the Sec. Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 9th, 1933

The second meeting of the Alliance held at Mrs. Mary L. Norton's. Mrs. Cromwell presided and the second selection from our pamphlet was read to open our meeting. Mrs. Norton, our Sec. for many years wished to resign when possible but the Alliance felt they could not accept her resignation so Miss Harriet Smith was asked to assist her with her reports. That she agreed to. Samples of linen which had been sent for were shown and the Treas. was requested to send for some for a luncheon set. Ways of earning money for the order we discussed but no definite plans were made. Coll. 60 cents. Next meeting with Mrs. Cromwell. Report by the Treas. given the Sec. Mrs. George Walker was reported (?) by Miss Smith.

October 16th, 1933

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Cromwell, 8 members, one guest present. Mrs. Cromwell presided, 3 service from the large service book read. Program from the Fairhaven Alliance received. Coll. \$1.15. Refreshments served.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

October 23rd, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Norton, 8 members present. In the absence of the President, Vice Pres. Mrs. Walker presided and the meeting was opened by the reading of the 5th service in the service book and repeating of the Lord's prayer. Notice of the Channing Federation of Pres. and Secy's was read. Bill read. Mrs. Walker to find out if it had been paid. Some ways of earning money was talked over. Coll. 85 cents. Refreshments served.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Oct. 30th, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Norton, 8 members present. Mrs. Cromwell presided and the last service in the small book was read. During the afternoon discussion of the reading of a book at the meetings and seemed to meet with general favor. Left until the next meeting. Coll. 95 cents. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Harding. Refreshments served.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 6th, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Harding, 12 members present. At this meeting it was unanimously voted to purchase the materials Mrs. Hutchison had selected. No other business came before this meeting. Coll. \$1.20. The reading of the book Miss Bishop was begun, Miss Mildred Smith reader. Hostess served refreshments. Next meeting to be held with Miss Roberts if not too cold.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 12th, 1933

The Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Florence Mann at the home of Mrs. George Dean, 12 members present, Mrs. Norman Fuller as guest. We were all so glad to meet again Mrs. Dean after sickness. Mrs. Cromwell presided. The 4th service read from the large service book. It was voted to read the book at the Alliance meetings. The time of the meeting to be changed from 3 o'clock to 2:30 PM. Coll. \$1.65. Refreshments served by the hostess. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Harding.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Harding, 12 members present. At this meeting it was unanimously voted to purchase the material Mrs. Hutchison had bought. Coll. \$1.20. Refreshments served.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Nov. 27th, 1933

The Alliance Meeting held with Miss Roberts, 10 members present. The following business came before this meeting: Voted, after letter read, to send \$50 to the Unitarian Ministers' Pension Fund, \$25 for this year and \$25 for last year for which we had sent no money. Voted to send \$5 to the SPCC to be used for the work here. Voted to send articles amounting to \$5 to the Vineyard table for the Animal Rescue League to be held in Boston. Voted to lay Mr. Layton's letter on the table. Coll. 65 cents. Reading of Miss Bishop continued, reader Miss Mildred Smith. Next meeting with Mrs. Cromwell.

Mrs. Mary O. Norton, Sec.

December 4, 1933

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Cromwell, 9 members present. Sec. and Treas. Reports read and accepted.

Voted the Treas. Take \$100 from the Martha's Vineyard National Savings Bank and put into the Martha's Vineyard National Bank Check department. Voted each member pay 10 cents for the renting of the book.

Miss Bishop, after the business was over, the reading of Miss Bishop was continued. It was quite stormy out of doors, but the inviting fire in the fireplace, a very pleasant social afternoon was passed. Glad to have made the effort to be present. Refreshments served. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Hutchison.

Mrs. John O. Norton. Sec.

January 8th, 1934

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Norton, 8 members present.

Mrs. Cromwell presided.

Sec. Report read and accepted.

Miss Parrish to act as treas. during the absence of Mrs. Walker.

Voted to give \$5 for the (?) our island school children of Vineyard Have.

Mrs. Cromwell read a short poem by Mr. Whiting.

Refreshments served. Coll. \$1.05

Mrs. John O. Norton. Sec.

Jan. 15th, 1934

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Norton, 2 members present, Mrs. Norton and Mrs. Mann. 15 cents Mrs. Mann who would take to Miss Parrish who would give 25 cents making the whole 40 cents. Refreshments served. Next meeting to be with Mrs. Hutchison.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Jan. 22nd, 1934

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Hutchison with 6 members present, and one guest, Mrs. Field.

Mrs. Hutchison, Vice Pres. presided, read a letter received by Mrs. Cromwell from our new director who asked for one of programs and would like to visit our Alliance. It was voted the Sec. write her a letter saying our membership small so we had no program but we would like her to visit our Alliance at her convenience.

Letter from Miss Roberts telling of the death of Mrs. Briggs. Voted the Sec. write a letter of sympathy to Miss Jenny from the Alliance. Mrs. Hutchison read a letter she had received from Mrs. Cromwell who was in Washington.

Letter read from the Conv. thanking the Alliance for give of \$5 for the undernourished school children of Vineyard Haven. Mr. Bigelow, Pres., Mrs. Edith Walker, Sec. After the business the reading of the book ws continued and Mrs. Harding (?). Hostess served refreshments. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Hutchison. Coll. \$1.05.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Jan. 22, 1934 Miss Parrish acted as Sec pro tem at this meeting and sent her report to the Sec. for the meeting with Mrs. Hutchison.

On January 29th (1934) the Woman' Alliance met with the Vice Pres. Mrs. Hutchison who presided. There were 7 members present, including Mrs. Field who became a member of the Unitarian Woman's Alliance of Vineyard Haven. There was no business. Mrs. Hutchison donated the colored material for (dusters ?). The collection was \$1.05. The hostess served delicious sandwiches, cookies and coffee. The next meeting Feb. 5th will be with Mrs. Hutchison.

NelleMae L. Parrish Sec. pro tem

Miss Parrish report of the Alliance meeting sent to the Sec. as Sec. pro tem

Feb. 12th, 1934

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Norton, 5 members glad to meet our new member, Mrs. Fields.

Mrs. Hutchison, Vice Pres, presided. Mrs. Hutchison called for any business. Miss Parrish report for Jan. 29 read. No report for Jan 29th meeting with Mrs. Mann given. Mrs. Packer reported a Mr. Smith Unitarian member of the New Bedford Unitarian church was ill at the Martha's Vineyard Hospital suffering from a broken hip. Mrs. Packer being acquainted with him to write a letter of sympathy to him from the Alliance. After the business, the reading of the book was taken up. Mrs. Hutchison reader and finished at this meeting. Coll. \$1. Mrs. Mann to take to Miss Parrish who would add her contribution making the whole \$(?). Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Harding. Refreshments served.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 19th, 1934

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Harding with 7 members present. Hostess served refreshments. Coll. \$1. \$1.20 cents (?).

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Feb. 26, 1934

Alliance Meeting postponed on account of storm for one week. Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 5th, 1934

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Packer with 7 members present. Refreshments served. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Harding. Coll. 83 cents.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 12th, 1934

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Harding with 6 members present. Mrs. Hutchison, Vice Pres, presided. Sec. report with corrections accepted. Treas. report read and accepted.

Letter read from Treas. of General Alliance, no action taken.

There was quite a discussion over the payment of the Annual dues. The vote as passed to the Sec read quote "it was moved and seconded that postal cards be sent by the acting Treas. To members of the Alliance notifying them that the Annual dues are payable April 1st.

Letter read from our new director, Mrs. Root in reply to one sent her by the Sec. for the Alliance n regard to request

for programs and visit to the Alliance. Letter read from Miss Jenny thanking for letter of sympathy sent her by the Sec. for the Alliance. Quite a little sewing was accomplished a very pleasant social afternoon passed. Refreshments were served. Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Cromwell.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

March 19th, 1934

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Cromwell. Mrs. Cromwell presided. Voted the subscription to the Christian Register be renewed for two years, regular price, \$3 per year, 2 years, \$5 reduction. Mrs. Cromwell brought the book, Miss Bishop, for the reading to the Alliance. Later it was voted each member pay 20 cents for the lending. At this meeting the book was given the new lending library by Mrs. Cromwell to be given the Public Library. Refreshments served. Coll. \$1.18. Mrs. John Norton, Sec. Quite a number of members at this meeting in response to the postal card sent by the acting Treas. paid the Annual dues to the acting Treas.

March 26th, 1934

Alliance Meeting held with Mrs. Cromwell. 11 members present and one guest, Mrs. Shapleigh. Mrs. Shapleigh joined the Alliance afterwards. Coll. \$1.41 Refreshments served. Next meeting postponed for one week.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

April 2nd, 1934

The Unitarian Society of V. H. met on April 2nd at the home of Mrs. John O. Norton at 7:30 PM with 6 members present. In the absence of Mrs. Packer, Miss Nellemae Parrish was appointed clerk pro tem. Mrs. Hutchison was appointed President and Treas. pro tem. It was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned until April 16th.

Submitted, May Bell Hutchison

April 9th, 1934

Alliance meeting held with Mrs. Hutchison, 7 members present, two guests, Mrs. Gabron and Mrs. Crocker. Coll: \$1.20 Next meeting to be held with Mrs. Field. Report given the Sec. by Miss Parrish.

Mrs. John O. Norton, Sec.

Report sent/read to Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Field

April 16, 1934

The Alliance met on Monday, April 16, 1934 with Mrs. Russell Field, East Chop, thirteen members were present. Mrs. B. C. Cromwell presided at the meeting, and in the absence of the Secretary appointed Mrs. N. M. Hutchison Secretary Pro tem.

The minutes of the last four preceding meetings were read and approved. The Treasurer's report was accepted by vote. The Treasurer reported a balance of \$25.95 in the treasury. It was also reported that sixteen members responded in payment of dues. Two new members joined the Alliance at this meeting, namely Mrs. Crocker and Mrs. Clara Chapman.

The President asked the Secretary to write a note of sympathy to Mrs. Charles B. Elder, whose sister, Miss Maria Brown, died recently. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

Respectfully submitted, May B. Hutchison, Sec. Pro tem

April 16, 1934

The thirty sixth annual meeting (of the Society) was held, April 16th, 7:30 PM at the residence of Mrs. John O. Norton. There were eleven members present. The President, Capt. Reynolds, called the meeting to order. The minutes of the meeting of April 2nd were accepted as read. The Treasurer's report to Oct. 1933 was accepted as read.

A motion was made and duly carried that the Clerk revise the membership list in the Book on By-laws and

members. There are 17 members.

The following officers were elected by ballot for the ensuing year: Capt. Reynolds, President; Miss Parrish, Clerk; Mrs. Hutchison, Treasurer; Mrs. Mann, Collector.

The following committees were appointed: Parish Committee, Mrs. G. L. Smith, Mrs. Nathan M. Hutchison, Mrs. R. M. Packer, Mrs. B.C. Cromwell, Mrs. Florence Mann; Music Committee, the Alliance; Missionary Committee, Mrs. Cromwell, Miss Parrish.

Delegates for the following conferences: May meeting, Mrs. Saltonstall, Mrs. Holbrook; Channing (1935), Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Hutchison.

The clerk was authorized to offer to Miss Mabel Tilton the position as organist and that she attend to the necessary repairs on organ.

Captain Packer was appointed by the President to supervise the care of the lawns, sidewalk, and clock for the coming season.

Mrs. Nathan Hutchison was named chairman of the created Flower Committee.

The meeting authorized the president to extend to Mr. Mrs. Mark the fellowship of the Society and to invite Mr. Mark to fill the pulpit for 1934 at a salary of \$25 a Sunday.

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at the call of the president.

Submitted, Nellemae Parrish, Clerk

Treasurer's Report 1933-1934

Preaching	2 Sundays @ \$30	\$60.00	
Preaching	12 Sundays @ \$25	300.00	
Singing	14 Sundays @ \$6	84.00	
Electric bill from Nov 1932 to April 1934		14.52	
Pulpit quotations and advertising in Gazette		15.25	
Tuning and work on organ		30.00	
Wm G. Manter Co, Work on steps		32.47	
Bill Luce, Care of lawn and Church also electric clock during the winter		9.20	
Unitarian Association dues			5.00

Total expenses		\$551.44	

Cr. 1933

June collections	\$32.48
July collections	102.53
August collections	81.49
Sept. collections	27.93
Checks from the Alliance in July, Oct, and April 1934	307.01

	\$551.44

Respectfully submitted By John S. Reynolds, Treas.
Nellemae L. Parrish, Clerk

April 23, 1934

A regular meeting of the Alliance was held at Mrs. B. C. Cromwell's on Monday, April 23, 1934. Eleven members were present.

The matter of music for the following summer was considered and it was voted to invite Mrs. Taylor to sing again at the same price which she received last year, which was seven dollars.

Mrs. Norton's resignation as Secretary was read and accepted with regret and the Secretary Pro tem was authorized to send her a note thanking her for her past services and interest.

Mrs. Hutchinson read a letter from the American Unitarian Association reminding the Alliance that its annual

subscription had not been received and asking if it could be forwarded before April thirtieth. It was agreed to send \$5 which was the same amount sent last year.

Mrs. Hutchison, chairman of the flower committee, asked for volunteers for arranging flowers for the Church during the coming summer and several members volunteered their services.

Respectfully submitted, Florence Mann, Sec. pro tem

April 30, 1934

The Business Meeting of the Alliance was held on Monday, April 30, 1934 at the home of Mrs. Mary Norton. Ten members were present. Mrs. Cromwell was in the chair.

The motion was made and carried that one ballot be cast by the Secretary for the following officers:

Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, President; Mrs. Nathan Hutchison, Vice President; Mrs. George Walker, Treasurer.

Mrs. Shapleigh was elected Secretary.

The motion was adopted that the Annual Business Meeting be held on the third Monday in April.

The motion was carried that the date for the payment of dues be changed to May first.

Mrs. Norton expressed her appreciation of the note received from the Secretary of the Alliance and the members extended to her their thanks for her unusually long and faithful service as Secretary, a period of twenty-eight years.

A collection of one dollar and ten cents was taken.

The remainder of the meeting was spent in sewing. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla Shapleigh, Sec.

May 7, 1934

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met on Monday, May 7, 1934, at the home of its president, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. Ten members were present.

The Secretary's report for the meetings of April 16, 25, and 30 were read and accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and approved.

Plans for the making and selling of lobster salad were discussed but no decision was reached.

Mrs. Cromwell brought to the attention of the members the fact that Mrs. Taylor very generously donated each Sunday during the summer, one dollar of her salary.

A collection of one dollar and fifteen cents was received.

The afternoon was spent in sewing and refreshments were served by the hostess. The meeting adjourned at 5 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla Shapleigh, Sec.

May 10, 1934

A special meeting of the Unitarian Association was held May 10, 1934 at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell Sr. for the purpose of electing a Treasurer and transacting any other business which might come before the meeting.

Six members were present. The President called the meeting to order and appointed Mrs. R. M. Taylor as clerk pro tem in the absence of the regular Clerk. The warrant calling the special meeting was read. The Clerk reported a letter of acceptance from the Rev. John Nicol Mark to become pastor of Stevens Memorial Chapel for the summer season of 1934, and also Miss Mabel Tilton's acceptance of the position as organist.

Mrs. M. B. Hutchison's resignation as Treasurer of the Association was read and accepted. A motion was made and seconded that Capt. J. S. Reynolds be elected Treasurer for the ensuing year, the vote was carried unanimously.

A motion sent in by Miss Nellemae L. Parrish was then read, moving that the Society sent out subscription requests. It was moved and duly carried that this motion be indefinitely postponed.

Capt. Reynolds brought up the business of the revision of the Unitarian Association Membership List made out April 16, 1934. A list of those whose names were not included was read and discussed. It was then moved, seconded and carried that these omitted names be added and another revised list be made by the present clerk.

It was next moved and seconded that the Clerk be requested to notify Capt. Packer that the Wayside Pulpit had not been lighted for three weeks, and the Society wished to have it attended to. It was moved, seconded and carried that the meeting be adjourned.

Signed, Charlotte R. Taylor, Clerk pro tem May 19, 1934

Note: Treasurer's Report 1934-1935 Note: Nellemae L. Parrish is Treasurer though "in account with J. S.

Reynolds, Treasurer” is also noted. The minutes state that Mrs. Hutchison has resigned as Treasurer but she did not sign anything in the Treasurer’s Book.

Dr.	
Paid for preaching 4 Sundays @ \$30	\$120.00
Paid for preaching 9 Sundays @ \$25	225.00
Paid for singing 13 Sundays @ \$ 6	78.00
Paid for electric light bill to Nov. 1934	13.60
1934	
June 25	
Added another \$1500 insurance on organ for 3 years	42.75
Aug. 11 Beacon Press for quotations	2.00
Sept 11 ad in Gazette	1.00
Menotomy Printers for cards	6.50
Postage, Rev. J. N. Mark’s account	1.00
Sept. 26 Regular insurance on organ	39.33
Dec. Pd. Bill Luce for summer care of grounds to Nov.	8.95
Dec. Nov. Electric light bill	1.44
April 1935 Church dues (AUA)	5.00
May 1 Electric light bill from Dec 1934	22.38

Expenses to May 1st, 1935	\$566.95
Cr. 1934	
Collections June (2 Sundays)	19.25
July (5 Sundays)	78.89
August (4 Sundays)	71.23
Sept. (2 Sundays)	27.65

	\$197.02
June 1934 Rec. from Alliance	97.50
July 1934 Rec. from Alliance	89.09
Aug. 1934 Rec. from Alliance	57.09
Sept. 1934 Rec. from Alliance	88.48
May 1935 Rec. from Alliance	37.77

Money received May 1st 1935	\$566.95

Capt. John S. Reynolds, Treasurer

(NOTE: Here ends the book of Society minutes begun in 1898. On the end flyleaf is the Warrant to be issued for Society meetings.)

Date - First Monday in April

To be posted two weeks before Annual Meeting at P. O. (post office) and church door.

Warrant

The Annual Meeting of the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven, Mass. Will be held Monday, April 2nd, 1934 at _____ place.

The purpose of the meeting is for the election of officers and any such other business that may legally come before said meeting.

Parish Committee:

Clerk:

May 14, 1934

The regular meeting (of the Alliance) was held Monday, May 14th at the home of Mrs. Hutchison. The afternoon was spent in sewing. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

May 21, 1934

The regular meet (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell on Monday, May 21. Five members were present. A collection of \$.55 was taken.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

May 21, 1934 (sic)

The regular meeting was held on May 21 at the home of Mrs. Hutchison. Nine members and one guest, a Mrs. Homer from Arlington, were present.

The reports of the delegates to the General Conference of the Unitarian Association held in Tremont Temple, Boston, during the week of May 21, were read Mr. Hutchison and Mrs. Taylor attended as delegates from the Church. Mrs. Taylor's report was read by her mother, Mrs. Reynolds. These reports were both most interesting and comprehensive. The ladies of the Alliance passed a vote of thanks to Mrs. Hutchison and Mrs. Taylor who were both most able delegates.

Mrs. Harding suggested that we invite Mr. Mark to a meeting of the Alliance to explain to the ladies about the change of name that is to cover (?) the Liberal Churches.

A collection of \$2.10 was taken. Refreshments were served by the hostess and much sewing was accomplished.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

July (sic) 2, 1934

The July Business Meeting of the Women's Unitarian Alliance met on Monday, June 4th at the home of Mrs. Harding. There were eight members present. The Secretary's report forth meeting of May was read and accepted as was also the Treasurer's report. A collection of \$1.00 was taken. Refreshments were served by the hostess. The meeting adjourned at 5 o'clock.

June 11 (1934)

The meeting (of the Alliance) of June 11th was held at the home of Mrs. Mann.

June 18th (1934)

The meeting (of the Alliance) of June 18th was held at the home of Mrs. Cromwell, president of the Alliance.

It was voted to replace the beloved curtains in the choir loft with new curtains of monks cloth. Also make table covers of the same material.

A motion was made and carried to double the insurance on the organ because of the increase in value of the organ since it was installed. The present insurance is for \$15,00 and the present value is \$3,000.

The Treasurer, Mrs. Walker, was authorized to withdraw from the savings account and to place in the checking account funds sufficient to cover current expenses.

Mrs. Walker extended to the member of the Alliance an invitation to spend the day at some future date, at her camp. The invitation was accepted with thanks and we all are anticipating a very happy day.

Due to the absence of the secretary, Mrs. Mann was appointed Secretary Pro tem.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

June 25, (1934)

The (Alliance) meeting of June 25th was held with Mrs. Cromwell.

Mrs. Hutchison was appointed Sec. Pro tem.

Ten members were present.

It was moved and seconded that we have the organ insured for \$3.000 for three years.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

July 2, 1934

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met on Monday, July 2nd at the home of Mrs. John O. Norton. Eleven members were present.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted. Mrs. Walker also read the itemized bill sent in by Mr. Foss who tuned the organ.

Miss Roberts offered to arrange the flowers for Sunday, July 8th.

Mrs. Carpenter, formerly a member of our Alliance, rejoined and invited the members to meet at her home Monday, July 9th in the morning and bring basket lunches. Ice cream and cake were served by our hostess.

Respectfully submitted, Charlotte Taylor, Sec. Pro tem

July 9, 1934

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met on Monday, July 9 at the home of Mrs. Carpenter in Eastville. Eleven members were present.

Plans were made for a card party to be held on the evening of July 17 at the home of Mrs. Carpenter. Mrs. Charlotte Taylor was appointed general chairman. The collection was \$1.32. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

July 16, 1934

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met on July 16 at the home of Mrs. John Norton. There were 10 members and one visitor, Mrs. Mark, present.

The collection was \$1.15.

Final arrangements were made for the card party to be held on July 17th.

Refreshments were served by the hostess. The meeting adjourned at 5PM.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

July 23, 1934

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met at the home of its President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell on July 23.

Thirteen members were present and a collection of \$1.37 was taken.

A report of the card party was given. Twenty tables were sold and \$51 was cleared.

The following committees were appointed for the Annual Church Supper and Fair to be held August 7th at the home of Mrs. Cromwell.

Fancy Work Committee: Mrs. John Reynolds, Chair.; Miss Harriet Smith, Miss Mildred Smith.

Cake Committee: Mrs. George Walker, Chair; Miss Parrish, Mrs. Royal Smith.

Candy Committee: Miss Mildred Roberts, Chair; Mrs. Ralph Taylor, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. McGregor.

Supper Committee: Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Chair; Mrs. Chester Harding, Mrs. Carpenter

Table Committee: Mrs. Florence Mann, Chair; Mrs. Aurilla Shapleigh

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla Shapleigh, Sec.

October 8, 1934

The Women's Alliance met at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell on Monday Oct. 8 Eleven members, one guest, were present.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were read and accepted.

An appeal for money for the Channing Conference Fund was read. It was voted to send \$2.

Miss Root, N. E. Directress of the General Alliance spoke to us very interestingly. He talk was on different phases of the Alliance work, worthy appeals for money from the Alliance and interesting glimpses of the Annual Meeting held at the Isle of Shoals.

Mrs. Draper, a former President of the Milton Alliance told us of their worthwhile work and also of the Junior Church work. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

October 15, 1934

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell on Monday, October 15.

The meetings was opened with a Religious Reading. Six members were present.

Games were played which netted the Treasury \$1.50.

Oct. 22, 1934

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met at the home of Miss Roberts on Oct. 33. Twelve members were present. One new member, Mrs. Alpern, was welcomed to our society. Miss Ruth Brown of the Needham Chapter was with us as a guest.

An invitation to the Neighborhood Meeting of the Taunton Women's Alliance was read.

The afternoon was spent in sewing and the reading of the following articles: A letter from Copenhagen, Denmark by Irene C. Rees, President of the General Alliance, and "Hold Fast To That Which Is Good" by Rev. Frederick R. Griffin, which is a printed copy of the speech delivered at the May Conference in Boston.

The collection was \$1.35. Refreshments were served by the hostess. The meeting adjourned at 5 PM.

October 29, 1934

The Women's Alliance met on Monday, Oct. 29 at the home of Mrs. Dean and Mrs. Mann. Fourteen members were present. One new member, Mrs. Frank Brown, was welcomed. There were two guests, Mrs. Fuller and Mrs. Dolby. The afternoon was spent in sewing. The collection was \$1.32. Refreshments were served by the hostess. The meeting adjourned at 5 o'clock.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

Nov. 5, 1934

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met at the home of its President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell on Monday, Nov. 5.

The meeting was opened with a religious service. Thirteen members were present

Mrs. Cromwell announced that the winter meting would open promptly at 2:30 PM.

Mrs. Alpern offered to get silk stocking at wholesale for the ladies to sell and thereby make a little money for the a Alliance Treasury. The afternoon was spent in sewing. The collection was \$2.61. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Nov. 12, 1934

The Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Harding on Monday, Nov. 12, 1934. Fifteen members were present. A collection of \$1.36 was received. The afternoon was spent in sewing and reading. We have started to read aloud from the book entitled, "The Man Nobody Knows", by Bruce Barton. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

Nov. 17, 1934

The Women's Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Daggett on Monday, Nov. 17. Nine members were present. The afternoon was spent in sewing.

Nov. 24, 1934

The Women's Alliance met at the home of Mrs. John Norton on Monday, Nov. 24. Nine members were present. The collection was \$1.06. The afternoon was spent in sewing and reading Chapter II in the book, "The Man Nobody Knows".

The amount in our Treasury was increased by the sale of stockings which Mrs. Alpern so kindly obtained for the ladies of the Alliance.

Refreshments were served by the hostess. The meeting adjourned at 5 o'clock.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

Dec. 5, 1934

The Women's Alliance met at the home of its President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell on Monday, Dec. 3

The meeting was opened with the Responsive Reading No. IV. Fourteen members and one guest were present.

The afternoon was spent in sewing and reading Chapter III in our book.

Dec. 10, 1934

The Women's Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Field on Monday, Dec. 10. 14 members were present. The collection was \$1.33.

The Treasurer's Report was read and accepted. Miss Parrish read a communication from the American Unitarian Association concerning the attack upon the Unitarian Denomination which was recently printed in the Boston Evening Transcript.

It was voted to send \$25 to the Unitarian Service Pension Society.

Mrs. Hutchison spoke to us about the extensive activities of the Unitarian Church in Germantown, Penn.

Dec. 31, 1934

The Women's Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Hutchison on Monday, Dec. 31. The meetings for Dec. 17 and 34 were omitted because of Christmas activities. The afternoon was in sewing and a very pleasant social time was held by all who attended.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

Jan. 7, 1935

The Women's alliance met on Monday, Jan. 7, 1935 at the home of Mrs. John O. Norton. Eight members present.

The Secretary's report was read and accepted. A very interesting report of the Channing Federation of alliance Presidents and Secretaries meeting held in Newport in October 1934 was read. The collection was \$.81. The reading of the reports was followed by a social hour.

Jan. 14, 1935

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met at the home of its President on Monday, Jan. 14. There were 11 members and one guest present. A social afternoon was enjoyed by those attending and much sewing was accomplished.

Jan. 21, 1935

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Alpern on Monday, Jan. 21. The afternoon was very much enjoyed by the nine members present.

Jan. 28, 1935

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Frank Brown on Monday, Jan. 28. Seven members and one guest were present. A pleasant afternoon was enjoyed.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

Feb. 4, 1935 The meeting (of the Alliance) was omitted because of the snowbound streets and walks.

Feb. 11, 1935

The Women's Alliance met at the home of its President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell on Monday, Feb. 11. Five members were present. The secretary's report was read and accepted. Although the attendance was small a very sociable afternoon was enjoyed and much sewing was accomplished.

Feb. 18, 1935

The Women's Alliance met on Monday Feb. 18 at the home of Mrs. Maxwell Alpern. Seven members attended.

Feb. 25, 1935

Women's Unitarian Alliance met on Feb. 25 at the home of Mrs. John Norton. The six members attending sewed and had a very social afternoon.

March 4, 1935 (no report accompanies this date)

April 1, 1935

The Women's Alliance met at the home of its President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, on Monday, April 1. The meeting was opened with the Responsive Reading No. VI. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The members voted to contribute \$5 to Norfolk House Center, to be used for the Children's Summer Camping and outdoor recreation. The collection was 90 cents. The secretary read excerpts from a pamphlet entitled "Humanism" by John H. Dietrich, DD of Minneapolis.

April 1st, 1935

The 37th Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell April 1, 1935 at 7:30 PM with seven members present. The meeting was called to order by the Clerk, acting in the absence of the President. Mrs. Nathan M. Hutchison was appointed Clerk pro tem.

The minutes of the meeting held April 16, 1934 were read in addition to the minutes of the meeting held May 10th, 1934. Both reports were accepted on a motion made and duly carried.

The Warrant was read by the Clerk.

The Treasurer's report for 1934 was read and accepted. A motion was made and duly carried, that the Treasurer of the Alliance pay Captain J. S. Reynolds the sum of \$10.39 for the overdrawn balance of expenditures in 1934.

A report was read by the Clerk stating the membership in the Society stands at 33 members, the revised list was corrected May 12, 1934 with the addition of Rev. and Mrs. John Mark and Mr. Dudley Howland as new members.

It was reported the following dues were paid by the Alliance:

Channing Conference \$2, Unitarian Service Pension Fund \$25 (Dec. 18, 1934), Norfolk House Centre for summer camp and recreation for deserving children, \$5 (April 1, 1934).

The above report was accepted as read, and a motion made and duly carried that the report be included in the minutes.

A resignation was read from Captain John S. Reynolds as Treasurer of the Unitarian Society. It was moved, seconded and duly carried that the Clerk write a letter to Captain Reynolds stating that by a unanimous vote of those present, he be urged to re-consider his resignation, and act as Treasurer for the ensuing year.

The following officers were elected by ballot for the ensuing year: President, Captain John S. Reynolds; Clerk, Miss Nellemae L. Parrish; Acting Treasurer, Miss Nellemae Parrish; Collector, Mrs. Florence Mann.

Music, Social and Missionary Committees remain the same as during 1934.

A motion was made and duly carried that the Clerk ask Miss Mabel Tilton to serve again as organist, and that she attend to all necessary repairs on the organ.

A motion was made and duly carried that the Clerk be authorized to offer Rev. John Nicol Mark to fill the pulpit on

the same schedule as last summer, 1934.

A motion was made and duly carried in electing the following members delegates to the Channing Conference: Mrs. Nathan M. Hutchison and Mrs. B. C. Cromwell (in 1936).

It was voted that Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. Hutchison be delegated to the May Meeting.

A motion was made and carried that Mrs. B. C. Cromwell be supervisor of the church lawn, the sidewalk, the clock and the Bulletin Board.

It was an unanimous vote that Mrs. Hutchinson be chairman of the Flower Committee for the ensuing year.

Ralph Mortimer Packer, Jr. was baptized in the Church the last Sunday in August, 1934.

A motion was made and duly carried that an invitation be sent to Mr. E. H. Latham and to Mrs. Maxwell Alpern to join our Fellowship.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at the call of the President.

Respectfully submitted,

May Bell Hutchinson, Clerk pro tem

April 8, 1935

The Women's Alliance met at the home of its president, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell on Monday, April 8. There were five members present. The afternoon was spent in sewing for the summer fair.

April 15, 1935 Meeting omitted.

April 22, 1935

The Women's Alliance met at the home of its president, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, on Monday, April 22. There were eight members present. We were happy to welcome back so many members who had been absent during the winter. It was with deep regret that we received the resignation of Mrs. Ralph Taylor as soloist of the Stevens Memorial Chapel for the coming summer. It was voted to ask Mrs. Harry Walker to fill this position.

April 29, 1935

The Women's Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Harding on Monday, April 29. Seven members were present. Mrs. B. C. Cromwell gave a most interesting report of the Channing Conference which was held in New Bedford on April 28.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

May 6, 1935

The Women's Alliance met on Monday, May 6, at the home of Mrs. Maxwell Alpern. There were eight members present. The program on the radio, celebrating the "King's Jubilee" afforded entertainment for the afternoon. Since Mrs. Harry Walker was unable to accept the position of soloist for the Stevens Memorial Chapel, it was voted to ask Mrs. Wm. MacFarland to fill the vacancy. The Treasurer's reports was read and accepted.

May 13, 1935

The Women's Unitarian Alliance met at the home of Miss Mildred Roberts. There were six members present. The collection was 38 cents. It was voted to rescind the vote to ask Mrs. MacFarland to sing at the Stevens Memorial Church. It was voted to ask Capt. Reynolds to take charge of the clock and the lawn, in case no one else have been appointed.

Respectfully submitted, Aurilla L. Shapleigh, Sec.

July 22, 1935

The Alliance met on Monday at the home of Mrs. Cromwell with six members present.

The President appointed the following chairmen for the Fair: Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. Dolby on the Fancy Work Table; Miss Parrish, Candy Table; Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, Ice Cream; Mrs. Charlotte Taylor, Candy Table; Supper,

Mrs. Harding, Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Cromwell; Cake Table, Mrs. Walker, Miss Roberts. Mrs. Holbrook will act as cashier on the day of the Fair, Tues, Aug. 6th.

Respectfully submitted, May B. Hutchison, Sec. pro tem.

Recess until Sept. 1935

October 28, 1935

The Alliance met with Miss Parrish with eight members present. The 2nd service and prayer were read. Mrs. Hutchison read an address by Rev. Maxwell Savage on "Recover, Revive and Renew". The president read postal card giving date of a conference Wed. Oct. 30/35 to change by-laws as to date of the May Meetings. The appeal and report of Miss Irene Landers on Mass. S. P. C.C. Accomplishment for the year was read by Mrs. Walker, who stated that only contribution in former years has been \$5. Miss Parrish moved the contribution of \$5 again for this year. After discussion of our finances, she recalled her motion in favor of one to lay on the table until the Treasurer had opportunity to report our present financial responsibilities of the Alliance. The Mass. S. P.C.C. report gave the no. of island families visited, 16 children, children 39 investigated. None in Tisb. and W. Tisb., 5 in Oak Bluffs, 6 in Edgartown, 3 in Chilmark and 2 in Gay Head. Mrs. Harding promised on her next Boston trip to get some more dinner sets at Whitney's, also more toweling. The Pres. asked all to think of way to increase the Treasury this coming year. Collection \$1.47. Adjournment at 4:45 PM after refreshments. Next meeting with Mrs. Mann.

Mildred G. Smith, Sec. Pro tem

NOTE: Alliance Secretary absent through month of Nov.

Dec. 2, 1935

The Women's Alliance met November 24 at the home of Mrs. Hutchison, with nine members present. Mrs. Hutchison read a letter from the members to the President who was absent. The usual devotional was held, followed by the business of the afternoon. Mrs. Walker had a suggestion for adding, at least a small amount to the treasury, the sale of a non-frost bitten (?) arrangement indoor clothesline. Mrs. Braley (Mrs. Braley, formerly Pres of Canton Alliance) of Edgartown was present as a guest and later welcomed to our Alliance as a new member.

Resp't. Submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

Dec. 9, 1935

At he meeting (of the Alliance) of the afternoon, Mrs. Braley, ex-president of the Canton Woman's Alliance, gave us during the service hour, a most interesting and enthusiastic talk on her own work in the Alliance as well as other activities connected with Unitarian Women. I am sure we all self-spurred to new and greater endeavor, in so far as the limitations of a small Island permit. I have sent for the play, "A Charge To Keep", suggested by Mrs. Braley. The usual refreshments were served and we adjourned at 5 PM. Collections:\$2.25

Ada Grapho Smith

Continuation of report of Dec. 9 meeting on preceding page, Copied from Mrs. Hutchison's report as Sec. Pro tem: The Treasurer reported the funds on had as follows: New Bedford Saving Bank, \$1,173.25, Martha's Vineyard National Bank, \$65.85, Cash on hand, \$8.63, making a total Balance of \$1,257.46. The report was accepted by vote. It was voted and the motion carried, to continue the "Wayside Pulpit" at the church during the winter. Mrs. Abner Braley read an interesting tract. Delicious refreshments were served by the Pres.

Respectfully submitted, May B. Hutchison, Sec. Pro tem

Dec. 16, 1935

The Alliance met with Mrs. Alpern Dec. 16 with six members present. The President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, presided and the usual work of the afternoon followed. The collection was 90 cents. It was decided to postpone the regular meetings until the 1st week in January. Delicious refreshments were served by the hostess.

Ada C. Smith, Sec.

Jan 6, 1936

The Women's Alliance met with the President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, with nine members present. The fifth service was read and a collection of \$1.36 received. The president thanked the members for their Xmas gift, (Boston Cook Book) to her. Several useful and pretty articles to be copied were discussed.

Respectfully submitted, Ada Crapo Smith, Sec.

April 6, 1936

The Woman's Unitarian Alliance met at the home of the President, Mrs. Cromwell on Monday, April 6, with 6 members present. The Secretary was absent. The treasurer reported a balance on hand of \$117.01 April 1st. The Treasurer reported that 15 members had responded in the payment of dues - there being a total membership of 27 (?). One new member was added, Miss Gertrude Smith of Eastville. The third service was read. It was decided to ask the new directress, Mrs. James. P. Hart to visit the Alliance on Monday May 11th if possible, if not, on the day she suggested, May 12th. Delicious refreshments were served by the President. Collection: 95 cents.

Respectfully submitted, May B. Hutchison, Sec. Pro tem

April 6, 1936

The 38th Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was held at the residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell April 6, 1936 at 7:30 PM with 8 members present. Capt. John Reynolds, the President, presided at the meeting. The Clerk read the Warrant, followed by the minutes of the 37th Annual Meeting held April 1st, 1935. The Minutes were accepted as read.

The Treasurer's report was read showing Total Expenditures of \$653.46. The collections, including gifts, amounted to \$189.65. The remaining amount of the deficit, \$463.81 was supplied by the Alliance. A rising vote of thanks was given Miss Parrish for her services. A rising vote of thanks was given Mrs. Hutchison for the care of the flowers in the church.

Several communications were read by the clerk.

The election of officers by ballot was as follows: President, Captain John Reynolds; Clerk, May B. Hutchison; Treasurer, Nellemae L. Parrish; Collector, Edmund Horton Latham.

Parrish Committee: Mrs. R. M. Packer, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mr. Edmund H. Latham, Mrs. George Rowland Smith, Mrs. Florence D. Mann.

The President appointed the following member of committees: Missionary, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. N. M. Hutchison; Channing Conference, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. N. M. Hutchinson; May Meeting, Mrs. Ralph Taylor, Mrs. Lucy Holbrook, Mrs. Florence Mann; Flower Committee, Mrs. Nathan M. Hutchinson; Music Committee, the Alliance; Social Committee, the Alliance.

It was voted and the motion carried that the clerk send an invitation to Rev. John Nicol Mark of Arlington to preach at the Stevens Memorial Chapel during July and August as formerly, the price being \$25 per Sunday. The Clerk was instructed to advise Mr. Mark that the Society desired to have Mr. H. Edward Latham of Springfield, Vermont, preach the two previous Sundays in June and close the second Sunday in September during Mr. Mark's absence. It was decided to open the church with service on June 14th and close the second Sunday in September. Miss Mabel Tilton was appointed organist for the church.

The meeting was adjourned at the call of the president.

Respectfully submitted, May B. Hutchison, Clerk

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Financial Report June 1st, 1935 to April 4th, 1936 Unitarian Association, Vineyard Haven

1935 Disbursements:

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June 18, Re (ck) Frank E. Loss, organ, board and fare, \$28.10
 June 21, Edith Tilton, cleaning church, 16.00
 June 25, Rev. H. E. Latham 6/16, 30.00
 June 25, Rev. Fred Gill, 6/23, 30.00
 June 28, M. T. Tilton, Insurance church, 3 years, 56.91
 July 8, Walter Luce, labor church lawn, 1.85
 July 8 C. W. Berube, soloist 4 Sundays, 24.00
 Aug. 3, Rev. J. N. Mark 4 Sundays, 100.00
 Aug 13, Berube (soloist 5 Sundays), 30.00
 Aug. 31, Rev. J. N. Mark, (6 Sundays) , 150.00
 Sept. 5, The Best Printers, 7.25
 Sept. 10, Rev. J. N. Mark on acc., 1.00
 Sept. 10, Miss Mabel Tilton, organist, 12 Sundays, 48.00
 Sept. 14, Walter Luce, care of grounds, 3.30
 Sept.14, Rev. Thomas Mark, preaching 9/8, 25.00
 Sept. 14, Berube, 3 Sundays, 18.00
 Sept. 24 Berube, Sept. 8, 6.00
 Sept. 24, Miss Mabel Tilton, last Sun., 4.00
 Sept. 24, Vineyard Gazette, 6.35
 Oct. 9, Edith Tilton, 6.35
 Oct 24, Rev. Thomas Mark, bal. due, 5.00
 1936 Ministers' Pension Fund, 25.00
 Jan. 28, Manter, Rep. Chapel, 16.10
 March 17, F. W. Luce, Care Poster, clock, 1.80
 March 24, Beacon Press, 2.00
 March 24, Cape and Vineyard, 4/25/35 to 3/17/36, 15.40
 April 4, Unitarian Association, yearly dues, 5.00 \$653.46

Receipts

June 16, Collection, \$11.50
 June 18, Donation, Miss Tilton, 3.50
 June 23, Collection (35.25) 7.50
 June 30, Collection, 12.95
 July 7, Collection, 13.05
 July 14, Collection, 15.10
 July 21, Collection, (63.65), 19.50
 July 28, Collection, 16.00
 Aug. 4, 12.13
 Aug. 11,18, 25, (54.02), 41.89
 Sept. 1 and 8, (36.73) 36.73
 Total collections and gift, 189.65
 Alliance, 463.82 \$653.46

Respectfully submitted, Nellemae Parrish, Acting Treasurer

1936 Remarks on Report of the 37th Annual Meeting and Activities during 1935

April 1935, Miss Mabel Tilton again accepted the offer of organist and supervised the necessary repairs on the organ. The services of Mr. Berube as soloist for the summer were obtained. Capt. J. S. Reynolds stood firm in his resignation as Treasurer. Nellemae L. Parrish voted in as Acting Treasurer continued to serve throughout the term. June, The Stevens Memorial Chapel opened for the summer season on Sunday, June 16, 1935, and closed September 8, 1935, covering a period of 13 Sundays. The Rev. H. Edward Latham of the First Church Universalist, Springfield, Vermont, gave the opening address. The

Rev. Frederick Gill, emeritus, preached on June 23rd. The following ten Sundays the pulpit was occupied by our pastor, the Rev. John Nicol Mark of Arlington, Mass. The closing sermon was given by the Rev. Thomas Mark of Boston, Sept. 8th. The thirteen addresses were much appreciated by those who were able to attend the meetings. The flowers were beautiful and decorative, the artistic work of a master hand. Mrs. Hutchinson should be complimented for this means 39 bouquets during the church season, 3 bouquets to be picked, arranged and cared for each Sunday. The two new members added to our Society, Mrs. Maxwell Alpern and Mr. Edmund H. Latham are very welcome to our fellowship. Since the passing of a very valuable, long-standing, faithful and active member, Mrs. John O. Norton, who is greatly missed, the membership is now 36. The biggest activity of the summer was the Annual Women's Alliance Fair held in August at Mrs. B. C. Cromwell's which proved a success, the proceeds going to the support of the chapel. In January, 1936, much needed repairs, which were supervised by the President, Capt. John S. Reynolds.

Respectfully submitted, Nellemae Parrish, Clerk

Note of budgeting: To interest Members of the Society in Church support. This is not to take the place of the Fair or suppers. In fact, has nothing to do whatsoever with Alliance activities.

April 13, 1936

The Alliance met with Mrs. B. C. Cromwell April 13th with 5 members present. It was moved, seconded and duly carried that each member not present at a meeting shall find out for herself where the next meeting is to be held by communicating with the President or some member, also to rescind any former vote to the contrary. The afternoon was spent in serious knitting and discussion of the Channing Conference, May Meeting and Isle of Shoals. Collection: \$1.06. The hostess served delicious refreshments.

Respectfully submitted, Nellemae L. Parrish, Sec. Pro tem

April 20, 1936

The Women's Alliance met with Miss Parrish April 20th with 11 members present and collection 93 cents. Discussion for a minister for the coming summer followed, during the usual sewing period. We were very glad to welcome as another enthusiastic member, Mrs. Braley of Edgartown. Mrs. Braley suggested her former pastor at Canton, the Rev. Mr. Stoneham, as a possible candidate for the summer. The Rev. Mr. Hichens and Mrs. George Mark as available as supply ministers for the two odd Sundays. No definite action can be taken, however, until the calling of the special meeting next Monday. After the serving of cake and coffee by the hostess, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Miss A. C. Smith

1936 - Special Meeting, April 22nd, 1936, called by the President, Capt. J. S. Reynolds

A meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 11 members present.

The President, Capt. John S. Reynolds, presided. The purpose of the meeting was to consider the selection of a minister for the summer season.

A letter was read from Re. John Nicol Mark which stated that Mr. Mark would not be available as minister this year on account of his absence abroad.

Possible candidates were discussed. A letter was read from Rev. Elbridge F. Stoneham, 61 Chapman St., Canton, Mass which stated his desire to be a candidate for the pulpit. Mr. Edmund Latham announced that his father could fill the pulpit for the entire season, The Rev. H. Edward Latham of 116 Summer St, Springfield, Vermont.

Mrs. Florence Mann suggested Mr. Hitchens of Newton Centre, Mass. as a possible supply for June or September if desired.

A vote was taken by ballot. The result was unanimous in favor of Mr. Latham. The Clerk was instructed to write Mr. Latham an invitation stating the terms and the number of Sundays, 3 in June, 4 in July, 5 in August and 2 in September. The season including 14 Sundays, with the understanding we might wish to hold two Sundays in September for candidates. The price agreed upon was \$25 per Sunday.

An answer to Mr. Mark's letter was submitted for approval of the meeting. It was voted that the Clerk send the letter as read to Mr. Mark.

Mrs. Lucy Holbrook and Mrs. Florence Mann, appointed delegates to the May Meeting, announced they would be unable to serve in that capacity. The President then appointed Mrs. John S. Reynolds and Mrs. George Rowland Smith as delegates. An appeal letter for the purpose of increasing the Membership in the Society and also the attendance at Church was read by the Clerk. It was moved, seconded and duly carried that the Clerk mail the circular letters omitting the Pledge Card. The President appointed Mrs. Hutchison as Chairman of a Committee (Committee to be appointed by the Chairman) for compiling the list and mailing the circular letters. Mrs. R. M. Packer and Mrs. Florence Mann were appointed as members of the Committee. The meeting was adjourned at the call of the President.

May B. Hutchison, Clerk

1936, Report of Clerk on Appeal Letters

An appeal letter for the purpose of increasing the attendance and membership in the Church was mailed on June 10th, 1936, to 31 persons and signed by the Clerk, May B. Hutchison, Mrs. R. M. Packer and Mrs. Florence Mann. The printing was done free of charge by Mrs. Edmund Latham and the stationery was used from stock on hand purchased for a former Appeal Letter. The only cost to the Society being for the postage - a sum of 79 cents.

RESOLUTION

It is with profound sorrow that we record the death of our honored President, Captain John S. Reynolds, who served as President of the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven since 1929.

As a memorial to his name and memory, for one who gave unstintingly of his time and labor to our church, we pay sincere tribute to his service and leadership.

Therefore, be it resolved, that we express to the members of his family our deepest sympathy, and with them do mourn his loss; and that a copy of this resolution be spread upon the records of our Society.

“May Light Eternal Shine upon Him.”

May B. Hutchison
Nellemae Parrish
Emma F. Cromwell Committee

Added Note: Capt. John S. Reynolds passed away Nov. 6th, 1936.

May 4, 1936

The Women's Alliance met with the President with eleven members present and the collection of one dollar. Mrs. Hutchison gave a very interesting report of the Channing Conference held in Fairhaven and also called to our attention to some of the more important facts contained in the bulletin, "Unitarians Facing a New Age". Discussion followed also as to delegates to the May Meetings etc. The matter of relieving the Pres. of the major part of entertaining for the year came up as was voted on as follows: The Pres. to give the use of her home as a meeting place, except when some member preferred to entertain at her own home. At other times the different members following in alphabetical order, providing the refreshments. A letter of acceptance as our minister was received from Mr. Latham. Sec. absent from the meeting of May 11 and 18 due to illness. The fourth service was read, followed by the treasurer's and secretary's reports which were accepted as read. The selection of a Bon Voyage gift for Mrs. and Mrs. Mark was discussed. Following the serving of refreshments by the hostess, the meeting adjourned at 5:30.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

May 25, 1936

The Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Braley with eleven present and collection of \$1.25. Two very detailed and splendid reports of the May Meetings held in Boston were given by Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. Hutchison, (report was written by Mrs. Taylor but read by Mrs. Taylor) chiefly among which was the Interim Appraisal decision giving a

year's time in which to further discuss from many angles the points not definitely decided this year. The enthusiasm and determination for a bigger, better and still more efficient Unitarian Fellowship was very marked throughout the entire gathering. After the serving of delectable refreshments by the hostess, the meeting adjourned at 5 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

June 8, 1936

The Alliance spent a pleasant afternoon with Miss Gertrude Smith on Monday, June 8th. The treasurer's and secretary's reports were read and accepted as read. A motion was made and carried to select hostesses several weeks in advance, when possible to do so. The annual election of Alliance officers was postponed owing to the absence of the Vice President. There were eleven members present and a collection of \$1.55. The Alliance is to meet June 14 with Mrs. Packer, June 22 with Mrs. Mann, and June 29 with Miss Roberts.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

June 15, 1936

The Women's Alliance met with Mrs. Packer on June 15 with fourteen members present and a collection of \$1.35. The annual election of Alliance officers was held, all those of last year being re-elected.

A reply to a letter of condolence to Mrs. Draper on the death of her husband was read by the president.

The Treasurer read an appeal from Tuft's College for money toward the assistance of its theological students, which we did not feel we could subscribe to at present.

With us for the afternoon were Rev. and Mrs. Latham, Mrs. Latham, Jr. who were welcomed not only as guests, but as possible members also.

Mr. Latham began reading to us from the book on the Appraisal Commission that we may all get a thorough understanding of its import.

After the serving of refreshments by the hostess, the meeting adjourned at 5 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

June 29, 1936

Mrs. Mann entertained the Alliance on June 29th at her home with fourteen members present and a collection of \$2.11. In the absence of the president, the Vice president presided. The usual work of the afternoon was done while Mr. Latham continued his reading, followed by a question period. After the serving of refreshments by the hostess, the meeting was adjourned to meet with Miss Roberts on July 6.

Resp't submitted, Ada Crape Smith

July 6, 1936 (Note: there are two lines drawn through this entry)

The Alliance met on July 6th at the home of Miss Roberts. The usual work of the afternoon was followed by the reading of another chapter from the Appraisal Commission concerning the coming back to the actual practice of religion. and a brief discussion of a lecture, in the near future by Mr. Latham of his travels in France. This was followed by a collection of five dollars and a half as a contribution from the Alliance for the Seaman's Bethel of Vineyard Haven. We were glad to see several of our members among us again who had not been with us during the winter. After adjournment of the Alliance proceeded to the Bethel where a Silver Tea was being held.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

Nov. 2, 1936

The first Fall meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of the President on Nov. 2 with an attendance of 13 members and collection of \$2.35.

The Treasurer gave a report in detail of the receipts of the Annual Fair. Her report was accepted as read.

The surprise of amt. of contingent fund was most gratifying, also the gift of Mrs. Hutchison to the Alliance for the purpose of sending two delegates to the May Meeting in Boston.

It was voted to discontinue the fair next year and try, possibly the budget plan or perhaps the plan of which Mrs. Churchill spoke to us. It was also voted the treasurer send a receipt for any and all gifts received by the Alliance.

Mrs. Hutchison read to us the minutes of the Channing Conference held in Dighton October 26th which were very interesting. We regret no one was able to attend this meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

November 16, 1936

The Alliance met today at the home of Mrs. Churchill with seven members present and a collection of \$1.40. The gift of yarn from the Come and See Shop was advantageously disposed of among our members. (Amt. \$4.30). Mrs. Hutchison read the Constitution of the society to us as a special meeting was called for the evening to act on the choosing of a successor to Capt. Reynolds whose generous service and deep interest in all that has pertained to our society will long be remembered and appreciated. The President read letters of sympathy from Mrs. Mann, Dean, Holbrook. From Mr. Joy, on our "importance to our Association". The hostess served light refreshments after which the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

Special Meeting, November 23, 1936

A Special Meeting of the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven was held at the home of Capt. Ralph M. Packer, on Monday evening, November 23rd, 1936 at 7:30 o'clock with 9 members present.

The meeting was called to order by Mrs. Hutchison, Clerk, who read the warrant.

On motion made, seconded and duly carried, Capt. Ralph M. Packer was chosen Chairman pro tem of the meeting.

The minutes of the last Special Meeting held April 22nd, 1936 were read and approved.

The Chairman called for the report of the Nominating Committee. Mrs. Packer, as Chairman, proposed the name of Mr. Edmund Horton Latham for President of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society. It was moved, seconded and duly carried that the Clerk cast one ballot for the nominee, thereby electing Mr. Latham President for the remainder of the year ending April 1937.

The new Pres. took the chair and with a few well chosen remarks accepted the office.

The Pres. asked for the report of the Comm. on Resolutions. Mrs. Hutchison, acting as Chairman, read a resolution to Capt. John S. Reynolds, who served as Pres. of the Unitarian Society since 1929. It was unanimously voted that the resolution be accepted and placed in the minutes of the meeting, and that a copy be sent to the family of Capt. Reynolds.

It was voted that the Pres. be given authority to inspect the Church building and to take charge of any necessary repairs such as shingling, and also to care of the Wayside Pulpit, and report to the next Alliance meeting.

Three new members were proposed and admitted to membership in the Society: Mrs. Janie H. Latham, Mrs. Margaret D. Latham and Rev. Horatio Edward Latham, all having signed their names in the book.

It was suggested that Miss Ruth Brown of West Tisbury and Mrs. Alfred Churchill be invited to join as members of the Unitarian Society.

The Treasurer reported that the expenses to date were \$573.25 the year not ending until April 1937, and that the yearly average for running expenses during the past three years were \$677.90. The yearly average collections for the past three years totaled \$210.09 and that this year's collections totaled \$279.00, the advance being due to a lecture given by Rev. Latham, including donations.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$175.69 in the checking acc't and a cash balance on hand of \$10.27. The Treasurer asked that a Trustee be appointed for the Gilbert L. Smith Trust Fund amounting to \$648.70 deposited in the New Bedford Inst. For Savings for the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven. It was moved, seconded and duly carried that Capt. Ralph M. Packer be appointed Trustee and that the Clerk make the necessary change with the register and the Probate Court, Edgartown.

It was voted that the sense of the meeting was that the finances of the Society be handled by a budget system in the future, and that the Clerk be instructed to write a letter to all members informing them of this decision in the form of an appeal for the support of the church. It was suggested that a Committee of 5 members should contact 8 other members in an effort to follow up to the appeal letters. It was moved, seconded and duly carried, that the Clerk appoint the Committee of five to carry on the work.

Mrs. Packer suggested that we appoint a Committee for future suppers to be held after the holidays, and before the Annual Meeting in April. For lack of support, the plan was dropped.

A rising vote of thanks was given Capt. and Mrs. Packer for the supper they held at their home before the Special

Meeting, at which time 19 suppers were sold at 35 cents each.
The Meeting adjourned to the call of the President.

Respectfully submitted, May B. Hutchison, Clerk

November 30, 1936

The Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Hutchison, 8 members present and a collection of \$1.45.
The afternoon was spent in general Alliance discussion and the reading of communications and articles by various members. Adjournment followed the serving of refreshments by the hostess.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

Dec. 7, 1936

The Alliance met at the new home of Rev. and Mrs. Latham, who kindly showed us through their very attractive house, after which the members engaged in the usual, sewing, knitting, etc. Mrs. Hutchison read a letter from the Rev. Robt Schacht, Congregationalist, of Providence, on the practicability of a church ? School? Ways and Means of Alliance income again came up for discussion. There were 7 members present and a collection Of \$1.25. A recess of meetings 'til Jan. 4, 1937

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

January 11, 1937

The first meeting of the Alliance following the Christmas recess was held at the home of the president. It opened with the responsive reading of the fifth service by the ten members present. The sec. and Treas. Reports were read and accepted and a collection of \$1.50 was taken at this time.
The New England Associate Alliance of the First Church of Cambridge extended to this alliance an invitation to visit them on Jan. 21st at 10 and 2 PM. It is hoped one of our members may be present. Other communications were heard. After which followed the usual social hour and sewing. The meeting adjourned after the serving of refreshments at 5 PM.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

Jan. 10, 1937

Seven members of the Alliance met today at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Latham where a social afternoon was enjoyed. The members bringing their own work. No business came before the meeting and with the serving of refreshments we adjourned. The collection was 75 cents.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

January 24, 1937

The regular meeting of the Woman's Alliance was held at the president's home. Several members brought to the attention of the group various interesting articles which together with the usual social hour and, later, refreshments, brought to a close another of our weekly meetings.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

February 1, 1937 secretary was absent on account of illness

The Alliance met with Mrs. Cromwell, 7 members present. Meeting called to order by the President. Treasurer's report read and accepted. No further business. Lesson VI was read, followed by prayer, collection \$1.40. The Alliance contribution to the Red Cross, ten dollars.

Nellemae L. Parrish, Sec. pro tem

Feb. 8, 1937 Sec. absent because of illness

Feb. 15, 1937

Seven members of the Women's Alliance met with Mrs. Packer on Feb. 14. The service VII was read followed by a collection of \$1.55. Those who had not their own work, engaged in sewing on a silk afghan belonging to the President. It was voted to send \$9.50 to the General Alliance as requested.

Resp't submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

March 1st, 1937

Following the holiday of Feb. 22 ten members of the Women's Alliance met at the home of the President. The Sec and Treas. reports were read and accepted, after which the usual routine of the afternoon proceeded. The Sec. read a letter from Mrs. St. John, Chairman of the Committee on international work. Miss Mildred Smith was asked to read an excerpt from Mr. Hough's book on Martha's Vineyard, concerning some of the peculiar as well as fantastic ideas and expressions of one Aunt Nancy Luce. (the following is clearly legible but crossed out - "From another of the Unitarian Smith Group, Miss Gertrude to be specific, came her original idea of financial help for our Alliance, namely - to secure the services of Mr. Kinnecom to give an account of his personal experiences in the Ohio, Mississippi valleys and such other places as his arduous duties demanded. All immediately gave ear to the proposal and doubtless before this report is read to our members, it will have become a fact and our coffers richer thereby".) Delicious coffee and donuts were served by the President and the meeting adjourned. Collection of \$1.60 was taken. A note of sympathy was sent by this Sec. on behalf of the Alliance to Mrs. Holbrook.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

March 8, 1937

Eight member of the Alliance were entertained on March 8th at the home of Mrs. Churchill. As no business came before the meeting the afternoon was spent socially and industrially by those who brought (?) refreshments by Mrs. Churchill. We adjourned to meet next Mond. at the home of the president. Collection today \$1.55.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

March 15, 1937

The meeting of the Women's Alliance at the home of the president today consisted of three members only, Miss Mildred and Miss Gertrude Smith together with our president. Courageous indeed were these ladies to venture forth in such a torrential rain as descended upon the island on this date.

March 22, 1937

Ten members of the Women's Alliance assembled today at the home of Mrs. Cromwell. Our Vice President was welcomed on her return from her visit to California and other points. After the reading of the 6th service and prayer, the business of the meeting followed. Mrs. Hutchison read several communications, the principle one being an appeal for contribution toward the pension fund for retired ministers of the Unitarian Society which, at the present time, is only \$450 per year. Another communication of vital interest was that concerning our greatest efforts on behalf of our liberal churches and all its branches of work. There were ten members present with a collection of \$1.80. Seventy five cents was contributed toward a gift for Mrs. Reese. Several names were proposed as delegated to the May Meeting. Delicious cake and coffee was served y the hostess, after which we adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

March 29, 1937

Ten members of the Women's Alliance met at the home of Mrs. Latham. The meeting opened with the reading of the seventh service and prayer. No business came before the meeting and the afternoon was a social one. We were glad to have with us again Miss Roberts and Mrs. Cook. Following dainty refreshments by the hostess, the meeting adjourned at 5 o'clock. The collection was \$1.28.

Respectfully submitted, Ada C. Smith, Sec.

Annual Meeting April 5, 1937

The 39th Annual Meeting of the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven was held at the residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell on April 5th, 1937 at 7:30 PM with 9 members present. The Pres. Mr. Edmund Horton Latham presided at the meeting. The Warrant was read by the Clerk, followed by the minutes of the last Annual Meeting held April 6, 1936, which were approved as read.

The Treasurer reported the total receipts of the Society during 1936 were \$229.29 and the total expenditures \$619.44, the deficit of \$390.15 being supplied by the Woman's Alliance. A special donation from Mrs. Grace Packer toward Church Insurance was reported in the amount of \$4.50, received for the sale of marmalade. The Treasurer's report was accepted by vote.

The minutes of a Special Meeting held Nov. 23rd, 1936 were read and approved.

The report of the Nominating Committee for the Election of Officers was read by Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Chairman, as follows: President, Edmund Horton Latham; Clerk, May B. Hutchison; Treasurer, Nellemae L. Parrish; Collector, Edmund Horton Latham. It was moved, seconded and duly carried that the Clerk cast one ballot for the above named officers, who were then elected for the ensuing year.

It was voted that the Clerk cast one ballot for the Parish Committee composed of the following members: Parish Committee, Mrs. R. M. Packer, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Miss Mildred Smith, Mrs. Florence Mann, Mrs. Alfred Churchill.

The President requested the Clerk to read the Constitution.

Appointments by the President were made for the following Committees: Missionary, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. Nathan Hutchison; Channing Conference, Mrs. Nathan Hutchison, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell; May Meeting delegates, Rev. H. E. Latham, Mrs. Janie Latham, Miss Mildred Smith; Flower Committee, Mrs. N. M. Hutchison; Music Committee, the Alliance; Organist, the Alliance.

The business of the Meeting followed with the reading of a circular appeal letter to be sent to all members, and those interested in the church, informing them of the proposed plan to finance the church on a budget system. The letter was accepted with a few corrections, and the Clerk was instructed to mail them on April 12th, 1937, with a request for a reply from Members by April 26th. The following Comm. was appointed by the Clerk to follow up the letters: Mrs. Abner Braley, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. Ralph Packer, Mr. George Rolfe, and Mrs. B. Hutchison, Chairman. The President announced a Special Meeting of the Society will be called early in May, at which time the above Comm. is requested to report.

The President appointed Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Chairman of a Comm. to look up the deed of the Church property and report to the Special Meeting in May.

It was moved, seconded and duly carried that the Clerk write a letter to Rev. Latham asking him to preach at Stevens Memorial Chapel beginning June 27th and through July, a period of 5 Sundays, and also to write to Rev. John N. Marks inviting him to preach during August and on Sept. 5th, a period of 6 Sundays - the fee for both ministers being \$25.00 per Sunday.

It was voted to open the church on June 27th and close the church on September 5th.

It was voted, and the vote carried, that the matter of soloist be laid on the table until the Special meeting early in May.

One new member was admitted to Membership in the Society, Mrs. Alfred Churchill having signed her name in the book.

The Meeting was adjourned to the call of the President.

Respectfully submitted, May. B. Hutchison, Clerk

April 1936 to April 1937 Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven, Annual Report of the Treasurer

You will notice that the Expenditures are nearly one hundred dollars less than last year, no insurance and no repairs. In June there is the original insurance on the organ of \$42.75. Then in September the additional insurance, \$39.33 on the organ comes due, which total alone amounts to \$82.08. Therefore next year's expenses will be this much more plus probable repairs.

Respectfully submitted, Nellemae Parrish, Treas.

Treasurer's Report, April 1936 to April 1937

Receipts:

April, no receipts
 May, no receipts
 June, collection for 3 Sundays, \$52.10
 July, collection for 4 Sundays, 67.00
 Aug., collection for 5 Sundays, 65.15
 Sept. collection for 2 Sundays, 25.84
 October, no receipts
 Nov. 23rd, supper at Packer's, 1.95
 Dec. no receipts
 Jan. 1937, no receipts
 Feb. no receipts
 March, no receipts
 Total Receipts, \$229.29
 Received from the Alliance money raised from Sale, Supper and donations given the Alliance for the benefit of the church, \$360.16
 Total \$589.44

Expenditures:

April 4, Assoc. yearly dues, \$5.00
 June 9, stamps, .79
 June 20, F. Foss Labor, organ, 23.75
 June 24, Mrs. Ralph Taylor, 12.00
 June 25, Cleaning chapel, 12.00
 July 1, stationary, 3.50
 July 6, Wayside Pulpit, 2.00
 July 7, Rev. H. E. Latham, 103.50 (postcards, \$1, posters, \$2.50)
 July 18, Cape and V. Electric Co. 4.85
 July 29 Miss Mabel Tilton, organ, 28.00
 Aug. 3, Rev. Latham, 101.00 (cards \$1)
 Aug. 11, Cape and V. Electric Co. 2.00
 Aug 31, Rev. Latham, 100.00
 Sept. 9, Cape and V. Elec. Co., 1.40
 Sept. 14, Miss Tilton, organ, 28.00
 Sept. 14, Mrs. Walker, soloist, 84.00
 Sept. 14, Fred Luce, grounds, 5.25
 Sept 14, Vineyard Gazette, 2.00
 Sept 14, Rev. Latham, 50.00
 Sept 29, Vineyard Gazette, .40
 Oct. 7, Miss Tilton, cleaning, 7.00
 Jan. 11, Wayside Pulpit, 2.00
 Jan. 28, Red Cross Flood, 10.00
 Jan. 28, Min. Pension Fund, 25.00
 Feb. 5, C. & V. Electric Co., 5.00
 March 3, C.&V. Electric Co, 1.00
 Total Expenditures, \$589.44

May 3rd, 1937

A Special Meeting of the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven was held on May 3rd, 1937 at the residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell at 7:30 PM with twelve members present.
 The President, Mr. Edmund H. Latham, presided at the Meeting. The Clerk read the Warrant, followed by the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting which were approved with corrections.
 The Treasurer reported the receipts were \$229.29, and the Alliance \$390.15 making a total of \$619.44 by May 1st, 1937. The total expenditures were \$619.44.

There is a balance on hand, April 1937: New Bedford Savings Bank, \$1,173.25, New Bedford Savings Bank interest, 53.57, making a total of 1,226.82.

In the M. V. Savings Bank, balance \$166.26

In the M. V. National, checking account, 140.19

In the Alliance Treasury, 13.47

The Report was accepted by Vote.

The President called for the Report on the Appeal Letters which was read by the Chairman, Mrs. N. M. Hutchison, May 3rd, 1937 - Receipts in cash, \$145.00, Pledges, 106.50, Total, \$251.00. Forty-one Appeal letters were mailed April 12th. Twenty one persons replied, twenty persons did not reply. \$500.00 is the goal, therefore \$249.00 is to be raised.

The President announced a Special Meeting would be called on June 7th at which time the Committee on Appeal would report.

It was moved, seconded and duly carried that the money received from the Appeal Letters by handled by the Alliance.

Two communications were read by the Clerk from Rev. H. Edward Latham, and Rev. John Nicol Mark. Owing to Mr. Mark's inability to preach for six Sundays, it was voted to invite him to preach on Aug. 22nd and 29th leaving vacant four Sundays.

The motion was made and duly carried, that Mr. Latham be asked to preach for two Sundays in August or a total of seven Sundays, and that the President appoint the two delegates (Mrs. Hutchison and Miss Mildred Smith) to the Annual Meeting of the American Unitarian Society in Boston to choose two ministers for Aug. 15th and Aug. 8th as substitutes.

It was voted, and the vote carried, that the Wayside Pulpit be continued, the expense of \$6 per year being carried by the Alliance.

A letter was read by the Treasurer stating a bequest of \$500.00 was left the Woman's Alliance for the support of the Church by the late Mrs. Louise Daggett. It was moved, seconded and the vote carried that the President appoint a Committee to draft a Resolution for Mrs. Louise Daggett. The Committee on Resolutions: Captain Ralph M. Packer, Chairman, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. R. M. Packer.

It was recommended that the two lay delegated to the Annual May Meeting of the A. U. A. in Boston be given \$25.00 each by the Treasurer for their expenses as delegates. The above sum totaling \$50.00 being the gift of a member of the Society to be used for this purpose.

The Meeting adjourned to the call of the President.

Respectfully submitted, May B. Hutchison, Clerk

May 3, 1937

Fourteen members of the Women's Alliance met on May 3 at the home of Miss Nellemae Parrish. The meeting was opened by reading the first selection. It was decided that, as May 1st begins our fiscal year, nomination and election of officers should be in order. The nominating committee presented the following names which were then chosen by ballot: President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell; Vice President, Mrs. Alfred Churchill; Treasurer, Miss Nellemae Parrish; Secretary, Mrs. H. H. Latham.

Several replies to the general appeal letter were read by Mrs. Hutchison who also gave us a brief report of the Channing Conference and read one of Dr. Elliott's sermons. Mrs. Hutchison was chosen as the Alliance delegate to the May Meetings. The collection was \$1.80. Refreshments were served and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted, Margaret D. Latham, Sec.

May 10, 1937

The Women's alliance met on May 10 at the home of Mrs. Abner Braley in Edgartown with nine members present. Mrs. Hutchison read to us: 1. The conditions of attendance and voting at the May Meetings, 2. The written resignation of Dr. Joy as a candidate for President, 3. Dr. Elliott's sermon, "The Reality of God" sent to her by Mrs. Florence Mann. Various interpretations and discussions of the meaning of God and Humanism arose from this latter reading. Refreshments and conversation formed a pleasant social interlude before adjournment. The collection amounted to \$1.30.

Respectfully submitted, Margaret D. Latham, Sec.

May 17, 1937

On May 17th ten members of the Alliance met with Mrs. Cromwell. Mrs. Braley read an article by Dieffenbach on the resignation of Dr. Joy and we also heard, "Social Obligation of a Liberal Religion by Dexter read by Mrs. Hutchison. It was decided to meet again on the first Monday of June as the May Meetings and the holiday interrupted the regular schedule of meetings. Refreshments were served during the social time which followed. The collection amounted to (sic)

Respectfully submitted, Margaret C. Latham, Sec.

June 7, 1937

Nine members of the Alliance met on June 7th with Mrs. Cromwell as hostess. A letter from Miss Parrish and an appeal from Mrs. Saltonstall for the Children's Mission were read. It was voted to send Mrs. Saltonstall \$5 for this worthy cause. Mrs. Hutchison, the Alliance delegate, gave a fine report of the General Alliance section of the May Meetings. The collection amounted to \$1.02.

Respectfully submitted, Margaret C. Latham, Sec.

Special Meeting, June 7th, 1937

A Special Meeting of the Unitarian Association of Vineyard Haven met at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell on June 7th, 1937 at 7:30 PM with 14 members present. The President, Mr. Edmund Latham, presided.

The Clerk read the Warrant followed by the Minutes of the last Special Meeting which, with one correction, were approved as read.

The President was authorized by vote of the Meeting to have charge of the grounds of the Church property.

The Report on the Appeal Letter was read by Mrs. Hutchison as Chairman of the Committee. The Receipts totaled \$255.00, the Pledges \$111.50 making a total of \$336.50. The goal being \$500, a balance of \$134.50 is yet to be raised. It was moved, seconded and duly carried, the report be accepted with thanks.

Capt. Packer reported on the Gilbert L. Smith fund of \$500.00 left to the Society which had accumulated interest in the amount of \$178.40 making a total of \$678.40 as of October 1936. The report was accepted by vote.

Mrs. Cromwell was asked to report on the Church property. It was moved, seconded and duly carried that the bill of \$10.00 for the expense of employing a lawyer be given to the Alliance for payment and that Mrs. Cromwell be thanked for her investigation of the matter (of locating the deed to the church). It was voted that the Parish Committee continue the investigation and report at the next Annual Meeting of the Society in April 1938.

A communication was read by the Clerk from the Rev. John Nicol Mark which stated his acceptance to preach at the Chapel on Aug. 22nd and Aug. 29th.

Miss Mildred Smith and Mrs. Hutchison, appointed by the President to obtain a supply minister of two Sundays in August, suggested the Rev. Charles Wellman of Woban, Mass. No action was taken, and it was voted the matter be left in the hands of the Committee.

Mrs. Packer, acting for the Comm. on Resolutions, read a resolution to the late Mrs. Louise Daggett which was accepted by vote and placed in the records of the meeting.

The President called for the reports of the delegates to the Annual Meeting of the American Unitarian Association.

Mrs. Horatio E. Latham read a most interesting account, followed by a verbal report by Miss Mildred Smith.

It was voted to adjourn the Meeting to the call of the President.

Respectfully submitted, May. B. Hutchison, Clerk

June 21, 1937

Mrs. Cromwell was hostess to six members of the Alliance on June 21st. We were informed that the cleaning of the church had been arranged by our President, also that Dr. Paterson and Dr. Hunt were to preach at Stevens Memorial Chapel on two Sundays in August left vacant so that members might hear a "younger man". The collection amounted to forty two cents. It was decided not to meet again until the second Monday in July.

Respectfully submitted, Margaret C. Latham

July 12, 1937

The Alliance met at the home of Miss Mildred Roberts on July 12, 1937 at 3 o'clock. Mrs. B. C. Cromwell read the minutes of the previous meeting. Miss Roberts moved that the minutes be accepted as read and Mrs. Cromwell

seconding the motion. There were four members present and three guests, Mrs. Latham, Mrs. Cook, and Miss Mills, who read the chapter entitled "Humanism" from Dr. Louis Cornish's book "Work, Dreams and the Wide Horizon". There was occasional comment and all seemed interested in a subject which has created much discussion. Miss Mills also read the condensed article, "Justice Holmes", which was timely in view of the Supreme Court controversy. It was decided that it was more interesting to have some work prepared for the members at any meeting. After refreshment the meeting adjourned.

September 20, 1937

The (Alliance) meeting of Sept. 20, 1937 at 3 PM was attended by seven members in addition to the President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell at whose home the meeting was held. The minutes of two previous meetings were read and accepted. The first service in the Service Book was read in unison by the members. It was decided to appoint Miss Mildred G. Smith secretary. The Treasurer, Miss Nellemae Parrish read the reports of her office from May 1 to September 1, 1937 and they were accepted by the members. The Collection Box was opened and the accumulated for the year was counted. It amounted to \$40.31 including today's collection. This was placed in the contingent fund. Adjournment was taken at 5:15 PM after refreshments by the hostess.

Present. Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Braley, Miss Brown, Miss Parrish, Miss Mildred Roberts, Miss Gertrude Smith, Miss Harriet K. Smith, Miss Mildred G. Smith.

M. G. Smith, Sec.

September 29, 1937

The (Alliance) meeting of Sept. 29/37 was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with seven other members present. The second service was read by all those present. Mrs. Hutchison read several letters and notices for the Fall General Conference. Mrs. Cromwell showed for sale the articles sent by Mrs. Quinn for a fair. Dr. Eliot's magazine article, "Unitarian Horizons", was read by Mrs. Hutchison. The collection amounted to \$1.10. Adjournment was taken at 5 PM.

Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Braley, Mrs. Swift, Miss Harriet Smith, Miss Mildred Smith.

M. G. Smith, Sec.

October 11, 1937

Meeting of the Alliance was held at the home of Miss Nellemae Parrish, Treasurer, at 2 - 3 PM. Ten members were present and one came too late for the meeting which adjourned early. In the absence of the President and Vice-President, the Secretary conducted the meeting. The Third Service was read by all. Minutes of Sept. 29 were read and accepted. Collection was \$1.06. A letter from Mrs. James P. Hart, Regional Director, of Fall River, was read making October 18 the date for her to visit our branch. That meeting will be at 1:30 PM to accommodate Mrs. Hart. Mrs. Braley having reported, through Miss Parrish, that the children's mission (Unitarian) is in need of pajamas, a discussion ensued as to where to get materials, patterns, etc. Mrs. Packer offered patterns. Miss Parrish and Mrs. Packer promised to hunt discounts and materials in New Bedford on Thursday, Oct. 4. Several members suggested that as we lack workroom facilities, it might not be worthwhile to sew pajamas by hand- and that we possibly should try to find other work which is better fitted to our ability to accomplish results at our meetings. After refreshments by the hostess, adjournment was had at 4:40 PM.

Present: Mrs. Walker, Miss Brown, Mrs. Field, Miss Parrish, Mrs. Packer, Miss Roberts, Mrs. Purington, Miss Gertrude Smith, Miss Harriet K. Smith, Miss Mildred Smith.

Mildred G. Smith, Sec.

October 18, 1937

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of the President, Mrs. Cromwell, at 1:30 PM. The Third Service was read by all. Minutes of the Oct. 11th meeting were read and accepted. The Treasurer's report to date was read and accepted. Miss Parrish reported on her quest for materials at the Star Store. After discussion it was decided to buy

material at the Sears Roebuck Co. and Miss Parrish promised to send for it.

Mrs. James P. Hart, Regional Director, was present and her suggestion that the Hospital at Baldwinsville for Crippled Children (of the Social Service Committee of the National Alliance) was in need and might be glad to get any of the articles on their list was accepted by the members. Mrs. Hart's address followed. It gave what the Alliance as a whole is doing, the heads of the various sections of the work, the meetings of groups planned for the near future, etc. Her remarks were cut short by the time for the boat which she had to take on her return trip, for which we expressed regret. She had expected to hold a spiritual service with us.

M. G. Smith, Sec'y

October 25, 1937

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of the Misses Harriet and Mildred Smith at Eastville with 12 members present. Collection was \$2.16. The Fourth Service was read by all. The President read several notices, one of a sale at Arlington Church, one in Boston on Oct. 29 and a letter giving the list of things needed by the Hospital for Crippled Children at Baldwinsville near Worcester. Mrs. Braley read several interesting writings, notably Dr. Eliot's pamphlet and some good things by Nixon Waterman, poet, "Johnny's History Lesson", "A Rose to the Living", "1492" and "Compressed Housekeeping". The Secretary was delegated by the President to write a note of sympathy to Mr. Mark on the illness of Mrs. Mark. Adjournment was taken at 5 PM after refreshments by the hostess, to meet with Miss Cannon on Nov. 1.

M. G. Smith, Sec'y

November 1, 1937

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Miss Elizabeth Cannon at 3:15 PM with 12 members present. The collection was \$1.13. The Fifth Service was read. Material received from Sears, Roebuck and Co. was taken home by Mrs. Purington to be cut out. The letter of Mrs. Reese from Star Island "Greetings to Alliance Women" was read by Mrs. Cromwell. The letter asks each group to help to interest younger ones. Also never to allow any stress or differences to be emphasized in our activities. Refreshments were served by the hostess. Adjournment was taken at 4:50 PM.

Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Miss Parrish, Mrs. Walker, Miss Cannon, Mrs. Packer, Mrs. Purington, Mrs. Reynolds, Miss H. K. Smith, Mrs. Swift, Miss Gertrude Smith, Mrs. Braley and Miss M. G. Smith.

M. G. Smith, Sec'y

November 8, 1937

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of the President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 9 members present. The collection was \$1.30. The Secretary's reports of the last 3 meetings were accepted as read. The Treasurer's reports for September and October were read and accepted. A letter from Mrs. Hart, Regional Director, as to sewing for the Baldwinsville Hospital, was read. Adjournment was had at 4:30 after refreshments, to meet Nov. 15 at the home of the Misses Smith at Eastville. Addendum: Mr. Mark's reply to the letter of inquiry and sympathy on Mrs. Mark's illness was read. He reported Mrs. Mark making good improvement.

Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Miss Parrish, Miss Cannon, Miss Gertrude Smith, Mrs. Purington, Mrs. Reynolds, Miss Brown, Mrs. Hutchison, Miss M. G. Smith.

M. G. Smith, Sec'y

November 15, 1937

Meeting (of the Alliance) at the home of Misses Harriet and Mildred Smith with 10 present. The collection was 90 cents. No special business was transacted. After refreshments, adjournment was had at 4:45 PM to meet on Nov. 29 at Mrs. Cromwell's

Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Packer, Mrs. Reynolds, Miss Cannon, Miss Gertrude Smith, Mrs. Purington, Miss Brown, Mrs. Braley, Miss H. K. Smith, Miss M. G. Smith

November 29, 1937

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell with 5 members present. No business was transacted except the receipt of the finished pajamas from Mrs. Purington who had done them all, 7 sets. After refreshments, adjournment was had, to meet at the home of the Misses Smith on December 6th.
Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Purington, Miss H. K. Smith, Miss M. G. Smith
M. G. Smith, Sec'y

December 6, 1937

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of the Misses Smith at Eastville, 9 members were present. The collection was 86 cents. The President read several letters and appeals: Norfolk House Center, at West Roxbury, 13 Eliot Square. Alliance Appeals Committee. Invitation to Mr. Eliot's reception, Dec. 9. Mrs. Hart's report of the meeting of Channing Presidents and Secretaries. Letter of the Pres. of the International Assn for Liberal Christianity and Religious Freedom, on "International Sunday" and Dr. Cornish's letter on the same. Appeal to Parish Chairman on the Extension Program. Eliot's letter appealing for funds in addition to the Annual Contribution, 45 cents apiece would do", he said to provide 6000 for 6 radio stations, 7000 for new churches (one new one each year in cities of 100,000), 7000 for strengthening existing ones in 6 areas, College and University towns. Also notice of "Hymns of the Spirit" the new Hymnal, suggesting that each member purchase his own, three samples shown, 1.75 each including postage. Mrs. Hutchison read Mr. Eliot's new magazine, "Unitarian Horizons". She also read an address of Dr. John Haynes Holmes. Adjournment, after refreshments, was taken at 5:15 PM, to meet on Jan. 3rd, 1938 at the home of the President. Addendum: It was resolved after discussion, to purchase three copies of "Kings, Donkeys and Dreams" by Pomeroy for the 3 children of attendants at the church services by so doing a small sum left by Mrs. Meyers "for the children" was used with some addition from the treasury.
Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Pres., Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Purington, Mrs. Geo. Smith, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Hutchison, Miss Cannon, Miss H. K. Smith, Miss M. G. Smith

January 3, 1938

Meeting (of the Alliance) took place at the home of the President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, but as only five attended, it was postponed, to meet Jan. 10th at the home of Mrs. Hutchison.
Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Miss Gertrude Smith, Mrs. Braley, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Purington

January 10, 1938

Meeting (of the Alliance) held at Mrs. Nathan Hutchinson's, 5 members present. Report of the Sec'y ws read and accepted. Service No. 2 in Service Book was read. Collection: 69 cents. Treasurer was unavoidably absent. Adjournment, after refreshments, at 4:30 to meet, on return of the President, at Mrs. Braley's at the Charlotte Inn, Edgartown. At this meeting, notices received by the President were read. The secretary was asked to write a note of thanks to Mrs. Guinn for articles received last summer for the Fair which had finally been disposed of. Mrs. Wise's New Year message to the branches was read asking that the branches try to obtain three new members and stating that the Annual dues should be received by April.
Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Braley, Miss G. Smith, Mrs. M. G. Smith.
M. G. Smith, Sec'y

March 21, 1938

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at Mrs. Cromwell's. Five members were present. The 1st service was read by all. The warrants for the Annual Church Meeting were singed and Mrs. Hutchison left to post them. We received word that the pajamas made in the fall were all right. A letter from Mrs. Purington was read by Mrs. Cromwell - also notices and a letter from Norfolk House Center asking help for boys and girls sent to camp "Unitarian Horizons" of Feb. 15 and Mar. 15 were read. Adjournment, to meet March 28, was had at 4:30 PM.
Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Packer, Mrs. Hutchison, Miss G. Smith, Mrs. George Smith, Miss M. G. Smith.
M. G. Smith, Sec'y

March 28, 1938

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the President, Mrs. Cromwell's home. Eight members were present. Annual dues, \$7.00 were collected and taken by the Secretary to deliver to the Treasurer. The third service was read. No collection was taken. The minutes of January and 21st March were read and accepted. Mrs. Hutchison said she had a reply as to the Annual Meeting from Mr. Latham, Pres. of the Church Society. Mrs. Hutchison read a letter from the Postmaster at Provincetown, Geo. S. Chapman, Jr. saying he possessed the first book of the Sunday School here and asking whether we should like to have it. Mrs. Hutchison had replied that we should and the book had arrived. Mrs. Hutchison read items from it. The announcement of the date and place of the Annual Meeting of the Church was given, April 4 at 7:30 PM at the home of Mrs. Cromwell. Adjournment was had, to meet on April 11th at the home of the President.

Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Miss Gertrude Smith, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Braley, Mrs. Packer, Miss Cannon, Miss M. G. Smith

A note follows: April 2, 1938. Mrs. George Walker died today.

Annual Meeting April 4th, 1938

The 40th Annual Meeting of the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven was held on April 4th, 1938, at the home of Mrs. C. C. Cromwell, with eight members present. The President, Mr. Edmund H. Latham presided at the meeting. The warrant was read by the clerk, followed by the minutes of the last Annual Meeting which were approved as read.

In the absence of the Treasurer, the report was read by the clerk, and showed for the year 1937-1938: receipts \$645.15, expenditures \$594.86, leaving a balance on hand of \$50.29. The report was accepted by vote.

A motion was made and duly carried that the interest from the fund left to the Church by the late Capt. Gilbert Smith amounting to \$198.89 be deposited in the church treasury, and that the Woman's Alliance be reimbursed in the sum of \$40.31, the amount contributed by the Alliance from the contingent fund.

The minutes of a Special Meeting held on June 7th, 1937 were read and approved.

The deed of the Church property was read by the President. It was moved, seconded and carried, that the Treasurer reimburse Mrs. Ralph Packer the sum of \$1 for the expense connected with the searching for the deed.

The report of the Nominating Committee was read by Mrs. Packer acting as Chairman: President, Mr. George Rolfe;

Clerk, Miss Mildred Smith; Treasurer, Miss Nellmae L. Parrish. On motion made and carried, the clerk was instructed to cast on ballot for the ticket as presented. The President declared the above officers duly elected to office for the ensuing year.

(Mrs. Hutchison, Clerk, now replaced by Miss Smith)

As Chairman of the Nominating Committee, Mrs. Packer moved that a letter of thanks be sent Mr. Latham for his services as President and another to Mrs. Hutchison for her services as Clerk. This motion was duly seconded and carried.

The President appointed Mrs. Hutchison and Mrs. Cromwell delegates to the Channing Conference then due. These ladies declined and Mrs. George R. Smith was appointed delegate.

For the May Meeting: a motion was passed that 3 delegates be appointed, 2 to represent the Church and 1 the Alliance, that the Church pay \$25 for expenses to two of the delegates. The President appointed Mrs. George Smith and Mrs. Hutchinson to represent the church and Mrs. B. C. Cromwell to represent the Alliance at the church meeting.

Mrs. Hutchison was again appointed Flower Committee. The Music Committee is a care of the Alliance. The Committee on Organist is also a care of the Alliance. The Parish Committee: the following were nominated and the Clerk was directed to cast one ballot for this ticket which was done, Mrs. Packer, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Cromwell, Miss Parrish and Mrs. Mann.

The minister for the summer services: A motion to discuss the appointment of a minister was made and carried. The motion to include in its scope attendance, the prosperity of the church and kindred subjects. During the discussion which followed these points were mentioned:

By Mrs. Cromwell: I would feel very sorry indeed if the church were not kept running during the summer

Mrs. Packer: Thinks there are too many distractions

Mr. Latham: Thought just as many are attracted in daytime as at night.

Mrs. Cromwell: Thought we might use some of the money in the Treasury and leave the subject of continuing the services to a later date.

Mr. Rolfe: suggested a committee of ladies to study conditions.

Mrs. Hutchison said the Parish Committee has this duty

Mr. Rolfe: again emphasized the Parish Committee to cultivate enthusiasm and carry on the church if we can, saying "The money will come", show the town the church is worth while and an instrument of good in the community.

Finally a resolution was adopted that the Society ask all there to study the problem we labor under and give recommendations as to a policy of action by June 1st.

Adjournment was then had, to meet at the call of the President on advice of the Parish Committee.

Mildred G. Smith, Clerk

Members present: Mr. Latham, Pres.; Mrs. Hutchison, Clerk,

Mrs. Packer, Chair Parrish Committee

Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr., Mrs. George Smith, Mr. George Rolfe, Capt. Ralph M. Packer, Miss M. G. Smith

Treasurer's Yearly Report of the Unitarian Association of Vineyard Haven, Massachusetts,
April 1st, 1937 to April 1st, 1938

Remarks: Trust Fund from Capt. Gilbert Smith (including accumulated interest) \$648.79
New Bedford Institute of Savings, \$1,1173.25
Louise Daggett bequest (not probated) \$500.00
Grace Morgan Packer Fund, pending

Receipts:

Received from the Chairman of Appeal Letters, or directly, the following monies:

1937 April 15 th to May 1 st (seven responded)	\$135.00
May 1 st to June 1 st (seven responded)	125.00
June 1 st to Sept. 6 th (four responded)	140.00
Received from pledges in full (by installments or weekly)	95.00
Collection, one Sunday in June	11.92
Collection, four Sundays in July .	38.80
Collection five Sundays in August	49.52
Collection one Sunday in September	9.10
Gift from the Woman's Alliance (contingent fund)	40.31
Nov. pledge	5.00
October and November, no receipts	
1938 Feb. and March, no receipts	

Total receipts: \$645.15

Expenditures 1937

April 7, check to Amer. Unitarian Assoc yearly dues	\$5.00
April 12 Paid Ck. Cape and Vineyard Elec. Co. 2/27 -3/27	1.00
May 3 Paid Ck. Vineyard Florist	2.50
May 4 Paid Ck. Mrs. H. E. Latham, delegate	25.00
May 4 Paid Ck. Miss Mildred Smith, delegate	25.00
May 7 Paid Ck. Cape and Vineyard Elec. Co. 3/27 - 4/27	1.00
May 28 Paid Ck. Cape and Vineyard 4/27 - 5/27	1.00
May 28 Paid Ck. Frank E. Foss organ tuning and repairs	39.55
May 29 Paid Ck.. T. W. Tilton & Co. First Ins Organ 3 years (due 1940)	34.20

July 3 Paid Ck Peter Morais, care of lawn	4.00
July 6 Paid. Ck. Rev. H. E. Latham preach June 27 and July 4 th plus postals and cards	51.50
July 19 Pd. Ck. Rev. H. E. Latham preach July 11 and 18	50.00
July 31 cleaning inside of chapel	15.25
Aug. 4 Pd Ck to Rev. H. E. Latham preach July 25 and Aug. 4	50.00
Aug. 4 Pd Ck. Peter Morais, care of grounds	5.75
Aug. 7 Pd. Ck. Rev, Geo. F. Patterson, preaching Aug. 8 plus travel expenses	30.00
Aug. 10 Pd. Ck. James A. Boyle, looking up deed of Stevens Memorial Chapel	10.00
Aug. 14, Pd. Ck. Rev. W. R. Hunt preaching Aug. 15 plus travel expenses	30.00
Aug. 21, Pd. Ck. Rev. John Nicol Mark, preaching Aug 22 plus travel expenses	30.00
Aug. 28, Pd. Ck. Rev John Nicol Mark, preaching Aug 29 plus travel expenses	30.00
Sept. 3, Pd. Ck. T. W. Tilton and Co. Second Ins on organ, 3 years	34.20
Sept. 7, Pd. Ck. Rev H. E. Latham, preaching Sept. 5 th	25.00
Sept. 13, Pd. Ck. Peter Morais, care of grounds	4.25
Sept. 13, Pd. Ck. Miss Mabel Tilton, Organist, 11 Sundays @ 4.00	44.00
Sept. 27, Pd. Ck. Fall cleaning	7.43
Oct and Nov. No expenditures.	
Dec. 17, Pd Ck, Cape and Vineyard 5/26 - 11/27	6.00
1938 Jan. 8, Pd. Ck. Beacon Press, 3 books	3.23
Jan 10, Pd. Ck. Ministers' Pension Fund	25.00
Jan. 11, Pd. Ck. Cape and Vineyard Elec. Co. 11/26 - 12/27	1.00
Jan. 11, Pd. Ck. Beacon Press, Wayside Rolls 5/2 and 7/31	4.00
Feb. and March, no expenditures	
Total Expenditures: \$594.86	

Total receipts, \$645.15 Total Expenditures, \$594.86 Balance, \$50.29

April 11, 1938

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at Mrs. Cromwell's. Eight members were present. The second service in the small books was read by all. Mrs. Cromwell read a notice about the celebration at the Dedham Branch. Also the Alliance week program at the Isle of Shoals and a leaflet on the return of Alfred W. and Mary Carter Jones, notifying branches that they were available for local churches interested in refugee children and mothers. Also a letter from Mr. John Nicol Mark about his plans for the summer and suggesting the Rev. Charles M. Styron of Lincoln, a young man to fill our pulpit, if we want a minister for the whole time. Also suggesting that we decide to have a singer this summer. He enclosed 1.00 dues for Mrs. Mark's Alliance membership and said he was not able to plan definitely on his summer as it depended largely on what she could do, etc. If he could come, and we needed him, he would like to make it the last Sunday in July and the first August Sunday. Discussion followed on the minister for the summer. As this matter is one for the Church to decide at its meeting about June 1st, there was a motion of Mrs. Hutchison that the Secretary write to Mr. Styron and find out from him whether he is available for the whole summer or not. This was passed. Mrs. Braley said Rev. Stoneham could come in August, not in July. Mrs. Packer made a motion, which was passed, that a nice Easter plant be purchased and sent at Easter to Mrs. Mark, the plant to cost about \$3 and the bill be sent to the Alliance. Mrs. Packer was delegated by the President to do the ordering. Further discussion was had about the minister, singer, etc. Mrs. Cromwell promised to write Mr. Mark and ask him to write to Mr. Daniell about a singer for the summer. Also, it was decided to find out whether Miss Tilton can play for us this summer. Adjournment was had at 4:45 PM to meet April 18 at Mrs. Cromwell's. Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Miss Gertrude Smith, Mrs. George Smith, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Abner Braley, Mrs. Packer, Mrs. Hutchison, Miss M. G. Smith.

M. G. Smith, Sec'y

April 25, 1938 No meeting (of the Alliance) held today owing to absence of President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr. and Mrs. Nathan Hutchison at Channing Conference, Taunton, Mass. April 24, 1938

May 2, 1938

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the President's, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell's 7 members present (2 came late). The Secretary's report was read and accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. The number present being small, it was voted to postpone the Annual Meeting until next Monday, June 9 (sic) Mrs. George Smith was appointed by the chair delegate to the Annual General Alliance meeting. A motion was put and carried that the Treasurer get the accrued interest and put it into the M. V. Checking account. Report of the Channing Conference meeting was presented and read by Mrs. Hutchison. The collection amounted to \$1.20. A motion was put and carried that the amount returned by Miss M. G. Smith from her trip as delegate to the May meeting the previous year (\$10) be used toward expenses of the Alliance delegate for this year. Adjournment was taken at 4:30 PM after refreshments were served by the hostess.

Present: Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr. President, Miss Nellemae Parrish, Treasurer, Mrs. George Smith, Mrs. Nathan Hutchison, Miss M. G. Smith, Secretary. Miss Mildred Roberts and Mrs. Edith Cook came in about 4:50 at close of meeting.

M. G. Smith, Sec'y

May 9, 1938

The Annual Meeting of the Society (Note: these minutes occur in the book of Alliance minutes and reflects an Alliance meeting) was held at Mrs. B. C. Cromwell's. 7 members were present. The 3rd service was read by all. The reports of the Secretary and the Treasurer were read and accepted. The Treasurer's report showed a balance of \$1,237.21. It was moved and carried that the Alliance pay \$15 for expenses of the delegates to the May Meeting in addition to the \$10 returned by Miss M. G. Smith in May. A question arising as to the disposal of the funds owned by the Alliance at any time when the Society might go out of existence. Mrs. Braley offered to find out what can be legally done to take charge of the funds in such a case. The Secretary was instructed to write to the Rev. Chas. M. Styron giving the names of the three delegated to the May meeting and saying that they would try to see him if he would write what days he expected to be there. The Annual Election of officers was then held, with the following nominations: For President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell; For Vice President, Mrs. N. L. Hutchison; For Secretary, Miss M. G. Smith; For Treasurer, Miss Nellemae L. Parrish. These were elected. After refreshments by the hostess, adjournment was had until the first Monday in June.

Present: Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr., Mrs. Abner Braley, Mrs. John Reynolds, Mrs. George Smith, Mrs. Ralph M. Packer, Miss N. L. Parrish, Miss Mildred G. Smith

M. G. Smith, Sec'y

Special Meeting June 1. 1938

A Special Meeting (of the Society) was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr. at 7:30 PM. Present, 6 members.

The President, Mr. George Rolfe, presided. The Warrant was read by the Clerk.

The minutes of the Annual Meeting were read and accepted.

The report of the Treasurer was read and accepted. It gave a balance on hand of \$128.15 after receipt of interest on the Capt. Gilbert Smith Fund, \$198.89 and expenses of \$128.15.

The report of the Committee on a minister for the summer, Mrs. Hutchison, Mrs. Cromwell and Mrs. George R. Smith, delegates to the May Meeting, was given by Mrs. Cromwell. The delegates having been very favorably

impressed on contact with Mr. Styron, the minister recommended by Rev. John Nicol Mark in a letter to Mrs. Cromwell and Mr. Mark having promised to help about securing a singer for the summer, they (the delegates) suggested that the Clerk write Mr. Stryon as to our decision and he will be down to see about a house. The report was accepted and Miss Parrish moved that we call the Rev. Charles Marvin Styron to take charge of the parish this summer on recommendation of the delegates. Seconded by Mrs. Hutchison, it was so voted. The President requested the Clerk to write Mr. Styron engaging him and stating the dates of his engagement. Also asking him to let us know when he wished to come down to look for a house and Mrs. Cromwell or Mrs. Hutchison would meet him. Miss Parrish reported as information to the meeting that Miss Mabel Tilton will play and will take the usual steps to see that the organ is in condition.

Mrs. Hutchison read her report of the May Meeting. It was accepted with thanks. Printed matter on the meeting was also brought and read by Mrs. Hutchison.

Motion was made by Mrs. Cromwell to ask Mrs. Packer to report on the outcome of the church deed investigation and make clear that the title is properly established - the report to be inserted in the book of minutes.

Adjournment was at 9:15 to meet at the call of the President.

Mildred G. Smith, Clerk

Members present: Mr. George Rolfe, Pres.; Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr.; Mrs. N. Hutchison, Miss Nellemae L. Parrish, Treas.; Miss Mildred G. Smith, Clerk.

August 26, 1938

The Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven will hold a special meeting on Tuesday, September 6 at 7:30 PM at the residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr. for the purpose of hearing the report of the Treasurer and transacting any other business which may properly come before Society at this time.

Mildred G. Smith, Clerk

Parish Committee: Florence H. Mann, Nellemae L. Parrish, Grace M. Packer

Special Meeting Sept. 6. 1938

A Special Meeting of the Unitarian Association of vineyard Haven met at the home of Mrs. V. C. Cromwell, Sr. on Sept. 6, 1938 with nine members present. The President, Mr. George Rolfe, presided.

The report of the Clerk was read and, after corrections, accepted.

The treasurer's report was read and accepted with applause. It showed that the church had paid the expenses of the summer with a little to spare.

Balance, April 1938,	\$50.29
Capt. G. Smith Fund	198.89
Grace Morgan Packer Fund	5.70
Donation by Mrs. Greenough	100.00
Collection through summer	144.06
Appeal letters 1937 added	4.50
Total, \$503.44 Expenses, \$485.20	Bal. \$18.24

It was resolved to thank Mr. Arthur M. Stewart for his voluntary services throughout the summer.

Also: That the Alliance is to be thanked for their generous donation.

Also: That Mrs. Hutchison, the Flower Committee, be thanked for her lovely altar flowers.

Mrs. Cromwell asked if we could give Mr. Stewart a little present. A Motion to send him \$5.00 was put over to the Alliance. Miss Parrish suggested \$10.

A motion by Mrs. Cromwell that this meeting invite Mr. Styron to fill the pulpit next summer was unanimously adopted.

Capt. Packer's motion that we off him \$30 a Sunday for the same number of Sundays as this past summer was also adopted unanimously.

Members present: Mr. George Rolfe, President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr., Mrs. Nathan Hutchison, Mrs. Ralph Packer, Mr. Ralph Packer, Miss Nellemae Parrish, Treas., Miss Harriet K. Smith, Mrs. George R. Smith, Miss

Mildred G. Smith, Clerk.

The Treasurer reported on the attendance , contributions, etc. during the summer. Mrs. Packer, Chairman of the Parish Committee, reported that she had talked to several members who thought it would be nice to send letters to those who subscribed, giving the picture of the money and attendance this year, saying to those not able to be here, if they could contribute at all, we should be grateful. Mrs. Packer's motion to this effect was made and seconded and so voted.

The Treasurer read a report on repairs needed. Estimates were received, on shingling of the church from three sources: Mr. Manter \$375; Mr. Hancock, \$310, asphalt and copper, \$340; Mr. Atherton Smith, \$296, extra heavy asphalt, \$320. Mrs. Packer moved, on report of the Treasurer, that we have fire resistant shingles. That the President appoint a committee to see that resigning is accomplished. Carried. The President appointed Capt. Packer, Mrs. Hutchison to serve with himself as this committee.

There was also mention of the ivy on the roof, also that the lawn should be turned over, and the sign be considered and renovated.

Adjournment was had at 9:25 to meet at the call of the President. Treasurer's report on summer attendance, summary on next page.

Miss Parrish's report on attendance, contributions, etc during the summer (1938)

Contributions 10 Sundays, \$144.06 Donation, \$100 Total: \$244.06

Contributions last year, 11 Sundays, \$109.29

Average per Sunday last year, \$12.50

Smallest contribution this year, \$8.30 Most given one Sunday, \$25.40

Smallest contribution last year, \$7.95 Most given one Sunday, \$12.50

Attendance, total 384

Average 38, 9 Sundays, 42 10th Sunday

Attendance last year, eleven Sundays, 296.

M. G. Smith, Clerk.

(A space was left for Report of Treas. 1938 (April 1 1938 to April 1, 1939) but it remains blank.)

WARRANT The Unitarian Society of the Town of Tisbury, Massachusetts, will hold it's Annual Meeting at the home of Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell on the Seventeenth day of April in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred thirty nine at 7:30 PM. The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers for the year. Also any other business which may come before this Society.

Signed: Grace Morgan Packer, Nellemae L. Parrish, Emma F. Cromwell

Under this Warrant which is pasted in, is the following: The postponed Annual Meeting of the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Church will be held on Monday, June 12, 1939 at 7:30 PM at the residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell.

June 8, 1939

Mildred G. Smith, Clerk

June 6, 1938

Meeting (of the Alliance) was held at Mrs. B. C. Cromwell's. 5 members were present. The 4th Service in large book was read by all. The collection was \$1.00. The Secretary's report was read and accepted. Mrs. Cromwell offered to see about having the church cleaned. Miss Parrish offered to ask young Walter Luce to take charge of mowing the lawn, ringing the bell, changing the texts in the Wayside Pulpit, etc. A motion was carried to take \$2 from the treasury to start a bankbook for Mrs. Churchill's baby. Adjournment was had at 4:40 PM.

Present: Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. Edith Cook, Mrs. George Smith, Miss Nellemae L. Parrish, Mrs. Swift, Miss M. G. Smith

M. G. Smith, Sec'y

June 13, 1938

Meeting (of the Alliance) at Mrs. Cromwell's. Present 3 members. As the meeting was small, the services and reports of Sec. and Treas. were omitted. Miss Parrish reported that she had deposited \$2 as instructed in the Martha's Vineyard National Bank Savings Dept. to open an savings account for Alfred Nelson Churchill, Jr. infant

son of our member, Mrs. Churchill. Miss Parrish also reported that the two Luce boys cannot be available for the job at the church, but that Irving Dolby, grandson of Mrs. John Reynolds wishes to try it. She was instructed to hire him to mow the lawn, ring the bell and do the outside jobs like the changing of the Wayside Pulpit, etc. The Secretary was instructed to phone the minister as to what had been done to hire a singer for the summer. Also, upon obtaining this information, if it was in the negative, to hire Mrs. Arthur Stewart, asking her to let us know whether she will take the solo singing for the summer. Mrs. Cromwell reported that a Mrs. Chapin, singing teacher in Chilmark, had called asking to be employed as soloist and expecting \$7.00 a Sunday. Also asking to be notified by the weekend of our decision. The price tentatively agreed to offer Mrs. Stewart was \$5 per Sunday. Present: Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, President; Miss Nellemae Parrish, Treasurer; Miss Mildred G. Smith, Secretary. (Mrs. Cook and Miss Mildred Roberts arrived just after the meeting was over). The meeting of June 20th was cancelled on the absence of the President.

June 27, 1938 No meeting (of the Alliance) was held.

July 11, 1938

A meeting (of the Alliance) was held at the home of the President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr. with eleven present. The Fifth selection in the large book was read by all. The reports of the June 13 and 20th meetings were read by the Secretary were read and accepted. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted. It gave balance on July 1st \$1,267.22 and membership 24. Mrs. Churchill thanked the members for starting the bank account for her son. Mrs. Hutchinson read a report of the May Meeting of the AUA also the General Alliance Annual Meeting and the June 15th number of "Unitarian Horizons". A motion, duly seconded and carried, provided that the minister be reimbursed \$25 of the rent for Mrs. Harlow's cottage. Miss Mills also gave \$5 toward this purpose. The collection amounted to \$1.15. Adjournment took place upon the arrival of the Minister with his baby daughter and the serving by the hostess of refreshments.

Members Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Churchill, Miss Roberts, Mrs. Reynolds, Mrs. Carpenter, Mrs. Hutchison, Miss Parrish, Miss H. K. Smith, Miss M. G. Smith. Guest: Mrs. Charles M. Styron

August 1, 1938

Meeting (of the Alliance) at the home of Mrs. Cromwell. Six members and two guests present. Reports of Secretary and Treasurer were read and accepted. Mr. Styron suggested the possibility of an all-year church and permanent pastor furnished for 2 year period by the AUA.

Present: Mrs. Cromwell, Miss Parrish, Mrs. Reynolds, Miss H. K. Smith, Mrs. Carpenter, Miss M. G. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Styron.

M. G. Smith, Sec'y

December 5, 1938

Meeting (of the Alliance) at the home of Mrs. Cromwell. Five members were present. The Secretary read the previous minutes which were accepted by the meeting. The letters of Mr. Styron, Mr. Baker, a radio broadcast of Mr. Eliot's, the year book and the Annual Report were all read or mentioned. The Treasurer read her report and it was accepted by the meeting. Mrs. Packer reported as to the amount of work on the roof of the church. Motion by Mrs. Packer, duly seconded and passed was: That the Treasurer, when she deems best, send a bank book of the Martha's Vineyard Bank Savings Dept., with five dollars deposit, to the Styrons for their expected baby. The collection amounted to 67 cents. The Treasurer's report stated that Aug. 1st the balance was \$1,297.90. Sept 1, Savings \$1,000, Checking account \$297.92. October 1, balance equaled \$1,290.92 and checking account was \$290.24. November 1, balance was \$1,790.24 Expenses \$357.98 of which \$356.98 was for repairing roof of church. Balance Dec. 1, 1938, \$577.56. Adjournment was held at 4:45 PM with the hostess serving refreshments.

Members present: Mrs. Cromwell, President, Miss Parrish, Mrs. Packer, Miss Roberts, Miss Mildred G. Smith

M. G. Smith, Sec'y

June 12, 1939

Meeting (of the Society) held at Mrs. B.C. Cromwell, Sr.'s home at 8 PM. Four members present.

The report of the last meeting was read and accepted.

Mr. Rolfe, as Committee on Church Repairs, gave an oral report of repairs made and necessity for extra foundation. Report was accepted. Capt. Packer was also asked to report on the repairs.

Election of officers: Mrs. Cromwell made motion, which was carried, that the Clerk cast one ballot for the present officers. This was done. Also, the same for the Parish Committee, which was done.

Officers declared elected: Mr. Rolfe, President; Miss N. L. Parrish, Treasurer; Miss M. G. Smith, Clerk.

Parish Committee declared elected: Miss Parrish, Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Packer, Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Reynolds.

Flower Committee: Mrs. Hutchison was appointed.

Organ: Mrs. Cromwell reported from Miss Tilton, Organist, that the organ seems to need no repairs at present.

Mrs. Cromwell offered to see Mr. Walker and have the railing painted and the name of the Minister painted on the sign in front of the church.

Miss Smith offered to have the notices placed in the Gazette.

Adjournment at 9:10 PM at the call of the President.

M. G. Smith, Clerk

Members present: Mr. Rolfe, Pres.; Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Reynolds, Miss M. G. Smith, Clerk

(Note: a loose sheet in the book of Society Minutes.)

1939 May 1st to May 1st 1940

Alliance Members (who each paid \$1 dues.

Miss Mildred G. Smith, Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell, Miss Nellemae Parrish, Miss Mary E. Cannon, Mrs. Nathan Hutchinson, Mrs. Nellie W. Dean (deceased), Mrs. Florence Mann, Mrs. Frank A. Brome, Mrs. Abner Braley, Mrs. Maxwell Alpern, Mrs. Lucy Holbrook, Mrs. Chester Harding, Miss Maud Mills, Mrs. Harrie McGregor, Mrs. Goff (new member), Mrs. Eugene Carpenter, Miss Mildred Roberts, Mrs. Grace Packer, Mrs. Grace M. Packer (Sept. 18, 1939), Mrs. Ada Smith. Also invited, Mrs. Ruth Brown, West Tisbury, Mrs. H. D. Latham, Mr. Mrs. Chas. M. Styron.

(NOTE: a loose sheet found in the book of Society Minutes of 1942)

Women's Alliance cards sent to: Mrs. J. S. Reynolds, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Mrs. G. R. Smith, Miss Mildred Roberts, Mrs. LeRoy Goff 2nd, Mrs. Frank A Brome, Miss Maud Mills, Miss M. E. Cannon, Mrs. Lucy B. Holbrook, Mrs. Eugene Carpenter, Mrs. Abner Braley, Mrs. Gertrude Alpern, Mrs. Harriet McGregor, Mrs. May Hutchinson, Mrs. Russell Field, Mrs. Grace Packer, Mrs. Phoebe Stewart, Mrs. Ricker, Mrs. Mann, Miss Parrish, Mrs. Chester Harding, Miss Mildred Smith.

Please send enclosed postcard when Miss Smith returns to Oak Bluffs.

My address until the middle of October is: Nellemae Parrish, "Cheerwald", Peterborough, N. H.

Special Meeting (of the Society) May 6, 1940 (NOTE: found loose paper with minutes of the Society, 1942)

A Special Meeting was called by the President, Mr. Rolfe, at the residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr. Monday, 8 PM., May 6th, 1940

Present: Mr. Rolfe, Capt. Packer, Miss Parrish, Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. G. R. Smith. Mrs. Packer

The minutes of the Annual Meeting we assumed held at postponed time, June 1939, was read in part.

A motion was made, and duly carried, that the minutes of the last meeting be waived until the return of the Society's Secretary, Miss M. Smith.

The Treasurer's report of the year 1939 to 1940 was read.

The Receipts were as:

Cash on hand April 1939,	\$354.83	
Collections church	121.09	
Gifts	110.00	Totaling \$585.92

Expenditures for year:	\$505.13	
Cash on hand, May 6, 1940	75.79	
Birthday gift to Mr. Styron	5.00	Totaling \$585.92

A motion was made and duly carried that the Treasurer's report be accepted as read.

The Treasurer reported the following:

Capt. G. L. Smith Fund, \$500, Int. 36.45
Alliance, Inst of Savings, \$1,000, Int. 50.82
M.V. National Bank, \$500
Contingency , \$33.70

Motion: The staff, minister, organist, soloist be employed for the coming season at the same rate as 1939. That Miss Parrish notify them to this effect. Carried.

Motion: Miss Parrish be authorized to call on Mr. Davis, A. U. A. and invite Mr. Davis to visit our Society and have him give us specifically what the A.U.A. has in mind that we may give it our consideration for the future. Carried.

Suggestions that the church formulate a program for an evensong, a community service, to be held during the summer evenings. Capt. Packer was asked by the Society to contact Mr. Styron and endeavor to work out a program.

Motion made and duly carried that the meeting adjourn at the call of the President.

Respectfully submitted, G. M. Packer, Sec'y, pro tem

WARRANT (pasted in)

The Unitarian Society of the Town of Tisbury, Massachusetts will hold its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. Emma F. Cromwell on the third day of June in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred forty at 7:30 PM.

The purpose of this meeting is to elect officers for the coming year, also any other business which may come before the Society.

Signed: Parish Committee, E. F. Cromwell, Ada C. Smith, Grace Morgan Packer, Nellemae Parrish.

ANNUAL MEETING, UNITARIAN SOCIETY OF VINEYARD HAVEN, June 3, 1940

The annual meeting of the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven was held June 3rd at 8:15 P.M. at the home of Mrs. Emma Cromwell. Five members present.

The president, Mr. Rolfe, called the meeting to order.

It was voted to omit the minutes of the meeting of May 6, 1940.

The warrant of the meeting was read.

R. M. Packer was appointed acting secretary in the absence of the clerk.

A motion was made and duly carried that the secretary cast on ballot for the following as officers for the coming year: President, Mr. George Rolfe; Clerk, Miss Mildred Smith; Treasurer, Miss Nellemae Parrish.

A letter was read from Mr. Chas. Styron. At the meeting of 5-6-40 he was invited to fill the pulpit for this summer. His reply was that he would be happy to be here for the month of August only if the society did not wish to consider a minister for the entire summer.

At the May 6th meeting it was voted that Miss Parrish be authorized to call on Mr. Davis, A.U. A., 25 Beacon Street, to give him an invitation to have him give us specifically what the A.U. A. has in mind that we may give it our consideration for the future of the church.

Mr. Rolfe presented Mr. Davis to the meeting. In Mr. Davis's talk which was full of confidence for our future growth, he recommended the following:

Annual Meetings to be held during the summer so more members might have a part in the management and a voice in the expenditures.

That Musical Talent was plentiful here and that we endeavor to secure this high type talent as an added attraction as an added attraction for the services.

Church Hour. That the hour might well be 10:30 instead of 11 AM thereby not conflicting with the bathing hour.

Publicity: Posters or announcements are needed on bulletin boards etc. Also that publicity be given as to sermons topics and ministers.

Mr. Rolfe in behalf of the society thanked Mr. Davis for his attendance and advice.

A motion was made and duly carried that the treasurer pay one year insurance on the organ.

A motion was made and duly carried that the Unitarian Chapel be loaned to the Episcopal Church at their request

during their building program providing that there be no expense to the society.

The President appointed the following to the Parish Committee: Miss Nellemae Parrish, Mrs. R. M. Packer, Mrs. George Smith.

A motion was made and duly carried that Mr. Mark be minister starting July 9th for the balance of July, and that Mr. Styron be minister for August. Mrs. Packer was asked to notify them.

Mrs. Packer was also asked to see that publicity as outlined by Mr. Davis be used.

A motion was made and duly carried that the meeting adjourn at the call of the president. Adjourned 10:45 PM.

Ralph M. Packer, Acting Secretary

Dec. , 1940

A Special Meeting (of the Society) was called by the President, Mr. George Rolfe, V. H. Unitarian Society on December 2nd, 1940 at residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. The purpose was to meet with Mr. R. W. Seebode, Sec'y Channing Conference and one of five councilors of Southern New England Council of Unitarian Churches Conferences.

The minutes of the meeting of May 6, 1940 were read and accepted as read by the sec. Pro tem.

The Treasurer, Miss Parrish read a report of Dec. 1, 1940. The report showed income of \$334.64. Expenditures amounted to 440.67. The deficit of 106.04 was paid by the Alliance. Report accepted as read.

Mr. Rolfe presented Mr. Seebrook who outlined future policy:

1. Guest book, it a good one, purpose - follow up for future members.
2. Summer list, ministerial union for names, Parish calls then made.
3. Minister for a 14 week, not weekly, but season or two year contract, a full time parish job.
 1. Visit and know parish @ 1 week
 2. Organize meetings, vespers
 3. Minister see that we do our job
4. Recommends 2 guest speakers, Rabbi Silver - Lupton
5. Budget
6. Musical - using summer visitors etc
7. Channing Conference - they interested to come June 29, 1941 bringing boy's choir, New Bedford, Fairhaven

Motion: Sec. write Mrs. Philip L. Saltonstall - to attend service at 2nd Parish Brookline, Rev. Ed Helie and write

Motion: Guest Book, purchased and install in our church, Capt. Packer will supply book and Mrs. Packer install it

Motion: Sec'y to be empowered to make arrangements and carry to conclusion - a church appeal for budget 1941
Mr. Rolfe has asked Mrs. Packer to assume that duty during absence of Sec'y.

Motion: That Mr. Seaboode be empowered to arrange for 2 guest speakers for season of 1941. By Mrs. Cromwell, 2nd, Mrs. Packer.

Motion: V. H. Society extend invitation to Channing Conference meet here on June 29, 1941.

Motion: If Mrs. Saltonstall ok Mr. Helie, Mr. Seeboode will make offer will make offer to Mr. Helie to come here at his convenience in Jan. at our expense - as a candidate for 1941.

Motion: That our organ be offered to responsible organist for their summer practice.

Motion for adjournment at call of the President.

Respectfully submitted, Grace Morgan Packer

Vote of thanks to Mrs. Cromwell for hospitality.

Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven, Mass. May 26, 1941

A Special Meeting of the Unitarian Society was held, May 36th at 2 PM at the residence of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell.

Mr. George Rolfe called the meeting to order. Those present were: Mrs. Cromwell, president of the Alliance, Miss Maude Perry Mills, Miss Elizabeth Cannon, Capt. And Mrs. R. M. Packer, and Mrs. Eugene Carpenter.

The minutes of the meeting of December 2nd were read and accepted.

The treasurer, Miss Parrish being absent there was no report on finances.

Mr. R. B. Seebodie, Secy. Channing Conference presented the plans for the Channing Conference to be held here, Sunday, June 29th. The members will arrive on the noon boat and be taken to Bayside Casino, where they will have a basket lunch. The Vineyard Haven Society will serve coffee, milk and soft drinks. The picnic will adjourn prior to

5 PM where all will meet at the Chapel for an hour meeting. Mr. Seebodie to arrange the program and our new minister to preach the sermon.

Mr. Seebodie announced that on Sunday, July 27th, at a vesper service, Rev. John Lathrop would deliver an address. Our church to reimburse Mr. Lathrop not to exceed \$10.00.

The motion was made by Captain Packer, seconded by Mrs. Cromwell, that we pay the minister the sum of \$400 for this season of ten Sundays. The motion was carried. (This necessary due to high rents for any type of cottage.) The motion was made and duly carried that the Alliance make up any deficit to the church for their running expenses.

A motion was made and duly carried that the Society call Rev. Francis G. Ricker as summer minister for Steven's Memorial Chapel.

R. Ricker expected the call and gave the group a few well chosen remarks covering his pastorage.

The society agreed to advance Mr. Ricker money to take care of his deposit on his rental. They also gave him \$10 to cover his expenses in coming here today.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at the call of the president.

Respectfully submitted, G. M. Packer, Clerk pro tem

The Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society entertained members of the Channing Conference on Sunday, June 29, 1941. According to the report of Mr. R. W. Sebode, Secretary, arrangements were made for about 50 persons.

The delegation arrived on the noon boat and were met at the dock by the Minister, Mr. Ricker and Mrs. Packer.

Our guests, at their own expense, were taken by the Island Transportation Company to the Bayside Casino. There they were greeted by the Alliance President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, assisted by Miss Elizabeth M. Cannon. Many went swimming, and later ate their picnic lunch. We offered hot coffee, mild and soft drinks, served by Bayside. About 12 came without their lunches. These people were taken to Vineyard Haven restaurants by Mr. Ricker and Mrs. Packer, and later returned to the Casino. Mrs. Harry MacGregor, Mrs. Packer, Miss Cannon and Mrs. Cromwell, took some guests on a tour of the island.

The service opened at five o'clock. The church had been cleaned, the grounds cared for, and lovely vases of flowers were arranged by Miss M. P. Mills. Our organist, Miss Tower, was at the organ. They were no ushers. A large printed sign of greeting to the Conference had been placed in the Wayside pulpit. The wooden sign of the church has been repainted, and carried the correct time of morning service, 10:30, and the name of Rev. F. G. Ricker, minister.

Rev. Mrs. H. R. Gredler of Norton, (delegation of twenty -six members), read the scripture, Rev. J. Z. Hamner of Nantucket, gave a prayer, Mr. Seebode gave the greetings together with Mr. Versal Robey of Fairhaven, President of the Conference, and Miss Florence Baer, brought greetings from the American Unitarian Society and the churches of South Eastern New England. Rev. Robert Schact, minister of the First Parish, Providence, gave the prayer installing Mr. Ricker as the minister at Vineyard Haven. Mr. Ricker preached a short sermon. The Junior Choir of sixteen members of Norton sang and the Vineyard Haven Society had engaged Mr. Hamilton Benz of New York for a solo.

There was no collection as about 60 of those present were guests, there being only about ten attending from the local parish.

Following the service the guests were taken to Oak Bluffs, and sailed on the 6:45 PM boat. The writer received from the majority of guests their thanks for a delightful day and pleasant service.

Expenses were: Invitations to Vineyard Haven ministers, postcards to local people, mail, etc. for church notices, \$1.26; Printing welcome poster (Chuchill); Rent of Casino and refreshments, \$15; Fee to soloist, Mr. Benz, \$5; Total, \$21.26.

G. M. Packer, Clerk

A Special Meeting of the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven was called by the president, Mr. Geo. Rolfe, on July 22nd, 1941 at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Sr. Mrs. Mann was voted clerk pro tem.

A motion was made and seconded and duly carried that Capt. Packer be appointed treasurer of the Society.

A motion was also made, seconded and carried that the books be audited.

A final motion was made, seconded and carried that the gift of five hundred dollars and it's accrued interest from the Alliance to the Society be accepted with thanks and used for the running expenses of the church.

The meeting was adjourned to the call of the president.

Florence H. Mann, Clerk pro tem.

A regular meeting of the Women's Alliance was held on Thursday, September 25th, 1941 at the home of the

President, Mrs. B. C. Cromwell.

The meeting was begun with Responsive Reading led by Mrs. Cromwell.

A letter was then read from James O. Eskridge, minister of the Federated church of Edgartown extending a cordial invitation to the members of the Alliance to attend his church during the coming winter. Mrs. Cromwell appointed Mrs. Mann, Secretary pro tem, and asked her to acknowledge the invitation.

There was no further business as this was primarily a social meeting.

Respectfully submitted, Florence H. Mann, Secretary pro tem

On Thursday, July 9th, 1942, a special meeting of the Women's Alliance was held at the home of Mrs. B. C. Cromwell. The following members were present: Mrs. B. C. Cromwell, Mrs. John Reynolds, Mrs. Eugene Carpenter, Mrs. Florence Mann, Miss Mary E. Cannon, Miss Mildred Roberts, Miss Maud Mills, Miss Nellemae Parrish, and Miss Mildred Smith. Mrs. Cromwell, the president, presided and opened the meeting with responsive reading from the Service Book.

The following resolutions were adopted:

That a gift of the entire saving account in the New Bedford Institution for Savings amounting to \$511.31 be made to the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society.

That a list of the Charter and other outstanding members of the Vineyard Haven Branch of the Women's Alliance from its inception on July 8th, 1901 up to July 9th, 1942 be sent to be included in the Memorial list maintained at the General Alliance headquarters.

That the required sum for placing these names in the Memorial List be taken from the Treasury.

That whatever money remains in the Treasury after all matters have been settled be turned over to the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven.

Due to the difficult conditions of the present time and the small membership, it was voted that the Vineyard Haven Branch of the Women's Alliance be disbanded.

Respectfully submitted, Florence H. Mann, Secretary, pro tem

August 10/42 (NOTE: loose note found in Society minutes of 1942)

Alliance met at home of Mrs. Florence Mann. Present? Mrs. Cromwell, Pres, Mrs. John Mills, Mrs. Taylor, Mrs. Alpern, Mrs. Packer, Miss Roberts, Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Carpenter, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. M. G. Smith, Secy.

Guests: Mrs. Gordon, Mrs. Fuller

The minutes of the previous meeting were read by the Sec. pro tem, Mrs. Mann and were approved as read.

It was voted to make Mrs. Cromwell a Life Member of the General Alliance. As to the Fellowship members - for those who wish to join the General Alliance, costing \$1 per year, it was voted to await the return in Sept. of the Treasurer, Miss Parrish.

Miss Mills offered to write a note for the Society to Mrs. Hutchinson who is ill.

The Alliance presented Mrs. Cromwell with a check for \$25 in appreciation of her long, devoted service as President.

On suggestion of the President, it was decided to hold meetings during the few weeks left of the summer at 4 PM on Mondays for social intercourse, the first to be held at Mrs. C's.

After refreshments and a social hour spent in viewing the lovely new home of the hostess, the meeting adjourned.

M. G. S. Secretary

Met Aug. 17, 4 PM at Mrs. Cromwell's. Present: the minister, Mr. Nielsen, Mrs. Cromwell, Mrs. Carpenter, Mrs. McGregor, Dr. Elder, Capt. And Mrs. Packer, Miss Mills, Miss Sally Locke, Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Marjorie Fuller, Miss Roberts, Miss M.G. Smith. Social hour with refreshments.

August 23, 1942

Warrants having been duly posted, a meeting of the Unitarian Society of Vineyard Haven, Mass., was held in Stevens Memorial Chapel after the close of services on Sunday morning, August 12, 1942 at 11:30 o'clock.

The purpose of the meeting was to consider a plan for continuing the use of the chapel in the future.

The meeting was called to order by the minister, the Rev. Marius McKarl Nielsen, who read a list of rules or propositions which he said he thought should govern the Society instead of those which they already have.

He said he thought most constitutions and by-laws were too hampering and cumbersome and those he proposed

would be simpler.

Some discussion on these rules ensued during which Mrs. Packer, who had acted as clerk during the prolonged absence of the regular incumbent, suggested that, as the President had passed away and the treasurer was absent, till, that the Clerk should legally conduct the meeting. Thereupon, Miss Smith, taking the chair, appointed Mr. Dudley Howland temporary chairman of the meeting. Mr. Howland than took the chair.

The Chair appointed a committee of three to formulate appropriate resolutions on the death of the President, Mr. George Rolfe. The committee is composed of Miss Mildred G. Smith, Clerk, Miss Maud Mills and Mrs. Royal Smith.

It was decided to meet the following Sunday, August 20th, to approve the rules proposed by Mr. Nielsen to supersede the previous ones, to elect a permanent chairman, and to appoint an Executive Committee under the proposed rules.

Adjournment at the call of the chair was taken at 12 o'clock.

Mildred G. Smith, Clerk

Members present: Mr. Dudley Howland, Mrs. Emma Cromwell, Capt and Mrs. Ralph Packer, Miss Maud Mills, Mrs. Royal E. Smith, Miss Mildred Smith

Guests: Rev. R. W. Seebodie, Sec. Channing Conference; Rev. Marius McKarl Nielsen, Minister of the Chapel; Mrs. Eldridge; Mrs. Harrie McGregor, Mrs. Eugene Carpenter

New Rules of Organization of Steven's Memorial Chapel considered by a quorum of members and recommended for passage at Special Meeting of Aug. 30, 1942.

- I. That Stevens Memorial Chapel be maintained and services planned with one purpose, namely: as a summer chapel with meetings and services of worship to present, maintain and rouse allegiance to the principles of liberalism on Martha's Vineyard, Mass.
- II. That for the purpose in Par. I there shall be elected an executive committee consisting of a Chairman and as many members (not more than five or less than three) and a treasurer as shall be for the most efficient accomplishment of this purpose.
 - IIA. The members of this executive committee shall be, if possible, bonafide members of the Society.
 - IIB. Membership shall mean the signing of the book of Fellowship and contribution to the treasure of the Society.
 - IIC. This committee shall be rotating, decided by Chairman.
- III. The annual meeting of Stevens Memorial Chapel shall be held at the end of each summer season, in order to :
 - Consider the budget
 - Appoint a minister for the coming year, if possible,
 - Election of members of the Executive comm. When necessary
 - Treasurer's report
 - Any and all other business of the Society.
- IV. The adoption of the above rules shall be entered upon the books of the Stevens Memorial Chapel and shall supercede all previous articles and rules of this Society.

The sense of the above paragraphs recommended by a meeting of the members held Aug. 23, 1942.

Special meeting of the Society legally called for Sunday, Aug. 30, 1942 fir adoption or rejection of these rules.

August 30. 1942

The Society records with deepest regret the death of our President, George William Rolfe, June 21st, 1942 for many years a much beloved and devoted member.

Mr. Rolfe was not only a distinguished scientist, but also had the rare quality of sharing the vast knowledge he possessed with others , so that all about him were richer and happier. Many people, especially young men, have

gone forward to stronger and better lives through the inspiration of this great teacher. He was loved, admired and respected by all who knew him, both old and young alike.

At a time when the Society was much in need of a President, he accepted the election, although his innate modesty would have preferred a less prominent position. His constant presence and advice were of inestimable value to the members.

BE IT RESOLVED that this tribute be spread upon the records of this Society, published in the Vineyard Gazette and that copies be sent to Mary Gifford Rolfe and Dorothy Stuart Rolfe.

Abigail L. Smith, Maud Perry Mills, Mildred G. Smith, Clerk

The Special Meeting of August 30, 1942, held in the Chapel after the morning services, was called to order by the Temporary Chairman, Mr. Howland.

The Clerk read the minutes of the meeting of August 23, 1942. After slight corrections, they were approved.

The Treasurers report for two seasons was approved by the Society.

A Resolution offered by Capt. Packer that Mr. Nielsen be asked to occupy the next summer was unanimously adopted. Mr. Nielsen replied that he was delighted to have the opportunity again.

A Resolution by Capt. Packer that Mr. Nielsen be awarded a check for \$50 in appreciation of his work the past summer, was cordially adopted. Mr. Nielsen protested but the motion prevailed and Capt. Packer, having previously made out the check, handed it to the minister and that was that!

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions on the death of the President, Mr. George Rolfe, was read by Miss Mills and approved by the Society.

A Resolution by Mrs. McGregor was adopted that a vote of appreciation be sent to Mrs. Charles Cuno for her gift of a guest book for the Church.

The Society adopted Mrs. Packer's Resolution that nominations for the Executive Committee be then taken up. The following members were nominated and, on Mrs. Packer's motion, the Clerk was authorized to cast one ballot for them and so did:

Executive Committee: Mrs. Mann, Mrs. Cromwell, Miss Mills, Capt. Packer, Mr. Howland.

A Motion by Mrs. Packer that existing by-laws be revoked as adopted.

New By-laws: the new By-laws offered by Capt. Packer were unanimously adopted.

Mildred G. Smith, Clerk

These final minutes of the Society under the old By-laws were approved at the meeting held on Sept. 4, 1943

Members Present: Aug. 30/42 Mr. Howland, Dr. Greene, Capt. Packer, Mrs. Cromwell, Miss Mills, Mrs. Packer, Mrs. Eldridge, Mrs. McGregor, Mrs. Mann, Mrs. R. E. Smith, Mrs. Carpenter, Miss M. G. Smith.

Guest: Mr. Nielsen.

(Note: following these minutes, an index has been made to them, pages 75 to 89. The back page of this book of minutes notes the names and addresses of four ministers and three members who only lived on the Vineyard in the summer).

(NOTE: This short, unsigned, history is placed separately with the 1942 minutes)

On Sept. 12, 1898 the Vineyard Haven Unitarian Society was duly established and by-laws incorporated with Gilbert M. (sic) Smith elected as moderator.

On July 8, 1901 a meeting was called to discuss the matter of forming an alliance to be called the Vineyard Haven Branch of the Women's Alliance.

Yearly dues were set at 25 cents with 9 members present and plans for an annual fair and lawn party were made. \$250 was raised. There were soon 35 charter members.

One of the members, Miss Thankful Smith read the sermon every other Sunday. The American Unitarian (UU?) Association sent a minister the other Sundays.

When the alliance met monthly at members' houses poems would be read, "Our Faith" recited, quotations by each member and papers presented such as, "Everyday Heroism", "Libraries", "What Women Can Do For the Public Good".

Well aware of their sisters in other alliances, handkerchiefs would be sent to be sold at other fairs and one time a donation sent as far away as Idaho to help build a new church.

The women were instrumental in raising money to pay for an organ, gas lamps and a church window by selling baked

goods, having fairs and evening suppers.

In August, 1905 it was written: The first of last September we owed \$275 for our and \$50 for gas fixtures - in less than a year we have paid for them and I think we can look back and say that our last year's work was not a failure.