THIRTY THIRD The Church Home as to its administration continues to give me satisfaction. But I am disappointed and distressed because so little encouragement s given to the Charitable Fund, upon which the destitute, or nearly destitute, women depend. The result of the collections just made is very meagre, but little over \$1100. The Treasurer asked for, and really required, \$2500, which is a moderate sum to be the mainstay of so useful and respectable an Institution. The consequence is that the accounts for 1891 closed with a deficit, and without funds in hand to meet the calls of the new year. The deficit is not large, but it is a balance on the wrong side, and it makes me anxious for the future of the Institution. I trust that assistance will be volunteered by some of our wealthy Church members, in the shape of regular subscriptions, of sufficient amount to form a dependable income. The response to the appeals I made in the parish churches on behalf of this charity was very general, but coming in small sums of \$1 and under, with some \$5, and very few of larger amount, it takes a great many of them to provide food and lodging for a year, even for one person. I trust that something reliable will be done, for we cannot expect an honorary committee of ladies to carry the burden of want of money, in addition to the cares and anxieties inseparable from the management of an institution full of aged and infirm women. The Church Home is unendowed, and therefore entirely dependent uponvoluntary contributions, which must not be withheld it it is desirable to

Although I cannot find in our Constitution any express mention of Church property used for educational and Charitable purposes (probably because none existed when the Constitution was drafted), I should be glad to know what the Bishop's responsibility is, when he is officially President or Governor of such an Institution; I suppose the subject would come under the head of temporalities. Apart from those we have now, viz., the Theological College, the Church Home, the Dunham Ladies College, all of which possess more or less real estate, I have been approached on the subject of other charities which would also bring with them some substantial property. We cannot expect honorary committees to take office year after year, without some assurance of general interest and support, and those who present to us valua. able gifts in houses and lands have a right to expect that we shall take care of them. I would like to know, therefore, upon what terms a charitable property should be accepted by the Bishop, in the name of the Church, and what precautions are proper for its maintenance and stability. Gifts for the use of the poor arean essential part of Christianity, without which our Church is maimed and crippled. I should be glad to see the house in Guy street free of mortgage. Something solid should be done for it, that it need not so often touch the confines of insolvency, to the discouragement of its managers and the discredit of the Church. It would be a very great misfortune to lose the

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