

The N. W. Society of the
Lexington Ga. M. E. Church,
South, was organized by
Mrs. Mary Harvis Arnold (N. W.)
who was at that time,
District Secretary of the
Athens district.

It was organized in the old
church building which
stood where the present
building now stand.

and during the pastorate
of Rev. J. S. Embury - in
the year 1884 - 1885.

1886 - being the year of
organization -

It was strictly a Foreign
Missionary Society, no home

or local work included.

He did have a Parsonage Aid society for the upkeep of the Parsonage, but it had a separate time of meeting and different set of officers - a month.

The dues were 15¢, 10¢ went to foreign work, 5¢ to the expense of the home office in Nashville.

All other offerings were voluntary + the work was called "extension", not special, as at present.

He met once a month at the church.

The charter members of this

Missionary Society, were.

- Mrs Arthur Hair
 " John S. Bacon.
 " G. S. Embury.
 " Hamilton McWhorter
 " R. J. Killingham
 " Ben Killingham
 Mrs Mary C. Killingham
 Mrs Nellis Killingham
 " Gussie Reid
 " Mark Killingham.
 " Wm M. Howard.

From this society developed
 a large juvenile society
 as it was then called,
 which was made up of
 children of all denomination

As this society was the
only one for children
in Lexington.

The first President of
the Lexington Woman's
Missionary Society was

Mrs. Arthur Hair

The office of Sec. & Treas.
was combined & filled
by

Miss Mary V. Killingham
who held this office
until her death many
years later