

be hoped that all future sessions of synod will be blessed with as much success and good will as this the inaugural synod of our new diocese.

Subjoined is the address which was presented to Mrs. Powell on the occasion of the celebration of her golden wedding, and which we promised to produce in this issue:

Ottawa, June 23rd, 1896.

DEAR MRS. POWELL,—Your co-workers of the Woman's Guild of St. Alban the Martyr desire to congratulate you and Mr. Grant Powell on the arrival of your golden wedding day. It would be strange, indeed, if the members of this Guild, of which you have been a very active member for twenty-six years, and over which you have presided for fourteen years, were not found amongst the first to greet you on this happy occasion.

We cannot allow this opportunity to pass without our testifying that very much of the success which has attended our labors is, under God, due to the interest you have ever taken in the Guild and its work, and to the untiring energy, coupled with urbanity and liberality, which you have always displayed in the management of its several departments.

Will you kindly accept the accompanying testimonial as a very inadequate expression of our feelings towards you? That God will not forget your work and labor of love which you have showed towards His name, and that He will pour down upon you, your good husband, and all of yours, His richest blessings in time and in eternity is the very hearty prayer of your sincere friends and co-workers.

E. PATTERSON, Vice-President.

E. G. BOGERT,

M. E. TAYLOR,

ANNIE CLAYTON, Secretary.

## WOMAN'S AUXILIARY OF ONTARIO DIOCESE.

### ANNUAL MEETING (Continued).

The election of officers followed.

The roll was called. Delegates eligible for voting in Ontario division, 25, and 4 members of Board; total 29. For Ottawa, 26 delegates, 1 diocesan member, and 6 members of Board; total, 33.

Scrutineers for Ontario, Mrs. Read and Miss Baker, of Ottawa diocese. For Ottawa, Mrs. Worrell and Mrs. Labatt, of Ontario diocese. The result was as follows:

Ontario: Honorary president, Mrs. Lewis; president, Mrs. R. V. Rogers; first vice-president, Miss Gildersleeve; second vice president, (left to Board); recording secretary, Miss C. J. Macaulay; corresponding secretary, Miss Daly; treasurer, (left to Board); Dorcas secretary,

Miss Annie Muckleston; secretary of literature, Miss Saunders; secretary of J.W.A., secretary of C.C.M.G., Miss Lewin; organizing secretary, Mrs. Bedford-Jones.

Ottawa: President, Mrs. Hamilton; first vice-president, Mrs. Tilton; second vice-president, Mrs. Pollard; recording secretary, Miss Humphreys; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Newell Bate; treasurer, Miss Baker; Dorcas secretary, Mrs. George Greene; secretary of literature (left to Board); secretary of J.W.A., Miss Parris; secretary C.C.M.G., Mrs. A. W. Mackay; organizing secretary, Miss A. B. Yeilding.

Elected in Ontario diocese subsequently: Second vice-president, Mrs. McMorine; treasurer, Mrs. Worrell.

The office of literature secretary is still vacant in Ottawa.

No further changes will be made until the arrival of Mrs. Hamilton in the autumn.

The monthly Board meetings will be held in St. George's schoolroom the first Tuesday in every month at 3.30 p. m.

## THOUGHTS ON THE BIBLE.

John Henry Newman, a Romish cardinal, said of the Bible: "Its light is the body of heaven in its clearness; its vastness like the bosom of the sea; its variety like scenes of nature."

Ernest Renan was a French sceptic of wide attainments and exquisite style. His beliefs were loose and vague, he could not in any sense be called a Christian, but he said, "The Bible is, after all, the great Book of Consolation for humanity."

Theodore Parker, a Unitarian minister, of Boston, Mass., a man of deep earnestness, of great eloquence, and of splendid courage, said: "The literature of Greece, which goes up like incense from that land of temples, has not half the influence of this book of a despised nation. The sun never sets upon its gleaming page."

Professor Huxley, one of the most eminent men of science, pleading in the school board for the Bible as the best source of the highest education for children, said that he knew of no other book in all the world's wide literature by which the religious feeling, which is the essential base of conduct, could be kept up; and he asked: "By what other book could children be so humanized, and made to feel that each figure in the historical procession fills, like themselves, but a momentary interval between the two eternities, and earns the blessings or curses of all time, according to its efforts to do good and hate evil, even as they also are earning payment for their work?"