



In Memoriam. Edward White Benson. Born. 1829; Bishop of Truro, 1876; Archbishop of Canterbury, 1882. Died, October 11th, 1896.

when His children go forth in faith. Not only will home work be well done, but probably better supported than before, and to each individual there will be a quickening of her soul that will cause her to realize the truth of Scripture when it says, 'He that watereth shall himself be watered.'

While the work of remodelling the constitution drawn up by the Provisional Committee was being carried on, a most gratifying interruption took place by the advent of a large and most influential deputation from the Provincial Synod, bearing the greetings and cordial recognition of that body to the ladies assembled, and to the newly-organized association which it was intended thus to recognize and strengthen. It was led by their lordships Bishops Sullivan, of Algoma, and Hamilton, of Niagara, and consisted of many prominent clergy and delegates to the synod.

Thus the Auxiliary began its career with episcopal and clerical approval, and we ever pride ourselves upon the marks of the continuance of this favor which come to us from time to time.

Miss Emery, general secretary of the Woman's Auxiliary in the United States, was

present at this meeting and wound up her address with these words: "The great thing is the consecration, by *each individual*, of time, money, and self to the service of Christ. It will deepen the feeling of what life is given for."

The formation of twenty-eight branches was reported.

Coming, then, to the first Triennial meeting, in 1886, we find the total number of branches to be 169; membership, 1,139; and money raised in the three years, \$9,223.04. Now, in the tenth year of our Woman's Auxiliary life, when we are asked to show our thankfulness, what results can we record? Not far off 500 branches, nearly 12,000 members, 1,784 bales sent out in the past three years, and \$72,202.47 raised for missionary purposes, new material, and freight, ten missionaries and seven Bible-women supported by the W.A., ten children of missionaries educated wholly or in part, many churches, parsonages, Indian schools, missions, and individuals assisted in our own fair Canada, and the loving, helping hand of the Woman's Auxiliary stretched out across the seas to Japan, India, China, Corea, Africa, Armenia—in fact, to almost every land where God's

message of love and salvation is being carried to the heathen.

Let us turn once more to that first meeting, and hear the closing words of the president, "I believe that *prayer* is the strongest power, for it is *grace* that will accomplish this work."

Thank God, those words can echo in our hearts to-day. Prayer is the mainstay of our Auxiliary, and daily do we unite in using the prayer compiled by this very president, Mrs. Williams, and who can feel aught but that it is grace alone that has caused the work set on foot by these seven women to expand as it has done?

THANK-OFFERING.

For what are we asked to be thankful? First, for the measure of success which has been granted to the Woman's Auxiliary as a whole in its efforts to benefit others and win souls for Christ.

Second, for the great benefit and blessing the W.A. has been to the individual spiritual life of its members themselves.

First, does not even this hasty and imperfect review of the material growth of our Auxiliary show what must call forth deep thankfulness