

The Bishop of Nova Scotia :—

" Your proposals are fully in accord with my own views. The strangely vague ideas which residents in different parts of the Empire have of each other, and their various resources and capabilities, would readily give place to a definite conception of the possibilities of all. Your proposals are both sensible and practical."

The Bishop of Niagara :—

" I am in hearty agreement with your views. . . . There is no doubt that the Imperial Intelligence Department must precede the formation of an Imperial Council, and in fact lead up to it. The former can be entered upon immediately, and with small expense. It will be the forerunner of the latter. I am sure that on this point the largest possible consensus of opinion will be with you."

The Bishop of Ottawa :—

" There can be no doubt that free and frequent intercourse between the people in all parts of the Empire must promote that nearer acquaintance which produces and promotes mutual confidence and which will bring us all in one ; and the intelligent, powerful union of the British Empire means a great deal not only for the English-speaking people, but for the nations of the world generally."

Rev. Dr. Potts, Toronto :—

" There is no doubt that this movement is growing and is tending more and more to the unity of the Empire. Imperial Unity is not a thing to be hurried too fast, but nothing will tend to draw the various parts of the Empire together as much as information."

From these extracts, which are more or less fully endorsed in the other letters referred to, it seems clear that men who may fairly be regarded as representing the educated opinion of Canada are in remarkable agreement upon this subject. It might, indeed, be difficult to find any other subject on which all these writers would be so cordially and emphatically agreed. This fact may in no small measure affect the views of thoughtful men in other parts of the British Empire. For ourselves, we hope that those who have been most actively engaged in bringing this important matter before the notice of Canadians may find it attract the lively and sympathetic interest of British subjects everywhere. To quote once more from one of the documents in this State paper regarding the expressions of opinion already referred to. " The views expressed by these gentlemen may fairly be regarded as the voice of Canada. They are in substantial agreement with the recorded opinions of the commercial men of the Empire, and it can scarcely be doubted that they will be found in accord with prevailing opinions in the United