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WE WISH

A Happy and Prosperous

NEW YEAR.

## The Sanctum.

THE unsettled condition of some of our Provincial Colleges has naturally revived the hopes of the consolidationists, and a plea has recently been made in the public press for the union of Dalhousie with Kings by a Governor of the latter institution. The plan outlined contemplates University consolidation with independent colleges, thus, in the writer's opinion, meeting the wishes of both the supporters and opponents of the present system. There is a certain amount of plausibility in this scheme, but we have little expectation of seeing it consummated. Higher education in this province owes so much to denominational fostering and is so closely associated with certain centres that it will be a very difficult work to establish a different order of things. Dalhousie College would scarcely recognize itself if set down on the classic banks of the Avon, Kings would be no longer the historic Kings if transported bodily to Halifax, and Acadia would certainly mourn if removed from the associations of College Hill, where she has endured struggles, met disasters and achieved triumphs. No, we are not preparing to move. We know of no site in the province that would compensate us for the loss of Blomidon, the waters of Minas Basin and the meadows of Grand Pre; but if University consolidation is to be effected we invite attention to the claims of Wolfville to be the seat of the various Colleges forming the new University.

THE second term commenced on the sixth of January this year.