

TORONTO, July 20th, 1875.

THE REVEREND P. G. MCGREGOR, *Ex-Moderator, Presbyterian Church, Lower Provinces, Halifax, N. S.:*

REVEREND SIR,—

It affords us much gratification to be the medium of transmitting to you the following resolution of congratulation, on the recent auspicious union which has taken place among the various Presbyterian Churches in the Dominion of Canada.

We have also much pleasure in stating that the resolution was passed by an unanimous and hearty vote, with the cordial approval of the Bishop of the Diocese as Presiding officer of the Synod.

The following is a copy of the resolution :

"That the Synod of this Diocese, deeply interested in the unity of Christians everywhere, begs respectfully to congratulate the Presbyterian Church of Canada on the movement by which it has been placed on its present basis; and humbly hopes that such an auspicious event may inspire other Christian Bodies with a like desire for union, and earnestly prays that it may prove a precursor of the ultimate unity of all Christian communities that hold to the Faith of the ancient Church, as expressed in the creeds of the first four general Councils."

We have the honour to be,

Reverend Sir,

Your very obed't. serv'ts.

A. J. BROUGHALL, M. A.,

*Hon. Clerical Secretary.*

GEORGE HODGINS, LL. D.,

*Hon. Lay Secretary.*

### THE YOUNG.

Again and again we have called attention to the danger of young men and women coming from rural districts to our towns, cities being overlooked in the work of the Church. Some, we know, are anxious to escape all attention or notice. They wish to be their own masters and taste all the supposed delights of religious vagabondism. Of such we are not likely to hear till they are very ill, or very poor, or the Gospel arrow has pierced their hearts. Sometimes, alas we do not hear of them till the day of death or of the funeral!

Let us plead with our ministers to be careful in giving their young people an introduction to ministers or elders of the town or city to which they go. And let a letter be not asked, or not accepted,

let the minister still write to some minister or elder intimating the removal of the person in question. We cannot be too watchful over the well being of the young men and women of our country. What we do for them now we do for the future. Parents and elders, in the absence of the minister, should attend to this matter.

### MIXED MARRIAGES.

Mr. Moody, in one of his discourses in London, uttered words of earnest warning against being "unequally yoked with unbelievers." He warned women of the danger of becoming attached to men without religion or principle. Parents lay too much stress upon "worldly prospects" for their children. When young women are warned of their folly they say, "Oh, I cannot give up that man," and thus they go blindly on. Many young ladies came to him in the inquiry-room to seek his advice afterwards, when they had embarked on an unhappy marriage. It was only the other day that a lovely looking young Christian lady came to him in the inquiry room almost broken hearted, and with her life blighted through this mistake. She had married a man without religion, and within the first fortnight of her marriage he had commenced coming home drunk, and was in the habit now of beating her until she was black and blue. There were also many young men who married young women without religious feeling or principle. Their life, too, was made a blank, and greatly because they had not obeyed the injunction "Be ye not unequally yoked." So in business partnerships. A Christian man had lately come into the inquiry room to him under the grief of similar misfortune. He asked the man how long he had been connected with such unprincipled partners. He replied, "Oh, some years." After that he asked the man how long he had been a Christian, to which he replied, "Oh, many years before his partnership." He then asked him how he came to disobey the injunction "Be ye not unequally yoked." In conclusion, he earnestly besought all to break themselves from all merely earthly affections, and unite themselves with higher things and nobler aspirations.