

meeting of the Board of Regents to consider the situation. Their deliberations resulted in the document which was published in the *Christian Guardian* of March 31st, 1909, entitled by the editor "An Amicable Settlement." In the same issue of that paper the editor says: "This declaration published in this issue from the authorities of Victoria University has been and will be read with profound satisfaction throughout the length and breadth of our Church. In its essential features it is practically what a great Church decision should be." Then he declares this statement "evangelically sound." Thus the utmost effort was made to secure for this so-called "settlement" full and unquestioned acceptance. To this end, after making such strong statements, the editor closes the columns against all further discussion.

There can be no doubt that so far as any individual of the Board of Regents is concerned, he had the right to make that deliverance; but that the Board of Regents had either the right or power to make such an agreement "in the name of the whole Church" is open to very grave question.

Then the editor goes on to say: "To have made the discovery in the name of the whole Church, that the difference between an alert and intelligent conservatism and a reverent and reasoned criticism is in no sense a fundamental one, is the achievement of the framers of this declaration." Have they made such a discovery? The effort is thus made to persuade all concerned that the difference referred to is not fundamental to Christian faith. Only a superficial thinker can accept of such a statement.