

buildings and endowment of a first-class University, made it an opportune time to decide what was best for the interests of our Church and the country. On the 9th of January this scheme was fully discussed and considered at a largely-attended meeting of the Board of Regents of Victoria University. The following is the report of its action, as sent to the daily papers, I believe, by the Secretary :—

A resolution expressing approval of the general principle of Confederation was moved by Judge Dean, and seconded by Rev. Dr. Burwash. An amendment was moved by Rev. Dr. Sutherland, and seconded by Mr. McLaren. Both resolution and amendment were withdrawn in favour of a resolution moved by Rev. Dr. Carman, which was considered and voted upon clause by clause, alterations being made as the discussion proceeded. When the meeting had agreed upon the wording of the resolution it was adopted with virtual unanimity. The resolution as adopted is as follows :—

Inasmuch as a proposal is made to the Board of Regents, with the sanction of the Minister of Education of the Province of Ontario, to form a Federation of Colleges in one Provincial University ; and inasmuch as the Methodist people of the country, in all branches of our Methodism, have always declared themselves willing to accept and maintain a system of University education that would secure on the one hand the higher culture in sciences and arts, under proper religious influences and safeguards, and on the other hand equality in privileges, advantages, and academic standing of the youth of the country ; and inasmuch as the general principle of Federation embodied in the present memorandum, forwarded to the Board under the approbation of the Minister of Education, is in harmony with the principles we have so long cherished ; we express our readiness as a Board, on educational and patriotic grounds, to join in such a Federation and to move the proper authorities of our Church thereto as they may determine, provided the following conditions are made :—

1. Equitable compensation to all Colleges united in the Federation for the losses incident to their entering the Federation.
2. The perfect equality of all Colleges, University College included, in their relations to and rights in the Provincial University.
3. Such an arrangement as shall secure to the alumni of all the Colleges an equitable representation in perpetuity.
4. That the chairman of the University Professoriate be appointed by the Government.
5. That the transfer of subjects from the University College course to the course under the University Professoriate, or *vice versa*, shall be made only by a three-fourths majority of the Senate.

FURTHER MODIFICATIONS OF THE SCHEME.

We have satisfactory ground for saying, that the following modifications will be incorporated in the Bill, when it is submitted to the Legislature : (1) That a three-fourths vote of the Senate shall be necessary to transfer subjects from the University Faculty to University College, or *vice versa* : (2) That the name of the Provincial University shall be the University of Ontario : (3) That the graduates of all the Confederating Colleges shall be graduates of the Provincial University, with equal rights as members of convocation, etc. : (4) That the graduates of the Confederating Colleges shall have equal