

I am a Minister, and Moderator of the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland. I think it is only fair the Committee should understand of what spirit at least some of the gentlemen are, in regard to those who honestly and conscientiously hold an opposite opinion. I think there might be common courtesy and common fairness shown. We have not hurled epithets at those on the other side. We have always spoken of them with kindness. We have not objected to them going into the union; we wish them God speed.

PRINCIPAL GRANT.—We cannot allow Mr. Lang to take the name of the Old Kirk, simply because that would unchurch ourselves. They call us secessionists, and other similarly absurd terms. We must call them anti-Unionists, for if we give them our name we unchurch ourselves.

THE CHAIRMAN.—I did not intend to decide the question. I used the word Kirk for shortness, as the other distinction is a very long one, and takes some time to utter. We will now hear Mr. McLean.

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