

## PREFACE.

In our preface last year we expressed *hope* of Union between the four Presbyterian Churches of the Dominion of Canada. This year, our *Book* deals with the Union as an accomplished fact. In order that the ministers and members of the Presbyterian Church of Canada may be informed of the condition previous to Union of the respective Churches, a summary view is given of the Proceedings of the four Supreme Courts to hour of Union, along with the Work of the preceding year of each of the four Churches. It must be left to next year to tell of the Proceedings, Acts and Work of the United Church.

We are able this year to present a very complete summary of the Presbyterian Churches in the United States, and for this fact special thanks are due the Clerks, without a single exception, of the Supreme Courts of the Presbyterian Churches in the Republic.

Information from Europe is fuller than last year; but, from various causes, it is not yet as complete as our information in regard to the Presbyterianism of the American Continent.

We wish to thank correspondents and contributors who have helped us in the work, and to ask again as last year, for such corrections and suggestions as may help to advance the correctness and completeness of this *Book* as a yearly record of the progress of the Presbyterian Church.

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