

80 Kirk Sessions vote yea.
 12 " " " nay.
 46 send no return.
 95 Congregations vote yea.
 10 " " nay.
 45 " send no return.

The strength of the minority is something more than a corporal's guard. We can with truth affirm that the dissatisfaction is increasing. Instead of the harmony that was prophesied, bitter feuds have arisen in the congregations professedly in the union. The Kirk men and the Free men, in the Presbyteries, are as distinct as ever they were. The Assembly at Halifax was shamefully packed—admittedly packed. A near approach was made to a second departure on the Macdonell heresy of the limited liability scheme, and the overture from the Paris Presbytery for removing Queen's College, Kingston, to Toronto. Dr. Jenkins assumed the office of head-pacificator and general confessor, and prayers and tears plenteously followed, with a jointure in prospect of the Rev. Doctor of St. Paul's being hoisted into a Professor's chair.

A nos montons. It is gravely affirmed in order to overthrow the pretensions of Lang, Burnet & Co., that an *extra-constitutional* precaution was taken to make the spoliation of property and the disposal of our honoured name legal; sent down to congregations, forsooth. Who ever heard, but the Expositor and such like him, of an extra-constitutional precaution? Such a principle does not exist in any church, far less in the Presbyterian.

Extra precaution, indeed! To the right thinking and sober members of all the churches, such test will carry with it its own condemnation—a breach of constitutional action. No man, no body of men, can by any pretended resolution of a majority of a church court, make wrong right. Presbyterianism knows only of the congregation through its representative, the Kirk Session. The chicanery, jugglery, mean, contemptible action practised by certain ministers of union proclivities, in carrying out the union, merit the reprobation of all right-thinking men. In some cases the merest handful of people voted away and bartered, at the bidding of their clerical superiors, the blood-