

it was a matter of little difference whether they served in one church or in another. Probably their having been already in many church connections rendered it facile to jump from one into another. Mr. Robert Campbell is singularly unfortunate in quoting Minutes of Synod, 1832, page 32, and in asserting that such action was a precedent for the foolish resolution of 1875, page 35. In 1832 the Synod resolved that "the ministers of the United Synod of Upper Canada produce the extracts of their ordination to the Presbyteries of this Church, * * * and that they, together with the sessions, or the representatives of their respective congregations, shall declare their adherence to the standards of the Church of Scotland, as to doctrine, discipline, government and worship."

Such instructions were forwarded to the members of the United Synod of Upper Canada. We stand corrected if such expressions can be construed as Mr. Robert Campbell has done "with their congregations *in a body*." The Expositor of the Pretensions must have imagined the firm of Lang, Burnet & Co., very unsophisticated to think to lead them to believe that there is a parallelism between the cases of 1832 and of 1875. The resolution of 1875 declares "that the United Church shall be considered *identical* with the Presbyterian Church of Canada in connection with the Church of Scotland." Now, our impression is that no resolution of anybody, cleric or laic, could make things that differ identical. The Church to which we (the firm) belong is governed by Kirk Sessions, Presbyteries and Synods. The admitted Church was governed by Kirk Sessions, Synods and Assemblies. The order was different, the government different; parties, by the resolution, were admitted to our Church who had no business there, who had not sought admittance, and who differed essentially in many important theological views from the constitutional principles of our Church.

Mr. Robert Campbell admits that his memory is not just of the best. Let me remind him of the returns to the remit on union:—

8 Presbyteries vote yea.

3 send no return.