

time under the old law, and much difficulty was experienced in arranging them in the several schools. It was found that nearly all the school accommodation was exhausted, and but little room left for future applicants.

A correspondent of the Witness writing from New Glasgow says:—"We have good schools in New Glasgow in spite of the bad law. We took advantage of the law of 1864, and there was not a solitary man at our annual meeting who did not disapprove of the changes of 1865.

LUNENBURG—Cases of real hardship under the law of 1865 have come under our notice. We hope however that people will not look for too much from the law, or from the Treasury.

SHELburne.—A friend informs us that here the number of schools in operation is not large, but that they are better than in previous years. A revision of the law is expected.—Ib.

The School Law has to bear much opprobrium, that really belongs to the Assessment Law. In cases of injustice arising from the inequality and unfairness in the amount parties are rated in a section or district, the remedy should be sought by a revision in the Assessment Act, and the odium would not fall on the School Law.

We believe, however, that it is proposed to introduce some changes, which will doubtless prove to be amendments.

SACKVILLE ACADEMY BURNED TO THE GROUND.—We much regret to learn the destruction of this handsome and valuable building on Tuesday evening last.

The St. John Telegraph gives the following account of the fire:

"The origin of the fire is uncertain. Smoke was discovered in the wash-room about half past six o'clock. A quantity of tallow was on the fire, for some purpose, in the kitchen. This may have ignited and caused the trouble. By 8 o'clock there were but a few blazing posts and a wide space of charred wood. The conflagration was grand and terrible beyond description. The Students are all safe. Some have lost a part, others all their clothing, books, &c. The Principal, Dr. Pickard, has lost a splendid library and apparatus, besides many stores belonging to the institution. Professor David Allison was in an adjoining neighbour's at tea with his lady. They saved nothing from the fire but their dear infant boy,—furniture, clothing, &c., are all consumed. He resided in one apartment of the Academy. Mr. Towse, the Steward of the household has been also a sufferer to a considerable extent in property. Some danger was apprehended to surrounding buildings, but none resulted. The College building is large and will contain all the Students. The Academic operations will not be retarded for any length of time. Much sympathy is expressed, and every kindness will doubtless be shown by the inhabitants."

It was reported that a servant, Mrs. Read, had perished in the building, but this we learn was incorrect.

We learn from another quarter that the whole of the furniture and apparatus was burned. The loss is estimated at \$36,000. Insurance was effected to the amount of \$12,000. Dr. DeWolfe came to Halifax on Saturday last, in reference to the sad loss. The College building is sufficiently large to accommodate the Academy students and we understand that the operations of the institution will be carried on therein.

CHRISTIAN LABOR ON BEHALF OF THE SAILOR.—The St. John N. B. Mariners' Friend Association, of which the Rev. James Spencer is the agent, have published their report of last year's proceedings. It shows the mode of proceeding and the amount of labor expended as follows:—

"In prosecuting his work, your Missionary has spent the Sabbath as follows:—

From 9 o'clock, A. M. till half past twelve o'clock, P. M. visiting ships and boarding-houses to which he could gain access; distributing tracts; and during the fine weather in summer, when opportunity offered, holding service on board some ship; at the same time inviting seamen to attend preaching at the Marine Hall.

Seven hundred and eighty vessels have been visited on the Lord's Day, and a large number during the week when seamen were on duty, and time did not permit them to hold much conversation. Eighty sermons were preached. One hundred and fifty visits made to sick seamen, and twenty thousand pages of tracts distributed.

These feeble efforts put forth, we humbly trust the Great Head of the Church will in His Infinite wisdom assist in aiding to bring about

the fulfilment of His blessed promise "the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto Thee."

POLITICAL.—A vacancy has occurred in the representation of Yarmouth, by the resignation of Mr. George S. Brown. In his address to the Electors, he gives two reasons for taking this step: 1st. The alteration in the Franchise, which came into effect in June, 1865, in his opinion renders the present representatives illegally elected; and 2nd, he believes that the Government and the majority following them have for a long time failed to command the confidence of the country.

The Morning Chronicle remarks upon this:—

"There cannot be a doubt, we think, as to correctness of Mr. Brown's views, although we may question the propriety of his retirement from the Legislature, unless it be to test the soundness of the opinions he entertains by an appeal to one of the most intelligent constituencies in the Province."

The Legislature is summoned to meet for the dispatch of business, on Thursday the 22nd of February.

We have not heard if the above vacancy will be filled by the electors of Yarmouth, before the coming session, but presume that it will.

MURDOCH'S HISTORY OF NOVA SCOTIA, No. 11, is received. It goes into the troubles between the English and French, on the Ohio river. George Washington was then a British subject, 22 years of age, a colonel in the militia. This number brings the history down to 1756. The question of the expulsion of the Acadians is opened up, and new light is thrown on the hitherto doubtful policy of the course adopted, with them. This number is full of instruction.

NEW SUMMARY.

The news by the R. M. S. Steamer, which arrived on Saturday is very scant, nothing of any moment appears to have occurred in Europe for the preceding fortnight.

Much speculation is afloat as to the measures likely to be pursued by Earl Russell at the approaching Session of the Legislature. His task would appear somewhat difficult amid the conflicting claims of parties. It is supposed a heavy onset will be made against the ministry by the Conservatives for their recalc of the Governor of Jamaica, without having first given him an opportunity of excusing himself. The feeling, however, excited throughout England by the proceedings of the local Government of Jamaica was such that no minister would have dared to defer immediate action, and Governor Eyre's conduct even on his own showing had been such as strongly to condemn the rashness and barbarity of the Island authorities. Another chief point of attack on Earl Russell's administration will be on the question of Parliamentary Reform. It is known that the Premier is in favor of a pretty large extension of the franchise, but probably to a much less extent than would satisfy the extreme liberal party, while the opposition, headed by Lord Derby and D'Israeli, will seize every opportunity to defeat the Government, perhaps even bidding higher for popular favor by offering a larger measure of Reform.

The general policy of Europe is at present far more pacific than usual. The crisis of affairs in Mexico and the course which the French Emperor will pursue are the chief subjects of speculation in future relations between France and the United States.

Nothing further has transpired to lead to any probable conjecture on the subject of reciprocity. The delegates from the Provinces are now at the American seat of Government, but the result of their conferences is not likely to be known for some time to come.

The next Lecture before the above society, will be delivered by the Rev. E. A. CRAWLEY, D. D., in the Vestry of the Baptist Meeting-house, Wolfville, on Thursday evening, Feb. 1st, at 7 o'clock, P. M. SUBJECT:—Reminiscences of the 'South.' GEORGE E. TUTTS, Cor. Sec.

The Rev. A. Martell, of Tusket, arrived in Halifax, on Saturday evening, and is supplying the North Baptist Church, until he can be replaced by his successor.

The Cape Breton Quarterly Meeting and Ministerial Conference, will be held (D. V.) with the Baptist Church in Sydney, commencing on Saturday, Feb. 24th, at 2 o'clock, P. M. A full attendance of ministers and other brethren is requested. A Missionary Meeting will also be held in the Chapel on the previous evening, on which occasion, the attendance of the Brethren is also solicited.

W. B. BOGGS, Sydney, C. B., Jan. 4, 1866.

Letters Received.

- C. Jost, Esq., (2), 2 subs. Asaph Whitman, 1 sub., \$16. I. McNayr, Esq., 1 sub. B. B. Moses, Esq., 1 sub., \$10. Rev. W. Dobson, \$4. Rev. Jas. Reid. Rev. J. Bancroft, 1 sub. Chas. Bill, Esq., \$4. W. J. Gates, \$2. W. H. Webster.—Paper sent in parcel to J. Palmeter, Beech Hill. Ezra Layton, 1 sub. W. F. Cutten, Esq., 2 subs.—Has been sent to M. P. from Jan. 1st. J. F. Foster, \$5. W. Armstrong, Esq., \$8. W. T. Waterman, \$2. Rev. Dr. Tupper, \$4. A. Marshall, Esq. J. P. Payson. Rev. S. Richardson, 1 sub. Rev. G. Armstrong. W. W. Barbour. Rev. M. P. Freeman.—all right. G. W. Freeman, \$17, 2 subs. F. Habley. T. H. Patten, \$5, 1 sub. G. V. Rand, (2), 1 sub. G. Cogswell, Esq., \$4. Rev. A. S. Hunt. W. R. Doty, \$14. Rev. J. C. Morse, \$4. Alex. Logan, \$4. Rev. D. A. Steele. Rev. W. G. Goucher. J. Whitman, \$3, 1 sub. Rev. S. McLeod, \$5s., P. E. L. M. Kinsman, \$4. Weston Hall, Esq., \$20. Dr. W. L. Bent, \$10. J. Wheelock, Esq., \$2. O. H. Cogswell, \$8. Ward Eaton, Esq., \$16.

General Intelligence.

Domestic.

Provincial Secretary's Office, 16th Jan., 1866.

APPOINTMENTS:

Inverness Co.—To be an Officer for the Protection of the Revenue at Cheticamp. Donald McFarlane, in place of Walter Lawrence, resigned.

Cape Breton Co.—To be Controller of Customs at Little Glace Bay—Charles H. Rigby, in place of C. Rigby, deceased.

Yarmouth Co.—To be School Commissioners for Yarmouth—Charles W. Clements, Stephen N. Allen, in place of Samuel Brown and Josiah Raymond, resigned.

Colchester Co.—To be a Justice of the Peace—James Graham, in place of A. McLeod, removed. To be a School Commissioners for the District of Sterling—William J. McKay, in place of Angus McLeod, removed from the District.

Lunenburg Co.—To be an Issuer of Marriage Licenses—Reuben McFarlane, Petite Riviere. To be Deputy Registrars of Births, Marriages and Deaths—Jacob Witrow, Upper Rawdon, Hants Co., Henry Smith, Falmouth, Sherman Caldwell, Gaspereaux, King's Co.

POPULAR LECTURES.—Professors DeMill and Lawson are each giving a course of Lectures in Dalhousie College. The former on History on Friday evenings, and the latter on Chemistry on Wednesdays. Professor DeMill's lecture last week, was attended by a large and highly respectable audience. His first lecture was on "the Ancient World."—The second, last Friday, "The Church." Next Friday it will be "The Teuton."

SAD ACCIDENT.—The Hon. Samuel Chipman was riding in the woods on Monday the 15th, when on crossing a brook his horse reared and fell back on him, doing him serious injury, and breaking his pelvis bone. He was found by some Indians in a helpless condition, and removed to his residence, our readers will be glad to learn that his injuries although of a very serious nature, are not likely to prove fatal. Being in his 76th year, will however render the recovery less speedy or certain.

The steamship Kangaroo of the Inman line, from Liverpool to New York, put into this port on Monday for coals. She was 22 1/2 days out, and experienced head winds the entire passage. She had on board 195 passengers.

The Wesleyan Chapel at Summerside, P. E. I., took fire a few days since from some hot ashes being carelessly thrown in a wooden box, which was placed in the wood closet. The damage amounted to about £40.

Canada.

PUBLIC DINNER AT WESTON.—The Rev. John B. Logan, M. A., Head Master Weston County Grammar School, was entertained at a public dinner at the Eagle Hall, Weston, on Friday last, when a large number of gentlemen presented him with an address expressing their high esteem and attachment to him and his estimable partner (Mrs. Logan), and their deep regret at their departure from among them. Speeches were made by a number of gentlemen, and frequent mention was made of his superior talents for the position he has occupied here for eight and a half-years past, his kind manner and his gentlemanly and christian conduct. On Friday morning the pupils of the school presented an address to him, with a very valuable telescope, as mementoes of their affection and regard. Also, on Wednesday last, the Congregation to whom he ministered had a social tea together, and presented an address to him with a pocket-book well lined with the "needful" and a very nice Bible. This morning (Christmas Day) the platform of the station was literally crowded with persons waiting to get a hearty shake of the hands, and to express their best wishes for his success in his new field of labor. Many an eye was suffused in tears as Mr. Logan and family entered the cars for Boston, en route for Halifax.—Long will they live in the affectionate remembrance of the people of Weston.—Globe.

The gentleman referred to in the above, has removed to this city, for the purpose of commencing an Academy. We doubt not the highly respectable position he occupies, will secure for him a good share of public favor and patronage.

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