

Christian Messenger.

HALIFAX, MAY 8, 1867.

The last session of the Legislature under our present constitution is now closed, and we may consider this, our country in a state of transition...

The Quarterly Session of the Grand Division of the Sons of Temperance was held at Berwick on Tuesday and Wednesday in last week.

Certain irregularities and illegal procedures in one of the Divisions occupied the attention of the Grand Division.

NEWS SUMMARY.

The English Mail Steamer China arrived about 1/2 past 11 on Monday night, after a very stormy passage.

event will cause much sorrow amongst Mr. Cogswell's extensive family connections. Among the passengers were the Hon. Joseph Howe and Mr. Andrew Downs.

Notices, &c.

Baptist Anniversaries.

THE NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION will meet at Canning, commencing on Saturday, the 9th day of June, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

French Mission.

There will be a meeting of the French Mission Board at Hebron, on Tuesday the 21st day of May, at 2 o'clock, P. M.

Temperance Convention.

A meeting will be held in the Temperance Hall, Gore, Hants County, on the 2nd Wednesday of June, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Acadia Athenaeum.

The next lecture before the Athenaeum will be delivered in the vestry of the Baptist Meeting-house, Wolfville, by Robert L. Weatherbe, Esq.

All letters and papers for me should be directed to Argyle, Yarmouth Co.

Acadia College.

MATRICULATION.—The Examination of Candidates for Matriculation will occupy two days, viz. Thursday and Friday, May 30th and 31st.

For the convenience of those who may not be able to attend on the above mentioned days, two other days will be appointed, in the latter end of August, of which due notice will be given.

Letters Received.

J. A. Walker. Rev. A. Shields. D. McLean.—Rev. D. W. C. Dimock, \$2 50. J. D. Masters. J. King, Esq., \$1. M. Kinsman, \$5. Rev. J. L. Read. M. Lusby. Rev. Jos. H. Saunders. Rev. M. Ross, \$4.70. Rev. J. Murray. D. Thomas. W. H. Chipman, Esq., \$4. H. W. Crawley, Esq.—Much obliged.

General Intelligence.

Domestic.

Provincial Secretary's Office. 30th April, 1867.

APPOINTMENTS:

Annapolis Co.—To be Masters in the Supreme Court.—James Gray, Edward Cowling. Cape Breton Co.—To be School Commissioners.—Revs. Alexander Farquarson, Paul Prestwood, Joseph Chisholm.—To be a Coroner.—Duncan McLarty. To be Justices of the Peace:—Duncan McLarty, George S. Brown, John Belcher Moore, William K. Moore, Arnold Holmes, Angus McAulay, T. William Hill, Robert Martin, Allan McLean, Roderick McNeil. Port of Little Bras d'Or to be a Port of Entry and Clearance. To be Collector of Colonial Duties &c., Patrick Collins. Colchester Co.—To be Justices of the Peace:—John Dickson, Samuel S. Morrison, Harris Fulmore, Daniel Hill. Halifax Co.—To be a School Commissioner for the Shore District.—Rev. Edward A. McCurdy. Antigonish Co.—To be School Commissioners.—Revs. William B. McLeod, William Chisholm, Peter Fiset.—Robert Trotter, Esq., William MacDonald, Esq., Thomas M. King, Esq. Victoria Co.—To be a Justice of the Peace:—John McRae. Pictou Co.—To be Justices of the Peace:—John Cummings, Fox Brook; James Cummings, Blanchard, instead of Fox Brook, as appears by previous Gazette.

Guyborough Co.—To be a School Commissioner.—Rev. E. Gelling. Digby Co.—To be a Port of Entry in Long Island.—Freeport. To be Collector of Colonial Duties:—Isaiah Thurbar. Hants Co.—To be School Commissioners for West Hants:—Rev. H. McKeown, in place of James Elder, removed. Kings Co.—To be a Commissioner of the Middle Village Dyke.—William H. Cogswell. Lunenburg Co.—To be a Trustee of Public Lands in the Town of Lunenburg:—Casper Silver, in place of John Young, deceased. To be Seizing Officer at Port Chester, in said County.—George Mills. Yarmouth Co.—To be Justice of the Peace: Thomas Dane. To be Deputy Surveyor for the County of Cape Breton, Hugh R. McKenzie. Also, the Ports of Canning, Horton, Mahone Bay, Port Gilbert, Weymouth, and Bear River, to be Warehousing Ports.

POLITICAL.—The Public Meeting of the friends of the Union of the British Provinces held in the Temperance Hall, on Tuesday last, was crowded—densely packed—by respectable citizens long before the time announced.

Andrew McKinlay, Esq., Custos of the county, was in the chair, and W. Compton, Esq., Secretary. His Worship the Mayor, M. H. Richey, Esq., proposed, and Benjamin Wier, Esq., seconded, that JOHN TOBIN, Esq., M. P. P., be nominated as a fit and proper person to represent the County of Halifax in the House of Commons at Ottawa; which being put passed by acclamation, Mr. Tobin returned thanks for the enthusiastic manner in which his name was received, and then addressed the meeting at considerable length.

John S. McLean, Esq., moved that P. C. HILL, Esq., be nominated a candidate for the Local Legislature of Nova Scotia. This motion was seconded by M. D. Daly, Esq., Barrister at-Law, and also passed by acclamation. Mr. Hill then addressed the electors. D. McNeil Parker, Esq., M. D., proposed the Hon. S. L. SHANNON, M. P. P., as a candidate for the House of Commons of the Dominion of Canada. Alderman Conway, seconded the nomination; which, being put from the chair, passed by acclamation. Mr. Shannon then addressed the assemblage. David Falconer, Esq., proposed Alderman STEPHEN TOBIN, as a candidate for the Local Legislature of Nova Scotia. Which motion was seconded by Francis Webber, Esq., of Sackville; and, being put from the chair, passed by acclamation.

Robert Logan, Esq., of Musquodoboit, proposed, and John Doull, Esq., seconded, that GEORGE McLEOD, Esq., of Middle Musquodoboit, be a candidate for the Local Legislature. Which motion, being put by the Chairman, also passed by acclamation. Mr. McLeod addressed the electors. The Hon. Dr. Tupper, A. G. Archibald, Esq., and the Hon. Attorney General, being loudly called for, each addressed the meeting. On motion of W. J. Coleman, Esq., his Honor the Custos was asked to vacate the chair, and his Worship the Mayor was called thereto. On motion of W. J. Coleman, Esq., seconded by P. Lynch, Esq., a vote of thanks was passed to A. McKinlay, Esq., for the manner in which he presided over the meeting. Three cheers were then given for the Queen, and three more for the Union candidates.

There were occasional jocular interruptions from some young men under the galleries, as is commonly the case at such miscellaneous assemblages. With this exception the meeting was a highly respectable and orderly one—terminating about 1/2 past 11 o'clock, P. M.

The Candidates for HALIFAX County at the ensuing election, will therefore stand as follows:—

Table with columns: FOR UNION, FOR ANTI-CONFEDERATION. Lists names of candidates for the House of Commons and the N. S. House of Assembly.

CUMBERLAND COUNTY.—We learn from the Amherst Gazette that a political gathering was held at Amherst, on Wednesday last. After considerable time being occupied in endeavouring to construct a platform, a committee was appointed to nominate persons as candidates for the Dominion and the Legislature, and adjourned to meet again in the evening.

"At 7 o'clock the Convention reassembled when the Committee reported: The Hon. Joseph Howe, of Halifax, the Candidate for Ottawa; and Mr. Amos Parry, of Wentworth, and Mr. Daniel Lugsley, of Nappan, for the Local Legislature.

As the Candidates are all very respectable men, and not any of them at all likely to run, the nominations were received unanimously."

The telegraph line was cut near Margaret's Bay on Tuesday 30th ult., and thirty feet of wire stolen.

An act passed the House of Assembly on Tuesday, authorizing the City Council to appoint inspectors of petroleum, coal oil and burning fluid, for the City of Halifax. The law provides that no oils of that nature shall be sold without inspection, under a penalty of \$500, or in default six month's imprisonment in the county jail. All oils manufactured in the Province must be inspected before being offered for sale.—Id.

DROWNED.—The dead body of a man named McKenna was found in the water at the North West Arm, on Thursday. The deceased belonged to Prince Edward Island, and arrived here by the steamer Commerce on Wednesday last. An inquest was held on the body yesterday, and a verdict of "accidental death" was returned.—Express.

The American schooner Walton, which arrived here on Friday from Portland, brought two locomotives, manufactured in Canada for our Railway Department.

SUPREME COURT.—On Friday last Chapman was tried for breaking into the Crusher at Waverly, the jury could not agree and he was discharged. For the prosecution J. R. Smith, Q. C. and W. A. Johnston, Esqrs. For the Defence Jos. Coombes, and Joseph Weeks, Esqrs. On Saturday the trial of Mackasey, and the girl Smith took place. For the prosecution, J. R. Smith, and W. A. Johnston. W. A. D. Morse, and Jos. Coombes, for the defence.

ON THE CIVIL SIDE.—King vs. McCoy, for the value of a horse alleged to have been killed by over driving. The Jury did not agree.

Vaun vs. McLean to recover possession of a field in Spring Gardens resulted in a verdict for Plaintiff.

O'Donnell vs. Honeyman; verdict for Defendant.

The action was brought for a picture of a squaw alleged to have been purchased by Defendant, who denied the purchase and denied that it was sent to the Dublin Exhibition to be sold there at a fixed price for the Plaintiff, and that no sale could be obtained.—For Plaintiff, R. L. Weatherbe and B. H. Eaton, Esquires,—for Defendant, B. G. Gray, Esq.

Brown vs. Hayden for extra work in building a house. Garvie vs. Penny for libel, verdict for the Plaintiff. Damages \$100.

The Amherst Gazette says: "There was a good run of Gaspereaux in the La Planche last Saturday, and all hands were enabled to get a fresh fry. The catch this week has not been so good."

We regret to learn that a quartz crusher at Waverly, owned by Mr. Faulkner, was destroyed by fire on Monday night of last week.

TELEGRAPHY.—The Western Union Telegraph Company is about to erect a couple of new wires on the line between Cape Breton and New York, running through Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Maine, etc.

On Friday last a laborer named William Davis fell from a stage on the upper story of the Provincial Building, and was seriously, if not fatally, injured.

A bill has passed the Legislature to incorporate the Halifax Express and Omnibus Company. We learn that it is the intention of this Company to run in opposition to the Halifax City Railway Company.

QUEENS CO.—Mr. James L. Hemmeor, is appointed agent for the sale of liquors for medicinal, mechanical, and manufacturing purposes at Liverpool, at a salary of \$40 per year.

ROBBERY AT LIVERPOOL.—The house of Mr. Joshua Moody, in this town, was entered on Thursday night last, by means of a window in the rear, and jewelry, etc., to the value of about \$300 abstracted therefrom. Among the articles stolen, was a valuable cross of the Legion of Honor, of the time of Louis IX., A. D. 1698. On Friday morning two young men named Charles W. Winney and Eli Bonenfant were committed to jail for trial at Supreme Court, being unable to procure bail.—Transcript.

SAD ACCIDENT AT WAVERLEY.—A Cornish miner named Hollow was killed at Waverley on Friday last. He was working in No. 5 shaft, on the "Lake Major Lead," when a rock fell from above knocking away the stage on which he was standing, and throwing him into the shaft. He fell 26 feet, striking on a stick of timber, and was killed instantly. An inquest was held before John Lingly, Esq., J. P., and a verdict returned in accordance with the above facts. The deceased was a sober, industrious man. He leaves a wife and five children in England to mourn his untimely death.

Ald. J. D. Nash, the representative for Ward 3, has resigned his seat at the Council Board. This will necessitate an election at an early day.

The body of the man Keefe, who has been missing from his home for some time, was found on Saturday morning last floating in the water near the Richmond depot.

WHAT DOCTORS, MINISTERS, AND PROFESSORS THINK OF THEM.—"I recommend their use to public speakers."—Rev. E. H. Chapin. "I have never charged my mind respecting 'Brown's Bronchial Troches' from the first, excepting to think better of that which I began thinking well of."—Rev. Henry Ward Beecher. "Great service in subduing boarsness."—Rev. Daniel Wise, New York. "The Troches are a staff of life to me."—Prof. Edward North, President of Hamilton College, Clinton, N. Y. "A simple and elegant combination for Coughs, etc."—Dr. G. F. Bigelow, Boston.

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