

Why then does our excellent friend now make such an ado about the mere *dy-whom* "an outward ceremony" was administered? As a straight-forward and faithful Baptist, we protest against THE WHOLE of "Sister Loretta's" doings—in administrator, mode, and subject, we say it was totally unauthorized and wrong.

In our notice of the Governors of Acadia College elected at the Baptist Convention we made a slight mistake. We stated that the retiring members were re-elected &c. We should have said with the exception of Rev. A. D. Thompson, in place of whom the Rev. W. A. McKenzie was elected.

PROFESSOR OF NATURAL SCIENCE FOR ACADIA COLLEGE.—The following is a list of Subscriptions for the support of a Professor of Natural Science in Acadia College obtained at the recent session of the Baptist Convention,—said subscriptions to be continued annually for three years, commencing, should the services of said Professor be secured this year, in September, 1868, or as soon afterwards as the man can be obtained:—

- Rev. John Francis, \$40
D. M. Welton, .40
S. B. Kempton, .40
A. H. Munro, .40
D. Steele, .40
Z. G. Gabel, Esq., .40
Rev. T. H. Porter, Jr., .40
W. Ackhurst, Esq., .40
Rev. W. H. Porter, .20
J. F. Marsters, Esq., .40
J. W. Bars, Esq., .40
Rev. E. M. Saunders, \$40
T. Harley, .80
John Davis and M. P. Freeman, } 40
I. Wallace, .40
B. H. Eaton, Esq., .40
C. Clinch, Esq., .40
R. M. King, Esq., .40
Rev. G. F. Miles, .40
T. H. Rand, Esq., .40
Rev. S. March, .20

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION CONVENTION.—Circulars have been sent we believe to all the ministers of the different religious denominations inviting them to meet with the Convention in Halifax, on Thursday the 17th day of September.

The following are designed as the principal topics which it is proposed to discuss at the Convention.

- 1. Brief reports of Christian work in the different Sections of the Provinces—including reports from Associations, by their Representatives. (Delegates will please come prepared to report from their respective localities.)
2. Causes of apathy in young men towards religion.
3. The Unity of the Christian Church; and our duty in the light of Christ's example.
4. How far "am I my brother's keeper?"

We are informed that answers, accepting the invitations, have been already received from about 120 delegates. We are requested to state that if any Christian Ministers have by any means failed to receive a copy of the Circular, they will nevertheless be cordially welcomed by the Association.

Disallowance of Provincial Acts—Despatch relative thereto.

The following is the report of the reception of the Disallowance Order in the Legislative Council.

Hon. Treasurer, by command of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, laid before the House the copy of a letter to the Lieut. Governor dated 17th June, 1868, from the Hon. Hector L. Langevin, Secretary of State for the Provinces, enclosing copy of the order in Council and memorandum of the Hon. Minister of Justice therein referred to, on the subject of the powers of Disallowance of the Acts of the Local Legislatures possessed by Government of the Dominion.

(The minister of Justice in his memorandum states that, the under present constitution of Canada, the General Government will be called upon to consider the propriety of Allowance and Disallowance of Provincial Acts, much more frequently than Her Majesty's Government has been required to do with respect to Colonial enactments. He further observes that in deciding whether any Act of a Provincial Legislature should be disallowed or sanctioned, the Government must not only consider whether it affects the interest of the whole Dominion or not, but also whether it be unconstitutional, whether it exceeds the Jurisdiction conferred on Local Legislatures, and in cases where the Jurisdiction is concurrent whether it clashes with legislation of the General Parliament. He recommends that as it is of importance that the course of Local Legislation should be interfered with as a little as possible, and the power of Disallowance exercised with great caution, and only in cases where the law and general interests of the Dominion imperatively demand it, that the following course should be pursued:—
That on the receipt of the Acts passed in any Province, they be referred to the Minister of Justice for report, and that he, with all con-

venient speed, do report as those Acts which he considers free from objection of any kind; and if such report be approved by His Excellency (the Governor General) in Council, and that such approval be forthwith communicated to the Provincial Governments.

That he make a separate report or separate reports on those acts which he may consider—

- 1. As being altogether illegal or unconstitutional.
2. As illegal or unconstitutional in part.
3. In cases of concurrent jurisdiction as clashing with the legislation of the General Parliament.
4. As affecting the interests of the Dominion generally.

And that in such report or reports he give his reasons for his opinion.

That when a measure is considered only partially defective, or where objectionable as being prejudicial to the general interests of the Dominion, or as clashing with its legislation, communication should be had with the Provincial Government with respect to such measure, and that in such cases the Act should be disallowed if the general interests permit such a course, until the Local Government has an opportunity of considering and discussing the objections taken, and the Local Legislature has also an opportunity of considering and discussing the objections taken, and the Local Legislature has also an opportunity of remedying the defect found to exist.

The Minute or Order of Council approves of this memorandum.)

We have several communications, received too late for our present issue, but which will appear in our next.

Notices, &c.

Received for Foreign Mission.

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Aug. 14. North Sydney Sabbath School, to support native preacher, \$80 00
George Johnson, Wilmot, 2 00
A. T., H. H., and J. L. Morse, to support 2 Karen preachers, 100 00
24. Lady in Truro Church for n. p. 40 00
Sabbath Schools of 1st Cornwallis Church, do. 100 00
2nd Cambridge (N. B.) Church, collected at Monthly Concert for Foreign Mission, 7 04
Newcastle Church, Miramichi, 5 00
North Esk Church, do. 3 00
Mrs. Jessie Harding, 4 00
25. Rev. David Crandall, 1 00
Eva Burns, for heathen children Charlottetown, (P. E. I.) Mite collections, 22 20
29. N. B. Missionary Society, 223 64
N. H. Dobson, to support n. p. 25 00
J. Moser, Shediac, 2 00
For the support of Miss DeWolfe.
Aug. 25. Mrs. Joseph Shaw, Yarmouth, 4 00
Collection at Charlottetown, 9 17 1/2
CHARLES TUPPER, Secretary.
Aylesford, Sept. 2, 1868.

The Colchester Co. Baptist Sabbath School Convention will be held at DeBert River, Londonderry, on Friday the 26th inst., at half-past 2 o'clock, P. M. As this is our Annual Session, it is hoped that every school will be represented. T. B. LATTON, Sec'y. Londonderry, Sept 1868.

The Western N. B. Association of Baptist Churches holds its twenty-first anniversary with the Baptist Church of St. George. The session opens on Thursday the 17th inst., at 2 o'clock, P. M.

The next Quarterly Meeting of the Ministers of Queen's, Shelburne and Lunenburg Counties, will be held at Milton, commencing Thursday, Sept. 24th, at 2 o'clock, P. M. R. D. PORTER, Secretary. Locke's Island, Sept. 3rd., 1868.

The Domestic Missionary Board of the Western Baptist Association of Nova Scotia, and the Annapolis County Ministerial Conference, will meet (D. V.) at the Pine Grove Baptist Parsonage, on Tuesday, the 15th Sept., at 10 o'clock, A. M. Important business of both bodies require a full attendance. A public Temperance Meeting will be held at the Grove Meeting house, on Monday evening, and Preaching on Tuesday evening at 7 1/2 o'clock. W. H. PORTER, Sec'y. of the Board and of the Min. Con. Acadia College.

The next College Term will commence on Thursday, Sept. 17th. The roll will be called at 3 o'clock, P. M. A Public Meeting will be held in the Evening, in the Baptist Meeting House, when a Lecture will be delivered by the President, on "The examples of the Reformers of the Eighteenth Century;" after which the Matriculation Prizes will be presented. J. M. CRAMP, President. Aug. 24, 1868.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors and Scholarship-holders in the College Library, Wolfville, on Wednesday, September 23rd, at 10 o'clock, A. M. A large and punctual attendance is requested. STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Sec'y. Aug. 26th, 1868.

The Central Sabbath School Convention will hold its Annual Session at Canung, commencing on Thursday, the 24th of September, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

Letters Received.

- J. F. Tufts. M. Kinsman. D. B. Parker. G. J. Creed. C. W. McCully, 1 sub. Asaph Marshall, \$5. Rev. I. J. Skinner, 1 sub. Rev. Dr. Tupper, (2) \$4.—Minutes sent to E. Gates, Clerk of Church. Rev. S. B. Kempton. W. Ricketson.—Letter received yesterday. Rev. T. H. Porter, Jr. E. Rand. O. P. Macalaster.

General Intelligence.

OUR LOCAL PARLIAMENT has been occupied during the week almost entirely with local and private Bills, and Acts of Incorporation of various Gold and Mining Companies.

On Thursday the Committee on the Annapolis Railway damages reported in favor of the appointment of Commissioners for assessing damages; which report was adopted.

On Friday the Attorney General concluded the closing speech on the Repeal Resolutions, which finally passed, and after remarks from Mr. Blanchard and others on the unusual call for a division from those in favor of the resolutions, were entered as passed unanimously, Messrs. Blanchard and Pineo having retired on the division taking place.

On Monday afternoon the Committee on the Inverness election reported against the return of Hiram Blanchard, Esq., the sitting member.—The Committee state that they found many irregularities in the election—the Sheriff having acted in a grossly illegal manner, and they recommended that the election be declared null and void, and a new writ be issued.

While the report was being read, Mr. Blanchard retired from his seat in the House.

A Correspondence between His Honor the Lieutenant Governor and the Hon. Attorney General, respecting the language used by him in the debate on Repeal, was published in the Monday evening's papers. He is reported in the Morning Chronicle to have said on that occasion:—"He desired to give notice to the Governments of Great Britain and Canada—and they would hear him—that if the constitutional liberties of Nova Scotia were not restored and her grievances redressed before the next session of the Legislature, it would be necessary for us to proceed to redress them ourselves.—A tariff bill would be passed, and the Collectors of Customs instructed to obey it. If Nova Scotia was too weak to perform the task herself, she would appeal to other people to assist her." Mr. Wilkins says now "if His Excellency will wait until the official report of the speech of the Attorney General is published, he will find that it is entirely free from disaffection."

THE DOMINION RIFLE MATCH.—The following are the names of the successful Nova Scotia Riflemen who intend proceeding to Montreal to attend the competition of the Dominion Rifle Association:

- Capt. George Piers, Chebucto Greys, Halifax.
Lieut. Col. W. H. Creighton, 2d Brigade Militia Artillery.
Capt. James Shand, do.
Lieut. W. D. Harrington, Scottish Volunteer Rifle Company.
Sergt. Sheppard, Mayflower Volunteers.
Private J. G. Stenhouse, Dartmouth Engineers.
Lieut. W. C. DeBalnhard, 47th Regt.
Private Richard Power, Halifax Rifles.
Lieut. M. Conroy, do.
Sergt. G. A. Sanford, Halifax Volunteer Artillery.
Lieut. J. R. Graham, do.
Private P. Hickey, Halifax Rifles.
Sergt. W. A. Metzler, H. M. Artillery.
Sergt. Schofield, Chebucto Greys, Halifax.
Capt. Hayden, H. V. B.
Lieut. Jacob Walton, Kings Co.
Quartermaster Sergt. C. F. Eaton, do.
Capt. Richard Craig, Colchester Co.
Sergt. Major R. B. Yuill, do.
Lieut. Thomas Smith, do.
Lieut. P. S. Archibald, do.
Lieut. George A. Layton, Rothsay Blues, Truro.
Capt. B. H. Blanchard, Colchester.
Lieut. Col. C. Blanchard, do.
Qtr.-Master A. S. Archibald, do.
Capt. W. Patterson, do.
Sergt. J. Vaux, Pictou.

OUR CITY SCHOOLS.—Some members of the City Council have prepared a bill, now before the Houses of Legislature, for placing the Schools in Halifax on a foundation differing materially from that they now occupy. The management, it proposes, shall be vested in twelve Commissioners, eight appointed by the City Council and four instead of the whole, as at present, by the Governor in Council. Clause 4 provides a scale on which rate-payers are to be assessed for school purposes. In the published draft of the bill it stood as follows:

On all assessments on sums under
\$100, a school tax of.....\$2.00 per annum.
From \$1,000 to \$2,000..... 3.00 "
From \$2,000 to \$4,000..... 5.00 "
From \$4,000 to \$10,000..... 7.00 "
From \$10,000 and upwards..... 8.00 "

We learn from the Recorder that at a meeting of the City Council "It was amended by reducing the sum from \$4 to \$3 on all persons assessed from 2 to \$4000; increasing from \$7 to \$10 on all persons assessed from 4 to \$10,000; and from \$10,000 and upwards \$12."

Instead of the Schools being free to all pupils Fees of \$4 a year for each child, are to be charged to all whose parents are rated above \$2,000.

A fine of \$4.00 a year is to be levied for each child not sent to school.

The balance of the amount required for sustaining the schools besides the Fees and the foregoing Tax is to be levied upon the rate-payers as the present rates are collected.

We know not if it is likely that such a measure will pass into law. We think it objectionable in several respects. It has been petitioned against by a number of citizens. In the present Board of Commissioners the religious denominations are pretty fairly represented, except the Baptists. The provincial gov-

ernment would endeavour to make it represent the different religious bodies. Whether the City Council would do this may be questioned.—The difference between free scholars and paying scholars would be most likely to awaken jealousy in the minds of children and parents, and would carry us back to the old times. It would be much worse now than in the days of private schools, with all their inconveniences and disadvantages. It would be almost better to repeal the present School Law as it affects Halifax City, and let every parent look out for the education of his own children.

We have however, recognized the principle that property has responsibilities which must be met in every community. The City Schools cost considerable, but the advantages are a full equivalent and should be sustained.

THE PROVINCIAL EXHIBITION is obtaining an increasing amount of attention. The Committee meet daily in one of the rooms of the New Provincial Building. A large number of entries have been made. The time for entering animals for competition is extended to the 26th Inst.

The Committee have allotted a number of prizes for Indian work, varying from \$2.00 to \$8.00. The articles include canoes, baskets, kegs, tubs, snow-shoes, hats, chair-bottoms, &c., &c.

ST. PAUL'S CHURCH is to be enlarged by the addition of wings on either side, under the galleries.

SENSATIONAL.—Rev. Mr. McArthur advertised that he would preach last Sunday on "What is thirst?" Very original!

COPPER.—John D. Naah has at his rooms some rich specimens of copper ore from a mine in Charlotte Co., N. B.

THE LABRADOR FISHERIES have been more successful than last year and of haddock double. The vessels average about 500 or 600 quintals each.

THE SWISS BELL-RINGERS gave their first Concert on Monday night. The music of both voices and bells is really charming.

THE CIVIC ELECTIONS.—On the first next month the citizens will be called upon to elect a Mayor and one Alderman for each of the six Wards. The retiring Alderman are: Ward 1—Ald. Sinclair. Ward 2—Ald. Mahony. Ward 3—Ald. Gossip. Ward 4—Ald. Walsh. Ward 5—Ald. Fliinn. Ward 6—Ald. Drillio.

EDUCATION IN N. B.—The N. B. government are proposing to send a commission consisting of the Chief Superintendent of Education and a member of the government to visit Nova Scotia to enquire with the working of our School Law.

THE TRIAL OF WHELAN for the murder of Hon. Mr. McGee commenced on Monday last and is now in progress at Ottawa.

A serious potatoe riot occurred at Cork Island on Thursday last. A body of about 3000 rioters were dispersed at the point of the bayonet.

THE NEXT SEMI-ANNUAL EXAMINATION OF TEACHERS will begin on Tuesday, 15th September next, at 9.30 o'clock, A. M. Deputy Examiners will be strictly forbidden to admit any person to be examined who fails to be present on the day and hour above named.

Persons desirous of being examined will be at liberty to present themselves at either of the following places of examination:—Sydney, Baddeck, Margaree Forks, Port Hood, Arichat, Guysborough, Sherbrooke, Antigonish, Pictou, Amherst, Truro, Halifax, Windsor, Kentville, Bridgetown, Digby, Yarmouth, Shelburne, Liverpool and Lunenburg. Candidates are to furnish their own writing material.

All Candidates for License will be required, on presenting themselves for examination, to furnish a written certificate of good moral character, signed by a Minister of Religion, or by two of Her Majesty's Justices of the Peace. These certificates are filed in the Educational Department, together with the other papers relating to the candidate's examination.

The use of dictionaries (or other books) will be strictly prohibited. Every person examined will be informed by mail of the result of his or her examination, as soon as decided.

SEPTEMBER, 1868. INLAND ROUTE. St. John, Portland, Boston, &c.

THE Steamer EMPRESS, will leave Windsor for St. John, during the month of September, as follows:

Wednesday, 2nd, at.....11.30 a. m.
Saturday, 6th..... 1.30 p. m.
Wednesday, 9th..... 5.00 p. m.
Saturday, 12th..... 8.00 a. m.
Wednesday, 16th.....11.00 a. m.
Saturday, 19th..... 1.30 p. m.
Wednesday, 23rd..... 5.00 p. m.
Saturday, 26th..... 7.00 a. m.
Wednesday, 30th.....10.00 a. m.
Connecting at St. John with the International Company's Steamers for Portland and Boston.
At Portland, with the Grand Trunk Railway for all parts of Canada and the West.
At Boston with the Bristol Line for New York.

Through Tickets and any further information can be had on application to A. & H. CREIGHTON, Agents, Ordnance Square. Sept. 2