

The Secretary states that in order to retain his services in the Province, the Portland Church engage to pay half of his salary. One of the members of the Board has been appointed to see if the balance could be obtained from the St. John Brother Cady would make a valuable and efficient missionary. The plan would doubtless be a good one, and result in much benefit to the Province.

THE DISMISSAL OF MR. RAND.

The correspondence in reference to the dismissal of Mr. Rand, which we publish in our present issue, will show pretty clearly the position in which the question stands. We are glad that the subject is divested of many features which might otherwise make it embarrassing. The appointment of Mr. Rand's successor divests it somewhat of a denominational character, and we may treat the question entirely on its own merits.

The letter of the Hon. Provincial Secretary gives us, in the Minute of Council, a pretty clear view of the influences which have been at work, and the unfortunate position in which the Council of Public Instruction are placed by the Hon. Mr. Flynn's interference with the Educational officers in the execution of their duty. Although his explanations may have been pronounced "sufficiently satisfactory," yet the Minute confirms the fact, that the things of which the Bishop of Nova Scotia complained were such, that "it was proper that they, (the Trustees of the schools at Arichat,) should have been called upon for explanation," and really confirms the statement made by Mr. Rand.

In treating of this question we do not feel that it belongs alone to those who are hostile to the government in their general politics. It is purely an educational question and demands the prompt consideration of the people for reasons far above and beyond the mere party political questions of the day.

It is perhaps even more necessary that the friends of the present government should be actively concerned in this matter, than those who have stood in a more hostile position to them. The position taken by Mr. Flynn is one that should not be allowed to continue a day without remonstrance, and a demand for redress. He supposes perhaps that he has at his back a large portion of the people—the Roman Catholic body—and he consequently assumes an attitude which no other member of the government dare assume. We have very good reason to know, however, that many of the more intelligent of his co-religionists, not only do not sanction such lawless conduct as that plainly suggested by the Minute of Council; but are highly indignant at his conduct, and at the dismissal of Mr. Rand, and appointment of Mr. Hunt. This appears pretty evident by the fact, as we are informed, that the appointment of Mr. Hunt was made the subject of priestly exultation at St. Mary's Cathedral on Sunday last, with a review, doubtless, of enlisting their people in the change.

We hope that the Council of Public Instruction will reconsider their action, and not allow themselves to be dragged through the mire to destruction and contempt, by this enemy of our advanced, and enlightened system of popular education, and his abettors. Whatever modifications may be required for the improvement of our schools, and their adaptation to the condition of the province, it is not in the direction which the Hon. Mr. Flynn would have them taken. The difficulties of erecting proper school-houses have been in a great measure overcome, and the probabilities are that the burdens would be diminished, or less felt in future than they have been for the past three or four years. But if this is to be accompanied by a departure from the great principle which has for the past half century, characterized our Public Schools—that they shall be Common to all the people—then the past labors and expenditures will have been worse than useless. This principle we regard as of more value even than that of Free Schools. The Separate School principle is but the germ of a State Church, and that in its worst form, when fully developed, because it goes to the foundation of society, and inculcates, by state authority, the dogmas of a sect—and that sect Roman Catholic—to the future men and women of the country.

Let Catholics, and all other religious denominations, teach what they please, to their children, but not under state patronage. We have reason to know that a large por-

tion of Roman Catholic people, prefer the Common Schools for their children to those exclusively under priestly rule.

Our free institutions are only of value when we are allowed to enjoy them according to the laws of the land. British subjects regard the laws of the country as their safeguard. Not even the Sovereign herself may subvert the enactments of the legislature with impunity, and it becomes a solemn duty of the people to rebuke such interference with a public officer in the performance of his duty, as that of Mr. Flynn with the Superintendent of Education. We mistake the people of this country, if they will tamely allow an efficient officer to be supplanted, because he has done his duty, and has been faithful in administering the law. What if a member of the legislature, or of the government, should attempt some interference with the Queen's Printer or the Serjeant-at-arms in the performance of their duties? Would they not resist such an unwarrantable act? The gentlemen occupying these offices will excuse our referring to them for illustration. Who knows but they may be the next persons that may be subjected to indignities in the discharge of the functions of their offices. We should be as ready to denounce any such interference with them as we are this outrage on the Superintendent of Education, although their offices are avowedly political, and held by a very different tenure from Mr. Rand's, and their dismissal might be effected without any reason being assigned.

Amongst the friends or foes of the Government, we have not heard one individual defend this act of the government. The nearest approach to doing so, was from a Universalist, who said "Mr. Rand is a fool." "Why," we asked. He replied "Because that being in an important position, if he had been willing to be all things to all men, he might have remained there." Our readers will be able to appreciate this opinion.

MUNROE EXECUTED.

We received the following telegram from St. John yesterday morning: ST. JOHN, 15th Feb., 1870.

S. SELDEN.—John A. Munroe was executed this morning. About two thousand persons were present. About fifty persons were admitted within the enclosure. Raining heavily. He was calm, firm, and unflinching. He made a confession to ministers and to the Sheriff. His neck was not broken, but was strangled, cut down in twenty minutes. His heart ceased to beat in fifteen minutes. J. M. MARCH.

Notices, &c.

ACADIA ATHENÆUM.—The next Lecture before Acadia Athenæum, will be delivered by Prof. William Elder, A. M., in the vestry of the Baptist Meeting-house, Wolfville, on Friday evening, the 18th inst., at 8 o'clock. Subject: The Poetry of Alfred Tennyson. A. CONNOR, Cor. Sec.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS.

Dear Brother Selden:—Will you allow me through the Messenger to acknowledge another unexpected token of regard from my friends at Newport, as a New Year's present, amounting to \$43.00, of which \$42.00 was in cash.

And also from some of my friends in King's County, who met at Waterville, Jan. 28th, 1870, amounting to \$31.38, which has since been raised to \$41.51 of which \$12.50 was cash. May the Lord reward them all in time, and at the judgement, for all their kindness to me and mine. ROBERT S. MORTON. Waterville, Aylesford, Feb. 3rd 1870.

Allow me to thank the numerous friends church and congregation, who made me a Donation on the 19th of January, about a hundred persons were present, young and old, many who wished to attend were prevented by the bad roads. After partaking of a sumptuous tea, prepared by the Ladies, Deacon Howard was called to the chair, who with an address presented the sum of \$61.00, \$40.00 of which was in cash. Excellent speeches were delivered by Rev. E. B. Corey, Brethren W. Simons, and J. C. Woodland. It has only been about six months since I settled among this people as their Pastor, and many manifestations of Christian liberality and fellowship I have received from them. I never felt more unworthy, and yet never more gratified, nor more anxious to spend and be spent in the service of Christ. May the Lord bless the donors with the richest blessings of Heaven, is my prayer. E. C. COREY. Little River, Jan. 27th 1870.

Letters Received.

Rev. E. C. Corey. X. Z. Chipman, Esq., \$4. J. Wheelock. J. Elder, 3rd. W. Aymar, Esq., \$9. Rev. Dr. Tupper, (2), \$10.—

Receipt &c. sent. Rev. T. A. Blackader. Rev. J. E. Balcom, \$8.02c. H. Starratt, Esq., \$2. J. Desbrisay, Esq., \$8.35—Other sums appropriated. Rev. M. P. Freeman. Rev. J. Jones. H. E. Payson, Esq.—Reply sent. J. E. Tremain, Esq. U. Jost, Esq. Mrs. Wylie, \$4—C. M. is regularly sent. Rev. S. B. Kempton. J. E. Lockwood, 1 sub. Rev. I. J. Skinner. J. D. Masters, \$20—yes, all right, much obliged. W. A. Morse, (3 subs.). J. S. McNeill, \$2.28. Mr. McBean says 10 cents more. F. I. Hale. A. Ledbetter, (\$4 omitted before, all correct. Thanks). Isaiah Thurber, Esq., \$5. J. H. N. Higgins, \$6.50. J. B. McNutt, Esq., \$4. H. C. Creed.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

Correspondents are requested to address me at Dartmouth, Feb. 16. T. H. RAND.

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MONTREAL.

- G. W. Campbell, M.D. M. McCulloch, M.D. A. Hall, M.D. TORONTO C. Widmer, M.D., President Medical Board Toronto. John King, M.D., Prof. Theory and Practice of Medicine, Toronto. Lucius O'Brien, M.D., Prof. Med. Jurisp. University, Toronto. Sept.

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NOVA SCOTIA RAILWAY. NOTICE.

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INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

The Commissioners appointed to construct the Intercolonial Railway give Public Notice that they are prepared to receive Tenders for the following Rolling Stock:

- 40 Locomotive Engines and Tenders; 250 Box Freight Cars; 150 Platform Cars. Printed Specifications according to which these Engines and Cars are to be constructed can be had, and general plans of the different vehicles can be seen, at the Office of the Chief Engineer, in Ottawa, on and after the 17th January, 1870. Sealed Tenders, addressed to the Commissioners of the Intercolonial Railway marked "Tenders," will be received at their office in Ottawa up to 7 o'clock, P. M., the 17th March, 1870.

A. WALSH, Ed. B. CHANDLER, C. J. BRYDGES, A. M. McLELAN, Commissioners.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE, Ottawa, 14th January 1870. Jan. 24.

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ON and from the first day of January, 1870, the Postage Rate on Letters addressed to the United Kingdom, when forwarded via Halifax, Quebec, or Portland, will be reduced to SIX CENTS the 4 oz.; When sent via New York the charge will be eight cents the half ounce. The rate on Books, Parcels, and other mail matter for the United Kingdom remains as at present.

A. WOODGATE, Post Office Inspector. P. O. Inspectors Office, Halifax, 31st Dec., 1869. Jan. 12.

NOTICE TO MARINERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that Chester, or EAST IRONBOUND LIGHT HOUSE, was completely destroyed by fire at two o'clock, on Monday morning, the 3rd inst. No light will, therefore, be exhibited at that point until further notice. H. W. JOHNSTON, Agent. Office of Marine & Fisheries, Halifax, 4th Jan., 1870. Jan. 12.