that period any candidate who has failed

and the error if any rectified. If he does

with the correctness of the estimate.

Although Mr. Saunders was shewn the

files in which the original papers were

contained, he does not venture to say that

he personally examined them, so as for

himself to see what they contained; and

to test the accuracy of Mr. Rand's state-

ment. As I remarked before, that gentle-

man cannot manufacture evidence for him-

self out of any conversation he may have

had - or statements he may have made.

Here again it is unfortunate that we were

not furnished with dates, for we are com-

pletely in the dark as to the time that Mr.

Saunders applied on behalf of his dissatis-

fied relative—if it was before the issuing

of the licenses. The original papers if pro-

duced would have proved nothing in this

cortroversy, as it is not alleged that they

were ever sent away-until after the issue

of the licenses. Mr. Saunders says " he

saw a pile of them as you entered the

inner office," a pile of them may be seen

now in the same position; but they are the

I cannot understand how Mr. Rand

actual use.

statement :-

HALIFAX, May 29, 1871. By request of T. H. Rand, Esq., I went with him to the Education Office on Saturday morning last. He asked Rev. Mr. Hunt if he would allow him to question the messenger of the office before him, respecting original estimates overthe signature of examination papers. Mr. Hunt consented, but said that as the man was not then within call, Mr. Rand could see him on Monday at 10 o'clock. I called at the office this morning with Mr. Rand. In answer to his questions Mr. Torrie said that while Mr. Rand was in office a large quantity of examination papers (which from the space occupied by said papers as pointed out by Mr. Torrie, must have been very much greater that the pile now in the office), was thrown out of the smaller office into the public corridor; that he took them into the cellar, stripped off the envelopes and sold both envelopes and papers, a part to O'Conners and a part to Townsend; that he had no idea of the year when this took place; that he could not say that he took the envelopes off in the cellar; that he did not do so, for the envelopes were blue ones, all ot them; that he always stripped off yellow envelopes; that he by Mr. Rand's permission took examinalodgings in Argyle and Barrack Streets, and that it was at his own lodgings where he stripped off the yellow envelopes; that he could not say that he ever stripped off any yellow envelopes at his lodgings at all; that he sold Townsend some yellow ones filled

When Mr. Rand pressed him closely, he the man, and said to Mr. Hunt that if he would exert his authority and recall Mr. Torrie he was confident that he could convince Mr. Hunt that Mr. T's. statement about the destruction of the papers was a pure fabrication. The man was not brought back although Mr. Rand earnestly requested it. Mr. Rand then asked Mr. Huntif there were not now in his own house at Dartmouth some of the examination papers, and if he had not been using them to kindle the fires in his own house? Mr. Hunt said, "Yes." Mr. Rand asked permission to go with me and Mr. Hunt and inspect the papers just as they lay in the house. Mr. Hunt refused, saying that his house was not his office. He would fetch them over, and Mr. Rand could see them at the Education Office.

WM. ACKHURST.

Mr. Torrie was sober this morning, though he was much the worse of liquor or Friday afternoon last. His statements are very contradictory. The poor fellow knew that he was guilty of dreadful falsehoods, and could not long bear for me to question him. I abstain from comment, further than to say that if permission had been granted to examine the unconsumed portions of the Examination papers as they lay in Mr. Hunt's own house, some of the yellow envelopes of March 1869 might have been found. But I was denied. I must reserve remarks on the Minute of Council of 1864. Sincerely yours, T. H. RAND.

LETTER FROM REV. A. S. HUNT.

HALIFAX, 27th May, 1871.

STEPHEN SELDEN, Esq.,-Editor of Christian Messenger. Dear Sir,-In your issue of the 24th inst., you publish together with my reply to the charges alleged against me, a letter from Mr. Rand in reference to, and reiterating the same; this letter demands some notice from me.

He says that my statements as "to the mode of conducting certain examinations are grievous distortions"-while those as to the disposal of the examination papers are "wholly untrue," and that the impression I wished to convey was-that "Mr. Rand was just as bad a man as the Rev. Mr. Hunt is," and wishes it to be inferred that I sought a justification of my conduct from his dereliction, or supposed derelictions of duty. Now in this Mr. Rand is entirely at fault. I have no intention of instituting any comparison between myself and him; nor to shield myself under cover of his action, nor yet any desire to set him up as the standard of my "official morality." I have not made as he asserts a "startling confession of corrupt practices," and if he is now "dragging in the mire," he has not me to blame.

I do not admit any "corrupt practices" in "conducting certain examinations." The Minute of Dec. 22, 1864, published in my last is still in force; examinations were at the time of its passage conducted on paper; as is evident from a perusal of the Minute itself. The Act of 1867, authorises the Council to "designate the times and places at which candidates shall present themselves for examination "-the Minute designates the place where applicants for license, may in the discretion of the exam iners-"work their papers." Mr. Rand was Secretary of the Council at the time, and probably present when the Minute was to explain its meaning and intention. In

passed, and must therefore be well qualified judgment of the public. the extract from his letter of Dec. 16th, 1867, also published in my letter of last week, Mr. Rand explains that the discrebelieve that they were all preserved." tion to be exercised was limited to those who had conscientious or religious scruples against appearing at public examinations. Certain "applicants" for license came within the limitation-and in consequence replies that he was tendered a Record in the exercise of the power vested in the Book in which he saw the work in each Council by the Act, and in conformity with subject as marked by the Provincial ex- waste paper, that Mr. Rand knew that I sold

Mr. Hunt acknowledges that the papers of the Minute-were allowed to work their aminers." There is no charge relative to this term were in the office when he entered papers at home. This is the sum and sub- the Record Book, and I am therefore at stance of the whole matter, and if Mr. loss to know the reason why the subject is Where are the papers belonging to the Rand can torture out of it any "startling introduced here, except for the purpose, of examination held in March, 1869? I have confession of corrupt practice," requiring shewing the inutility of preserving the examination papers themselves after a cerproved that the papers of the earliest and for its justification, writing him down as tain period. The office of the Record the latest examination were left on fyle 'bad a man' as he assumes "I am," his Book is to record the marks, made by the by me just as I stated. There is no, trace astuteness surpasses mine, and his powers examiners—to which reference can be had of the yellow bundles of March, 1869. of smelling out "corrupt practices," are at any time, and the only object possible to I left them all in the office. Read this far keener than any I can claim. In a letter over his signature which appear- | be obtained by the preservation of the paed in your paper of the 17th inst., Mr. pers themselves is to detect any error Rand asserts that he left in the custody of either accidental or fraudulent made in his successor "All the examination papers | calculating the averages. After the exthat had ever passed under the hands of amination each candidate has a memo sent him "containing the estimate placed the Provincial examiners," and that " the by the Provincial Examiners on h:s papers" and informing him whether or not he each examiner were fyled with the exhas "passed the tests under standard." amination papers of each candidate." He This memo, can for the period of three then says, that I knew whether these months be used as a license of the grade-"voluminous documents" were "in the to which by the estimate, the candidate is office" when I entered it, and that" if Mr. entitled-and at the end of three months Vail could produce a statement over my the license itself is issued. Surely within hand, that the papers referred to were not in the office at the time of my induction, he to pass the required test, and thinks that (Mr. Rand) would produce such evidence he was unjustly dealt with, would com as would place the truth of his statement plain; and have the matter investigated; beyond the possibility of dispute." Thus leaving it to be inferred that if the papers not it is pretty evident that he is satisfied were removed, I had ordered it, and so give a semblance of truth to the charge that I had had them destroyed with the official report of the examiners, "in order to defeat any investigation." To have remained silent when thus publicly charged and challenged, would have been indeed at least an implied admission of "corrupt practices." tion papers regularly from the office to his I had therefore no other alternative than emphatically to deny the charge, and on my doing so Mr. Rand was assuredly bound in honor and truth, to substantiate his assertion by evidence such as would place it " beyond the possibility of dispute." Characterizing my statement as "wholly untrue," will not effect his object, or redeem took up his hat and left the office. Mr. his pledge. The evidence promised he Hunt asked him to stop, but he did not. seeks to find in the replies of Mr. Parsons Mr. Rand said that he had only begun with and the Rev. Mr. Saunders to certain queries he propounds to them. He asks Mr. Parsons, If he is not "aware that the papers were carefully preserved in the interests of the candidates and for the protection of the department." Mr. Parsons answers, "That he always knew that these papers were carefully preserved by Mr. Rand." "That a year after his own examination-his papers were offered him for inspection"—and that while "transacting official business in the education office he repeatedly noticed large numbers of these papers on file." This is the sum of his evidence. Anything he chose to tell the candidates, and the cautions and communications -Mr. Rand made to him are not the evidence required, they add no additional weight to Mr. Rand's assertion, and fail to prove the truth of his statement-" That he left in the hands of his successor all the examination papers that had ever passed under the hands of the Provincial Examiners." I regret that Mr. Parsons in vo untering at the request of Mr. Rand to furnish him with evidence, to impeach my veracity and to seriously damage my character, had not been more explicit. To make his evidence of any worth, to the point at issue, he should have stated, how he knew the papers were preserved, and for what period, and informed us whether he ever actually saw his own papers offered him for his in-

could have pointed out to Mr. Saunders 'a great quantity of the same documents in a large closet." In the first place there is no large closet in the office; there is a small one under one of the windows and three cases with pigeon holes; two of them not reaching to the ground,—these I found pretty well filled with other matter; and the whole of them would hardly contain the papers for one year. I have been thus particular in going over the "promised evidence" in order to show that it completely fails to support Mr. Rand's statement; or prove my allegation false. Incorroboration of my assertion that found no examination papers in the office on entering it, except those that were then made by Mr. Torrie; the party who was messenger in the Education Office during Mr. Rand's incumbency, and which, think places the matter "beyond dispute." This affidavit although in my possession at the date of my last letter-I did not spection, a year after. He should also have send for publication, out of consideration given us the names of the candidates (if for Mr. Rand; as however he has chosen, any) who on his recommendation applied in his letter of the 22nd ult., (inst?) to stigfor the inspection of their papers—the date matise my statement relative to the disposal of such application-and told us whether the papers were ever furnished to them. to myself forbids that I should longer with-Deficient in these important points, his evihold it. I am not the aggressor in this dence is wide of the mark, and does not matter; I was quietly pursuing my duty, militate against my statement. His asserand giving but little heed to the anonymous tion that he frequently noticed large numand editorial slanders hurled at me-when bers of papers on tyle in the office, can you yourself in your paper stated that. only deceive the uninitiated. Mr. Saunders I had never contradicted the charges against who makes the same remark, may have me,-invited me to give them an "exdone so innocently, but surely Mr. Parsons can not plead ignorance of the fact, that columns to me for the purpose. Before I upwards of one thousand candidates have been examined semi-annually since I took with a statement in effect corroborating the office, and I presume that in Mr. Rand's charges and pledging himself that if I time the number was not much less. That deny them he would place the truth of his each candidate prepares an average of nine statement beyond the possibility of dispute. papers, which are enclosed in four envelopes, I denied it, and gave the practice of the making thus a total of 18,000 papers, and office-previous to my entering it as I had 8000 envelopes each year, a tolerably large been informed. "WHOILY UNTRUE" is the number, and which if allowed to accumucourteous reply with which he greets me. late for a few years, would require no inconsiderable space for their storage. Were hood and has chosen the "Messenger" a the papers he saw old files, or those in paper that circulates largely among the actual use at the time? He does not conde-Baptists as the medium through which to cend to tell us, and yet is willing that the spread his calumny broad cast. Let the impression should go abroad, that they Baptists of Nova Scotia then among whom were old fyles left in the office by Mr. Rand I have laboured all my life, and who are acand subsequently removed by me. Mr. quainted with my character, as well as Parsons speaks of examining the "returns of the general public, whose servant I am, judge several years standing, and of having in-

variably found them on fyle in the Educa-

tion Office." For what reason does he go

they have nothing to do with the matter in

controversy? It is sufficient for me that

this evidence, does not in the slightest de-

gree, shake my assertion, that on entering

the Education Office on the day Mr. Rand

left, I found no "examination papers there

Whether Mr. Parsons can free himself from

the charge of having broken at least in

spirit the command that forbad him from

bearing false witness against his neighbour

is a matter for his own conscience, and the

The Rev. Mr. Saunders is asked " If he

did not call before Mr. Rand's dismissal

These questions are beside the matter in

controversy, and however, answered could

not refute my allegation. Mr. Saunders

except those that were then in actual use."

out of his way to mention the "returns,"

ing for the length of this letter. I am, yours truly, A. S. HUNT.

(Copy.) AFFIDAVIT OF ROBERT TORRIE. I, Robert Torrie, of Halifax, in the County of Halifax, yeoman, make oath and say : First.—That I am a messenger in, and attend the Education Office in the Province

between us-and I am content. Apologis-

Building. Second .- That I was a messenger and attendant in the said office, all the time that Mr. Rand filled the office of Superintendent of Education.

Third.—That when the examination papers had accumulated in the Educational Office, I, by the direction of Mr. Rand and Mr. to see certain examination papers; and McVane, then a clerk in the office, took all 2nd. If Mr. Rand did not lead him to the papers out of the office and deposited them into the loft of the building.

Fourth.—That on a subsequent occasion, I by the direction of Mr. Rand took all the examination papers out of the Educational Office and carried them into the cellar of the building,—and in the evening after hours,

the papers, and on a subsequent occasion both he and Mr. McVane asked me how much I got for the papers; to which I replied two cents a pound for the white paper, and one cent a pound for the yellow envelopes; that Mr. Rand made no objection to my selling the papers and keeping the receipts as a small perquisite of the office:

Fifth.-That during all the period of Mr. Rand's incumbency I was in the habit of taking away and disposing of the examination papers from time to time as I was di-

Sixth.—That after Mr. Rand had given me permission or acquiesced in my selling the said papers as aforesaid, I went into the garret where I had placed the former papers as aforesaid, with the intention of taking them away and selling them, when I found that all the said papers had been taken away by some person there before me.

Seventh.—That when Mr. Hunt took possession of the Education Office there were no examination papers there; except those then in use; and that those I disposed of in the same manner as I had done the former

ones by Mr. McVane's direction.

Eighth.—I say that I always had the direction of Mr. Rand or Mr. McVane before I ever carried a paper out of the said office. Sworn to before me at Halifax in the County of Halifax this nineteenth day of May, A. D., 1871, John H. Sinclair, Ald. and (Signed)

> EDUCATION OFFICE, Halifax, May 29th, 1871

ROBERT TORRIE.

S. SELDEN, Esq., Dear Sir,-Since my communication of the 20th inst., it has been brought to my notice, that with the s atements on the envelopes that "there were evidences of copying," a Note was also received from one of the Provincial Examiners, reminding me of the same fact. The papers, however, to which this information related, belonged to an Examination station in a remote part of the Province, and not to the papers of the Halifax candidates. I immediately opened a correspondence with the Deputy Examiner of the station to which the papers thus brought to my notice belonged. I did not at the time of writing remember the circumstance of having received the above notice, and now beg you to give this note a place in the next issue of the Christian papers of the recent examinations now in

Your obliged, A. S. Hunt.

THE FOURTH ANNUAL CATALOGUE OF THE BAPTIST UNION THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AT CHICAGO, has been forwarded to our office, we presume by the one from Nova Scotia whose name | Commencing Monday May 15th, 1871. we find amongst the 46 students. He will please accept our thanks. The course of Instruction is of a high order, requiring three years. Its Faculty consists of Revds. G. W. Northup, A. N. Arnold, E. C. Mitchell, and R. E.

The Seminary edifice is a fine strucin actual use, "I enclose an affidavit ture 214 feet long, four stories high and cost \$60,000, besides the ground It is near the University of Chicago but entirely separate from it.

> CROMWELL, COBDEN, HAVELOCK AN THE ENGLISH REFORMERS, BY REV J. LATHERN.

Four Lectures are here comprised of the papers as "wholly untrue," justice in a neat volume. They were delivered in St. John, N. B., in the winters of 1869, '70 and '71, under the following titles:

"Cromwell and the Ironsides;"-"Cobden and the Corn Laws,"-" Havelock and the march to Lucknow;"-" English Reformers and the English Reformation." The plicit denial" if able; and opened your first three were originally prepared for and delivered at the regular annual course of had time to reply Mr. Rand comes forward lectures arranged by the Mechanics Institute in St. John. The fourth on the Reformation, was delivered before "the Young People's Institute," of that city.

Two of them, we believe, were also delivered in Halifax, to large audiences, and received high encomiums from the public and the press. They will al, and all intermediate Quif Ports. He has thus charged me with direct false- doubtless be read with interest and profit. The book is for sale at the Wesleyan Book Store.

Aotices, &c.

BAPTIST ANNIVERSARIES, 1871.

ACADIA COLLEGE on Thursday, June 8th. NOVA SCOTIA CENTRAL ASSOCIATION, WITH the Fifth Cornwallis Church, at Pereaux, on Saturday the 24th of June, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

NOVA SCOTIA EASTERN ASSOCIATION, with the Church at North Sydney, Cape Breton, on Saturday the 1st day of July, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

ASSOCIATED ALUMNI OF ACADIA COLLEGE.

The Anniversary of the above Society will be celebrated at Wolfville on Wednesday, the 7th day of June. The Annual business meeting will be held in the vestry of the Baptist Meeting House at 2 o'clock, P. M.; at 51 o'clock, P. M., the members will dine together, and at 8, P. M., there will be an adjournment to the large audience-room of the Baptist Meeting House where the Annual Oration will be delivered by T. H. Rand, Esq., A. M. EDWIN D. KING,

Secretary Alumni of Acadia Co 'ege.

CENTRAL ASSOCIATION.

With your permission I will make some statements, as to the Association to be held in Fereaux the 24th of next month, at 10 o'clock, A. M.

I am requested by the committee of management to say that the delegates from Halifax, Dartmouth, Sackville and Windsor, may be conveyed from Port William Station to Pereau, on the Friday evening before the Association. We presume that those coming will take the train which leaves Halifax at 3 o'clock, P. M., and reaches Port William at 7.35, P. M., where carriages will be in waiting to convey the delegates to Percaux, after the Association arangements will be made to convey such delegates back again to meet the cars homeward. The committee wish to be informed at an early date how many persons may be expected by this route. If no information is received no carriages will be sent. Information on this point may be sent to Deacon Elijah C. West, Pereaux. Persons coming to the Association will

please call on Bro. John L. Newcomb who lives close by the meeting-house in Pereau. In behalf of the Committee,

D. FREEMAN. Canning, May 24th, 1871.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Governors of Acadia College in the College Library on Wednesday, June 7th, at 9 o'clock, A. M.

STEPHEN W. DEBLOIS, Sec'y.

ACADIA COLLEGE.

A meeting of the N. S. Governors, of Acadia College, will be held in the College Library, on Tuesday June 6th, at 7, P. M., for the transaction of the business of Horton Collegate Academy.

A. D. W. BARSS. Secretary Executive Committee Wolfville, May 29th, 1871.

The Examination of the classes in Horton Academy, will take place on Tuesday the 6th of June. Friends of Education are invited to attend.

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