

ing Christmas and New Year with us. All the party are in their usual health, except Brother Churchill. He is slightly indisposed.

REV. W. B. BOGGS informs Dr. Cramp that the doctors urge him to get away from India as soon as possible. It is a trying and a disappointing dispensation, but represents the experience of all Missionary Societies. Mr. and Mrs. Boggs may be expected home before the meetings of our Associations.

NOTICES.

RECEIVED FOR FOREIGN MISSIONS. Feb. 4. Bequest of the late W. S. Jacobs, Esq., Liverpool, N. S., half-yearly Coupons..... \$ 58 15 In acknowledging amounts received from Jas. Desbrisay, Esq., P. E. I. I should have stated that he paid the price for transmission and donated the same to the mission fund. THOS. P. DAVIES, Treas. P. M. Board. St. John, Feb. 23, 1876.

RECEIVED FROM WOMEN'S MISSION AND SOCIETIES. Canning, -Mrs. D. Freeman..... \$ 9 00 Pearsall, -Mrs. J. L. Sanford..... 7 00 Weymouth, -Mrs. S. J. Randall - contributed by children from proceeds of a Christmas Tree. 12 50 M. R. SELDEN, Secretary. Halifax, January 23rd, 1876.

RECEIVED FOR HOME MISSIONS. Dear Editor, -Please announce in the Messenger that our Board have received the following sums for Home Missions: "A Friend," Guysborough.....\$16.00 Cambridge Church, per Rev. J. H. Robbins..... 6.00 Miss Sophia Bishop..... 1.00 Mrs. Sarah Shaw..... 0.50 Total.....\$23.50 Truly yours, &c., G. E. DAY, Yarmouth, Feb. 19, 1876.

Acknowledgments.

WESTPORT. - Allow me to acknowledge through the Christian Messenger the kindness of my friends at Westport. On the night of the 8th inst., a goodly number of them assembled at the parsonage, and after a social tea - got up by the ladies of Westport, who by the way, cannot be beaten in that line, I was presented with a donation of \$63.00, accompanied by a very appropriate speech from brother Jesse Harris, after which followed speeches by Dea. H. E. Payson and Mr. Hovey, school teacher. After some excellent singing, conducted by brother Arthur Collins, and prayer by G. W. Denton, we broke up, feeling better for our social interview, and I trust, praying more fervently for each others prosperity. May God bless the cheerful gifts. I must not forget to mention a splendid pair of boots, presented as a Christmas gift, by Mr. Saunders, shoe maker of this place. With many thanks to all I remain both yours and theirs. L. B. GATES, Feb. 14th, 1876.

GUYSBORO, Feb. 15th 1876. - Dear Editor, -Permit me to record the kindness of our friends here. On the 1st inst., about sixty of them met at our dwelling and furnished a sumptuous tea to which we all did ample justice. A most happy evening was spent in conversation, music and speeches. When, at length, we were compelled reluctantly to separate, they left with us in cash and useful articles, eighty dollars. A few days previous, friends from New Canada hauled to our door five dollars worth of wood. Other tokens of kindness have been constantly received, for all of which we are sincerely grateful, and pray that every giver may experience that it is more blessed to give than to receive. A. W. BARRS.

Letters Received.

- W. C. Hankinson, \$2. C. McNeill, \$5. L. Winot, \$2. Rev. I. J. Skinner. A. G. Musgrave, \$20.27. Ella Bleakney. Rev. R. D. Burgess. D. Archibald. B. Brown, \$2. Rev. J. L. Read, \$10. Rev. P. R. Foster, \$3. F. H. Rushton. J. E. Lockwood, 1 sub., \$1. R. Orr. A. Black. C. Pinkney, \$1.20. Rev. J. Brown. Rev. A. W. Barrs, \$2. Rev. G. A. Wethers, \$4. W. Smith. E. J. Grant. Rev. L. B. Gates. Rev. W. H. Richan, \$4. D. Blair, \$4. J. F. Masters, \$2. W. Aymar, 1 sub. D. Archibald. J. W. Eldridge. Rev. T. M. Munro, \$2.

LOCAL NEWS.

Mrs. KENT MASON by her eloquent and powerful addresses is arousing a deep interest in the good-Samaritan Temperance work. Mrs. HUNT-MORGAN will deliver a lecture in Granville Street Chapel tomorrow, Thursday evening; subject: "The Lance Stripe." A collection will be taken up on behalf of the Soldiers' and Sailors' Home.

NEW PUBLICATION. - A new monthly is about to appear in the interests of the "Soldiers' and Sailors' Home." The first number will appear on March 1st - "Grand Rounds," edited by Mrs. Hunt-Morgan. Price 10 cents, post free, or yearly in advance, \$1.20.

The recent attempt to establish a Fishing Company in Halifax was unsuccessful.

The Halifax Chamber of Commerce on Saturday last passed a well deserved testimonial of high appreciation of the late George P. Mitchell.

Also a resolution deprecating an increase of the Dominion tariff as injurious especially to Nova Scotia. Also, one in favour of reciprocal trade with the United States.

DARTMOUTH. - One of our morning papers, in giving an account of the races on the Second Lake last week, says: "Everything passed off quietly, and there was no drunkenness." People who live on the other side of the harbor tell a different story.

KING'S COUNTY is desirous of having the Provincial Exhibition this year. Berwick is to have an addition of fourteen new houses this season.

SOMEBODY SAYS. - "There is something peculiarly attractive in a horse. His intelligent eye and ear, his lofty carriage, his free and graceful motion, his vast strength, his obedient temper, and his indispensable use, all endear him to us. We have to look at his fine proportions, and take in the inspiration of his energy and power," but it is only when the horse is properly cared for - when he is free from disease or unsoundness of any kind that he will exhibit these points of attraction, and without which he is of little value. A package of "Darley's Condition Powders and Arabian Heave Remedy," should be in possession of every man who owns a horse, to be used in case of emergency. Don't fail to get it. Remember the name, and see that the signature of Hurd & Co. is on each package. Northrop & Lyman, Toronto, Ont., proprietors for Canada. Sold by all Medicine Dealers.

PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT.

ON MONDAY the 14th. After the House had in a body waited on His Honor the Lieutenant Governor with the Address, the Prov. Secretary submitted the following list of

STANDING COMMITTEES.

- On Privileges and Rules of the House - Hon. Attorney General, Messrs. Holmes, Dickie, Mosely and Freeman. On Education - Hon. Provincial Secretary, Messrs. Longley, Gayton, Patterson, Farrell, McKay and Hon. Mr. Campbell. On Agriculture - Messrs. Archibald, North, Gayton, McKay, Hon. Mr. McKinnon, Messrs. Longley and Mack. On Public Accounts - Messrs. Johnson, McKay, Freeman, Woodworth and Fraser. On Mines and Minerals - Messrs. Archibald, Vickey, Francoville and Cameron, Hon. D. McDonald, Messrs. Mosely and McCurdy. On Navigation Securities - Messrs. Johnson, Troop, Freeman, North, Boudrou, Cameron and Francoville. On Crown Lands - Hon. C. Campbell, Messrs. Woodworth, Lovitt, Putnam, Eisenhaur, Vickey, and Boudrou. On Humane Institutions - Messrs. Holmes, McCurdy, Allison, Farrell, Black, Dr. Campbell, Messrs. McRae, Eisenhaur and Francoville. On Trade and Manufactures - Messrs. Francoville, Troop, Eisenhaur, Black, Smith, McRae and Dickie. On Temperance - Messrs. Gayton, Longley, Freeman, Black, Archibald, Mosely and McCurdy. On Land Damages - Messrs. Archibald and Vickey, Hon. Messrs. Robertson and McKinnon, Messrs. Fraser, Longley and Boudrou. On Law Amendments - Hon. Atty. General, Messrs. Mosely, Hon. D. McDonald, Messrs. McKinnon and Mack. On Private and Local Bills - Hon. D. McDonald, McKinnon, Gayton, Putnam, Hon. Com. Crown Lands, Messrs. Allison and McCurdy. On Reporting and Printing - Hon. Atty. General, Messrs. Holmes, Robicheau, Gayton and Woodworth. On Contingencies - Hon. Prov. Secretary, Messrs. Cameron, Johnson, Patterson and Fraser, which was adopted.

Mr. Longley spoke on the sum charged by the House for private bills \$50, being too high; and submitted that to avoid placing barriers in the way of projects for public improvement it might be reduced to \$20.

ON TUESDAY, Mr. Longley moved a resolution: That hereafter the fee on Private Bills involving a capital of less than \$5000 be \$20, and on all other private bills \$50. After some discussion the question was put and lost, thirteen voting for it and twenty two against it.

A warm discussion then came up on a charge which had been made by the Hon. Attorney General, that Mr. Holmes and Mr. Allison had last session been concerned in an intrigue to form a coalition with the government. Mr. Allison demanded the name of the person on whose authority the Attorney General had made these references to himself. The Dominion member at Windsor had alluded to a reverend gentleman who had been concerned

in the overtures that had been made, and he Mr. A. now demanded the proof as the Atty. General said he had it under his hand.

Hon. Attorney General said no proof was necessary. Mr. Woodworth said all that was necessary was that the influential clergyman should be named, and if he had been authorized to make any overtures to the government it would be for Mr. Allison to admit or deny its truthfulness, but until such proof were given it would be idle to continue such debate.

An angry and personal encounter followed; after which Hon. Prov. Secretary said he deeply regretted the turn the discussion had taken. He then by command laid on the table the Provincial Engineer's report on the Nictaux and Atlantic Railway.

ON WEDNESDAY the House opened at 3 o'clock. Some time was spent in considering whether it was in order to present road petitions to the House, or handed to the Government. The Speaker decided that they might be presented, as they were then reported, and the petitioners knew that they had come to hand. A number of petitions were then presented by Messrs. Longley, Dr. Farrell, Vickey, Freeman, McKay, Woodworth, and others.

Hon. Prov. Secretary presented a Memorial from the Executive Committee of the Governors of Acadia College, with the College Catalogue for the present year.

Mr. Longley presented a petition from the Faculty of Acadia College, and said that while the petitions came from one denomination he believed they represented not inadequately the sentiments of other denominations. He thought the House would find when all the petitions were in that this subject of the claims of the various denominational colleges were not to be summarily disposed of as they were last year. He trusted that the sense of fairness of the House would lead to fairer and more equitable action this year.

Mr. Woodworth presented a petition of a similar character, from Kings, and he was instructed that the signers were of various denominations.

On the report of Mr. Murphy on the Nictaux and Atlantic Railway survey being read, Mr. Freeman expressed himself as very much pleased with the report, and hoped that the Government would prosecute the survey as far as Liverpool. He moved that the report be printed, which was agreed to.

Mr. Longley requested the Government to lay on the table of the House a statement of the public printing during the past year, and all the tenders received by the Government for the performance of any portion of the public printing during the past or at the beginning of the present year.

Mr. Woodworth asked the Government for an answer to the question he had asked respecting appointments in Kings County.

Hon. Prov. Secretary, in reply, stated that the Government did not consider that the information sought for by that question was of such a character as should be laid on the table of this House.

Mr. Woodworth said this was the first time that he had heard that the Government was not a committee of the people to carry out their wishes. We had or we had not responsible government in Nova Scotia. If the theory that the people ruled was not a farce, certainly the representatives of the country should have some knowledge of how and why appointments were made. It was a most pernicious doctrine that the Government could make such appointments as they wished, without reference to the members for the county, who were the proper and constituted medium between the Government and the country.

Hon. Provincial Secretary said he had frequently seen in the reports of the debates of the Imperial Parliament questions put to the ministry in similar terms to those used by the hon. member for Kings, and he had no recollection of any answer being made in writing to such a question.

Mr. Longley said certain discretion was necessary to the Government, but he apprehended that the Government of the day would not be in the unfavourable and somewhat unenviable position that they were in to-day, if they had been inclined to respect the wishes of representatives.

Four or five appointments to which he referred had come out immediately after the Annapolis demonstration, and were so intimately connected with it that he conceived them to be the direct result of it.

Mr. Troop said he had asked during the summer as a matter of courtesy for information respecting appointments in Annapolis county, and had got an evasive answer. He had asked the other day as a matter of right for papers on the same subject, and had got another answer, which he did not think would do the Government much credit.

Hon. Atty. General said the demonstration in Annapolis seemed to have affected a good many people in a good many ways. He assured the hon. gentleman that he was never applied to for any of the appointments referred to, and with regard to the appointments to the office particularly mentioned he would state that he never knew they were to be made till they were presented in the usual way before the Government by the hon. Prov. Secretary.

Mr. Troop said he accepted the explanation of the Hon. Attorney-General, but at the same time it looked very significant that parties so intensely interested in that affair, peculiarly interested too, should have been rewarded so soon. He would leave the House to judge if the thing did not look suspicious.

Hon. Atty. Gen. was sure the House would take his assertion in preference to the suggestion of the hon. member for Annapolis.

Mr. Troop said his character and that of the Hon. Attorney-General were public property, and the House could judge between them.

ON THURSDAY the House met at 3 p.m. After some miscellaneous business Dr. Farrell introduced several bills from the Halifax City Council.

Hon. Atty. General introduced an act respecting the Legislature of Nova Scotia, referred to in the speech of the Lieut. Governor, and had been modelled upon the legislation of Ontario and Quebec. The bill provides that the Council and House of Assembly and the respective committees thereof shall enjoy the privileges, immunities and powers of the Dominion Senate and House of Commons. That no member shall be liable to prosecution, arrest or damages for anything brought by him before the House; that no member of either House shall be subject to arrest for debt or brought to civil action during a session of the Legislature, or for fifteen days previous or subsequent.

Mr. Holmes moved that, as the bill was so important one, it be printed.

Hon. Attorney General seconded the motion, which passed.

Mr. Holmes asked if the Government were prepared to bring forward any more of the measures promised. As it was desirable not to prolong the session, and this was the beginning of the second week, it would promote the business to have the reports of Departments on the table.

Hon. Provincial Secretary said the reports were in the printer's hands, and would be on the table at an early day. The Government were as anxious as the Opposition to shorten the session.

Hon. Prov. Sec. said the clerks in his office, as well as himself, were busy every evening until after ten o'clock preparing the financial returns for the past year for the printers.

Mr. Holmes said although a very important event had taken place during the recess, no allusion had been made to it in the Speech. He alluded to the reconstruction of the Government. He thought it a duty the Government owed to the House to state the principles upon which the Government had been reconstructed. It had been found necessary to go outside of the Legislature to seek materials for strengthening the Government and one member of the Cabinet as such had given an exposition of principles by which the Government would be actuated which required explanation, inasmuch as it was not in accord with the expressed views of the hon. Premier, at least of the hon. gentleman whom he presumed to be the Premier.

It was well known that the views, publicly expressed by that hon. gentleman were that the Local Government should occupy a position of neutrality entirely independent and separate from the Dominion Government, so that a man might be a supporter of the one and an opponent of the other. The Hon. Atty. General at that famous Windsor demonstration, so often alluded to, and also at Bridgetown, had given expression to views entirely opposite to those enunciated and supposed to be held by the Hon. Prov. Secretary. If this were true it must necessarily follow that the Government were not in accord among themselves; that they were administering the affairs of the country while not agreed upon the principles which governed them.

Hon. Atty. General said he would like the hon. leader of the Opposition to point out a precedent for such a question on such an occasion.

Mr. Holmes referred to what had taken place recently at Ottawa as of a similar character.

The discussion on the position of the government and who should be regarded as the Premier - the Provincial Secretary or the Attorney General - continued through the afternoon but without any results.

ON FRIDAY the distress in Cape Breton came under discussion. It appeared that the government had sent 500 barrels of flour to Glace Bay.

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ANOTHER REMARKABLE CURE OF EPILEPSY; OR FALLING FITS. BY HANCE'S EPILEPTIC PILLS.

MONTGOMERY, TEXAS, June 21st, 1877. To SEPT. S. HANCE. - A person in my employ had been afflicted with fits of epilepsy for thirteen years; he had these attacks at intervals of two to four weeks, and often times several in quick succession, sometimes continuing for two or three days. On several occasions they lasted until his mind appeared totally deranged, in which state he would continue for a day or two after the fits ceased. I tried several remedies prescribed by one resident physician, but without success. Having seen your advertisement, he was induced to try your remedy. I obtained two boxes of your Pills, gave them according to directions, and they effected a permanent cure. The person is now a stout, healthy man, about 30 years of age, and has not had a fit since he commenced taking your medicine, ten years since. He was my principal valet, and has, since that time, been exposed to the severest of weather. I have grown confident in your remedy, and would like every one who has fits to give it a trial. B. L. DEFRANCE.

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