

ESTIMATES of the Expenditure of the Province of Nova Scotia for the year 1876:

<i>Assets, 1st January, 1876.</i>	\$39125 26
Advances for roads and bridges in 1875.	39125 26
Less—Liabilities at date.	
Undrawn road money of 1876.	184041 17
Navigation Securities.	3290 00
Due on Immigration Grant, 1872.	
1873, 1874.	1844 30
To pay deficit of 1876.	75744 71
	267139 18

*Probable Revenue for 1876.*

Subsidy.	\$520000 00
Department of Mines.	70000 00
Hospital for Insane.	55000 00
Crown Lands.	12000 00
Marriage Licences and other fees.	
Provincial Secretary's Office.	5000 00
	652000 00
Estimated expenditure for 1876.	\$676805 08
Balance.	65833 08

Assets and Subsidy.....\$676805 08

*Heads of Service.*

Agriculture.	\$ 12000 00
Contingencies.	900 00
Crown Lands.	12000 00
Courts of Prosecutors.	1930 00
Commiss' Inquiries.	2000 00
Education.	180000 00
Immigration.	5800 00
Legislative Expenses.	40000 00
Local Works.	60000 00
Mines.	10000 00
Miscellaneous, &c., &c.	17000 00
Navigation Securities.	13000 00
Normal School, Truro, new buildings.	4000 00
Public Works.	6000 00
Poory Asylum.	20000 00
Provincial and City Hospital.	4000 00
Roads and Bridges.	175000 00
Road Compensation to pay for flour sent to Cape Breton.	5000 00
Salaries.	3153 10
Steamboats, Packets & Ferries.	19350 00
Transient Poor.	11888 00
Lunatic Asylum (construction, furniture, &c.)	1543 00
Centennial Exhibition (Philadelphia).	5000 00
	610971 10
Balance.	\$65833 08

On THURSDAY the Railway Extension Bill was again under debate. A motion made by Mr. Holmes for the bill being recommitted was lost by 13 to 21. Another motion by Mr. McRae in consideration of the expression given to the subject by a public meeting in Cape Breton was put and voted down by 20 against 14. The bill was then ordered to be sent to the Legislative Council for concurrence.

The House in Committee on bills took up the Nictaux and Atlantic Railway bill.

Mr. Freeman moved an amendment relating to the route, making it something longer and accomodating the district of Ohio in Lunenburg county. He also said that the road would be of the gauge of the Windsor and Annapolis railway.

After some discussion it was settled that the gauge should be 4 ft. 8½ inches.

The Bill passed through the committee.

Subsequently Hon. Prov. Secretary introduced the resolution of which he had given notice that a petition be sent to Her Majesty seeking for a Reciprocal Treaty for the admission of coal raised in Nova Scotia and other products with the United States free of duty.

The motion passed without division. The committee on the charges against Mr. C. J. Major of the Normal School reported exonerating him.

The House in Committee of Supply considered and passed several of the items. Some discussion arose in the item of \$6000 put down for public printing and the fact that the expenditure invariably exceeded that sum. On the road grants it was argued that a large portion of the money expended was wasted and the system greatly needed reform. The increase to Halifax and Guysborough counties called forth some comment. Several members offered a protest against the smallness of the grants to their counties.

On SATURDAY, after a number of bills had been read a third time, the House went into Committee and passed the Supply Bills which were sent to the Legislative Council.

Hon. Prov. Secretary introduced the following resolution:

*Resolved*, That hereafter no expenditure for such service (Roads and Bridges) other than the sums granted to each County shall be permitted, unless upon special application to be made to, and approved by, the Governor in Council.

Which passed.

The Legislative Council returned fourteen bills to which they had given their assent.

Hon. Prov. Secy. introduced a bill to re-enact the law providing for the payment of fees for registration of births and deaths. Read first and second time, and ordered to be sent to committee.

Hon. Mr. White introduced a bill to incorporate any person or persons who might undertake to build the Eastern Extension, the company to be known as the "Halifax and Cape Breton Coal and Railway Company." The bill was read twice and sent to committee. The House in Committee then passed said bill.

Hon. Prov. Secretary moved and Mr. Woodworth seconded a resolution authorizing the Government of this Province, to approach the Dominion Government, by delegation or otherwise, with a view to having continued to this Province the subsidy of \$82,000 per annum, secured by the Howe-McLellan arrangement, which expires in 1877.

The recent delegation from New Brunswick had come for the purpose of

securing joint action of the two provinces if thought desirable.

Mr. Gayton in accordance with the notice he had already given, introduced the following resolution:

*Whereas*, It is a recognized principle that private interest or personal advantage should be subservient to the public good, and the voluntary conduct of individuals, injurious and prejudicious affecting the welfare of interests of society generally is a violation of the unalterable ends of justice, and consequently should be regulated by the laws of the State;

*And Whereas*, the manufacture, sale and use of intoxicating liquors as a beverage, is inseparably connected with the direst evils to the human race: and the most fruitful source of misery, degradation and crime known to the civilized world;

*Therefore Resolved*, That it is the opinion of this House that the manufacture, importation and sale of intoxicating liquors (except for medicinal and mechanical purposes), should be prohibited by law in the Dominion of Canada.

Mr. Gayton spoke at some length in support of the motion.

Mr. Longley seconded the motion and in doing so exhibited with much power and effect the evils of the rum traffic. Messrs. Allison, Hill, and Weeks also spoke on the subject. The resolution was adopted unanimously.

It was announced on Monday that the Legislature was to close yesterday afternoon. We go to press too early to give an account of the closing ceremonies.

A NOVA SCOTIA WOMAN BEATEN TO DEATH.—A woman calling herself Mrs. Kate Fairborn, of East Thompson, Conn., but whose real name was Catherine Curry, of Nova Scotia, was beaten to death in Boston on Wednesday, by a man named Hall with whom she had been living. Hall afterwards cut his throat and died.

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