

Ellershausen and Sheppard went off with Mr. Gill, the Manager, in search of Copper, which seemed to be the absorbing topic in those parts; while Dr. McKenzie and the writer, as being uninitiated, remained behind and enjoyed the scene around us. There was no opportunity to hold service. There are three churches here,—Catholic, Episcopal, Wesleyan. I shall not soon forget this Cove, and the kindness of the Manager already named. After a pleasant day the party returned to Bett's Cove in the evening, and next day Mr. Ellershausen left in the steamer for Little Bay, en route for Great Britain to hold important consultations with the Company on the other side of the Atlantic.

Yours truly,
GEORGE ARMSTRONG.
St. John, N. B., Feb. 23rd, 1879.

For the Christian Messenger.

To the Members of the Church at ———, Greeting.

Among the choice blessings of my pilgrim life, is the privilege of reading regularly the *Christian Messenger*. My heart is kept in sympathy with the objects of the Convention Scheme, which is of necessity our own scheme, or plan; because we are a part of the Convention. I hope you have, as a church already taken up the matter of raising the One Dollar per member, for the 100 members of our church. Perhaps it is already done, if not, surely you cannot permit it to be known that our church would refuse to do its part in so grand and wise a work. Are we not a part of the denomination? Will not our example be felt either for or against so glorious a movement? Can it be possible that we should be found against it. Pedobaptists everywhere, we hold, are in the partial darkness of error. Are they not waiting for us to bring them the light of the truth? Hear their cry as it rings full in my ears—"Why don't Baptist ministers come this way and preach to us?" With shame and sorrow we have to answer—"We have a great many more churches formed, and fields of labor staked out than we possibly can get Pastors for now, and the annual receipts of our Mission Treasuries scarcely more than half supplies the real demands of fields already opened.

Brothers and Sisters, does not Jesus demand of us now to show proof of our love to His TRUTH by exercising the GRACE OF GIVING MONEY that the Lord's treasury may be filled. When we have permitted the Lord to open our hearts and hands to give money liberally, then we will be praising the Lord for increased love for His cause. What joyful times! for then we cannot help praying for the success of Missions and for Acadia College, and all the other objects of the Convention.

Why this fresh and joyful spiritual life? Because we have obeyed the teachings of God's Word and Spirit, and complied with God's call, even the Convention, call and raised our \$100. But there, I am talking as though I were among you, I must stop. As I read and thought of this matter, it all at once occurred to me that I was a member of the ——— church; and therefore still one of the parties that is responsible for its action in raising the money asked for by the Convention. Ought it not to be our chief joy to promptly collect and forward the amounts. I enclose \$4.00, one dollar for myself, the other three dollars will help pay for some who may not be able to give the dollar. Might not the matter be presented to absent members by letter. They would gladly remit the dollar.

I am, yours,
Joyfully in Christ,
AN ABSENT MEMBER.

RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCE.

The Marvellous work of Grace at Freeport.

Dear Editor,—
After the Baptism of the forty-five mentioned in my last, circumstances seemed to indicate the propriety of resuming our efforts at Tiverton—a village on the Eastern end of the Island. Previously I had given that church a fortnight's special work, and had promised to return when my work at Freeport would permit. However we worked here until Wednesday 18th inst.,

when ten more rejoicing converts were baptized.

One of these was a woman 72 years of age, whose brother, aged 68 years, had been baptized the Sabbath before. On Thursday Bro. W. started for Tiverton. Not being well, I did not go until the following week. On Sabbath nine were baptized into that Church; and on the next Thursday, eighteen more. This was the largest baptism ever witnessed at Tiverton. The day was fine, and the water calm. Many hearts were thrilled with joy at the sight of three husbands with their wives among the candidates.

One husband after being buried beneath the yielding wave, stood by the administrator's side until his wife was buried too, then they walked together to the shore; and another; and still another, till the three couples had been thus baptized.

We then repaired to the Meeting House for a short sermon, after which twenty stood before the desk to receive the Hand of Fellowship.

Some years ago four brethren had been elected to the office of Deacon, but had not been ordained. Bros. James Outhouse and Morgan Powell, on account of advancing years, kindly resigned the office in favor of Bros. David Scott and Chesley Osinger, who with Bros. William Guyer and Geo. Buckman were set apart "to serve tables."

Yours &c.,
L. M. WEEKS.
Freeport, February 23rd, 1880.

HEBRON, YARMOUTH Co.—*Mr. Editor*,—The work of the Lord is still going forward among us. Since my last note I have had three baptisms viz.: Feb. 15th three, Feb. 22nd, six, and March 7th, sixteen, and two received by statement and one restored. Several more have been convinced and others are still enquiring.

A. COHOON.
March 10, 1880.

ST. MARY'S BAY.—The Lord is reviving his work in the salvation of sinners. We have been holding meetings for the past three weeks at North Range, and last Sabbath the 7th inst., I had the privilege of baptizing four. Many more are asking for prayers. The Rev. W. C. Rideout is with us this week, and preaching with the spirit and power of the gospel.

Yours truly,
W. L. PARKER.
Barton, March 12th, 1880.

YARMOUTH.—Rev. Dr. Day writes on Friday last: Bro. Cohoon has baptized 48; bro. Clark, 25; bro. McQuillin, 10; bro. Rowe, 4; bro. Lavers, 4; bro. Parry, 13; bro. Titus and bro. Cogswell quite a number. I baptized one last Sabbath, expect to baptize next Sabbath.

NOVA SCOTIA LEGISLATURE.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

MONDAY, petitions were presented by Mr. Bell, Dr. Campbell, Mr. VanBlarcom, Mr. Harrington, Hon. Mr. Stairs, Mr. Bell, Mr. Ford, and Mr. A. N. McDonald. Mr. A. Campbell and other members introduced bills on various matters.

In reply to a question from Mr. Hadley, Hon. Prov. Secretary said it had been decided that the terminus of the Eastern Extension Railway should be at Wyld's Cove, nearly opposite Port Hawkesbury. It had not been decided where the terminus should be located on the Cape Breton side.

The Hon. Mr. Stairs, Mr. Gayton and Mr. Bell were appointed a Committee to confer with the Committee of the Legislative Council concerning the best action to be taken in reference to the Fishery Award. The grant of Lake Ainslie occupied a large part of the afternoon. The Committee reported that the grant be made to Mr. Ellershausen; which was adopted.

The House in Committee passed the Sugar Refinery Bill and other Incorporation Bills.

TUESDAY, the following Bills were read a third time: The Bill to incorporate the Nova Scotia Sugar Refinery (limited); also, the Bill to provide for the management of the Oak Grove cemetery, County of Kings.

Petitions were presented. After this the claims against the Nictaux and Atlantic railway came under consideration by a petition presented by Mr. Shaffner. A petition of the same nature was presented by Mr. C. A. Smith.

A number of local Bills were advanced a stage. Several members spoke on the matter of road monies and advances for bridges and roads, filling up the remainder of the day.

WEDNESDAY, several Incorporation bills were read a third time, Mr. Patterson

presented a petition from R. Mulholland, Truro, asking for a retiring allowance in view of his long service, for twenty-five years, at the Normal School. The petition was ordered to lie on the table. Mr. A. N. McDonald presented a petition from Charles Hiltz and 16 others inhabitants of Port Bickerton and Fisherman's Harbor, stating that they were in a destitute and starving condition, and praying for assistance, to be repaid in the summer by labor on the roads.

Mr. Kinney presented a petition from Yarmouth signed by 252 persons, asking for exemption from the operation of the Counties Incorporation Act. Mr. K. did not join in the prayer of the petition.

Mr. Gayton spoke and expressed his own opinion in agreement with the petition.

After a number of Local and Private Bills Mr. LeBlanc introduced a series of resolutions on the Eastern Extension, and the Contractors for that work.

Hon. Mr. Stairs presented the resolution of the conference on the Fishery Award. It was agreed that a Joint Address be presented to the Dominion Government.

Hon. Prov. Secretary laid on the Table the Financial Returns of Expenditure and Revenue for the year 1879, as follows:

EXPENDITURE.	
Deficit last year.....	\$118,331 67
Agriculture.....	\$ 12,000 00
Blind Asylum.....	800 00
Contingencies.....	750 00
Criminal Prosecutions.....	4,068 60
Crown Land Department.....	7,000 00
Education.....	206,956 20
Hospital for Insane.....	28,000 00
Interest.....	4,195 20
Legislative Expenses.....	35,094 19
Local Works.....	12,000 00
Mines.....	6,000 00
Miscellaneous.....	17,676 14
Navigation Securities.....	2,044 31
Provincial and City Hospital.....	1,901 34
Poor's Asylum.....	10,559 82
Public Printing.....	6,768 49
Road Advances.....	15,450 87
Special Railway Advances.....	—
Dominion of Canada.....	22,146 03
Salaries to Officers of Gov't.....	16,909 99
Steamboats, Packets and Ferries.....	22,439 67
Transient Poor.....	1,425 37
Windsor and Annapolis Railway Indemnity Account.....	14,596 50
Medical College.....	800 00
Inebriate Asylum.....	600 00
Western Counties Railway Special Account.....	2,123 98
Advances.....	1,819 61
Immigration.....	459 41
Refund Loan Prov. Railway Account.....	57,446 97
Debitures Normal School.....	5,000 00
	\$517,032 69
	\$635,364 36

ROAD SERVICE.

To cash—Annapolis, including \$3,000 borrowed.....	\$7,564 12
Antigonish.....	4,152 41
Cape Breton.....	4,963 52
Colchester, including balance \$168 67 due to county in 1878.....	5,131 16
Cumberland.....	4,787 23
Digby.....	4,617 73
Guysboro, including \$1,004 85 borrowed.....	5,649 37
Halifax.....	6,250 64
Hants.....	5,055 55
Inverness.....	5,006 49
Kings.....	4,497 78
Lebanburg, including \$147 85 Nav. Securities, 1878.....	5,247 90
Pictou, including \$102 49, Nav. Securities, 1878.....	6,184 78
Queen's, including \$1,586 76, Nav. Securities, 1878.....	5,570 70
Richmond, including \$2,687 50, balance due County in 1878.....	6,765 50
Shelburne.....	4,086 46
Victoria.....	4,153 33
Yarmouth.....	4,107 03
	\$94,391 70
	\$729,756 06

INCOME.

The revenue was:—	
Crown Lands Department for land sold.....	\$ 10,446 84
Hospital for Insane (old accounts).....	18,088 66
Mines.....	49,131 81
Miscellaneous.....	69 18
Marriage Licenses.....	7,293 99
Subsidy, Dominion of Canada.....	283,064 59
Private Bills.....	350 00
Fees, &c., Provincial Secretary's Office.....	2,716 95
Gazette Office.....	2,898 68
Searches, Crown Land Office.....	62 52
Trespasses, Crown Land do.....	47 00
Western Counties Railway Special Account refund.....	2,123 98
Windsor and Annapolis Railway Indemnity Account.....	9,596 50
Normal School Refund.....	224 10
Special Dominion of Canada refund Railway Advances.....	20,400 08
Guysborough County Road Service.....	1,004 85
Loan from Provincial Railway Accounts.....	245,234 81
Annapolis Co Road Service.....	3,000 00
Criminal Prosecutions refund.....	210 00
Richmond County R. S. do.....	5 00
	\$655,969 55

THURSDAY—Subsequent to the routine business the House was occupied in the discussion of the County Courts Bill on

which a number of gentlemen spoke expressing dissatisfaction with the present Courts.

On FRIDAY after a very short session the House adjourned till Saturday. A large number of the members were occupied in the afternoon making a visit to the Dartmouth Ropewalk.

SATURDAY—A number of bills were read and advanced a stage. Hon. Mr. Stairs presented a petition from Mr. H. S. K. Neal, of Dartmouth, asking for a license to establish an Inebriates Home, under the Act passed by the Legislature in 1875.

Explanation was asked for and given respecting charges for criminal prosecutions.

Various papers relating to Charitable Institutions were received and laid on the table of the House.

The Fishery Award was made the subject of some conversation. Some wished for a delegation of members of the House or Government to be sent to Ottawa to remonstrate with the Dominion Government respecting the claims of the province for participation in the Award.

Hon. Provincial Secretary recommended the passage of resolution in reference to that of a Delegation. Some amendments to the County Courts Bill were moved and carried.

DOMINION & FOREIGN NEWS.

DOMINION OF CANADA.—In the House of Commons on Monday last week Sir John said it was under consideration to subsidize a line of steamers from St. John, N. B. to Panama, touching at the West Indies.

Sir S. L. Tilley brought down the estimates for the year ending 30th June, 1881.

They are for \$48,239,570 as against \$42,932,519 in 1879-80.

The total amount asked for the Canada Pacific Railway is \$8,761,000, as against \$6,910,000 in 1879-80.

The principal items in the estimates are.

	1879-80.	1880-81.
Public Debt.....	\$ 8,184,155	\$ 8,882,347
Charges of Management.....	2,036,507	204,639
Civil Government.....	874,881	917,451
Adminis. of Justice.....	598,955	607,805
Police.....	12,000	13,000
Penitentiaries.....	283,908	313,711
Legislation.....	628,186	684,131
Arts, Agriculture & Statistics.....	25,200	217,206
Imm. & Quarantine.....	178,616	193,010
Pensions.....	231,881	247,752
Militia.....	706,800	686,800
Railways & Canals, chargeable to Inc. Public Works and Buildings, chargeable to Income.....	—	48,500
Ocean and River Service.....	982,780	1,094,957
Light House and Coast Service.....	443,573	418,583
Fisheries.....	467,443	487,271
Marine Hospitals & Sick and Distressed Seaman.....	82,700	83,800
Steamboat Inspect., Inspection of Insurance Companies.....	46,400	46,400
Subsidies.....	69,000	64,000
Geological Survey.....	13,690	15,000
Indians.....	10,000	10,000
Nth West Mounted Police.....	8,421,585	3,423,605
Miscellaneous.....	50,000	55,000
Collection of Revenue Customs.....	484,523	649,786
Excise.....	308,900	290,000
Culling timber.....	106,800	98,800
Weights & Measures.....	717,069	724,565
Inspection of Food.....	221,740	235,250
Public Works.....	67,500	66,900
Public Buildings.....	72,300	72,300
Public Works and Buildings chargeable to capital Railways and Canals.....	3,000	3,000
Public Works.....	10,000	10,000
Post Office.....	2,440,165	1,229,945
Dominion Lands.....	1,761,600	1,852,000
Minor Revenues.....	117,500	57,245
Total Consolidated.....	10,000	10,000
Fund.....	23,869,262	25,007,293
Redemption of debt.....	6,008,257	1,311,566
Public Works and Buildings chargeable to capital Railways and Canals.....	12,965,000	11,611,800
Dominion Lands.....	—	300,000
Total Capital.....	19,083,257	13,228,366
Total.....	\$42,932,519	\$38,239,570

Estimates of the expenditure in Nova Scotia for 1880-1 are as follows:—

Administration of Justice.....	\$50,400
Halifax Penitentiary—no vote.....	—
Decrease from last year of \$19,806.....	—
Immigration Office, Halifax.....	\$ 1,000
Quarantine.....	4,000
Prisons.....	2,666
St. Peter's Canal.....	17,400
Quarantine Hospitals.....	5,500
Public Works—	
Gabarus Harbor and Indian Is. Beach.....	200
Cow Bay.....	11,820
Burying Island, Canso Harbor.....	5,000
Annapolis.....	750
Pictou Island.....	2,000
Public Buildings.....	5,500
Harbors and Rivers.....	21,770
Dredging, Maritime Provinces.....	42,000
The subsidy for Mail service between Halifax and Cork is withdrawn.....	—
Fisheries Disbursements.....	15,000
Fish Breeding, Fishways and Oyster beds.....	22,000
Subsidy (decrease \$11,144).....	371,909
Indians.....	4,500

One of the principal changes in the tariff is that there will be a duty of 60 cents on the ton of 2,000 lbs. on bitu-

minous coal instead of 50 cents as formerly. Anthracite remains the same as before.

After the speech of Sir S. L. Tilley on the Budget, Sir R. J. Cartwright replied. Sir Charles Tupper then spoke for two hours and Hon. Mr. Mackenzie for an hour.

On Tuesday after a consideration of P. E. Island matters, Mr. McDonald (P. E. I.) said the Northern Light was doing very well, and should be continued.

On Wednesday the House in Committee on Mr. Girouard's bill to legalize marriage with a deceased wife's sister.

It was moved in amendment and, after long discussion, carried, that the proviso in the 1st clause be struck out leaving it simply,

1. "Marriage is permitted between a man and a sister of his deceased wife."

The second clause was amended as follows: "Provided that all such marriages heretofore contracted—the parties thereto living as husband and wife at the time of the passing of this Act—shall be held to have been legally contracted; but nothing herein contained shall affect any right actually acquired by the issue of the first marriage; nor shall this clause render legal any such marriage when either of the parties have afterwards, during the life of the other, and before the passage of this Act, lawfully intermarried with any other person."

On Thursday in reply to Mr. Caron, Mr. Mason said 20,000 militiamen would be drilled this year, same as last year. Mr. Masson said it was the intention of the Government to hold a review of all the troops that can be assembled at Quebec to celebrate the Queen's birthday, and allow all that can attend pay and transport.

According to the Royal instructions brought down to day the British Government does not reserve the right of revising the fiscal legislation of the Dominion. Sir A. T. Galt will sail for England on the 26th inst.

Mr. Gerrie, a prominent merchant of Manitoba, has just returned from a visit to Glasgow. He reports that the number of tenant farmers who are likely to come to Canada in the spring will be very large. The record of the delegate sent out last year has given every satisfaction and made a deep impression in all parts of Scotland.

At a meeting of the council of the Academy of Arts, held at Ottawa on Friday last, it was decided to hold the next exhibition at the city of Halifax in the midsummer of 1881. It was agreed to donate \$100 to the Ottawa school of arts from the funds of the Academy.

There are 741 vacant houses in Ottawa this month. In December there were 693.

The act repealing the insolvency law having passed the Senate, only awaits the sanction of His Excellency the Governor General to become law.

A return of sugar imported shows a decrease of revenue of half a million dollars compared with the previous year.

The last week was a busy one in Montreal in the horse market. Four hundred and forty-five horses, costing \$35,210, were shipped from that city to the United States for the week as compared with shipments of the week previous of 288 horses, valued at \$23,127. The demand is good for all classes of useful animals.

The Hon. Mr. Holton died at Ottawa on Saturday last of indigestion, producing spasms of the heart, causing deep sorrow amongst his many friends there on both sides, and at Montreal.

The number of letters registered in Canada last year was 1,940,000, of which 57 failed to reach their destination.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—The New Brunswick Legislature was opened on Tuesday last according to appointment. The Lieutenant Governor's speech refers in very respectful terms to his departed predecessor, and to the accident to H. R. H. Princess Louise and His Excellency the Gov. General. The following is all that it said relating to the legislation that may be anticipated:

"Measures relating to schools, to the keeping of the public accounts, to the making of provision consequent upon the probable repeal of the Insolvent Law, and other measures of importance will be presented for your consideration during the session, and I confidently recommend them with all other matters of public interest which may require your attention, to the care of your wisdom and patriotism."

UNITED STATES.—A special from San Francisco says the council of the Citizens Protective Union is composed of 200 citizens, and 15 others compose the Executive Committee. 10,000 citizens are enrolled.

A manifesto issued by the law and order party is published declaring that future assaults upon the peace and prosperity of this city by irresponsible mobs will not be tolerated.

Mayor Killoch has issued a proclamation declaring, in a most emphatic manner, that there is not and never has been the slightest reason to apprehend any disturbance from the working classes of San Francisco.

On the 11th, Dennis Kearney was arrested at San Francisco on a charge of misdemeanor.

A despatch on Friday said everything was very quiet last night. A number of ordinary meetings of the Workingmen's Ward Club were held, at which the