

will receive careful and watchful consideration from our fellow citizens generally.

The sittings of Committees of the House of Assembly have attracted about as much public interest as the regular proceedings of the House during the past week. The investigation into the Peter McNab affair on Thursday, Friday and Monday last, brought out the facts from Messrs. Annand, Vail, Smith and Hendry of the Crown Land office.

The Committee on the Halifax School Trustees Bill has also been addressed by a number of the friends of that measure, and also by some of the present Commissioners of Schools for the city in defence of things as they are. On Monday last there was quite a gathering of the Aldermen and Commissioners and of members of the Halifax School Association. The President, M. H. Richey, Esq., S. L. Shannon, E. D. King, Rev. J. Lethern, and Rev. George M. Grant spoke in favor of the bill for allowing the people to elect their own Trustees. Aldermen Vaux and Thompson, L. G. Power, W. M. Brown and M. J. Griffin opposed the proposed measure.

We understand that the Rev. Mr. Stamer of St. Margaret's Bay has been the occasion of giving the subject of Christian Baptism a pretty full examination. He, Mr. S., gave out at one of his public services that he would be prepared to discuss the subject publicly with any person willing to meet him for the purpose.

Rev. W. E. Hall, the Baptist minister, sent an acceptance of the challenge; and accordingly a meeting was arranged in Temperance Hall on Thursday last. About 500 people assembled to hear Mr. Stamer occupy the time allotted to him and was followed by Mr. Hall. We have not learned the further particulars of the discussion, or the results, but shall be glad to hear, as we may possibly from some who were present. It has of course created "no small stir" amongst both church people and Baptists as to the teachings of scripture on the subject.

We have to thank T. H. Rand, Esq., for the N. B. Educational Reports; and Rev. A. S. Hunt for the Annual Report of Schools in N. S. We have been unable to complete our examination of these documents for our present issue.

We have received No. 1 of "The Nation," a new weekly paper of 16 pages, published at Toronto. It exhibits considerable talent in its editorial articles, and is got up in very superior style.

Notices.

OUR FOREIGN MISSION.

To the Editor of the Christian Messenger.
DEAR BROTHER.—Permit me to acknowledge through the columns of your valuable paper, the receipt of the following sums for our Foreign Mission:

NOVA SCOTIA.	
From Mrs. John Shaw, Berwick, per Rev. Wm. B. Boggs.	\$ 1.00
" Mrs. M. D. Nelson, Brookfield, per S. Selden, Esq.	2.00
" Sophia Nelson, Brookfield, per do.	1.00
" Mrs. A. Meister, New Ross, per do.	1.00
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" Baptist Church, Indian Harbor West, per Chas. Covey.	6.75
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NEW BRUNSWICK.	
From Quarterly meeting at Springfield, per Rev. W. B. Boggs.	6.61
" C. C. Parker, amt. pledged at farewell miss. meeting.	5.00
" Miss Bacon, Hopewell Hill, per Rev. I. E. Bill.	1.00
" Northampton, per Rev. Allan Barrows.	1.50
" Quarterly meeting held at Cumberland Bay, per Rev. E. N. Hughes.	11.00
	\$81.36.

Yours very truly,
Z. G. GARREL,
Treasurer of F. M. B.

COLCHESTER CO. BAPTIST SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.

The quarterly session of this Convention will be held in the Zion Chapel, North River, on Thursday April 10th, commencing at 2 1/2 P. M. Evening Session at 7 o'clock. The Session on Friday will commence at 10 o'clock, A. M.

A. J. WALKER, Sec'y.
Truro, March 21st 1874.

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Indian Harbor.—Mrs. C. Allan. \$4 25
M. R. SELDEN, Sec'y.
Halifax, N. S., April 15, 1874.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Our friends of Digby and Hill Grove Churches have made us donation visits. The former met at our house Dec 31st, and left us the better by \$45; we met the latter at brother A. Nichols' and were made happy by \$40. We thank them all. I have removed to Clementsport, and wish all my letters and papers addressed to Clementsport, Annapolis C.

J. M. PARKER.

April 6th, 1874.

LETTERS RECEIVED.

C. Bacon, \$4. Rev. A. Shields, Rev. S. W. DeBlais, C. Joet, J. A. Estey, W. E. West, \$4 75. C. W. Sanders, \$2. W. H. Gridley, \$2. B. L. Teller, 2. L. M. Weeks. Rev. J. C. Bleakney, R. Harlow. Rev. Dr. Tupper, 1 sub., \$1. Rev. T. H. Porter. R. Comstock. Olive, Rankin & Co.

News of the Week.

RAILROAD TO PUGWASH.—A correspondent writes: "I am highly gratified to find that the public mind is taking hold of the railroad business now, just in the right place, and that the beautiful, convenient, and safe harbor of Pugwash, is to be utilized speedily by the running of a branch railroad to it. Only about a dozen miles, to connect with such a commodious harbor, and that harbor the best on all this coast. Only three hours sail from P. E. Island. It is the direct pathway from all this region of country from Canada to Europe, to all the world, and he who pushes it the most zealously is in my opinion the wisest man. Nothing, since the way to Yarmouth is a fixed fact, has looked more like business than this road-to-Pugwash. Making a direct outlet for all the timber, and coal of the Spring hill region, and to be an advantage to the whole province to the latest generation."

A GREAT STORM visited Halifax on Friday last. Snow and sleet fell in the morning with a pretty high wind. In the afternoon about 2 o'clock, it became a perfect hurricane for about half-an-hour. Several ships and vessels in the harbor drew their anchors, some of them being pretty badly damaged. The bark Modoc drifted across the Ferry Dock, so as to prevent the Dartmouth steamers making their trips for about half-an-hour.

THE INTERNATIONAL HOTEL.—Mr. G. RUPERT JOHNSON, formerly of the Mansion House, has leased the International Hotel. The house is now in first rate order, and under Mr. Johnson's management his friends and patrons will be well cared for.

WINDSOR.—Senator Churchill has been very seriously ill. On Thursday afternoon Ezra Shand had one of his fingers so severely cut by a planer in the Windsor Furniture Company's Factory that it had to be amputated. On Sunday evening Dr. Black received a bad fall, but sustained no serious injury. Mrs. Oram was thrown out of a wagon on the same day and badly bruised.

Parliamentary.

HOUSE OF ASSEMBLY.

April 6th.—Monday afternoon was occupied in a discussion on changing a polling district in Inverness; and in the matter of members receiving payments for the session in advance during the sitting of the house. Some complaints were made with the reporting of the debates.

On TUESDAY the House was occupied with a railway debate. The Prov. Secretary stated that the Dominion Government were willing to hand over to the Local Government the branch railways of the Province to enable them to extend them east and west. The Bill brought in by the Government proposes to give \$6000 a mile to Western Company and \$5000 a mile to Eastern roads. Having received \$67,000 a year under the Act of 1873, the Government thought the time had arrived for using that additional amount in railway developments. It was found necessary to do so, the Provincial Government could, he thought, manage to obtain the consent of the Dominion authorities to allow the increase of the actual debt of the Province to the amount of the allowed debt. He claimed for the Government Bill an equal desire to do justice to both east and west. The Crown Lands Department was brought under consideration on the item of \$20,000 in the estimates being proposed for that service.

Mr. Holmes thought the returns from this department were far below what they ought to be; that after an expenditure of \$20,000 there should be no more than \$4000 received.

Mr. Blanchard believed that the expense of the department might be largely diminished. By amalgamating the Crown Lands and the Public Works Departments there might be a large diminution of expense. The appointment of a head of each was quite unnecessary.

Mr. Freeman thought the opposition in a large measure responsible for the existence of the departments.
Mr. White had not yet found that the

office he held was an unnecessary one, and if he should be the first to have it abolished.

The Attorney General did not find the opposition to this appropriation based on any facts adduced. It was unfortunate that the Crown Lands were not more productive, but that the government could not prevent.

Mr. Rottie argued that the revenues of the Province should not be applied to the keeping up of unproductive offices, that the disposing of large tracts of lands for such small sums had been highly injurious to the country.

On WEDNESDAY the house was in session with closed doors for some time.

On the Bill for preventing the destruction of moose being read a second time, Mr. Taylor presented several petitions against it.

Several members spoke against the measure and Mr. Freeman moved that it be deferred for three months.

Messrs. Woodworth, Smith, Desbrisay, Taylor, White, Robinson, McRae, Vickery and others spoke in favor of the bill. The motion to send it to committee was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Archibald the bill to enable the citizens of Halifax to elect Trustees for the Public Schools was read a second time and referred to Committee.

On THURSDAY after the reception of several petitions and the reading of a number of bills, the County Courts Bill came under consideration. Messrs. Blanchard, Holmes and Moore were opposed to the Bill as entailing additional expense on the country and increasing the amount of litigation. Messrs. Morrison, Vail and Smith advocated the measure as required by the exigencies of the country and the example of other provinces.

Mr. Holmes moved to the effect that the present bill would not effect the object of facilitating the administration of justice, and that it be deferred for three months.

The amendment was put and lost by the following vote:—

For:—Messrs. Moore, Holmes, Vickery, Woodworth, McKay, Cameron, Rottie, Campbell, Blanchard and Joseph McDonald—10.

Against:—Messrs. Morrison, Ryerson, Freeman, Ross, Francheville, Wyld, Landers, Archibald, Flinn, Taylor, Yeomans, Smith, Desbrisay, Gayton, Boudrot, Doucette, Hon. Messrs. Robertson, Vail, Smith, White and D. McDonald—21.

The bill then passed its second reading, and was referred to committee of the whole.

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Dec. 17

INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

An order in Council having passed assenting to the proposed line, the Passenger and Freight Tariffs between HALIFAX AND WINDSOR, to the Passenger and Freight Tariffs now in force upon the other portions of the Intercolonial Railway.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the rates for Passengers and Freight hereafter to be charged between HALIFAX AND WINDSOR and Intermediate Stations, shall be the rates given in the Tariffs of the Nova Scotia Railway.

LEWIS CARVELL,

General Superintendent.

Railway Office, Moncton, N. B.,

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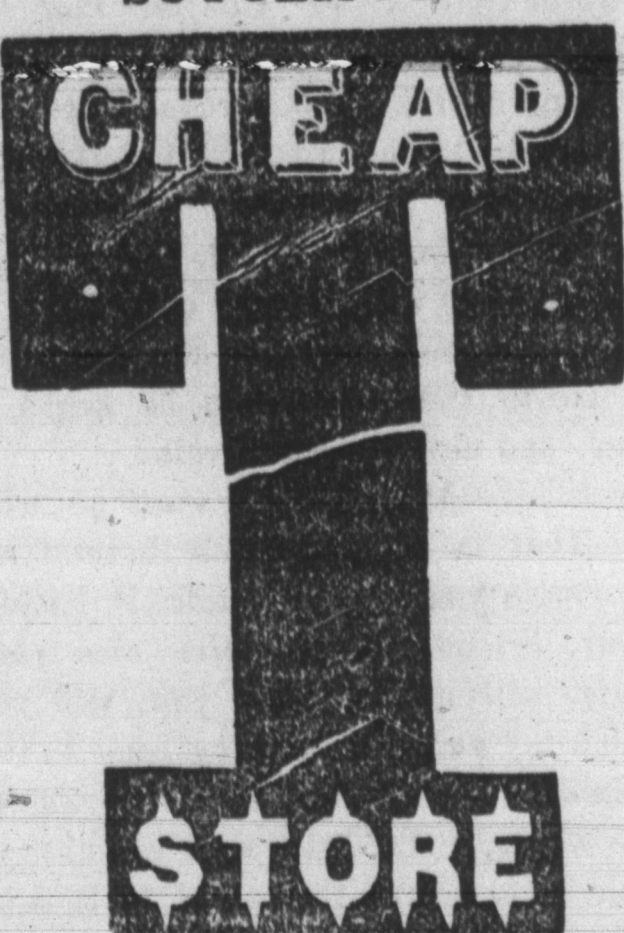
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8	Bedford	8.25	9.10	3.30
13	Wind. Junction	8.40	9.40	3.55
23	Mount Uniacke	9.18	10.40	4.45
33	Ellershouse	9.47	11.20	5.22
39	Newport	10.09	11.33	5.34
45	Windsor	10.20	12.20	6.12
52	Hantsport	10.40	12.50	6.42
63	Wolfville	11.10	1.40	7.24
70	Kentville	11.40	2.40	7.50
82	Berwick	12.12	3.40	
87	Aylesford	12.25	4.12	
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107	Lawrencetown	1.15	5.25	
115	Bridgetown	1.35	6.00	
129	Annapolis—arrive	2.10	6.45	

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