

## THE RELIGIOUS INTELLIGENCER.

questions involving the powers of the Local Legislatures, justify the hope that we may help upon the court of final resort preserving the political autonomy of the Provinces against the dangers which threaten it from Federal encroachments.

I have directed the accounts of the income and expenditure for the past year, as well as a statement of the receipts and payments of the current year up to the opening of the present session to be laid before you.

Estimates of the probable income and expenditure for the current year, will also be submitted to you; and I think you will find that the estimates of expenditure have been prepared with a due regard to the requirements of the public service.

Bills—in amendment of the school law, providing for the payment of Court Fees by Stamps ; To fix the liability of Employers in certain cases ; to regulate the appointments and fix the duties of Lumber Scales on Crown Lands ; To authorize the Survey and setting apart of certain lands to be reserved for Lumber purposes, and other important measures, will be laid before you, and to which I invite your consideration.

Hoping every consideration given to the public interest, and trusting that your deliberations, under the guidance of Divine Providence, may result in the general good, I leave you to the performance of your responsible and honorable duties.

The Hon. Mr. Meehan, St. John, N. B., was born in 1813.

Mr. Glazier moved the address in reply to the speech, seconded by Mr. Killam. Mr. Wetmore thought it ought to be delayed till next day, but the Attorney General thought the consideration should go on for the present. Mr. Glazier, Mr. Wetmore and the Attorney General had spoken the trouble was adjourned.

Rev. Mr. McLeod, on motion of Mr. Palmer, seconded by Mr. Blair, was elected Chaplain.

**Friday.**—After routine debate on the address was moved by Mr. McLeod ; Mr. Adams and Mr. MacAdam following. The address then passed without division.

The Report of the Crown Land Department, and the Report of the Board of Agriculture were laid on the table.

**Saturday.**—Some bills were advanced a stage.

The Provincial Secretary laid on the table the estimates of expenditure for the year. They are as follows :

Administration of justice.....	8
Agriculture.....	9,756
Blacks.....	600
Corporations of Legislature and public departments.....	4,500
Debt and dumb.....	1,500
Education—schoolhouses for poor districts.....	1,500
Exploration of public lands, protection of forests, fisheries, rights, etc.....	5,000
Few Grants Act.....	6,000
Interest of temporary loans.....	7,500
Legislature.....	3,900
Lunatic Asylums.....	42,000
Public Hospital, St. John.....	2,000
Public works, great roads and bridges.....	95,000
Steam navigation.....	4,000
Public buildings.....	10,000
By-road.....	70,000
Rift Association.....	300
Surveys, railway inspection, Crown Land and Public Works.....	3,000
Uniformed expenses.....	2,500
Natural History Society.....	250
Total.....	\$299,336

Estimated in the agricultural estimates are : Stock Farm \$4,167, Employment, 1883, balances due, \$5,123 ; model dairy, \$450.

**Monday.**—The bill to authorize the York County Council to take up certain debentures by a fresh issue passed.

Mr. Wetmore gave notice of motion for a detailed statement of all monies received by the Government from the Dominion Government on the 31st October, 1882, to date, specifying the dates on which he received and on what account paid out ; also a statement specifying the time when application was made to the Dominion Government for advances before they became due.

In answer to Mr. Tibbits, Hon. Mr. McLellan stated the cost would be so great that the Government did not feel justified in having more copies of the statutes printed this year.

Mr. Wetmore moved a motion of no motion for all recognizances for appearance in criminal offences since May, 1863, which have been forfeited of all monies collected on such and suits commenced against parties for such forfeitures.

Mr. C. D. G. Roberts has retired from the editorship of the *Week*.

224 new post offices were opened during last year making a total of 6,395 post offices in operation in the Dominion.

There are nearly 1,000 Romanist converts in the Protestant churches in Rome, as the result of ten years' mission work.

## THE NEWS OF THE WEEK.

SAINT JOHN, N. B., MARCH 7, 1884.

NEW BRUNSWICK.  
It is said that the sardine factory at St. Andrews will resume operations in April.

Wm. Russell is under arrest charged with stealing flour, pork etc., from R. A. East Esq.

Thos. Merritt, of Gondola Point, caught a hake near that place recently which weighed 44 pounds. The fish measured 3 feet 11 inches in length.

Mitchell, charged with assaulting Mrs. McCann at Peticodiac, has been released, the prosecution having withdrawn the charge of assault with intent to do her bodily harm.

John H. Watt, assistant postmaster of Woodstock, and Charles F. Hoben, postmaster of MacAdam Junction, have been appointed railway mail clerks on the Andover and Woodstock route.

Exactly 100 petitions have been received by Inspector Hanington from persons desirous of carrying on a retail liquor business in the City of Saint John.

The Hon. W. H. Stewart, Minister of Justice, has issued a royal commission to inquire into the conduct of the trial of Mr. G. Gould, mate of the *Bellesota*, who assisted in the rescue, is also to be presented with a watch.

In Fredericton Thomas Bradley, harnessmaker, choked to death on Monday, while at dinner. Dr. Brown was called and extracted a large piece of meat from his windpipe, but was unable to save him. The doctor died soon after.

The enemy showed great courage during the fight, and when the British troops moved upon their position they refused to run, but fought to the death, finding it difficult to give way to the superior military discipline of the British.

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