

# CUNNABELL'S NOVA SCOTIA ALMANAC.

Wales; news of which had lately arrived. Congratulatory addresses were sent home on the occasion. 23rd.—A public holiday was observed. The poor in Halifax were feasted, and other demonstrations of rejoicing, in consequence of the birth of the Prince of Wales. 25th.—The Episcopal Church at the Three-Mile-House, near Halifax, was first opened for Divine Service.

1842.—*January 1st.*—The Hon. Joseph Howe retired from the Press, having disposed of the copyright of the Novascotian. 3rd.—His Worship the Mayor embarked for England, and Alderman Kenny was chosen Mayor in his place. 13th.—Wm. Young, Esq., was sworn in as Executive Councillor, in place of Sir Rupert D. George, resigned. 20th.—The Legislative Session was opened; His Excellency's Speech was much longer than had been usual on such occasions. Dickens, the author of *Boz*, &c., happened to be in Halifax on his way to the United States, and had a chair at the Speaker's right, during the opening of the House. 22d.—The Hon. J. L. Starr, resigned his seat in the Legislative Council. The Bill transferring the appointment of Sheriffs, from the Chief Judge to His Excellency, in Council, passed the House; but was subsequently lost in the Council.

*February 8th.*—£28,000 voted for the service of the Roads and Bridges. 15th.—The Bankrupt Bill prepared by the Executive, and laid before the House, was rejected; on which, the opposition claimed of the members of the Government, that they should retire. 16th.—A vote of confidence in the Government, moved by the Hon. J. Howe, was carried by a large majority; forty names were recorded for, and only eight against it. 22d.—Delegates from various Temperance Societies met in Brunswick Street Chapel, Halifax, to deliberate on the best mode of advancing the cause of Temperance. 24th.—Died at Lunenburg, Cornwallis Moureau, in the 92d year of his age. He was the first male child born in Halifax. Much discussion arose, both in the House and Council, respecting the nature of the form of Government lately introduced—which was finally set at rest by what was called, "The Dodian Confession of Faith," being a plain and specific declaration of the Hon. Mr. Dodd, "That the Executive Council was responsible for their conduct to the House of Assembly, and through the House of Assembly to the Constituency at large."

*March 19th.*—The Session of the Legislature was closed.

*April 15th.*—Two little girls, the children of Mr. John Mahar, were lost in the Woods, north of the Dartmouth Road, where they both perished, and their bodies were found ten days after, locked in each other's arms.

*May 25th.*—Her Majesty not accepting of the resignation of Sir R. D. George, that gentleman again took his seat in the Executive Council. 27th.—A new Board of Governors of Dalhousie College was appointed.

*July 2d.*—The Prince George, a large merchant vessel, cleared at Halifax direct for China, being the first vessel from this Province, which engaged in that trade. The political letters of "*The Constitutionalist*" were published about this time.

*August 19th.*—Died at Halifax, the Hon. H. N. Binney, who had for the period of fifty years filled the office of Collector of Excise for this Port, with credit to himself and benefit to the public.

*September 7th.*—The Hon. Joseph Howe, appointed Commissioner of Excise, for the Port of Halifax, vacant by the death of the Hon. H. N. Binney.