

person concerning this subject, nor do I wish to meddle myself with the matter. I had nothing to do with Mr. Rand's expulsion, or the appointment of Mr. Hunt in his place. If Mr. Rand had continued in the office I would have been satisfied, and when Mr. Hunt was appointed in his place, I did not feel disposed to complain.

Your cool letter has not been pleasant to me at all. I would just say that when Mr. Hunt was down to Clements last summer, I lent him a letter to read sent by you to me, this I did at his request; he took it home with him, and showed it to the Judge, this was not with my consent. I hope the matter will be settled without any trouble.

Yours very truly,

G. D. Cox.

HALIFAX, Feb. 10th, 1871.

DEAR SIR,—I have just read your letter of the 6th inst. Writing in Feb., 1870, about the expulsion of Mr. Rand from the office of Superintendent of Education, and the appointment of Mr. Hunt in his place you said: "We all think it a most strange affair." *Think what a "strange affair"?* "Perhaps some of us who are acquainted with that unhappy controversy (I refer to the Pryor case) can form some idea of the cause of all this."

"The cause of all this." *Of What?* "This"—the Pryor case—"I have no doubt in my own mind is the grand cause." "The grand cause" of *What?* I did not profess to quote your language in my note, but gave its obvious sense; and as I am unable to attach any other meaning to your words than that which my note has already conveyed, I shall be glad if they can fairly bear any other import to have your own explanation of them.

Shall I be right in understanding what you say about not having furnished any papers to Judge Johnston as implying that you did not give your consent for him to lay before me any papers belonging to you?

I may say that I am prepared to justify any statements whenever they shall be denied, which I may have made to you in connexion with the dismissal of Mr. Rand from the office of Superintendent of Education.

Very truly yours,

E. M. SAUNDERS.

Rev. G. D. Cox.

(No reply was ever received.)