

The principal floor is approached by three spacious entrances, besides that in front, with staircases to the gallery which runs round the building. The whole is capable of seating fifteen hundred persons.

The Church is well lighted: from the ceiling, which is divided into squares by a ribbed moulding with quatrefoils at each intersection, one large pendant lustre lights the whole gallery; a circle, three and a half feet in diameter, containing one hundred jets of gas, produces a magnificent effect. The Communion rail is a light Gothic cast-iron screen, bronzed, with a heavy mahogany capping; a solid oak richly carved Gothic table, and two Gothic chairs covered with crimson velvet, with stools to correspond have been added by private donation.

Ladies' Bible Association.

The first Quarterly Meeting of the Committee of the Halifax Ladies' Bible Association was held in the Infants-School Room on Tuesday last. The attendance of members of the Committee and Collectors was numerous. The meeting was favoured with the presence and counsels of the REV. E. EVANS, who presided over the business, and of MR. ISAAC SMITH, the zealous Agent of the Nova Scotia Bible Society, under whose auspices this Association was formed.

MIC MAC MISSION.

We have much pleasure in laying before our readers the following copy of Resolutions passed at a public meeting held last Monday evening in the Baptist Church, Granville Street, on behalf of this laudable effort to evangelize and civilize a hitherto much neglected portion of the human family, and the subsequent action of the Provisional Committee. The late period at which the manuscript has come to hand precludes the possibility of our saying more than that the object has our best wishes and prayers for its success, and that the union of Protestant bodies for its accomplishment is at once gratifying and encouraging.

The letter addressed to Capt. Orsbar by the Rev. Mr. Rand contains a succinct Report of the public meeting.

RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT THE PUBLIC MEETING.—The REV. I. EVANS, General Superintendent of the Wesleyan Missions in Nova Scotia, in the Chair.

Resolved, That the meeting desires most solemnly to acknowledge the duty of every one to whom Divine Providence has bestowed the blessings of the Gospel to do his utmost towards extending to all nations and tribes the like advantages.

Resolved, That the Mic Mac Indians deprived as they have been to a great extent by the progress of European civilization of their hunting grounds, and consequently of their customary means of subsistence, have an especial claim on the attention of the Protestant community as the objects of their sympathy; and this meeting cannot but view the facts now brought to their notice by the Rev. Mr. Rand as indicating very distinctly an opening for missionary labour among a neglected race which it be-

comes all friends of Divine truth carefully to improve.

Resolved, That the Rev. Messrs. Scott, Forrester, Martin, Evans, McGregor, Miller, and Crawley, being the ministers present at this meeting, be requested to act as a Provisional Committee, with power to add to their number, in order to digest the best means for promoting the mission to the Micmac Indians now projected by Mr. Rand, and providing from time to time such support and aid as may be needful.

Proceedings of Provisional Committee.

On Tuesday the 13th, at 10 o'clock, a.m., the provisional Committee assembled at Dr. Crawley's house according to appointment, all the above named members being present.

The Rev. Mr. Evans being chosen unanimously to the Chair and Dr. Crawley was appointed to act as Clerk.

Several matters of importance were then discussed in the kindest spirit of christian union. The principal question related to the best form of appeal to the Protestant community in support of Mr. Rand's mission, when the following motion was unanimously agreed to.

"That this Committee desire to express their most cordial approbation of the mission in which Mr. Rand is at present engaged, and pledge themselves to use every effort for the purpose of raising funds to enable him to devote himself entirely to that work till the next annual meeting of the Baptist Association, leaving it to that meeting to take whatever steps they may then deem expedient."

Dr. Crawley and Mr. Forrester were then appointed a Committee to wait on the other Protestant ministers of the city, as well as several lay gentlemen whose names were then suggested, being two in each Protestant congregation, and invite them to become members of the provisional Committee.

Messrs. Evans, Martin, and Crawley, were appointed a Committee to consider what plan might seem best fitted to secure the largest amount of revenue for the current year and report at next meeting. Mr. Evans, convener.

It was agreed to hand over the collection made last night at the public meeting, amounting to £1 15s. 6d. to Mr. Rand for the general object of the Micmac mission.

At the request of the Committee Mr. Rand kindly consented to remain in Halifax another week and to address another public meeting to be held in Chalmers' Church on the evening of Monday the 19th instant, with the view of giving to the public more information relative to the objects of the mission.

Rev. Mr. Martin, and Dr. Crawley were appointed a Committee for the purpose of making arrangements for said public meeting.

The Committee then adjourned to meet in the School room under Poplar Grove Church on Monday next, at 10 o'clock, a.m. The business was then closed with prayer.

It was agreed at the meeting, and notice is here given that the Rev. Mr. Rand will preach next Sabbath morning at the Wesleyan Chapel, Granville Street, and in the evening of the same day at the St. Andrew's Church, at the usual hours.

Rev. Mr. Rand's letter.

To Commander Collier, R. N., Chief-Writer.

DEAR BROTHER, I had anticipated the pleasure of seeing you before you could see these few lines, and I am glad to find that you are well. I am sorry to hear that you are unable to come to Halifax, but I trust you will be able to do so in the future. I am glad to hear that you are well, and I trust you will be able to do so in the future. I am glad to hear that you are well, and I trust you will be able to do so in the future.

The friends here had believed that with the assistance which have been collected, the mission would be carried on, but the public, the whole Protestant community would be interested and sympathetic, the object by their invitation I came later for that purpose.

The result has more than realized our most sanguine expectations. Several of the resident ministers, and others, were waiting on, and they cheerfully gave their countenance to a projected public meeting, to be held on the evening of the 13th inst. It was announced through the newspapers, and given out on Sunday in the different places of worship, Episcopal, Presbyterian, Methodist and Baptist. The evening was well filled. It was thought that several ministers and multitudes of people were thus induced from Granville Street, which will contain more than a thousand people, was well filled. Our meeting, you will rejoice to know, was conducted on the broad Evangelical Alliance principle. Rev. Mr. Evans, Wesleyan Minister, was unanimously called to the chair. Rev. Mr. Forrester, of the Free Church, opened the meeting by prayer. I read an address on the hour and a half long about the Indians and our mission, and the people manifested their interest in the subject, by the patience with which they listened to it. It embraced a sketch of the history, customs, language and literature, and religious beliefs of the Micmacs, with some particulars showing the readiness with which they received religious instruction, when communicated to them in their own language, and beautiful language. Several ministers, and other gentlemen, addressed the meeting, which continued till 10 o'clock. It had been given out that no collection should be taken, unless the meeting should be a request, and they did request, by unanimous and enthusiastic vote. It amounted to about £7.

A Provisional Committee of "ways and means" was appointed, and several resolutions passed. This Committee consists of all the Ministers then present, with power to add to their number. They met at Dr. Crawley's next day, yesterday, and decided to invite all the Protestant Ministers in the City to unite with them, with two influential laymen out of each congregation. Our consultation yesterday was also of the most gratifying kind. How I wish you could have been present. The spirit of harmony and Christian love shone out. It was agreed unanimously to support the mission on its present foundation, as the mission of the Baptists in name, but the mission in reality of the Lord, and of his church, until perhaps at the next meeting of our Association, some better arrangement and more appropriate name may be adopted. It was also decided to hold another public meeting before we return home. This details me until after next Monday evening. I expected to see you home to-morrow. Mrs. Rand and our dear little ones, who have not seen me for many days yesterday, and I am glad to hear that you are well, and I trust you will be able to do so in the future.

My best regards to your kind family and brother officers. Yours in Christian bonds, SILAS T. RAND. Halifax, N. S., 11.

Several articles of News, &c. have been crowded on to make room for the important Resolutions, &c. respecting the Mic Mac Missions.

SUMMARY OF NEWS.

CANADA. It is rumored that the investigation now going on at the Court House is likely to establish a serious delinquency.—Toronto Examiner, Oct. 31. The Legislature meets in this City to-morrow. It will consist of one Mayor and City Council, and a number of representatives of the people. The people of the County of York had to the Legislature. The Hon. Mr. Forrester, who is the only member of the Legislature from the County of York, has given a general satisfaction.—Id. In consequence of Toronto having been selected as the seat of Government, it is stated that the railway head-quarters will be removed to the city. Kingston says the Vote will lose the Maritime and railway or three of the departments. We have been informed, on what we believe to be reliable authority, that Mr. Rose refuses to accede to the proposal of his constituents to retain his seat in the cabinet. It is possible, however, that he may prevail upon to continue to represent the county in Parliament.—Id. At the annual meeting of the Gas Consumers' Company, at Toronto, held last evening, Charles P. H. Jones, President, in the chair, reported that the business was given in and adopted. It was decided to increase the company in a very considerable amount, and to announce a dividend on the paid-up capital of the rate of 10 per cent per annum for the period ending 30th September last.—Toronto Colonist Oct. 30. The Montreal Gazette states that a portion of the Crown lands in that province, which concerns Lower Canada, will still continue in Montreal.

Deputy Adjutant General's office is to be moved to this city.—Globe.

Yesterday, the man Reel, charged with the murder of his wife, whose body was discovered buried in his garden, through the information of one of his children, was tried, and found guilty, but recommended to mercy, there being reason to believe that the fatal accident was committed in consequence of gross provocation—the unfortunate woman being intoxicated at the time.—Toronto Patriot, Oct. 30.

Accident.—We learn that a man named Gossage or Gossage was born to death a few days since in the village of Sydenham, under the following circumstances. He had been drinking in company with another man, when both being thoroughly intoxicated, they were got to bed by the people of the house. The deceased appears to have had some 100 matches in his pocket, which ignited and set the bed clothes on fire, and when the smoke was discovered, the wretched man was so much burnt as only to live about an hour.—Id.

A RUINED COUNTRY.—Before the navigation closes we wish that some of the Montreal annexationists would take a run up to Toronto, and witness the rancidity with which crops of homes are there springing up, in rooms of those destroyed by the late calamitous fire. The elegance and substantiality of these structures furnish strong proof that prosperity and Canada's West have decidedly parted company.—Streetsville Register.

FATAL ACCIDENT.—Our neighbour, Mr. Henry Cole of the townline, left his house on Monday for Oakville with a load of wheat. On the evening of that day he was discovered lying on the road, not far from home, quite dead, with his team standing quietly beside him. The deceased had the reins in his hand, and from his position, it is conjectured that he had fallen out of the wagon, and been killed by one of the wheels passing over his neck.—Id.

EARLY CLOSING.—We have much pleasure in stating that the principal Merchants in Toronto have concluded to close their stores at 6 o'clock on the evening, from the 15th October, 1856 to the 15th April, 1857.—Bookerite Recorder.

A CIRCULAR has been addressed to the Adjutant General of Militia in Canada to all the commanding officers of the various militia corps in Montreal, desiring that they will ascertain if any of their officers signed the annexation address; and if so, whether it was of their own free will and accord. With those holding her Majesty's commission as justice of the peace, the Provincial Secretary has done likewise.—But they do not stop here. The government announce that they will deprive all those who have signed the address, no matter how high their station, of all offices in the gift of the Crown.

In speaking yesterday, of the removal of military headquarters, we should have said the Head Quarters in Upper Canada, was to be removed from Kingston to Toronto. The Head Quarters of the Ontario Militia, remains as heretofore, in Montreal.—Montreal Gazette.

NEW BRUNSWICK.

STATE OF THE PROVINCE.—The papers contain a copy of the report of the committee on the proposed new and improved constitution. The people of the province are to be consulted largely in the form of a public meeting, necessary in the judgment of the committee. They also contain a copy of a circular from the office of the Militia, desiring that they will ascertain if any of their officers signed the annexation address; and if so, whether it was of their own free will and accord. With those holding her Majesty's commission as justice of the peace, the Provincial Secretary has done likewise.—But they do not stop here. The government announce that they will deprive all those who have signed the address, no matter how high their station, of all offices in the gift of the Crown.

NEW BRUNSWICK.—We are glad to perceive that the people of the province are awakening to a sense of their rights, and are beginning to take an interest in the subject of the proposed new and improved constitution. It is high time that something were done to protect this valuable branch of trade, which is yearly becoming of more importance to the province, by obtaining timber decrees.—Id.

ANNEXATION.—It gives us much pleasure to state that during the present week, we did not meet with a single individual to say a word in favour of annexation. They are all opposed to it.

new persons who had neither stake nor title in the country, but at once been met and organized, by the consent of the public may see from this statement. We may add here, that the Annexationist protest is generally signed in Canada. In Toronto alone, it numbers two thousand names. The brawling little party has had its day, but it is not dead in the deep, wide, and resistless current which it has come in contact with.—N. B. J. Oct. 31st.

The Government has decided that the agent Dr. Peters, by a Mrs. Cooper, in relation to charges which have lately appeared in an investigation, is not worthy of belief.

New forms for Certificates of Registry, every declaration under the navigation act, which will come into operation on the 1st next, have been received by the Imperial Commissioners at this Port, from the Hon. Officers at H. M. Customs.—N. B. J. Oct. 31st.

PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND.

TEA M. FRISK.—A number of the persons who have formed themselves into a committee for the purpose of procuring a commercial enterprise, have been to give them, before their departure, a special mark of their regard and esteem. They were accompanied by their wives to a Tea on Wednesday evening last, in the new and splendid School, attached to the Wesleyan Edwards of 200 persons sat down to a repast, and after thanksgiving had been read, the Speaker of the House of Assembly called to the chair, who stated generally of the Meeting. A number of excellent resolutions were then delivered by different gentlemen, the principles and proceedings of the association were fully discussed, and much useful information was imparted to the public before, were strangers. The meeting was well sustained, until 10 o'clock, when the Speaker having read Mr. Beer, sen., was called thereon, and of the meeting were adopted for which the Speaker had conducted the business which Mr. Pope made a suitable ament.

The Meeting was then closed with prayer.—Advertiser of the 2nd Inst.

The Royal Gazette contains Orders conveying Her Majesty's special commission to the Legislature—the whole, with the Act to provide for the payment of a list.—Id.

DOMESTIC.

First Telegraphic Despatch.

From the Chronicle of Two. The following despatch was received to change Rooms yesterday morning. Sett has politely handed it to us for this number of the Chronicle. It signifies of a new era in our provincial and we hope, an earnest of still vances by the people of Nova Scotia march of improvement. The Telegraphic despatch ever published in Halifax newspaper, which came direct to the city through the agency of G. GREAT STORM AT PORT.

ST. JOHN, N. B., Nov.

Ten buildings were blown down last night. No other news per steamer ARRIVALS.—Boston, Nov. 13, 11 o'clock on the ninth at ten, P. M.: Carried on the tenth; Vixen arrived on Halifax arrived on the twelfth.

HAVANA, MARKETS, Nov. 5. Beef Fish \$24 and \$3 per quintal, unsold.

BOSTON MARKETS, Nov. 13.—No. 2, 85; No. 2, 88; No. 1, 81 Nov. 13.

NEW YORK, Nov. 14.—The En arrived from California, with half a dozen, and dated to 1st October.

The French have seized the San Francisco. The trouble was caused by the French.

BY THE D. M. STEA.

The R. M. Steamer America this port on Thursday morning. The summary of News will be published.