

**CUNNABELL'S
NOVA SCOTIA ALMANAC,
FOR 1847.**

Chronological Summary.

In our last, the Chronological Summary was brought down to the close of 1840. We resume in the present Number our Record of Remarkable Occurrences connected with the History of this Province, from the beginning of 1841. The events referred to in preceding numbers, having elicited considerable interest, we again solicit the assistance of our Correspondents, in order that this department may be as complete as possible in the subsequent numbers of this publication.

1841.—January 6th.—His Lordship the Catholic Bishop of the Province, having taken the Temperance Pledge himself, proceeded to administer it to his congregation at Antigonish, and form a large Temperance Society at that place. **22d.**—The Rev. Messrs. Laughnan and Dease, commenced the St. Mary's Temperance Society in Halifax, by first taking the Pledge themselves.

February 3rd.—The eighteenth General Assembly convened at Halifax, and the Legislative Sessions were opened. The Hon. Joseph Howe was elected Speaker. **4th.**—The inhabitants of Earltown, in Colchester, petitioned the House, to do away with the exclusive privilege of the Townships in that County, and to order—that all their Members should be elected as County Members. **17th.**—The Hon. Hugh Bell took his seat in the Legislative Council. **25th.**—A bill to incorporate the town of Halifax, framed by the Executive Council, was laid before the House.

March 1st.—Dr. McCulloch offered his private Museum,—being a beautiful collection of specimens of the Natural History of the Province, to the House of Assembly. **3rd.**—St. Mary's College, which had been in operation above a year, was incorporated by an Act of the Legislature. **29th.**—The Incorporation Bill, after strong opposition, and many protracted debates, passed the House, and was subsequently agreed to by the Council. Reporters of the debates of the House were first paid by this Session. The House by an address to Her Majesty, requests that the Port of Antigonish, may be made a Port of entry. By information laid before the House, it appeared that there were throughout the Province Forty-six deaf and dumb persons. Within the last five years, without including Halifax, there had been 222 criminal trials, by the several General Sessions of the Peace. The three small vessels employed in the Revenue Service—cost the last year £2,181 15s. 6d. The question of the Repeal of the Union with Cape Breton, was the subject of a lengthy debate towards the close of the Session. The Gas Light and Water Company was incorporated this Session. J. A. Stayner, Post-Master-General of British North America, reported to