

ing who receives and issues books, and transacts other current business. Nomination and donation lists lie at the room.

MONTHLY RECORD.

PROVINCIAL PARLIAMENT OF NOVA-SCOTIA.

Jan. 25. The session was opened by a speech from his Excellency. Little beside routine business is transacted for eight or ten days after the House opens.

Much conversation occurred respecting the appointing of Committees, respecting the School System, the charges made against inhabitants of Barrington by a Captain Duncan, Agriculture, Cornwallis Dyke, Light Houses, Packet moorings, and insolvent debtors.

Feb. 4. The report of a Committee, on the charges against Barrington, was received. Report completely exonerated the inhabitants from blame in the matter alluded to, and declared Captain Duncan's charges to be false and calumnious. It was ordered that the petition and the report on the subject, should be printed in the Royal Gazette.

Discussion arose respecting the Custom House returns, and more full and sufficient documents were required from that establishment.

Feb. 6. Several petitions introduced long conversations on various topics; among others a petition from several persons in Halifax for the granting of a charter to a public Banking Company was presented, and a Bill carrying the prayer of the petition into effect.

The report of a Committee was agreed to by the House (and subsequently by the Council) authorising the issue of copper tokens to the amount of £2500.

7th. Petitions were received. Mr. Homer introduced a long discussion by a resolution, which contemplated the appropriation of Public money according to population in the several counties. Resolution was lost 23 to 14.

Feb. 8. House in Committee of ways and Means, agreed to a further issue of Province notes, to the amount of £25,000. Also that all dry goods imported from Great Britain shall pay a duty of 5 per Cent.

9th. The passenger Bill, regulating the transmission of Emigrants to the Colonies, passed. It provides that every Emigrant with a government certificate shall pay a tax of 5 shillings on landing, those not having a certificate 10 shillings; such sums to go to form a fund, to be at the disposal of his Excellency for the relief of sick or poor Emigrants; also that a penalty of £10, for every passenger landed without a proper return being made, shall attach to the Captain or master so offending.

10th. Several petitions and Bills were presented.

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