

ought to be abolished. An union between Windsor and Dalhousie Colleges was much talked of in the House, but the measure failed of accomplishment. By a resolution brought into the House by Mr. W. H. Roach, it appears that the public debt amounted to 59,250*l.*, the annual interest on which was 2,963*l.*, and that there were 60,000*l.* afloat in province paper at 5 per cent.

March 15th. Died at the age of 110 years, Margaret Bourgeois, of Cape Breton. She was present at both the sieges of Louisburg; and after being blind for a number of years, recovered her sight in her hundredth year, and retained it during the remainder of her life. 10,000*l.* was voted for the service of roads and bridges, this session. The Chief Justice, by command of his Excellency, laid before the House minutes of the authorities on which the Judges' fees have been taken.

April 4th. The Legislature was closed, after a stormy session. 9th. The Halifax Marine Insurance Company was established.

June 1st. A dispatch from the Colonial Secretary, directed that the County of Halifax should be divided into three counties—viz. Halifax, Colchester, and Pictou, in accordance with an application of the House of Assembly. A rail road from Halifax to Windsor was much talked of during the summer.

July 23d. The first letter of the celebrated political writer, signing himself "Joseph Warner," was published in the *Acadian Recorder*.

August 5th. The first number of the *Acadian Telegraph*, was published at Halifax, by Mr. J. S. Thompson, editor and proprietor. 25th. Clomb Petit and Samuel Loramore were tried before a Court of mixed commission for murder on the high seas.

November 2d. The House of Assembly was dissolved, and writs issued for a new election, made returnable by the 12th January. 9th. At a public meeting in Halifax, Mr. Joseph Howe was nominated a representative for the County; he was nominated at a public meeting at Musquodoboit, some days previous.

December 1st. Avon Bridge at Windsor completed, and opened for public travelling. 12th. Messrs. Joseph Howe and William Annan, elected for the County, and Messrs. Bell and Forrester for the Town of Halifax. The elections throughout the Province terminated in favour of a large proportion of new members. The first number of the *Clock Maker* was published in the *Nova Scotian*, this fall. The casual and territorial revenue amounted this year to the sum of 9,911 *3s.* Cd. currency. Number of paupers admitted into the Poor Asylum this year, 345 men, 269 women, and 241 children. Supplies to the establishment amounted to 2,788*l.* 16*s.* 2*d.*

1837.—January 7th. Joseph Warner's last letter was published. These letters were read with much interest, and tended materially towards the accomplishment of the political reforms which originated in the Pictou "*Colonial Patriot*." 31st. The 17th General Assembly was convened at Halifax, and again elected S. G. W. Archibald, Esq. their Speaker. Mr. Howe took his first seat in this House. The usual motion appointing a clergyman of the Established Church chaplain of the House was negatived, and ministers of the other denominations were appointed in connection with the Church of England ministers.

February 2d. Mr. Doyle introduced the Quadrennial Bill, which had been brought before the House by him the preceding session and passed, but was lost in the Council. The same defeat attended its second introduction. 5th. The House having requested that the Council's doors should be opened in order that their debates might be public, the Council informed the House by message they would decline any further conference with the Assembly on that subject. Provision was made during the session for building light houses on St. Paul's and Scatterie. On application of the House of Assembly, the Commissioner of Crown Lands, by order of His Excellency, laid the accounts of his office before the House, by which it appears that

during the last four years, £3,558,7,3*1*; the whole establishment, including the sales at Cape Breton, the whole of which has been paid, was still due him on his account.

March 3rd. Many letters were read. 7th. The Council refused to rescind a resolution passed by members of the Council on their own interests and emolument. The House rescinded the resolution, and thus resolved. 21st. Leave was given to the Town of Halifax to the amount restricted to the sum. Judge M. was appointed to prohibit, on a petition, debates.

April 1st. Mr. Archibald chosen Speaker during the session. 5th. The House laid before them of all matters with minutes of the House having approved with a view of connecting with the Excellency informed them of the close of the session. The House voted £1000 on Geology. £10,000 this session. 13th. The House rescinded the 8th March, for a redress of grievances, address it was that brought between Stewart and M. determined when the House was closed.

June 3rd. The Pearl made its first appearance. Fourth; and Her Majesty's

August 11th. News arrived of the Crown, and was proclaimed. 20th. The session in Halifax. 27th.

October 6th. Died, a member of the House of Commons, under which signal. 23rd. A large square of the city destroyed by fire—loss estimated at £100,000.

November 23d. Was the day when the news arrived of the coronation.

December 12th. His Majesty's order to read a Legislative Council.

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