

## NEWS OF THE WEEK.

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T. C. Shreve, Q. C., was on the 10th inst. elected Mayor of Digby by acclamation.

Mr. John A. Woodworth has become editor and proprietor of the *Windsor Tribune*.

Dalhousie College convocation will take place at the Academy of Music on Monday, April 28th.

Charles E. Tanner, Alex. Grant and Wm. Cameron have been nominated as Liberal-Conservative candidates for Pictou.

The workmen in Messrs Harris & Co.'s foundry, St. John, have organized a society to be known as the Car-Builder's Union.

The Halifax and Dartmouth Ferry Company have reduced their passenger fare to two cents and put the Dartmouth on the service.

Rev. Mr. Laing has resigned the pastorate of St. Matthew's Church in this city. He will devote his time to the welfare of the Ladies' College.

Mr. Daniel LeBlanc, of Belliveau's Cove, has been nominated as a colleague of M. G. Munro as Liberal-Conservative candidate for Digby County.

Frank A. Robbins' Mammoth Cars with their own train of 16 coaches and cars are negotiating with the N. S. Central Railway to go over the line in June.

James A. Fraser and A. J. O. Maguire have been unanimously nominated as Government candidates in Guysboro County in the ensuing local elections.

The rock falling epidemic has spread to Levis, several large boulders having fallen from the cliff during the past few days, endangering the lives of passers by.

The Local Legislature was prorogued on Tuesday afternoon—we were going to say "with the usual ceremonies," but in point of fact the prorogation was but a back-door affair.

A Port Hawkesbury despatch says that the strait was so full of ice on the 16th that the *Goliath* could not cross, and was carried down to Bear Island. The Cape Breton mails were delayed.

Private Simpson, 10th Royals, Toronto, having been disqualified for not having put in his annual drill, he is therefore not able to take his place on the Wimbledon team. Capt. Bishop 63rd., Halifax, takes his place.

It is stated that it is at Quebec that the grand reception to the Duke of Connaught will take place, the Citadel being the only place large enough to receive the Duke and his suite and the Governor General and his suite.

It was rumored in some quarters during the week that Sir John Thompson had recommended the appointment of Hon. Angus McGillivray as judge of the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia. This is denied by liberal conservative papers.

Another disabled steamship, the *Mark Lane*, bound from New Orleans to Belfast, Ireland, was towed into Halifax harbor on Wednesday by the steamer *Crete*. The courts will probably decide what salvage the *Crete* is to have.

Messrs. Fielding, Power and Roche were unanimously nominated on Tuesday as Government candidates for Halifax County in the coming election. Messrs. Hemeon and Richard Hunt have been nominated for Queens County.

Mr. Israel Longworth, of Truro, has been selected as the colleague of W. A. Patterson to contest Colchester County in the Liberal-Conservative interest instead of Col. Blair, who was compelled from purely personal reasons to decline the nomination.

Photography has recently disproved the theories of the old school meteorologists who maintained that lightning never turned back in its path. An examination of lightning photography shows that a flash not only turns back sometimes, but tangles itself into a kind of knot.

Mr. J. McD. Cromar, agent of the People's Bank, of Halifax, at Edmunston, N. B., has decamped with the funds of the bank. Cromar was formerly a clerk of the Halifax Banking Company and is well known in Halifax. Detective Power is after him in the interest of the London Guarantee Company.

At the time of going to press the committee enquiring into the "boodle" charges against Premier Blair, of New Brunswick, has not reported. It seems clear that Mr. Leary, of New York, had contributed a considerable amount of money towards the N. B. election funds, in order to further his dry dock scheme, but it is not shown that Mr. Blair personally received any of it.

A St. John despatch says that Messrs. Winter, Morine and Scott have been appointed delegates to Great Britain, re French fisheries trouble. Messrs. Green, Q. C., Morrison (barrister) and Bowers, editor of the *Colonist*, have been appointed delegates to Canada. The latter leave next week; the former in May. The Government will also send delegates to England.

Prof. C. H. Porter has resigned his position of organist of St. Matthew's Church. The resignation is not to take effect for some time, but whether soon or late, the severance of his connection will be deeply regretted by all the members of the congregation. It will be difficult to find anyone who will be able to give such universal satisfaction as Mr. Porter has given in this position.

We are in receipt of the useful and entertaining *Gripsack* for April. With regard to the excellent map it contains we would suggest a correct and stronger definition of the State of Maine boundary line, and an indication of the course of the proposed line from Edmunston to Moncton.

The schooner *W. D. Richards*, of L'Anse-au-Loup, capsized off Portuguese Cove on Tuesday evening, with all her sails set. The crew were rescued by the schooner *Joseph McGill*, and the *Richards* was taken in tow by the steamer *Bridgewater*, which however had to abandon her owing to the gale which was blowing. The *Bridgewater* went out early on Thursday to look after the schooner again.

A few days since citizens were astonished at the unwonted apparition of corporation workmen cleaning up the streets—certainly not before a little cleaning was due. Water Street, and Hollis Street too, have been long in need of a thorough brushing up. By the way, many business men think it quite time that the street car service at certain hours of the day should be resumed in Hollis Street.

Says the *Windsor Tribune*:—"On Monday last, two cows—owned by Mr. Wm. Caudle and Mr. E. Kilcup respectively—fighting in front of King's College, locked horns, and in their efforts to separate, the neck of Mr. Caudle's cow was broken. So closely interlocked were the horns of the cattle that the horns of the live cow had to be sawed in two places before a separation could be effected."

On Thursday of last week the sad news was circulated through the city that Mrs. Boileau, daughter of Lt.-Col. C. J. Stewart, was dead. It is not a year since the deceased lady was married to Captain Boileau, and on Monday afternoon her mortal remains were laid to rest in the military cemetery. The greatest sympathy is felt for the bereaved husband and parents. Mrs. Boileau leaves a baby only a fortnight old.

The North Pole may at length be reached, and all on account of a pair of trousers—oilskin ones—which were on board the ill fated *Jeanette*. The garment is said to have been found on the coast of Greenland, showing that on their journey from the Pacific to the Atlantic the breeches must have passed the Pole, carried that way by a current. Dr. Nansen, who discovered this fact, thinks that it is possible to make the same route.

The *Dominion Illustrated* continues to maintain in every respect its high character. It may be repeated that a subscription to the *Dominion Illustrated* carries a policy of Insurance in the "Manufacturers' Accident Insurance Company" for \$500 to the legal representative of any person killed or fatally injured and dying within 30 days of the accident, provided such person was at the time the holder of a *Dominion Illustrated* coupon, which is printed on the cover, and has to be signed weekly by those wishing to benefit by the arrangement.

Mr. J. Rippon, the representative of the Halifax and Bermuda Cable Company, has been in Halifax making arrangements toward giving cable communication between Halifax and Bermuda. The steamer *Westmeath* is now being fitted up by the contractors with the necessary tanks for coiling the cable and the machinery required for laying purposes. A competent staff of engineers and electricians are watching the interests of the Company, and they will be with the expedition until the completion of the laying. It is expected that this steamer will leave the Thames about the first week in May, and she should arrive at Halifax about twelve days later. It is hoped that before the end of June the link will have been made.

We have much pleasure in acknowledging a copy of an extremely well got up manual of "Physical Drill for public Schools," by Sergeant-Major D. Bailey, Military Gymnastic Instructor, with a preface by Mr. A. McKay, the Supervisor of City Schools. Both this gentleman and other eminent scholastic authorities unite in according to Sergeant-Major Bailey's work the highest testimony to its value. "The Drill"—to use the words of Mr. Sumichrast, whose opinion is echoed by other competent judges—"is remarkably well laid out and graded, and the directions are so plain that every teacher of ordinary intelligence can soon master the system. The importance of physical drill can scarcely be over-estimated, and this manual will do much to popularize it." Sergeant-Major Bailey's efficiency is well known, and his removal to England is matter of regret to the educational institutions of Halifax.

It is announced that President Harrison will stand for a second term.

Clinch bugs and lady bugs are causing great destruction to the crops in Texas.

It is proposed to erect a monument in memory of the late Dr. Cronin, murdered in Chicago.

Land in the financial section of Broadway, New York, recently sold at the rate of \$7,000,000 per acre.

Panama advises report that the severest earthquake for years occurred recently, the shock lasting five minutes.

The United States Committee on Ways and Means have placed hides and sugar on the free list, thus reducing the revenue \$61,000.

The spotted fever has broken out in Union County, Kentucky, and the wildest excitement prevails. Over a score of children have been fatally attacked.

One of the prisoners at the penitentiary in Albany, N. Y., whose sentence expired April 6, has asked permission to remain for a year and care for the flower beds.

A Detroit despatch says the English syndicate which bought four large breweries in that city last year have sold out at a considerable loss. The business, it is said, did not prosper owing to aversion to drinking British beer.