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News Summary.

DOMINION.

—Snow blockades on the northern division of the I. C. R., are causing considerable inconvenience and delay in forwarding mails, passengers and freight.

—The new steamer "Yarmouth," for the Yarmouth Steamship Co., was launched at Dartmouth on the Clyde, last week.

—On Wednesday, 30th inst., the services of the pure bred horses, imported by the government of New Brunswick, will be offered for sale at Fredericton, at public auction, to the highest bidder, under regulations recommended by the Board of Agriculture, and approved by the Lieut. Governor in Council.

—Three members of the Nova Scotia legislature resigned their seats and became candidates in the Dominion election. Nominations to fill the vacancies were made on Tuesday. In Antigonish, Mr. McGillivray was again nominated, no opposition being offered. In Pictou Mr. W. W. Casselman was the only nominee. Queen's county, however, has two men who seek the honor of being elected to the legislature, and the electors will have to decide between Mr. A. M. Henson and Mr. James Colville. The legislature opens to-morrow.

—The firm of Gregory & Blair, barristers, at Fredericton, have been practicing for 22 years.

—The Caladonia gold mines, in Queen's county, N.S., give employment to 75 men. These mines are reported to be paying exceedingly well.

—Word has been received at Montreal, that on Tuesday last two engines and a snowplough, with a large gang of men, were caught in a snowdrift in Selkirk, and six men were smothered before they could be got out.

—It is reported that the Halifax Hotel has been sold to the Messrs. Nelson, who formerly ran the International. The price is currently rumored to be \$80,000.

—The temperance people of Moncton are making an effort to have temperance candidates nominated for the approaching provincial elections. At a meeting held last week a committee was appointed to circulate requisitions asking prominent temperance men to allow themselves to be nominated. It is to be hoped the friends of temperance will be united, and work to elect a mayor and board of councillors for the coming year. It will not do to allow the liquor party to defeat them. One of the speakers at the meeting referred to stated that the opponents of the Scott Act were now engaging an agent to collect signatures to a petition asking for an election on the question of repeal of that Act on the expiry of its present term a few months hence; and it would be a great mistake to allow the opponents of law and order to elect their friends to the council board.

—Two sudden deaths occurred in St. John last week. Wm. Vail, a shipbuilder at St. Martins, who had been visiting friends in the city, stopped at the street. Heart disease was the cause. The other was Geo. W. Smith, a former resident, who died from poisoning by an overdose of opium. Both were old men.

—Mrs. Lemuel Churchill, the oldest inhabitant of Yarmouth, died at Arcadia last week in the ninety-ninth year of her age.

—The imperial government having decided to purchase 300 army remounts in Canada this year, Colonel Goldie, the new quartermaster-general of the British forces at Halifax, has been appointed permanent purchasing agent, with a veterinary surgeon resident under him at Halifax, to carry out this purchase, and to continue each year to obtain from the various provinces such a supply of horses as may be available.

—The "Moncton Prophetic Conference" was organized recently in Moncton. The object of the Conference is to take up and discuss Scripture prophecies in view of the past, present and future fulfillment, and especially that in connection with the Second Coming of Christ.

—Work on the Buctouche and Moncton railway is progressing favorably. The bridge across the Cocagne river is completed, and rails are now laid to Cocagne, leaving 13 miles yet to be laid. The line will be open to the Buctouche about the middle of May. Work has also been commenced on the big Buctouche bridge.

—In a letter to the president of the Dominion Safety Fund Life Association, St. John, N. B., Mr. Wm. T. Stauden, the eminent insurance expert says: "Having examined your system fully and carefully, and finding it deserves entire approval; and having searched for weak spots in it, and finding none, I heartily recommend it to those who seek indemnity against premature death, at the least possible cost, consistent with its greatest degree of security and safety."

—The N. B. Legislature opened on Thursday. The first business was the election of Mr. Wm. Pugsley to the position of speaker. The Lieut. Governor's speech expressed satisfaction at Her Majesty's long reign, and the hope that "she may yet be spared many years to extend to her people the blessings of a beneficent sovereignty." Then followed an outline of the prominent measures to be introduced during the session. Mr. White, of Kings, moved, seconded by Mr. Atkinson of Carleton, the address in reply to the speech, which passed without opposition. A number of Bills have been introduced and received two readings. The Provincial Secretary has submitted the estimates of sums required for the services of the province (not otherwise provided for) for the current year amounting to \$305,595.73; and the financial statement for 1896 and estimates for 1897. The consideration of these has been put down for to-day.

—On the 15th, all the provisions of the Nova Scotia Liquor License Act of last session come into force. The liquor dealers of Halifax have held a meeting and decided that they would take out no license, but would subscribe to a fund and fight the law, which they think and are instructed by their legal advisers, is ultra vires. Of course, their legal advisers know what they are about.

—Halifax expects a great boom in building, the coming summer. In addition to many private buildings, the dry dock buildings, the new city hall, the new Dalhousie College, the new Electric Light station, and the new Episcopal Cathedral are to be erected.

—The Truro Guardian is now published in that thriving town twice each week in a large form by the Truro Printing and Pub-

lishing Co., with Mr. A. C. Mills, the former editor, as editor and manager, under whose care it has become a prosperous and profitable concern.

—The Dominion parliament will be called together for the despatch of business on the 13th April.

—Benjamin Shepherd, a Chatham man, who was employed on the I. C. R., shoveling snow, was thrown under a train near Newcastle station on the 3rd inst., and crushed to death.

—The new post office in this city, opened a few days ago, is by far the finest in the maritime provinces, and reflects the highest credit on the contractors and all who had anything to do with the workmanship. Besides the post office there are also in the building the customs and Dominion saving bank departments, all fitted up in grand style. —Charlottetown Herald.

—Arrangements by the Canadian Pacific railway to hasten through the connection with China and Japan have been completed, the company having chartered three Cunarders, the "Parthia," "Abyssinia" and "Batavia," with cabin accommodations for sixty first-class passengers and three thousand tons of freight. They have been recently refitted up in Scotland with new triple expansion engines in order to materially increase their speed. The "Parthia" will leave Hong Kong on May 1st, calling at Yokohama en voyage for Vancouver, B. C., and after that regular sailings of the fleet will take place monthly. It is the special government agreement to give a subsidy for the carrying of mails to supplement one by the Dominion government, as the former has promised, in the case of China and Japan, a direct line of steamships will be established by the directors from Vancouver to Australia or New Zealand.

—Saturday was a declaration day in Queen's county, N. B., and the returning officer decided that Mr. King (who received a majority of 61) had not been legally nominated, and that all ballots cast for him were null and void, and declared Mr. Baird elected. It was claimed by Mr. Baird's agent, that Mr. King's deposit of \$200 was not made in the manner required by law, and there was a mistake made by some of the deputy returning officers in initialing the ballots. Mr. King has commenced legal proceedings to test the matter. It is probable another election will be held.

—As we go to press (Tuesday morning) we learn that the Maritime Bank, of this city, has closed its doors.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.

—In the Commons, one night last week, during the debate on an extra appropriation of \$40,000 for the police, the Hon. Mr. Dillon claimed that a greater portion of the money had been spent in endeavoring to suppress public meetings and in carrying on the work of eviction. He said no amount of expenditure would ever suppress the plan of campaign or public meetings, and by which it is reported, several hundred miners were killed.

—The rising at Rastibukh has been entirely suppressed. All insurgent officers were either taken prisoners, killed or wounded in battle with the loyal troops, or were drowned. The pioneers after arresting the local officers and the commander of the garrison, summoned the infantry to surrender, which they refused to do. Firing then began and the mutineers were attacked by the military and forced to retreat. They were pursued and driven into the Danube by the infantry. The pioneers took to boats and endeavored to escape, but their boats were stopped by a gunboat, and they were compelled to yield. The loyalists entered Siliestria without opposition. They found there the corpse of Colonel Kristoff, commander of the garrison, who had been killed by the men. The killed and wounded number 100.

—A special cable from London to the Toronto Mail says the Colonial Secretary's despatch on the subject of the proposed restriction would inflict grave loss on French fishermen. The despatch suggests that remedy for the existing difficulty might be found in some other direction.

UNITED STATES.

—A Japanese gentleman has just arrived in Boston for the purpose of studying the fisheries of New England, the manner of catching and curing fish, and the outfitting of the vessels which go to the Georges and Labrador.

—Frank McGraw, formerly editor of the Eastern Standard, has been nominated as postmaster at Eastport by President Cleveland.

—Colonel Gilder, the New York Herald man who started out to find the North Pole, arrived at Selkirk from Churchill. He has determined to return to New York until spring when he will resume his journey. He left his companion Griffiths at Churchill.

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—Moody and Sankey, the evangelists, have on foot a scheme to evangelize Chicago and other large cities. A building to cost \$250,000 will be erected in Chicago for the training of Christian workers. If it proves successful they will advocate the erection

of similar buildings in New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburgh and other cities.

—The liquor bill was called up in the Maine legislature last Tuesday, and after a few unimportant amendments by its friends it was given a passage by a vote of 101 to 24. Not one word was said in opposition to the measure. The bill embodies several more stringent provisions than ever before incorporated in the prohibitory law. It provides for a state liquor commissioner who is to receive a salary of \$1500 yearly, instead of 1 per cent. commission on sales as now. The annual sales amount to about \$50,000. The penalty for first offence is 30 days' imprisonment instead of a fine, and it is made mandatory. For a second offence it is also imprisonment. This is the first time in the history of prohibition in Maine that imprisonment for first offence was ever enacted upon the statute.

—Apothecaries are allowed to keep a reasonable amount of alcohol for compounding medicines, but are prohibited from keeping other kinds of liquor. It prohibits absolutely the sale of cider in any quantity for drinking. All confiscated liquors are to be sold. Two years ago the statutes were amended so that seized liquors might be sent to the state agency and sold. This, it seems, has worked badly, so the old method of selling has been returned to.

A fine of \$50 is imposed on an employee of a railroad or express company who "dump" liquor from trains between stations. It appears that it is a common practice for freight trains, especially in Oxford county, to stop at crossroads to allow liquor to be removed, instead of running the risk of having it seized at regular stations. In such cases persons can be arrested without a warrant. The first offence of drunkenness is punished by a fine of \$10, or by imprisonment not exceeding 15 days, and for subsequent offences imprisonment for 30 days. Town officers are forbidden serving as town liquor agents. These are the most important provisions of the bill, which, it is understood, will be given a passage by the Senate. It is the severest measure ever yet proposed to stop drinking.

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CHAS. H. LUGRIN, Secretary Board of Agriculture.

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