News Items.

THE Dominion Government during the past year made 17,785 tuberculin tests in cattle, 358 reacted to the test.

PULMONARY diseases following the grip along with diphtheria swelled the death list of Toronto during the month of January.

The Tuberculosis Conference summoned by His Excellency the Governor-General opened in the Normal School, Ottawa, on the 14th inst.

- Dr. P. D. GOLDSMITH has been appointed surgeon to the Deaf and Dumb Institute, Belleville, in place of Dr. Eakins, recently deceased.
- Dr. H. G. BARRIE, who was the Young Men's Christian Association representative in South Africa, will shortly proceed to Shanghai on similar work.

THE Board of Health of Ottawa have recommended to Council that the resignation of all the sanitary officers, including Medical Health Officer Dr. Robillard, be demanded.

SURGEON-CAPTAIN LEONARD VAUX (Trinity '95) has been appointed chief medical officer in connection with enrolling recruits for the South African Constabulary in Canada.

Dr. F. J. SHEPHERD, Montreal, has been elected Vice-President of the Medical Congress and President of the section on pathology which meet in Havana, Cuba, during the present month.

UP to January 19th, 681 cases of scarlet fever have been recorded in Montreal since the 17th of September, 1900. There have been 139 deaths, which is a death rate of 20.23 per cent.

THE annual report of the Asylums of Ontario, lunatic and idiotic gives the population as 5,152. During the past year 254 patients recovered, 311 were discharged on probation, and 269 died.

THERE were 282 pupils at the Deaf and Dumb Institute at Belleville during the year ending 30th September, 1900. Of these 152 were males and 130 females. At the Blind Institute, Brantford, there were 61 males and 52 females, which was slightly lower than that of the previous year. From this the blind are said to be decreasing in Ontario.