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News Summary

A gentleman engaged in the lumbering business at Chatham World estimates that the wages of stream drivers on the Miramichi amounts to \$140,000 a season, on the average. The men get their cash as soon as their work is done.

A petition was presented to the House at Ottawa, May 8th, by Hon. H. R. Emerson for the incorporation of the Prince Edward Island Ferry Commission, the ferry is to run from Cape Traverse or Carleton Point to Cape Tormentine, N. B.

The custom house officials of New Haven collected \$27,000 duties on May 5 from the steamer Troid, from Sydney, N. S., loaded with steel billets for the National Wire Corporation. The Troid is to bring six cargoes to New Haven.

S. L. Haszard, Geo. Hughes and C. R. Smallwood, of Charlottetown, were in Ottawa May 8th, to see the Government with a view to getting on improved and cheaper telegraph service between the Island and the main-land. The service now run by the cable company has been very unsatisfactory. There is no night service, when the Island may be said to be shut out from the world.

St. John, according to statistics just published by the Insurance Press, of New York, stands fifth in the lists of Canadian cities in the amount of life insurance payment in 1902. St. John also is 56th on the list including the large cities in both the United States and Canada, while Halifax, which is the greatest banking centre (for its population) in the world, in respect to life insurance payment is 105th on the list.

A French convoy has been attacked by tribesmen in the Figulen district, Algiers, and a baggage train captured and thirty men killed. The attacking force was composed of six hundred tribesmen mounted and nine hundred on foot of the Unadjerin and Benagull tribes. The baggage train was composed of 500 camels loaded with provisions and clothing. The tribesmen carried off everything.

The I. C. R. have received notice that on and after May 13th there will be a change in the flour and grain rates to Maritime Province ports. It is understood there will be no longer two sets of rates, one set for large carloads and one set for small carloads, but that there will again be one set for carload traffic. This change will be of great benefit to the trade as it will save no end of confusion among consigners and consignees. What the fixed rate is to be has not yet been announced.—Globe.

The Educational Review, whose editor and manager is Dr. G. U. Hay, St. John, N. B., has just completed its sixteenth year. It has been published continuously since the first of June, 1887, under one management and in this respect is the oldest educational journal in Canada. The secret of its success has been its energetic management, its wholesome tone and the excellent influence it has exercised in stimulating teachers to greater individuality in teaching. During the coming year the Review will be enlarged and new features added to make it still more useful. Such a journal should receive the earnest support of every teacher.

The statement of revenue and expenditure of the Dominion for the ten months ending April 30th was issued at Ottawa on May 8. The revenue amounted to \$52,361,841, an increase of \$5,761,113 over the same time last year. There was an increase in the expenditure of over one million dollars, making a net betterment of \$4,752,464. The capitalization was \$6,371,881, a decrease of \$2,928,707, compared with the ten months last year. The statement for the month of April shows an increase of four and a half million in revenue and an increase of about a quarter of a million in expenditure.

Grateful Mention.

The people of Mayfield where we have been preaching every four weeks during the winter gave us a genuine surprise by presenting me with a beautiful address and a nice purse of money. It has been a joy to preach to those people of various denominations. We thank them from our hearts for their kindness.

Mrs. Wilson wishes to convey her thanks to the choir and congregation of the Covenish Baptist church for the beautifully worded address and purse of money given to her on the eve of her departure from a kind and thoughtful people. Also her gratitude to Mrs. Dr. Bradshaw for a beautiful set of tea dishes. These many expressions of love brighten life's pathway.

C. P. WILSON.
Bayview, P. E. I., Mar 8, '03.

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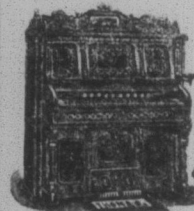
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