

CHES BUTTERFLIES

...an English girl, who... two brothers in California... developed a profitable industry... of butterflies when... One day a flock of... like butterflies hovered... her, and then flew up... side to a patch of yellow... She followed the but... to a steep mountain side... she recognized them as... only in the higher... rare and valuable... I did get one in my... in telling about her... I was too excited to... which is the best... butterflies, because they... then, in the cold, damp... light, six before night... of the flock in the morn... one out carefully and... water color. I sent to... postage, so I had to... of a box of butterflies... and six long walk... fancy my delight when... last to send all the... London. You would ne... they offered me for... and six there were... them I had the tidy... \$575, all my own, and... I ever earned in my... my beginning, and I... the amount for but... my money I bought ten... cellular is not for eat... nursery for beetles, to... be unsplit stove wood... the boxes each piece... of a different species... eat the wood, mak... and lay their eggs... and when a beetle... I put it back... in the room. A beetle... what I can get for... in, came out from... of the insects of Cal... our, horse by chance... as well as, merely... a scrapper passing... before hand, creeping... in his hand under the... the new he must be after... in raptures over a... found and when I told... butterflies and showed... the fact all his Eng... and the British gunners... about beetles... a certain one he was... in California. He... here, though he could... had been found only... almost disappeared... look at it;... in a box of twigs... a most or... long... then she placed be... would red one, no... head... which Dr. C... spot miles and miles... I found it. The... he caught under... understand a col... is not complete... species... You stopped in... Dr. Le Font... of the beetle... and then we went... for the healthy he... morning, for where... We found... He showed me... called a series... of a beetle in all... to the perfect... shown by a... in order on a... as in time each... food and where the... was so kind and in... lighted when at last... he wanted. It was... and I made a... I had wanted for... to the Redwoods... You stopped in... how that silence... haunts one who has... Brother Tom and I... on horseback, and... in the heart of... here I found my be... white sheet along... Taking... needles, I... here. If any of the... I knew it one of... of the scuttling... wished for, much... now about butter... to find them... only ones who have... very extent except... a great respect... andians; they see... of our own white... comprehend even... dollars.

# CANADIANS IN BATTLE.

## Toronto Company Receive Their Baptism of Fire—Help to Defeat the Boers.

A despatch from Belmont, Cape Colony, says:—A force consisting of 100 Canadians of the Toronto Company, and 200 Queen's Rifles, commanded by Col. Richards, two guns and a horse battery under Major de Rougemont, fought on the 20th of the Cornwall Light Infantry, the whole commanded by Col. Picher, left Belmont on Sunday at noon on a march westward, covering 20 miles before sunrise. The force camped at Cook's farm, where the Boers were welcomed enthusiastically. At six o'clock Monday morning the force approached a spot where a large force of the Boers was reported.

**GEN. BULLER'S FORCE.**  
A despatch from London says:—The critics, in summing up the probabilities of General Buller making another attack, estimate his force at nearly 80,000 men, with 60 heavy guns, including six howitzers against General Buller's 25,000 men and 60 guns, but whose position and mobility will more than counterbalance the numerical superiority of the British. The critic of the Morning Post labours daily to prepare the public for such a crisis. He says:—"Once General Buller's objective will be to win decisive battles. His aim will be to inflict the greatest possible loss on the enemy, and if he can, to crush or cripple the Boer army. It will be necessary for that purpose that he does not spare his own force."

**WONDER BOER LEADER DIED.**  
A despatch from Sterkstroom announces that Swaneburg, the Boer commander at Stormberg, has died of his wounds.

**NOT YET IN COLESBERG.**  
The total British casualties about Colesberg in two days, were six men killed and twenty wounded.

**DISSENTORY AND FEVER.**  
The War Office has issued a message to Gen. Buller at Ladysmith on December 31, in which he states that dysentery and fever are on the increase in his camp.

**THE MURKIN IN FRENCH'S CAMP.**  
A despatch from Rensburg, Cape Colony says:—A train containing supplies, to which no engine was attached, started moving within the British lines on Monday, and ran down a declivity to the Boer lines. It was found that the train could not be started, and the British gunners were therefore ordered to destroy it to prevent the supplies from falling into the hands of the Boers. Their aim was accurate, and the train and its contents were completely destroyed. What started the train's movement is unknown. It is suspected one man has been arrested in connection with the matter.

**LOYAL PEOPLE OF DOUGLAS.**  
A despatch from London says:—The Boers from the British camps in South Africa, whose future action depends upon the result of the campaign, are being persuaded to shake the most of their allegiance to the Boer cause. The British public is making the most of the Boer's unpopularity. Unbounded reports of the progress of the Canadian and Australian and other troops are published, and the Boer's unpopularity is being used to the advantage of the British.

**THE PRISONERS ARE REBELS.**  
A despatch from the Modder River says:—The Boers are being treated as prisoners of war. The British subjects caught in open battle.

**NEEDS MORE MEN.**  
The War Office on Wednesday afternoon issued a despatch received from Gen. Buller, stating his position was the same as on the previous day, but that small reinforcements were being sent to the Boers from Colesberg and in the meantime, he continued maneuvering.

# THE NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

## THE VERY LATEST FROM ALL THE WORLD OVER.

**INTERESTING ITEMS ABOUT OUR OWN COUNTRY, GREAT BRITAIN, THE UNITED STATES, AND ALL PARTS OF THE GLOBE, CONDENSED AND ASSORTED FOR EASY READING.**

**CANADA.**  
Negotiations are in progress with an established tobacco factory with a view to its removal to Chatham. The Hudson Bay Company has shipped a carload of Canadian horses to the New Zealand Government. The Hoopfer Refining Company, of Hamilton, will increase its works and double its capital stock, now \$600,000. Owen Sound is to be the headquarters of another steamship line, which will compete for the Sault Ste. Marie and north shore business.

**CARRIED THE BABIES.**  
A despatch from Belmont, Cape Colony, Wednesday, says:—Colonel Picher is officially announced, being ordered to lead an expedition, and for military reasons being ordered to occupy Douglas permanently, has evacuated the town, bringing off all the loyalists. He has now returned safely to close proximity to Belmont.

**CO. ACTED AS AN ESCORT.**  
The Canadians acted as an escort of the refugees, carried off by the Boers, and kept everybody busy for the night, in spite of sore feet, occasioned by the heavy sand.

**REINFORCEMENTS FOR FRENCH.**  
Reinforcements of infantry and artillery have been ordered to General Buller's army. The reinforcements will be sent to the front. The Hon. Sidney Robert Greville, enquire to the Prince of Wales, has obtained the Prince's permission to go to the front. Recently he has been acting as Lord Salisbury's secretary instead of Mr. Schomberg McDonnell, who has gone to South Africa.

**PILOTALLA OF WARSHIPS.**  
A despatch from London says:—The Admiralty announced that the first-class torpedo gunboat Harrier, which was ordered to watch suspicious foreign vessels dealing in contraband goods, has arrived at Aden.

**HERCHMER TO COMMAND.**  
Officers of C. and D. Squadrons of the Second Contingent to South Africa selected. A despatch from Ottawa says:—Officers of the Western Mounted Rifles, "C" and "D" Squadrons, of the second Canadian contingent, have been chosen, as follows:—  
In Command—Commissioner L. W. Herchmer, N. W. M. P.  
Second in Command—Lieut.-Col. S. B. Steele, N. W. M. P.  
Adjutant—Inspector N. Baker, N. W. M. P.  
Transport Officer—R. W. B. Eustace, Moccasin.  
Quartermaster—Inspector J. B. Allan, N. W. M. P.  
Veterinary Surgeon—Robert Riddell, V.S., Calgary.  
Major James Walker, late Inspector N. W. M. P., Calgary, and Supt. Joseph Howe, N. W. M. P.  
Captains—Supt. G. E. Sanders and Inspector A. E. R. Chutbert, N. W. M. P.  
Lieutenants—Inspectors J. D. Moodie, J. V. Degra, H. J. A. Davidson, A. C. Macdonnell, T. A. Wroughton, N. W. M. P., Calgary, Lieut. John Taylor, Manitoba Dragoon, T. W. Chalmers, Edmonton, ex-policeman.

**MURDERED A MISSIONARY.**  
Rev. Mr. Brooks captured by Boers and killed. A despatch from Pekin, says:—The Rev. Mr. Brooks, of the Church Missionary Society, at Ping-Yin, in the Province of Shan-Tung, was captured in that vicinity and murdered on December 3, by members of a seditious society called "Boxers," who have been active lately, destroying many villages and killing native Christians. The Governor of the province had despatched a force of cavalry to the scene of the disturbances, but the soldiers arrived too late to save Mr. Brooks.

**SIX HUNDRED LIVES LOST.**  
Awful Effect of the Earthquakes in Russia. A despatch from St. Petersburg says:—The latest reports from Archangel in the Government of Tigra, show that six hundred lives were lost during the earthquakes which visited that district on Monday.

**SEALS ON THE Pribiloff ISLANDS.**  
The total catch of seals in the North Pacific by Canadian sealers, was 25,346, compared with a total of 28,552, the preceding year of 28,552.

**THE MINNEAPOLIS AND ONTARIO BRIDGE COMPANY.**  
The Minneapolis and Ontario Bridge Company, with a capital of \$3,000,000, will build the international bridge over Rainy river for the Port Arthur, Ontario and Western Railway, now building between Port Arthur and Winnipeg.

**THE NEWS THAT THE BUBONIC PLAGUE HAS REACHED HAWAII.**  
The news that the bubonic plague has reached Hawaii has caused some alarm in British Columbia, and all the health officers have been notified to take every precaution against the landing of cases at any of the seaports.

**MR. W. J. McLEAN, EX-HUDSON BAY OFFICER,**  
who was reported lost in the far northern Slave Lake country, has returned to Winnipeg. He reports having discovered copper ore in the Athabasca region, and says his party suffered no privations owing to the abundance of game in the north.

**THE DIRECTORS OF THE BANK OF MONTREAL**  
have subscribed 2,000 guineas, and among themselves personally 1,500 guineas, or \$7,500, making \$7,500 altogether, towards the patriotic fund being raised in Great Britain for the sailors' and soldiers' families and other sufferers from the war.

**THE METTAWAN, IRON CO.,**  
will agree for a bonus of \$25,000 from the town of Fort William, to erect within its limits two furnaces capable of smelting 60 tons of copper ore per day, also for a bonus of \$50,000, the company will erect a charcoal iron blast furnace with a capacity of 50 tons of pig iron per 24 hours, both industries to be exempted from taxation for a period of ten years.

**THE BODY OF THE DUKE OF WESTMINSTER**  
has been cremated. Baron Ludlow, a judge of the Court of Appeal, is dead at London. Lord Bennett, who succeeds to the title of Earl of Tankerville, is an evangelist. Dr. Benjamin F. C. Costelloe, one of the best known of English educationists, is dead at London. Eight persons were killed and many injured in railway wrecks in England last week, caused by fog.

**COMMERCIAL FAILURES IN THE UNITED STATES**  
last week numbered 220, against 253 a year ago. Twenty bodies have been recovered from the Bazzell mine disaster near Brownsville, Pa. Four men were killed in a wreck on the Northern Pacific Railway near Missoula, Montana. F. P. Livingston, a blind war veteran of Baltimore, is held there for the murder of his wife. John M. Brown, aged 106, and for 28 years an inmate of the Mercy Hospital, Chicago, is dead.

**IT IS SAID THE MOLINEUX TRIAL**  
in New York will be the most expensive homicide case ever tried in the country. Prof. James Munyon will establish at Philadelphia an industrial school for orphaned girls at a cost of \$2,000,000. Capt. Jacob Jay Bandergrift, one of the wealthiest and most prominent men in Pittsburgh, Pa., is dead there.

**HOT SULPHUR GEYSERS**  
have appeared near San Jacinto, Cal., since the destruction of that village by earthquakes. Four men were killed and several injured in a wreck on the Northern Pacific Railroad, six miles east of Bear Mouth, Mont. Seals on the Pribiloff Islands have

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Sheep, per cwt., 3.00-3.25-2.75  
Lambs, per cwt., 2.25-2.50  
Milked and Calves, 2.00-2.50  
Calves, each, 2.00-10.00

**Choice hogs,** 4.00-4.37-2  
Light hogs, per cwt., 4.00-4.00  
Heavy hogs, per cwt., 3.62-2 3/4  
Wheat—Out side market, very dull to-day, and prices were steady and trade quiet. The Ontario is quoted at 50 to 51c, white Ontario to 52c, and white Ontario to 53c, and white Ontario to 54c, and white Ontario to 55c, and white Ontario to 56c, and white Ontario to 57c, and white Ontario to 58c, and white Ontario to 59c, and white Ontario to 60c, and white Ontario to 61c, and white Ontario to 62c, and white Ontario to 63c, and white Ontario to 64c, and white Ontario to 65c, and white Ontario to 66c, and white Ontario to 67c, and white Ontario to 68c, and white Ontario to 69c, and white Ontario to 70c, and white Ontario to 71c, and white Ontario to 72c, and white Ontario to 73c, and white Ontario to 74c, and white Ontario to 75c, and white Ontario to 76c, and white Ontario to 77c, and white Ontario to 78c, and white Ontario to 79c, and white Ontario to 80c, and white Ontario to 81c, and white Ontario to 82c, and white Ontario to 83c, and white Ontario to 84c, and white Ontario to 85c, and white Ontario to 86c, and white Ontario to 87c, and white Ontario to 88c, and white Ontario to 89c, and white Ontario to 90c, and white Ontario to 91c, and white Ontario to 92c, and white Ontario to 93c, and white Ontario to 94c, and white Ontario to 95c, and white Ontario to 96c, and white Ontario to 97c, and white Ontario to 98c, and white Ontario to 99c, and white Ontario to 1.00.

**Flour—Dull**  
Flour—Dull in buyers' bags, middle grades, holders ask 72.00. 24-lb. casks, 50.00. Shorts are quoted at \$14.50. Bran is 4.14 to 4.15. Corn—Quiet. American yellow, quoted at 41c. Canadian corn dull at 39-40c. Oats—Quiet. Oats, car lots sold at 38c. Barley—Quiet. Barley lots of No. 2, middle grade, sold at 38c. No. 1 was quoted at 39c. Rye—Quiet. Rye, a shade better, 50-52c. Cattle—Rather dull. White cattle, 25c. Light and middle, 25-26c. Mixed 1-2-3-4-5-6-7-8-9-10-11-12-13-14-15-16-17-18-19-20-21-22-23-24-25-26-27-28-29-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49-50-51-52-53-54-55-56-57-58-59-60-61-62-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71-72-73-74-75-76-77-78-79-80-81-82-83-84-85-86-87-88-89-90-91-92-93-94-95-96-97-98-99-100.

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