

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.

Forest fires have destroyed a thousand acres of timber in Cumberland, N.S.

Brantford City Council has prohibited the use of trading stamps in that city.

Hamilton City Council favors the Sunday watering of streets traversed by car tracks.

The telegraph line to Dawson City will not be in operation until the end of the present month.

The census returns, it is thought, will show an increase of 6,000 in the population of Wright County, Quebec.

At Kingston the customs import duties for July were \$9,311.48; the inland revenue collections were \$15,745.82.

N. J. Peterson, rancher, near Medicine Hat, committed suicide while having cutting his throat with a pen-knife.

The Deputy Minister has returned from an inspection of the intercolonial railway, and reports it in excellent condition.

The Canadian Government may protest to Great Britain against its giving assistance to induce people to settle in South Africa.

C. F. Everett, a graduate of Toronto University, has been appointed instructor in the technical classes in Ottawa Collegiate Institute.

The man burned to death in the fire in the Garnet House, St. Mary's was George Engler, son of Christian Engler, of Logan Township.

Geo. W. Dawson, assistant inspector of penitentiaries, will visit the penitentiaries and jails from Manitoba to the coast during the latter part of August.

Daniel Egan, the president of the new \$35,000 steel trust, was born in Galt, and received his education in the Central and Grammar Schools in that town.

Hamilton City Council thinks \$10,000 is too much to spend on entertaining the Duke of York, and will wait for a time until it decides the amount it will grant for the purpose.

Montreal's Civic Reception Committee is struggling with the momentous question whether they will present the Duchess of Cornwall and York with a bouquet of red or white roses.

The half-dozen pioneers of the Mokkan community who have taken up settlement in the Saskatchewan Valley, west of Saskatchewan and Prince Albert, are well satisfied with the country, and will so report to the rest of their community, who are located in South Russia.

The Dominion Government analysts endorse the idea propounded by medicinal men that canned salmon should be stamped with the date on which the fish has been put up, and that it should not be kept for sale beyond a certain number of years, on the ground that it is liable to deteriorate and become dangerous to health.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The King and Queen have gone to Coives.

British torpedo boat No. 81 has been sunk off the island of Alderney in the English Channel. No details have been received beyond the fact that there was no loss of life.

Mrs. Sarah Collins, an American, who was a saloon passenger on the steamer Furnessia, was fined 27 shillings and costs at Belfast for smuggling three pounds of tobacco in a trunk.

The delay in appointing a governor of Victoria in succession to Lord Brassey has been caused by Victoria's refusal to increase the Parliamentary grant of \$25,000, which Mr. Chamberlain thinks too small.

An American syndicate is ready to deposit \$5,000,000 as a guarantee of a three per cent. dividend the first year and ultimately five per cent.

A great Protestant meeting held in St. James Hall, London, a resolution was adopted protesting against any change in the King's accession declaration. A memorial embodying the resolution will be sent to the House of Commons.

UNITED STATES.

An ice combine has been formed at Toledo, Ohio.

Archbishops Ireland and Corrigan will be made cardinals.

Southern Pacific is to equip its lines to burn oil for fuel.

There were 74 deaths from smallpox in New York State during June.

Three counterfeiters with their outfit were discovered in a South Dakota canon.

Chicago machinists' strike has ended. The nine-hour day is firmly established.

A locomotive on the Lackawanna railroad blew up at Painesville, Pa., killing the engineer.

The July production of the Cripple Creek Mines was \$2,312,500; July dividends, \$692,000.

Robert Crooks & Co., of Liverpool will build a new refinery near New York to fight the sugar trust.

Gold in the United States treasury now amounts to \$505,354,297, the largest amount ever held there.

Four cars of a freight train on the Rock Island near Hamilton, Kan., were blown away by a cyclone near Hamilton, Kan.

Two safe-blowers overpowered the jailer at Devils Lake, N. D., released three other prisoners, and escaped.

Leading photographic dry plate factories of the United States and

ope may combine, with a capital of \$30,000,000.

William Lopley, a blacksmith, was killed by a bear that is kept on exhibition at the Palisade boat landing, at Iowa Falls, Ia.

Chicago will have an Irish demonstration August 15, at which Michael Davitt will speak on England's treatment of the Boers.

One of the horses of the Chicago fire brigade fell dead while going to a fire. Heat caused its death. The men had a narrow escape.

Twenty of the twenty-six judges in Cook County, Ill., are taking vacations, while 125 prisoners await in jail awaiting trial and 25,000 civil suits are unheard.

James Ryan and Joe Morgan, at Lacrosse, Wis., held up and robbed a citizen. Within two hours they were arrested, tried and sentenced to three years at hard labor.

George McCabe, 43 years of age, committed suicide at New York. He had been a striker, but returned to work. Daily he was hooted and hissed at by the strikers and his neighbors, and it is thought he was driven insane.

A woman and two men were taken from jail and lynched at Carrollton, La. They were suspected of murder.

While crossing a field George Hummerickhouse, a farmer of Wells County, Indiana, was attacked by a mad bull and killed.

A black tiger with Robinson's circus at Logansport, Ind., got far enough through the bars of its cage to lay open to the bone the flesh on the top of the head and face of a 6-year-old son of John Rush, an indentured laborer, who held his boy close to the animal's cage.

Mrs. Mary Torrey, of Muncie, Ind., is violently insane from injuries inflicted by a rejected suitor, Peter Tibbilly, who asked her to marry him, and upon her refusal he emptied a bottle of carbolic acid in her face, blinding her entirely and burning her about the upper part of the body.

Delegates to the New York Chamber of Commerce, recently returned from London, have contributed \$25,000 to the Victoria Memorial Fund.

George and Joseph Prothers, farmers, were instantly killed at Ellettsville, Ind., by lightning, which struck a tree under which they had taken shelter.

Walter Sheppard was shot and instantly killed by Henry Vittatore, near Pleasure Ridge, Ky. The young men had quarreled, shaken hands and then resumed their quarrel.

R. L. Fosburgh, the father of May Fosburgh, who was shot and killed August 20, 1900, at Pittsfield, Mass., has withdrawn all rewards previously offered and substituted one of \$1,500 for the arrest and conviction of the guilty persons.

There are 3,000 Boer prisoners in Bermuda.

The Car is getting fat since his recent illness.

Americans are barred from office in Cuba under the new constitution.

Colored people of Cape Town have passed resolutions of confidence in Lord Milner.

The British warships Glory, Eclipse and Daphne arrived unexpectedly today at Amoy. All is quiet there.

A Paris automobile firm is planning a motor-driven flying machine, not a balloon but something like it.

There have been heavy withdrawals from Germany of foreign credits, chiefly by French and English banking firms.

A Berlin paper declares that the only hope for an improvement in the German iron market is a continuance of the labor troubles in America.

The Spanish Ministry of Foreign Affairs is engaged upon an extradition convention and general treaty of peace and friendship with the United States.

Comte de la Vaulx, the aeronaut, who will attempt to cross the Mediterranean in a balloon about the middle of August, has arrived in Toulon to superintend the preparatory arrangements.

Eight directors of the commercial banks in Kharkoff, Russia, which were recently taken possession of by the Government inspector, have been arrested, charged with having misappropriated the funds of the institutions with which they were connected. The liabilities of the banks amount to \$10,030,000.

DROWNED IN COLLISION.

Big-Liner Oceanic Sinks Another Steamer.

A despatch from Queenstown says:—The White Star Line steamer Oceanic (Capt. Cameron) which sailed from Liverpool on Thursday for New York via Queenstown, arrived here this morning and reported having been in collision Thursday night, in the Irish channel, with the steamer Kinross, of Waterford, Ireland. The Kinross sank. Seven persons were drowned.

The only damage sustained by the Oceanic consisted in a few dents to her port plates. She proceeded at 8.50 p. m.

The collision occurred this side of Tuskar, at about 1:30 in the morning. The fog was very dense. The Kinross was struck amidships. All the passengers of the Oceanic were in bed at the time, and there was some commotion, until Capt. Cameron assured them that there was not the least cause for alarm.

Headway was kept on the Oceanic after she struck the Kinross in order to give the crew of the latter a chance to clamber on board the Oceanic. The boats were lowered to rescue every man possible. The Kinross sank very rapidly. The Oceanic remained in the vicinity of the collision until daylight, but nothing was then visible beyond some floating wreckage.

The collision occurred in a fog. The bow of the Oceanic was damaged. The Kinross was a coasting vessel, of 453 tons, trading between Waterford and Liverpool. She had a crew of 14 men. The Oceanic brought seven survivors to this port.

MARKETS OF THE WORLD

Prices of Cattle, Cheese, Grain, &c. In the Leading Markets.

Toronto, Aug. 13.—Wheat—The local market is very dull, with nothing doing in Ontario grades. Cables rather disappointing. No. 2 red and white winter nominal at 66c middle freight for export. New wheat nominal at 62 to 63c middle freight. No. 1 spring on Midland quoted at 67 to 68c. Manitoba wheat firm. No. 1 hard sold at 82c, grinding in transit, and No. 2 hard at 80c, grinding in transit. For Toronto and west 2c lower.

Millfeed—The market is quiet. Bran quoted at \$12 west, and shorts at \$14.50 to \$15 west.

Corn—The market is now firm, with sales of Canadian No. 2 at 52c west.

Rye—The market is quiet, and prices nominal at 45 to 46c middle freight.

Buckwheat—Market dull, with prices purely nominal.

Peas—Trade quiet, with prices nominally unchanged.

Barley—Trade dull. New feed barley quoted at 39c, August shipment.

Oats—The market is quiet, with offerings restricted. White are quoted at 35c locally, and at 34c for export. New sold at 31c middle freight August shipment.

Flour—The market is firm, with moderate demand from exporters. Ninety per cent. sold at \$2.55 in buyers' bags, middle freight. Straight rollers, in bbls. for Lower Provinces, \$3.10 to \$3.20. Manitoba patents \$4, and strong bakers' \$3.70.

Oatmeal—Market is unchanged. Car lots at \$3.75 in bags and \$3.85 in wood. Broken lots, Toronto, 25c per bbl extra.

THE DAIRY MARKET.

Butter—The market is steady. Finest grades, in both dairy rolls and tubs meet with ready sale. We quote—Selected dairy tubs, 16 1/2 to 17c; second, 1-lb. rolls, 17 to 18c; choice grades, in rolls, tubs, and pails, 15 to 16c; bakers', 14c; creamery lots, 11 to 11 1/2c; pork, 10c; 19 1/2 to 20c; 20 to 21c; solids, 19 1/2 to 20c.

Eggs—Market unchanged. We quote—New laid, 12c; ordinary, 11 to 11 1/2c; chips and seconds, 7 to 8c. Cheese—The market is firm at 10 to 10 1/2c.

DRESSED HOGS AND PROVISIONS.

Dressed hogs are firm at \$9.50 to \$9.75. Hog products in good demand. We quote—Bacon, long clear, top and cut lots, 11 to 11 1/2c; pork, mess, \$19.50; do, short cut, \$1. Smoked meats—Hams, 14 to 15c; breakfast bacon, 15 to 16c; rolls, 12c; backs, 15 1/2 to 16c, and shoulders, 11 1/2c.

THE STREET MARKET.

Receipts of grain were small today. The only wheat was a load of poor goose, which sold at 65c. One load of oats brought 39c. Hay is firmer, there being sales of 10 loads at \$13 to \$13.50 for old, and at \$9.50 to \$11 for new. Straw nominal at \$10.

Following is the range of quotations:—Wheat, white, \$0.69 to \$0.63; Wheat, red, \$0.69 to \$0.63; Wheat, goose, \$0.66 to \$0.67; Wheat, spring, \$0.69 to \$0.69; Oats, \$0.39 to \$0.39; Peas, \$0.66 to \$0.66; Barley, \$0.43 to \$0.43; Rye, \$0.55 to \$0.55; Hay, old, per ton, 13.00 to 13.50; Hay, new, per ton, 9.50 to 11.00; Straw, per ton, 9.00 to 10.00; Dressed hogs, \$9.50 to \$9.75; Butter, in lb. rolls, 0.16 to 0.20; Butter, creamery, 0.20 to 0.25; Chickens, per pair, 0.50 to 0.75; Ducks, per pair, 0.70 to 1.00; Turkeys, per lb., 0.10 to 0.12; Eggs, new laid, 0.16 to 0.17; Eggs, held, per doz., 0.12 to 0.14; Potatoes, new, bush, 1.00 to 1.25; Tomatoes, basket, 0.75 to 0.00; Beef, forequarters, 4.50 to 5.50; Beef, hindquarters, 8.00 to 9.25; Beef, middling, carcass, 5.00 to 6.50; Beef, choice, 7.00 to 7.75; Lamb, yearling, 6.50 to 7.50; Lamb, spring, 9.00 to 10.00; Mutton, 5.50 to 6.50; Veal, choice, 7.50 to 8.50; Minneapolis, Aug. 13.—Wheat—September, 68 1/2 to 68 3/4; December, 70 1/2 to 70 3/4; on track No. 1 hard, 71 1/2; No. 1 Northern, 69 1/2; No. 2 Northern, 68 1/2. Flour—First patents, \$3.85 to \$3.95; second patents, \$3.60 to \$3.75; first clears, \$2.90 to \$3.00; second clears, \$2.20. Bran—in bulk, \$13.50 to \$14. Buffalo, Aug. 13.—Flour—Steady. Spring wheat—Quiet; No. 1 Northern, old, 79 1/2; do, new, 76 1/2. Winter wheat—Dull but firm; No. 2 red, 74 1/2; No. 1 white, 75c. Corn—Steady; No. 2 yellow, 61c; No. 3 do, 60 1/2; No. 2 white, old, 42 1/2; do, new, 39 1/2; No. 2 mixed, nominal, 37 1/2; old, 39c. Barley—Nothing doing. Rye—No. 2, 50c. Nothing doing. August 13.—Wheat closed—Higher; No. 1 Northern, 70 1/2 to 71 1/2; No. 2 Northern, 70 1/2 to 71 1/2; September, 71c. Rye—Steady; No. 1, 56 1/2 to 56 1/2; Barley—Steady; No. 2, 56c. Corn—September, 57 1/2; Duluth, Aug. 13.—Wheat—No. 1 hard, cash, 73 1/2; September, 71c; No. 1 Northern, cash, 70 1/2; September, 70 1/2; August, 70 1/2; October, 70 1/2; December, 71c; No. 2 Northern, 65 1/2; No. 3 spring, 64 1/2. Oats—35c. Corn—55c. Toledo, Aug. 13.—Cash and August, 71c; September, 72c; December, 74c. Corn—Cash, 56 1/2; September, 57c; December, 58c. Oats—Cash, 35c; September, 35c; December, 36c. Rye—57c. Clover—Cash and October, \$6.22; Oil—Unchanged.

LIVE STOCK MARKETS.

Toronto, Aug. 13.—The receipts were heavy at the Western Cattle Market today, but the quality of

the stock was rather poor and business was slow. There was a good demand for choice cattle, but the supply was short and the offerings did not last long. There was an abundance of half-finished cattle, particularly in the export branch, and they were very slow of sale.

Prices were about steady throughout the list. Exporters and butchers were the only classes which showed any activity, and in these there were many head left over. Small stuff was offered liberally, but trade was dull. Hogs were unchanged. The total run was 79 loads, including 1,351 cattle, 1,316 sheep and lambs, 37 calves and 602 hogs.

Export cattle, choice, per cwt., \$4.60 to \$5.05; do medium, per cwt., 4.25 to 4.60; do cows, per cwt., 3.75 to 4.25.

Butchers' cattle, pick-ed lots, 4.40 to 4.75; do choice, 4.00 to 4.40; do fair, 3.50 to 4.00; do common, 3.00 to 3.50; do cows, 3.00 to 3.75; do bulls, 3.00 to 3.50.

Bulls, export, heavy, per cwt., 3.75 to 4.25; do light, per cwt., 3.50 to 3.75; Feeders, short-keep, 4.25 to 4.75; do medium, 3.40 to 4.25; do light, 3.25 to 3.50.

Stocks, 400 to 600 do off-colors, 3.00 to 3.25; Afrieh cows, each, 30.00 to 48.00.

Sheep, export, ewes, per cwt., 3.40 to 3.50; do bucks, per cwt., 2.50 to 3.00; do culls, each, 2.00 to 3.00; J. A. McIntyre, Palmenton, do per cwt., 4.25 to 4.50; Calves, per head, 1.00 to 8.00; Hogs, choice, per cwt., 7.25 to 8.00; Hogs, corn-fed, per cwt., 7.00 to 7.50; Hogs, light, per cwt., 6.75 to 7.00; Hogs, fat, per cwt., 6.75 to 7.00; Sows, per cwt., 4.00 to 4.50.

STANDARD OIL.

Rockefeller Clears \$20,000,000 in Dividends.

A despatch from New York says:—The directors of the Standard Oil Company, at their meeting on Tuesday, declared a dividend of 8 per cent., \$8 a share on the common stock of the company. This dividend is payable on September 16 next.

The capitalization of the trust is about \$100,000,000. The declaration of the dividend means the distribution of about \$8,000,000 among the Standard Oil stockholders. This dividend is the first declared by the company during the calendar year. The dividend for the first quarter this year, paid in March, 1901, was 20 per cent., \$20,000,000. The dividend for the second quarter paid in June, 1901, was 12 per

cent., \$12,000,000. The dividend for the third quarter, as has just been said, is 8 per cent., \$8,000,000. So the total dividend thus far this year is 40 per cent. on the \$100,000,000 capitalization, or \$40,000,000.

But because the poor trust declared a quarterly dividend of only 8 per cent. its stock fell 4 points, to 79 1/2. Last fall the price touched 83 1/2.

BLAME THE MOSQUITOES.

Men in Wall Street were telling each other that the great trust declared only an 8 per cent. dividend because the mosquitoes are so "bad." The countrymen cannot burn lamps when the light attracts millions of mosquitoes.

It was suspected in Wall Street that, besides the Standard Oil Trust was giving away a few hundred dollars' worth of oil in the attempt to destroy mosquitoes. Hence the comparatively low dividend.

But the days must grow longer and cold must kill the mosquitoes before they can do this. The Standard Oil Trust, Wall Street firmly believes that Standard Oil will declare a dividend for the final quarter of last year that will be no less than the dividend for the final quarter of last year. And then it was 10 per cent.

The trust established a new high record last year in piping profits to stockholders, when it paid out 48 per cent. in all about \$48,000,000.

40 PER CENT THIS YEAR.

This year, so far, it has paid 40 per cent. If this December's dividend is equal to last December's, 10 per cent. this year's profits will beat the former high record. They will be 50 per cent.

But, Wall Street, when not joking about mosquitoes, firmly believes that the Standard Oil will pay, not 10 per cent., but 20 per cent. next December, making its dividend for 1901 80 per cent., \$80,000,000; \$5,000,000 a month; say \$150,000 a day.

And John I. Rockefeller is credited with owning easily one-third of the Standard Oil stock.

Up to 1895 the company used to pay 12 per cent. per annum. In 1896 the dividend jumped to 31 per cent. In 1897 it was 33 per cent., in 1898 30 per cent., and in 1899 38 per cent.

In the five and three-quarter years

OUR CHEESE EXHIBIT.

THE CANADIAN PRODUCT AT THE PAN-AMERICAN. (Special by Martha Craig.)

M. W. W. Hall, Assistant Superintendent of the Dairy Division at the Pan American, has kindly submitted the following report:—The markings of Canadian cheese are as follows:

EXPORT CHEESE.

J. R. Burge, Bluevale, Ont., Canada	97.20 per cent.
J. R. Burge, Bluevale, Ont., Canada	94.00
Stewart R. Payne, Warsaw, Ont.	96.00
E. C. Kennedy, Welland	97.50
Thomas M. Donald, Morrisburg	97.25
F. E. Kline, Lakeland	97.00
F. E. Kline, Lakeland	98.75
James T. Morrison, Woodstock	96.50
George A. Boyes, Putnam	97.50
W. P. Stacey, Waterloo	97.00
Mary Morrison, Newry	97.00
E. R. Clanshaw, Lawrence Station	96.50
B. S. McConnell, Springhill	97.50
John Connolly, Malcola	96.25
J. S. Pard, Paisley	97.25
J. S. Pard, Paisley	95.25
A. E. Milson, Lakelet	96.50
Joseph Camer, Glenvale	97.00
W. F. Galloway, Napanee	98.25
J. W. Clairidge, Glenhuron	98.00
J. W. Clairidge, Glenhuron	97.50
Robert Smith, Monkton	98.50
Connolly Bros., Thamestford	97.75
J. D. Bird, Bridgeport	97.75
Dairy Department, O. A. C., Guelph	98.00
W. H. Vout, Jasper	98.75
Frank A. Whyte, Mitchellville	97.25
Frank A. Whyte, Mitchellville	97.00
W. R. Keiser, Lansdowne	96.00
W. R. Keiser, Lansdowne	96.50
J. A. McIntyre, Palmenton	96.50
Alex. McGregor, Russell	96.25
James Craighhead, Havelock	96.50
John Francis, Courtland	98.50
Frank Travis	98.00
E. G. Marshall, Guisboro	91.00
W. N. Bellwell, Hockson	97.80
E. N. McLaughlin, Hamford	98.00
J. S. Johnson, Banner	98.50
W. M. Wilson, Rockspring	97.75
Warren Feeley, Cammore	98.00
I. M. Smith, Songlake	96.00
I. M. Smith, Songlake	97.25
John E. Stauton, Colwood	97.00
Andrew Clancy, Rockwood	98.75
S. P. Brown, Bernam	98.00
G. E. Goodhand, Milverton	98.50
M. Morrison, Harrison	98.50
Thomas Grieves, Wyandotte	98.00
E. N. Hart, Milverton	97.00
J. H. Davidson, Hamford	97.00
Fred. Crithier, Excott	97.25
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R. Dunwoody, Lyon	98.75
Robert Johnston, Bight	96.50

HOMETRALE.

It will be noted that the average score of Canadian cheese is very high and uniform. The committee who judged the O. A. C. Cheese Contest, S. B. Richardson, New York, and J. L. Whyte, Wisconsin, congratulated the Canadians on their exceptional success and said that no better cheese are made in America.

beginning January 1, 1896, therefore, the company has distributed \$215,000,000 to its stockholders on a capitalization of about \$100,000,000. This infinitely surpasses the records of all other corporations.

POLICE TO CARRY GUNS.

Garrotting and Highway Assaults Common in London.

A despatch from London says:—Assaults on policemen have become so numerous in certain districts in London that the authorities have been petitioned to permit the police to carry revolvers.

London policemen carry only clubs. In deference to the wishes of the people, who some years ago agitated against the revolver as being too dangerous to entrust them with. The result is that in attacking burglars or highwaymen they have left their clubs to protect themselves against assaults with knife, revolver, and knuckle-duster. London is becoming more than Chicago. At nights there is a reign of terror on all roads leading to and from the suburbs. Garrotting has become a common form of crime.

WOMEN FARMERS.

Lady Warwick Institutes Agricultural College.

A despatch from London says:—Always anxious to better the condition of young women, and especially to save them from the drudgery of poorly paid domestic service, the beautiful Countess of Warwick has inaugurated a branch of the Agricultural College at Reading for women, and hopes by its means to again widen the sphere of usefulness for her proteges. Lady Warwick is a clever business woman, and although sparing neither pains nor expense in inaugurating her various schemes for the advancement of the women of the poorer class, she insists upon putting these schemes on a self-supporting basis.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Extreme Care Taken in Inspection of Steamers.

A despatch from Victoria, B.C., says:—On account of the prevalence of bubonic plague in Hong Kong, Dr. Watt, superintendent of Williams Head quarantine station, has received instructions from Ottawa to use every precaution in passing Orient steamers to prevent the introduction of the disease here. The Queen Adelaide, which arrived Monday night, was very thoroughly fumigated, and the same will be done with the Emp