

# 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.

Parts of Manitoba have a foot of snow.

The population of Berlin is 9,632, or within 368 of the city mark.

All the passes to the Klondike are now reported to be blocked with snow.

Hugh Ryan, the well-known contractor, is seriously ill at his residence in Toronto.

Two thousand dollars' worth of furs were stolen from Trudel & Graham's store, Montreal.

The survey of the proposed new Thunder bay and Nepigon railway line will be commenced at once.

The Queen's Hotel and several business houses at Deloraine, Man., were destroyed by fire on Thursday.

Homestead entries in the Northwest this year so far are 2383 as against 2389 for the whole of last year.

Only 315 vessels passed through the Canadian Soo canal during October, as against 404 vessels in October last year.

Two Montreal girls, aged ten and sixteen years respectively, have been arrested on a charge of stealing diamonds valued at \$400.

British Board of Trade returns for October show increases in imports from Canada of \$1,600,000, compared with October, 1897.

Winnipeg cigar makers will start a factory on unionist principles, the manufacturers having refused to adopt the union scale of wages.

Eight men were badly burned by an explosion of gas in the new Vancouver Coal Co.'s shaft No. 1, on Saturday.

A despatch from Vancouver says the city is invaded by desperate northern thugs. Numerous burglaries and attempted murders have taken place.

The Doukhoborskis will be wintered in the emigration buildings at Regina, Brandon, Portage la Prairie, Yorkton and Dauphin.

The books in the Pictou Street School at Hamilton, where the pupils had suffered from diphtheria, have been burned and the room fumigated.

License Inspector Platt, of Guelph, has gone to New York to be treated at the Pasteur Institute. He was bitten by a dog two weeks ago.

The Socialist Labor party in London have nominated Mr. Fred. J. Darch for Mayor. It is probable they will put up a full municipal ticket in the field.

Lord Aberdeen has sent the Prisoners' Aid Association of Canada a cheque for \$25 and signified his intention of becoming a life member of the association.

The Quebec City Treasurer's annual statement shows a revenue for the past year of \$624,420.92, and an expenditure of \$610,876.26, leaving a surplus of \$13,544.66.

Montreal is threatened with an epidemic of disease because the Health Committee has stopped removing garbage everywhere, as its appropriation is exhausted.

The rush of grain through to the sea over the Grand Trunk is unprecedented. The greater part of it is American, the Manitoba grain not yet moving to any extent.

The largest passenger engine ever built in Canada has just been completed at the Kingston Locomotive Works. It is the first of an order of three for the Intercolonial Railway.

An explosion of dynamite stored in the waterworks storehouse at Riviere du Loup on Saturday caused a lot of damage in the town. It is thought the storehouse was fired by incendiaries.

A plaster cast of a marble bust of the Right Hon. Sir Wilfrid Laurier, by Mr. Chevre, sculptor of the Chaplain monument, is now on exhibition in the rooms of the Garrison Club, Quebec.

Dr. Robert Bell, of the Dominion Geological Survey, speaking of the Michipicoten district, of which he has been making a map, says enough gold has been found to encourage development.

Henry Pigeon was arrested in Montreal on the charge of robbing a church. He told the detectives that there were two men in penitentiary serving terms for crimes that he had committed.

Three Italians were arrested at Point aux Trembles on Friday on a charge of counterfeiting. A large quantity of coins and counterfeiting tools was found in the tent occupied by the men.

The Grand Trunk Railway freight authorities are seriously considering the advisability of erecting another elevator at Midland, the present accommodation not being sufficient to meet the demand.

The Toronto Street Railway has decided to make an experiment in the matter of smoking cars and will run cars on certain lines during certain hours of the day, in which smokers will be allowed full privileges.

Copies of the Wentworth County Council's petition to the Legislature, asking for an act to regulate bicycling on public highways, are being sent to other County Councils, whose co-operation is designed in the matter.

Mrs. Ireland, wife of Dr. Ireland of Trenton, who mysteriously disappeared from Montreal a couple of weeks ago, has made a claim on the London & Lancashire Insurance Co. for \$5,000 insurance on her husband's life.

### GREAT BRITAIN.

Miss Kate Lyon and Mrs. Athalie Mills appeared in the Police Court in

London, Eng., on Thursday, charged with the manslaughter of the newspaper correspondent, Harold Frederic. They were admitted to bail.

During October 2, 114 emigrants left England for Canada, while 18,473 came during the ten months of 1898. The number of emigrants to Canada troubles that of similar bookings for Australia during the year, and exceeds the Cape Colony total by 3842.

The percentage computed from the complete returns of the plebiscite vote show that 22 1-2 per cent. of the entire electorate voted for prohibition, and 21 1-2 per cent. against, making a total of 44 per cent. Of the entire electorate 56 per cent. did not go to the polls.

### UNITED STATES.

The Italian protected cruiser Etna, on a cruise around the world, is at San Francisco, Cal.

The body of an unknown man was found in a lane off State street, in Chicago on Thursday night. Murder and robbery.

A crazed mother exchanged her wedding ring and "baby's" pin for a razor, then cut her throat in a New York pawnshop on Thursday.

Mr. Thomas Dickson, a well-known London wholesale merchant, fell from a train at Island Pond, Penn., on Saturday, and is seriously injured.

Mrs. Leslie Carter, the actress, has filed a petition in bankruptcy, showing liabilities of \$63,773 and no assets, except wearing apparel, valued at \$200.

A train on the Central Railway in California, has been delayed over twenty-four hours by fire in the snow sheds and tunnel between Summit and Truckee.

The Republicans claim a majority in the United States Congress. Mr. Babcock stating that in the House of Representatives the majority is thirteen over all opposition combined.

Mrs. Jennie Walker attended a religious meeting at Kansas, Mo., on Sunday, and after uttering a prayer professing her readiness to die fell back into her seat dead. Heart disease was her trouble.

The Richmond, Vt., savings bank was entered by burglars Sunday morning by three unknown men. They secured from the vault stamps valued at \$600 to \$800. Two citizens who happened to pass when the burglars were at work, were captured and tied.

Postmaster-General Smith, of the United States has issued an order admitting private mailing cards authorized by the act of May 19, 1898, into the foreign mails at one cent postage each for Canada and Mexico and two cents each for all other postal union countries.

The British consul at Philadelphia has investigated the death of a Buddhist sailor on board a British vessel and found that he starved himself, having been convinced by his countrymen that the time had come for him to offer himself up as a sacrifice to his faith.

The French Steamship Line has entered suit against the Cromartyshire for \$2,500,000 for the loss of La Bourgogne, and the British ship has been seized in Philadelphia. The reports at the time of the accident led to the belief that the ill-fated steamer was almost solely at fault.

### GENERAL.

The Sultan has dispatched his Ambassador with gifts and a letter to the Czar.

The University of Heidelberg, Germany, is trying to put a stop to student duelling.

It is said that Jamaica will likely decline to join the proposed West Indian federation.

The floods of the Hoang-Ho, in China, have destroyed hundreds of villages, and threaten a million persons with famine.

A lunatic gained entrance to the Royal castle at Stuttgart, Germany, and declared he was the rightful King of Wurtemberg. He is now in jail.

Turkey has made an ineffectual appeal to Germany and Austria against the appointment of Prince George of Greece, as High Commissioner of the powers in the Island of Crete.

Alfred Belancourt, a British subject, was assaulted at Havana on Tuesday last by a Spanish officer because he wore a five-pointed Cuban star as scarf pin. Belancourt was also ordered under arrest and imprisoned. Mr. Jerome, British Vice-Consul, demanded his release, which was granted, but very reluctantly.

### SOUDAN CONQUEST COMPLETE.

Wholesale Surrender of the Gedaref Derivishes Reported.

A despatch from Cairo says:—After Colonel Collinson arrived at Gedaref, the last stronghold of the derivishes, Ahmed Fedil attacked the Egyptian position at night. He was easily repulsed, only two men of the 12th Battalion being wounded.

The next morning Colonel Parsons discovered Fedil moving towards the Blue Nile, greatly impeded by his wounded.

Five hundred Jehadieh, with 400 rifles, under Sultan Abekr Wadel, have left Ahmed Fedil and come over to Colonel Parsons. The greater part of Ahmed Fedil's force is going back towards Gedaref to ask pardon and to surrender.

The dervish leader himself, with his Baggaras and a small number of other followers, is retiring to the south-east. His retreat to the Blue Nile will be cut off by Major-General Rundle's force.

### FORBIDDEN BOOKS.

In Russia many scientific and miscellaneous books are not allowed to be sold, simply on account of a few objectionable lines. But if any one needs the book he can send a letter, with a certain fixed sum of money, and get special permission to order a copy.

## MARKETS OF THE WORLD.

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

Toronto, Nov. 15.—Wheat—Local demand was rather better to-day. There was a rather better demand, but holders asked more. Red and white, north and west, 68c bid; goose wheat, 71c; Manitoba rather better at 82c asked for No. 1 hard, and at 78c asked for No. 1 Northern, and No. 2 hard.

Flour—Quiet. Straight roller, in wood, north and west, was quoted at \$3.10 to \$3.15.

Oatmeal—Steady. Car lots of rolled oats, in bags on track here, \$3.40 per bbl; and in bbls, \$3.50.

Milfeed—Scarce, and in good demand. Bran sells here at \$12, in ton lots, and shorts at \$14. Bran is quoted in car lots at \$9.50, and shorts at \$13.50 to \$14, middle freights.

Peas—Easy. Car lots, north and west, sold to-day at 58c.

Oats—Quiet and easy. Car lots of white sold at 26c, north and west, to-day, and at 27c east.

Barley—Firm. No. 1 sold at 52c, interior points. Same, at lake ports, is quoted at 55c.

Corn—Quiet. No. 2 yellow, American, track, Toronto, is offered by local dealers at 40 1-2c, and mixed at 39 1-2c.

Buckwheat—Steady. Car lots, west, 38c, and east 40c.

Rye—Firm. Car lots, north and west, were sold to-day at 49c, and east at 50c.

Eggs—Values steady and market in good condition. Quotations are:—New laid, 18 to 19c; cold storage, 14 to 15c; and limed, 14 to 15c.

Potatoes—Unchanged. Steady demand. Car lots choice Ontario stock, on track, are quoted at about 50 to 55c, and dealers sell out of store at 60 to 70c, same prices for farmer's loads.

Poultry—Deliveries fair and good average demand. Prices not firm. Quotations are:—Chickens, per pair, 25 to 50c; ducks, 40 to 60c; geese, per lb., 5 to 6c; turkeys, per lb., 6 to 8c.

Beans—Unchanged. Choice hand-picked beans sell at \$1 to \$1.10, and common at 70 to 75c, per bush.

Dried apples—Demand limited. Dealers pay 3 1-2 to 4c, for dried stock, delivered here, and small lots resell here at 4 1-2 to 5c; evaporated, 8 to 8 1-2c, for small lots.

Honey—Market unchanged. Round lots of choice, delivered here, will bring about 5 1-2 to 6c; dealers quote from 6 to 7c, per lb. for 10 to 60-lb. tins; and in comb at around \$1.25 to \$1.50 per dozen sections.

Baled hay—Not much moving. Strictly choice in car lots, is quoted at \$6.50 to \$7.50 per ton; and No. 2, at \$6.

Straw—Market holding its own. Car lots are quoted at \$4 to \$4.50 on track.

Hops—Firm and likely to go higher. Dealers here quote choice Ontario at 17 to 18c, according to quality, delivered here. Holders are asking somewhat better, about 20c, and are very firm in their ideas. Choice 1897's, round lots, are quoted at 10 to 12c.

Toronto dealers are quoting the following prices on hides, skins and wool:—Hides—Choice steers, 9c; No. 1 cows, 8 1-2c; No. 2, 7-12, No. 3, 6 1-2c. Cured sell at 3-4c, advance on the foregoing.

Lambskins and Sheep Pelts—75c.

Calfskins—Choice No. 1, 10c; and No. 2, 8c.

Wool—Unwashed, 10c; fleece, 15c, for small lots, delivered; pulled, 18 1-2c, for supers, and 20 to 21c, for extras.

Tallow—Local dealers buy barrel tallow at 3 to 3 1-4c, for rendered, and resell at 3 1-2 to 3 3-4c.

Dressed hog market firm and deliveries free. On track car lots sold to-day at \$5.25 to \$5.35, as to quality. Farmers' loads changed hands on the street at \$5.30 to \$5.50. Provisions steady and unchanged.

Quotations are as follows:—Dry salted shoulders, 8c; long clear bacon, car lots, 8c; ton lots and case lots, 8 1-4c; backs, 9c.

Smoked meats—Hams, heavy, 10 1-2c; medium, 11c; light, 11 1-2c; breakfast, bacon, 11 to 12c; rolls, 9c; backs, 11 to 11 1-2c; picnic hams, 8 1-2 to 8 3-4c. All meats out of pickle 1c less than prices quoted for smoked meats.

Lard—Tierces, 7c; tubs, 7 1-2 to 7 3-4c; pails, 7 3-4 to 8c; compound, 6 to 6 1-2c.

Butter—Steady movement and prices unchanged. Receipts continue fair. All poor and medium stock hard to sell. Quotations are as follows:—Dairy, tubs, poor to medium, 11 to 12c; choice, 15 to 16c; small dairy, lb. prints, about 16 to 17c; creamery, tubs and boxes, 18 to 19c; pounds, 20 to 21c.

Cheese—Holding firm. Early makes are selling at 9 to 9 1-4c; and late makes at 9 1-4 to 9 1-2c.

Montreal, Nov. 15.—Special.—The local grain market continues quiet and steady. Oats are quoted at 30 1-2 to 31c; peas, 68 1-2 to 69c; and buckwheat at 51 to 51 1-2c; alfalfa. Flour is in good demand, and values are steady; winter wheat patents, \$4 to \$4.10; straight rollers \$3.70 to \$3.80; in bags, \$1.75 to \$1.85; Manitoba patents, \$4.50 to \$4.60; strong bakers' best, \$4.15 to \$4.25. Feed is in good demand and firm; supplies are small; Manitoba bran, \$13 to \$13.50; shorts, \$14.50 to \$15; and moullie, \$16 to \$16.50 per ton, including bags. Rolled oats are steady at \$3.60 per barrel and at \$1.75 per bag. Hay is steady; No. 1, \$6.50 to \$7.50; No. 2 extra, \$5 to \$6; No. 2 and clover mixture, \$4.50 to \$5; and clover, \$4. Provisions are quiet and unchanged; Canadian pork, in barrels, \$16 to \$16.50 pure Canadian lard, in pails, 8 1-4 to 8 1-2c per pound; and compound refined, at 5 1-2 to 5 1-2c per lb; hams, 10 1-2 to 13c; and bacon, 10 to 13c, per lb. Cheese is firm but quiet; Western being quoted at 9 1-3 to 9 1-4c, and Eastern at 8 7-8 to 9c. Butter is quiet, finest creamery being quoted at 47 7-8 to 48c, in boxes, and 17 5-8 to 17 3-4c, in tubs; dairy is quoted at 14 1-4 to 14 1-2c. Eggs are in good demand; strictly new laid, 21 1-2 to 22c; No. 1 candled, 15 to 16c; No. 2 ditto, 12 to 13c; Montreal limed, 14 to 14 1-2c; and culls, 9c, per dozen. Beans are quoted at 95 cents to \$1 for choice hand-picked, and 85 to 90c for primes. Honey is dull; white clover comb, in one pound sections, 7 to 7 1-2c; dark, 5 1-2

to 6 1-2c; white extracted, 6 to 6 1-2c, and dark, 4 to 5. A fair trade continues to be done in potatoes, and prices rule steady at 50c per bag for choice and at 40 to 45c for common to fair, in car lots.

### THE CHEESE MARKETS.

Watertown, N. Y., Nov. 15.—Market strong and active; sales, 2,890 large white at 8 7-8 to 9c, ruling price, 9c; 287 small at 9 to 9 1-4c, bulk at 9 1-4c; 100 twins at 9c, September and October, mostly October.

Ottawa, Nov. 15.—The first season of the Ottawa cheese board came to a close yesterday. Sixty-three factories had been represented on the board, and 35,263 cheese boarded; of these 27,608; valued at \$199,000 were sold. There is a cash balance of \$200 on hand.

London, Ont., Nov. 15.—To-day twelve factories offered 1,798 September, 2,855 October, 200 November, sales; 374 September at 8 7-8c.

## NEW GOVERNOR GENERAL.

### LORD MINTO FORMALLY INSTALLED AT QUEBEC.

The Aberdeens' Departure—First Proclamation Issued by the New Viceroy—Lord Melgund, the Governor General's Son, is Ill.

A despatch from Quebec says:—Lord Minto, with Lady Minto arrived here at two o'clock Saturday afternoon by the Scotsman. He was met by Lord Aberdeen, Sir Wilfrid Laurier, and half a dozen Federal Ministers, who escorted him to the Parliament buildings. The Ministers took their seats at a table in the Legislative Council-room, and Lord Aberdeen ascended the throne.

The retiring Governor-General said:—"A cordial welcome is uttered to the new Governor-General, the Earl of Minto, upon his arrival here to assume the high duties of representing her Majesty the Queen in this fair and wide Dominion. The welcome that he is now receiving here in this historic city of Quebec is but the forerunner and precursor of others throughout the length and breadth of the land. In this respect his experience will be that of his immediate predecessors, and of those whom they succeeded. He will meet with a loyal, law-abiding, and high-minded people, actuated by an abiding confidence in the future of this fair Dominion—this large and important part of the British Empire—and of its many possibilities. Again we extend a warm welcome to the new-Governor-General to Lady Minto, and to all their family."

CEREMONY OF INSTALLATION.

Then followed the ceremony of installation, which was witnessed by a large concourse.

At a signal from Lord Aberdeen, Major Drummond, military secretary to the Earl of Minto, advanced and read in a clear voice the royal commission or warrant appointing his Excellency Governor-General of Canada, and bearing the signature of the Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, Hon. Judge Sedgewick, acting Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada, and Mr. John J. McGee, Clerk of the Privy Council, approached the Earl of Minto with the book containing the oaths of allegiance and of office, which they held open before him, one on either side. In his own hand the Earl held the copy of the Bible handed him by the Clerk of the Privy Council, upon which he sealed each of his obligations with his lips. First he repeated the oath of allegiance after the acting Chief Justice, and then read off the book the oath of office, subscribing his name to them both, and returning the Bible to Mr. McGee.

As the Earl of Minto turned to assume the throne, his predecessor stepped down to meet him, pausing on the step to congratulate him as they passed half way up and down, and respectfully bowing to him from the floor as soon as his Excellency had assumed the throne.

Lady Aberdeen, too, advanced with a most profound courtesy to the foot of the throne, repeating the same obeisance to the Countess of Minto, and thus emphasizing to all present the changed relations that had been wrought between them by the events of the last few minutes.

R. W. Scott, Secretary of State, handed his Excellency the great seal of Canada, which his Excellency returned to him for safe-keeping. Mr. McGee, Clerk of the Privy Council, presented his Excellency with the Bible upon which he had taken the oath of office, which the Earl in turn presented to Judge Sedgewick.

Lord Aberdeen then presented to his Excellency the Lieutenant-Governor of Quebec, Nova Scotia, and the North-West Territories, the judges of the Supreme Court present, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier and the other members of the Federal Government.

### LORD MINTO'S SPEECH.

An address of welcome was read on behalf of the city by Mayor Parent, to which Lord Minto replied as follows:—"I beg to thank you sincerely for the cordiality of your welcome, and for your kind expressions toward myself. As you have said, this is not my first visit to Quebec, but I can assure you that, though it is now some 15 years since I first landed here, my recollections of your beautiful town are as fresh as ever. The magnificent St. Lawrence and the ramparts of the Citadel appear to me as old friends—the romantic history of the early French explorers seems to come back to me—for you possess not only a beautiful town, but a history of which you can be very proud. I return now as the representative of our well-beloved Queen and Empress, and it will be my earnest endeavour to discharge the

duties of my high office. I return, too, at a time of prosperity with the knowledge, that, notwithstanding difference of race and difference of creed, Canada is united in the determination to perpetuate her brilliant history. With a united people, assisted by the wonderful gifts of nature, the possible future of our country is very great. In the success of that future I shall indeed be honoured if I can play even a small part. I must thank you, too, very sincerely, for your welcome to my family, to her Excellency Lady Minto, and to my Canadian daughter, Lady Eileen.

"I hope that in the coming years we may often reside in your ancient city, and it will be my greatest pleasure if I can at any time assist to further the interests and welfare of its citizens. Allow me again to thank you for the honour you have done me to-day."

This terminated the proceedings.

Lord Minto declined the special train which the Government had brought from Ottawa to convey him to the seat of Government, but went on to Montreal by the Scotsman, because his son, Lord Melgund, is suffering from an illness contracted on the voyage.

DEPARTURE OF LORD ABERDEEN

Lord Aberdeen left by the Labrador for England at four o'clock Monday morning.

The last official act of Lord Aberdeen was to sign an order-in-Council granting \$25,000 to the sufferers in the West Indies, and the first official act of Lord Minto was to sign a minute of Council accepting the gift to the country of the chapel Lord Aberdeen had erected at Rideau hall.

## PARIS A RUMBLING VOLCANO.

The Edifice of Dreyfus Lies About to Crumble—Proclamation Will be the Signal for Disturbances.

Henry Norman cables to the New York Times:—"Everything else in France is overshadowed for the moment by the imminent proclamation of the innocence of Dreyfus. If this is not the signal for serious disturbances, either immediately or when he sets foot in France, all the observers on the spot are mistaken. The whole edifice of lies is about to crumble. The wickedest conspirator ever known to civilized history is about to be exposed.

"As the moment draws nearer, the temper of the anti-Semitic, clerical, and military gang grows worse. Many of the best men in Paris are going armed, living in unknown places, and approaching their offices in the dark by round-about ways, for fear of assassination. Only Friday the Foreign Minister called upon the German Ambassador to apologize for newspaper insults to his daughter, a girl of fifteen. Paris is a rumbling volcano."

It is reported here on Saturday evening that Dreyfus is dead. The rumour is understood to be based upon a mysterious telegram received from Colmar, capital of Upper Alsace, signed by an unknown correspondent. So far as can be ascertained, there is no official confirmation of the report. The father-in-law of Dreyfus discredits it. He says he has received excellent accounts from the Colonial Office quite recently as to the prisoner's health. Despite these assurances there are dark rumours afloat. In view of the curious manner in which the letter from Dreyfus declaring that he had abandoned all hope was conveyed to Mme. Dreyfus on Friday, many people believe he is dead.

Careful enquiry made at Colmar on Saturday evening shows that nothing is known there as to the death of Dreyfus. It is now believed that the telegram was a hoax.

## MURDER AND SUICIDE.

Montreal Widower Shoots a 17 Year Old Child Who Refused to Marry Him, and Then Committed Suicide.

A despatch from Montreal says:—A double tragedy attended by the most shocking circumstances, occurred between 3 and 4 o'clock on Wednesday afternoon in a small house, No. 94 Berri street, facing the new Place Viger hotel. J. Croteau, a young French-Canadian, 35 years old, shot and killed Matilda Lavigueur aged 17, and then killed himself. The house where the tragedy occurred is a small two-storey wooden structure, and was occupied by Wm. Lavigueur, a cooper, his wife, and daughter. Croteau, who was a widower, had been paying attention to the girl for some time, but she declined to marry him. This afternoon he visited her and repeated his offer, and on her refusal he pulled out a 32 calibre revolver and shot her through the heart. He then turned the weapon on himself and cheated the hangman by putting a bullet through his body.

The affair created great excitement in the neighbourhood, and a vast crowd gathered outside the house. The bodies were removed to the morgue and an inquest will be held.

It seems that Norman Croteau, alias Cole, who shot Matilda Lavigueur and then killed himself, contemplated doing some rash act, as on his person at the morgue was found a letter written on Tuesday, stating that he would kill himself owing to unrequited love, and asking that his body be sent to relatives at Burlington, Vermont.

## MANY VILLAGES DESTROYED.

A Million People Threatened With Famine in China.

A despatch from London, says:—A despatch from the Baptist Mission in the Province of Shan-Tung, China, announces that a flood of the Hoang-Ho, in that province, has destroyed hundreds of villages, and threatens a million people with famine.