

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.

Senator Price is dead. Three Gallions were killed by lightning near Sifton, Man.

Lady Melville Parker died at Cooksville.

Rev. D. Hutchinson, of Brantford, has declined the call to Moncton.

The Allan Line steamship Parisian struck bottom and sprung a slight leak as she was leaving Montreal.

The crops of British Columbia have been injured by cold and rainy weather.

The patients who were bitten by the mad dog at Thamesford have gone to the Rasteur Institute, New York.

The Government has advanced the salary of Mr. Wm. Ogilvie, Yukon Commissioner, from \$5,000 to \$6,000.

The members of the Winnipeg Board of Trade are discussing the advisability of Government grades for flax.

The London Street Railway Company is prosecuting the drivers of union busses for neglecting to take out licenses.

A Northern Pacific express train was derailed near Winnipeg, and Geo. Johnson, express messenger, of St. Paul, killed.

Rev. Richard Edmonds Jones, of Oundle school, England, has been appointed principal of Trinity College School, Port Hope.

J. E. Taylor, manager of the St. Thomas street railway, has resigned and is succeeded by J. H. Still, president of the company.

The Irish International Rugby Football Club is about to take a tour through Canada, arriving in Canada about September 25th.

V. W. Powell, chief of the Grand Trunk Statistical Department at Montreal, has resigned to accept a position in the Western States.

A rich find of galena has been reported to have been discovered at the mines of the Calumet Mining Company on Calumet Island.

Bert Scott, owner of a rich claim in the Yukon, was drowned in the Klondike river. Relatives offer \$10,000 for the recovery of his body.

The body of J. H. Gilchrist, missing at Victoria, B. C., has been found off Macaulay Point there with a bag of stones tied about his neck.

Police Constable Thomas Howie, of London, is charged with maliciously assaulting Robert Devine while the latter was watching the work of replacing a derailed street car.

The new building for the militia stores in Ottawa will be located in the rear of the armory in Cartier square, but the \$60,000 voted by Parliament will not suffice.

It is reported that the directors of La Banque du Peuple will shortly be in a position to pay the depositors the 45 per cent. of the balance still due for their claims.

The Department of Militia and Defence at Ottawa has decided to allow members of the Canadian militia who are possessors of Royal Humane Society medals to wear them with their uniforms.

The difficulties between the boot and shoe manufacturers and the lasters of Quebec have apparently come to an end. A modified scale of prices has been submitted to the men, which they have accepted.

The London, Ont., papers are discussing the purchase of the street railway property and its operations by the city as the best means of putting an end to the present unfortunate condition of affairs.

The Ontario Government has passed an order in Council appointing Prof. Day, at present lecturer on agriculture at the Guelph College, to the position of "superintendent" of the work which has just been vacated by Mr. William Rennie.

A representative of a large United States milk condensing firm has been in Woodstock for some days looking over the ground with a view of establishing a branch either in Ingersoll or Woodstock. About seventy hands would be employed, half of them girls.

The United States Consul at Ottawa makes a report showing an enormous increase in the value of exports from the Ottawa district. Up to June 30 the total value of the exports for 1899 has been \$2,338,291.35, as compared with \$1,365,860.11 in 1898. The increase is, therefore, \$972,431.24.

The Cataract Power Company syndicate has taken possession of the Hamilton Street Railway, Hamilton Radial Electric Railway, and Hamilton & Dundas Railway, the business of the street railway passing into the hands of the syndicate on payment of about \$125,000 or \$130,000 for the controlling interest in the stock.

A man named Bergeron makes affidavit to the effect that he borrowed \$900 at the instance of Lieutenant Fortin of the Montreal Police Force to pay for his appointment to the force, deposited the money in the Banque Ville Marie and the bank suspended. He lost his money, and Fortin refused to help him.

The new Westinghouse quick-acting brake for use on passenger trains was given a trial on a Canadian Atlantic Railway train, and proved very satisfactory. The brake is designed particularly for quick action in time of impending accidents. The train on

which it was tested was run at between 57 and 65 miles an hour, and in every instance when tried the brake worked well. The Canada Atlantic Railway authorities have decided to adopt it on their system.

GREAT BRITAIN.

Rain in England has ended a thirteen weeks' drought.

Edmund Rutledge, the noted London publisher, is dead.

Wellman, the Arctic traveller, has arrived at Hull, Eng.

The Lord Mayor of Dublin has been invited to New York in connection with the movement to erect a statue to Charles Stewart Parnell.

UNITED STATES.

The American Bicycle Company has completed its permanent organization. Mr. John R. McLean of Cincinnati is the Democratic nominee for Governor of Ohio.

There were 175 business failures in the United States last week, against 172 a year ago.

The transport Sherman has arrived at San Francisco with the California regiment from Manila.

The transport Grant, from Manila, landed at San Francisco 1,619 officers and enlisted men from the Philippines.

Over \$2,526,000 of the \$3,000,000 appropriated to pay Cuban soldiers who surrendered to the Americans, has been distributed.

Lumber shipments out of Duluth for August are estimated at 22,000,000 to 23,000,000 ft. This is the banner month for that port.

Duluth coal heavers have received an advance of 10 cents per hour, and are now getting 60c. The wages of day laborers on the docks have been advanced from \$2 to 2.25 per day.

For the purchase of the various plants, which include the oldest and most prominent bicycle concerns in the United States, there will be issued \$40,000,000 stock.

The United States contingent of the Canadian High Joint Commission will hold a meeting at an early date, to prepare a report to Congress upon the state of the negotiations undertaken by the Commission.

GENERAL.

Rome will have a universal exhibition in 1901.

Spain may sell her African possessions to Germany.

The Orange Free State is reported to be arming.

Two fresh cases of bubonic plague have occurred at Oporto.

The Cologne Zeitung, in an inspired article, virtually abandons the cause of the Boers.

The recent hurricane in the Bahamas caused the loss of 200 lives and wrecked 80 vessels.

The Sultan of Morocco had a narrow escape from death by lightning during a recent thunderstorm.

The Netherlands Woman's Disarmament League has petitioned Queen Victoria to avoid war with the Boers.

Maurus Jokai, the Hungarian novelist 74 years old, is to wed the Hungarian actress, Arabella Nagy, aged 18.

The Japanese Government is said to be intending to effect a suspension of sales of camphor grown in Formosa.

An Englishman named Hill and three Alpine guides have been killed while mountain climbing near Zermatt, Switzerland.

General Ludlow, military Governor of Havana, has official information of thirteen cases of yellow fever in the department.

A second conference between Sir Alfred Milner and President Kruger is talked of, this time within the boundaries of Cape Colony.

Wang-Eni-Loo, one of the Korean Royal Family, an exile, returned to Seoul, and tried to seize the throne, but was arrested and decapitated.

Anarchists in Rio de Janeiro have sent a girl Anarchist to Paris to dynamite buildings of the Paris Exposition. Several of the conspirators have been arrested.

Fraulien Johannstein, a teacher, started to climb the Planica, in the Julian Alps, without a guide, and her mutilated body was found at the foot of a rock 200 metres high.

The New Zealand House of Representatives in committee has agreed to the resolutions authorizing the Government to join in defraying the cost of the proposed Pacific cable.

A Johannesburg paper describes the Boer women as very warlike. They are forming rifle clubs in many districts, and petitioning the Transvaal Government against granting the franchise to the Uitlanders.

OPALS FOR GOOD LUCK.

The opal is no longer considered of evil omen by those who are the best informed. It has become popular to believe that instead of ill luck the opal carries with it the best of luck and happiness in its highest form. Indeed, it is now considered the token of mutual love, burning brightly in all the colors of the rainbow. It is the gift of lover to sweetheart, the symbol of all eternal devotion, and of so devoted a character as to show itself in constant and fiery flashes of beautiful color.

To emphasize this romantic idea the opal is now cut in the form of a heart, and the sentiment of a heart on fire with love is one which appeals to all lovers. This heart, when small enough, is set in a ring, but Australian opals have recently been imported of sufficient size to permit of their being used in a simple gold frame as a pendant for the locket chain. These opal hearts are also used for the centres of brooches.

ADVICE TO SINGERS.

Precautions Employed by Mme. Patti—Rules by Which to Preserve the Voice.

I don't believe in coddling myself and making my throat too tender," said Mme. Patti to a young woman who sought her advice. "I kept my vocal power at their full by extreme care, but you will notice, if you have been told of my rules of life, that I've never made myself sensitive to slight exposure.

"Of course a great deal of rubbish has been written about my dread of taking cold, and I have been informed of the eccentric means I use to avoid it. It has been said that I have all my clothing marked with cabalistic signs, and that a variation of a few degrees in the weather will cause me to add to or take from my clothing, so and so many ounces of underwear. I read also in one crazy paper that I never pass from a heated room to the cold air outside, except by easy stages, and that to go from the concert room to the corridor stairs, then to the lower hall, the lobby, the vestibule and finally to pass into the street, is an operation which takes me half an hour.

"ACCLIMATISING MYSELF as I go!

"All that is rubbish, of course—that is, it is rubbish to say that I took any such time. I'm careful, as every singer should be, to avoid sudden and violent changes; but, on the other hand, I would warn you not to make yourself too tender, and invite cold by the inexperience of slight exposure.

"Harden yourself; build up your constitution; don't occupy overheated rooms at any time; live out of doors at least for two hours every day, and walk and drive. That's my advice. Then, don't be afraid to breathe plenty of good, fresh air, even if the weather is cold. The people who go about with muffled throats, overburdened with wraps—men singers who turn up the collars of their coats at the slightest breath of air and women singers who hide themselves in a mass of carriage rugs and cover their faces with laces and woollen when carriage driving—are the ones who first begin to cough.

"On the other hand, don't go to extremes and expose yourself in raw, damp air, especially at nightfall. Be sensible, and preserve a happy medium between wise caution and

FOOLISH CODDLING.

"If there are any special rules by which I have preserved my voice they are pretty well indicated in what I have just said, and in my invariable rule of sparing my voice when it is not in perfect order. There lies the real danger to singers, not in exposure to cold air so much as to singing when nature says "The voice is in need of rest," and when the delicate organ should not be fatigued or even used.

"Where one voice is injured by exposure to cold twenty are hurt by singing when the voice is not in good condition. Even when I've had to lose \$5,000 by missing a performance I have invariably pocketed the loss for the greater gain, and my voice has outlasted twice over those who began their career with me.

"The little things of life make up its vital, and a little precaution in a singer's career is what counts and adds to the span of her stage life. For instance, one should never allow the throat to become dry. Keep it moist. The hot, dry air of an overheated room is very bad for it, parching it and tending to encourage inflammation. And when out walking or driving it is apt to become dry and hard, in cold as well as in warm weather. Let me give advice. It's a little thing, and yet effects big results. When you are in your mouth—not to eat, but to dissolve the palate and the throat and to keep them moist.

"I never go out, summer or winter, riding, driving or walking, without a chocolate caramel in my mouth, letting it dissolve as slowly as possible."

A WOMAN'S TRAITS.

A certain philosopher declares that a woman is known by her mouth. Not by the words that issue therefrom, but by the shape and color of the lips, and the lines and dimples that gather about this important feature. He is supported in his theory by physiognomists, who all endeavor to impress us with the fact that no woman with the small, red lipped, "Cupid bow," mouth so praised in song and story, was ever intellectual or generous of heart, and it is consoling to those whose mouths are not in accordance with the lines of beauty laid down by the poets to be told that a "wide, straight mouth, with strong, white teeth," denotes the woman of superior intelligence, goodness of heart, strength of mind and a thousand and one other sterling qualities which we all like to think we possess. It is the fashion at present to hold the lips very slightly apart. This is supposed to give that innocent, wistful, wonderful expression which was the peculiar properties of the heroines of old-fashioned novels, but which bicycle riding and kindred amusements have caused to vanish. It is difficult for the thin lipped, determined woman to acquire this trick, but perseverance works wonders.

DIPLOMACY.

Will you love me when I'm old? she asked. "Certainly, he replied promptly, if you will love me when I am bald."

WHY HE FAILED

Two girls were in a cosy little parlour spending the afternoon together as bosom girl-friends delight to do.

After a thoughtful pause, Grace looked up from the book she held lightly between her fingers and said quietly, "Bessie, do you think what Arnold says of the majority of men is true? Let me read."

"What is the course of the life of mortal man upon this earth?"

Most men eddy about Here and there—eat and drink, Chatter, and love and hate, Gather and squander, are raised Aloft, are hurled in the dust, Striving blindly, achieving Nothing; and then they die—Perish—and no one asks Who or what they have been, More than he asks what waves In the moonlit solitudes mild Of the midmost Ocean, have swelled, Foamed for a moment, and gone."

Both girls sat silent for a moment. Bessie's laughing blue eyes had a thoughtful expression as she leaned her yellow head sidewise on her plump hand.

"I really don't know, Grace, and I'm afraid I'm too thoughtless myself to pass judgment."

"Well, Bessie, I've thought of the question much lately, and I'm afraid it is too sadly true," said her companion, as she rose and walked slowly to the window, which in the afternoon light formed a pretty background to her tall, dark, slight figure.

"The poem says, 'most men,' It might also say, 'most women, most girls.' Why don't we stop and think, select the most shining goal we can see and strive toward it. Instead of that we are tossed here and there by fashion, hampered by custom, and held back by the strong cords of environment. The thought makes me saddest when I think of our young men. Not so much is expected of us girls, but young men, boasting in their strength, intellect and influence, don't you think it is unworthy of them that they are wind-tossed creatures of chance, bits of waves washed bark on the shores of existence."

"Look, who's that?" The girls both looked out and their eyes followed a dancing team driven by a fair, well-kept man, comfortably seated in the cosy midst of warm fur robes.

"Goodbye, Bessie, I promised to be home when Mr. Russell called," said Grace, with heightened color, as she noticed the cutter draw up in front of her mother's door; and the girls took informal leave of each other.

Grace came gravely into the parlor where her mother was discussing the war prospects with Mr. Russell. Soon the mother left the room to prepare a lunch for the student who stayed with them and who was taking the four o'clock train to be with a bereaved family at his next station.

"Grace," and the man's voice was tender and earnest, "I want to speak to you." Something in his tone made Grace look up and then look down as hastily. "Grace, I love you; can you think of me a little?" and he took her hand to draw her towards him. She drew it away and moved to the window without a word. "Grace, you have known me long. Be mine, trust yourself to me."

She turned to him with such a look of pain on her face: "Don't! Oh, don't! Oh, if you had only been different. No, I cannot."

"Tell me why, Grace!" "Don't ask me more! I thank you, I feel you have honored me, but you have my answer."

"Do you think it just to thus in a moment destroy a hope cherished so long and not tell me why you answer as you do?"

"Roger," and the words were forced in pain from her, "I could not marry a man who seemingly has no object in life, but self and enjoyment of self. That is my reason. You forced me to give it."

He turned haughtily. The girl whom he felt he was honoring by asking her to share his easy life and beautiful home had refused him. His hand was on the door.

"Good afternoon, Miss Richards." Her face was pale. She turned appealingly. "Don't let us part in anger, Roger! Don't misunderstand me; I feel deeply the honor, I would if I could make you happy, but it would be wrong. We have different views of life. God could not bless the union. If you had only been different, but as it is, I cannot. Don't let us part thus. I am still your friend."

He turned sadly, the anger dead, extended his hand, and was gone. Two years passed, Mr. Russell was still seemingly the aimless, gay man of the world. The student, with the white, intellectual forehead, and tall, straight form, came back from college ready to enter on his life work, the ministry.

"Grace, I need a helpmeet in the distant west! Can you be content with the love of a poor man, who has nothing to offer but his head and his heart and a life of toil, discouragement and self-sacrifice?"

The speaking, dark eyes looked up into the face she revered. She gloried in the noble purpose that made him forget self for humanity. Her hand nestled in his.

"Yes, Douglas, I could go with you to the world's end, and joyfully, at the perfect union of life and love, the angels looked down and smiled. Roche Perce, 1899."

Permanent Cure of Cancer.



MRS. GILHULA.

Some twelve years ago Mrs. Elizabeth Gilhula, wife of the postmaster of Burton, Ont., was taken ill with an obscure stomach trouble which her physicians pronounced cancer of the stomach, and informed her that her lease of life would be short.

On the advice of friends she commenced taking Burdock Blood Bitters. The results that followed were little short of marvellous. Her strength and vigor returned and in a short time she was completely cured. Mrs. Gilhula is to-day in the full enjoyment of good health, and in all these years there has not been the slightest return of the trouble.

Here is the letter Mrs. Gilhula wrote at the time of her cure:

"About four years ago I was taken sick with stomach trouble and consulted several of the leading physicians here, all of whom pronounced the disease to be cancer of the stomach of an incurable nature, and told me that it was hardly to be expected that I could live long. Afterward the two doctors who were attending me gave me up to die. By the advice of some of my friends, who knew of the virtues of Burdock Blood Bitters, I was induced to try it, and I am now happy to say that after using part of the first bottle I felt so much better I was able to get up. I am thankful to state that I am completely cured of the disease by the use of B.B.B., although it had baffled the doctors for a long time. I am firmly convinced that Burdock Blood Bitters saved my life."

Here is the letter received from her a short time ago:

"I am still in good health. I thank Burdock Blood Bitters for saving my life twelve years ago, and highly recommend it to other sufferers from stomach troubles of any kind." ELIZABETH GILHULA.

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HER DRESSMAKERS.

Few persons who have seen the German Empress would believe that she spends money extravagantly on her dress, yet she is said to keep 12 women constantly employed on her wardrobe, under the supervision of a maid of honor. When about to take a journey that involves some special ceremony, she employs 40 dressmakers, and when she attends a wedding the Empress requires 15 new gowns. For state occasions court gowns are made in Vienna. These are so long that the trains have to be carried to enable the Empress to walk, and are frequently studded with jewels. The rule at the German court makes it impossible for the Empress to appear twice at the same functions in the same costume, and much of the work done by the 12 dressmakers is in making alterations so that the rule may not be broken and the dresses may have a different look, even though they are in reality the same. The Empress, when in full dress, wears many jewels. Some of these are the property of the crown. But she has some beautiful gems given to her by the Emperor at their marriage, and a beautiful collection of pearls left to her by the late Empress Augusta. Empress Frederick is most economical in matters of dress, and so are the majority of women who come to the German events. At the "train court," which corresponds to a presentation in England, the costumes are not brilliant. The most necessary thing is a liant. Some of these trains appear to have been in use for years, and they are fastened on to various dresses, which do duty from time to time at the drawing rooms of the Empress.

NEW BABY INCUBATOR.

What the French call a "couveuse," or "baby hatcher," of a new kind, has been invented by Dr. Diffre, and recommended by Dr. Buden, of the Academie de Medecine, Paris. It is designed to foster new-born infants especially those who are at all weakly, and is virtually a plate of glass, closed by a movable heated by an oil lamp underneath, and ventilated by narrow air holes. A moist sponge inside keeps the air humid, and a thermometer shows the temperature.

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