

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.
There are 20 cigar manufactories in London.

Ladies' day on the Guelph street railway realized \$430.

Hamilton Board of Trade has a membership of 152.

The Straits of Belle Isle are reported to be blocked with ice.

There passed through the "Soo" Canal 4,519,075 tons of freight during June.

All the houses quarantined for smallpox in Montreal have been released.

Tax collector Butterfield's defaulting is reported at Belleville to be over \$16,000.

The Molokan sect, of Russia, numbering 32,000 people, intend settling in Saskatchewan.

The rifle submitted by Sir Charles Ross to the Militia Department is to be tested at Quebec.

The R. & O. Navigation Company will construct a ship railway for the repair of ships at Sorel, Que.

Deputy Minister Smart is inspecting all the offices of the Interior Department between Winnipeg and Vancouver.

Three prisoners in Portage la Prairie jail were pardoned for helping capture another prisoner who was trying to escape.

Mrs. Margaret Sampson, formerly of Hamilton, took carbolic acid at Niagara Falls. Her husband had deserted her. She was blind.

Alarming reports regarding the Manitoba crop being in danger owing to wet weather are said to be unfounded. Grain-men say crop prospects are first-class.

Jos. Ball, in Morden district, was ferociously attacked by a bull, but a small dog attracted the animal's attention, and Ball escaped with broken ribs and wounds not dangerous.

Wesley Farrell, a Hamilton boy, stepped on a loose plank in a bridge over the Grand Trunk which was being repaired, and was thrown 35 feet to the tracks below, and fatally injured.

The monument to Queen Victoria has been hoisted upon its granite pedestal in the Parliament grounds at Ottawa. The Duke of Cornwall and York will perform the unveiling ceremony.

Carlisle D. Graham, who went through the Niagara Rapids in a barrel-boat on September 1, 1889, now declares that he will make the attempt to repeat the performance if he can elude the police, who are watching him closely.

GREAT BRITAIN.
Lord Russell's bigamy trial will begin in the House of Lords July 15th.

Six officials are censured for errors in constructing the new English royal yacht.

Mrs. Matthew Arnold, widow of the British poet critic and "Apostle of Culture," is dead at London.

According to a report just made there are 28,894 juvenile temperance societies in the British Islands, with a membership of 3,536,000.

The statement of the British Board of Trade for the month of June shows decreases of £305,300 in imports and £2,450,000 in exports.

The Diamond Match Company, Limited, of England, has amalgamated with Bryant & May, the famous firm of match makers of Bow.

King Edward VII. has accepted from a member of Parliament a present of a number of American bronze turkeys, imported into England in a wild state.

A bill will be introduced into the British Parliament legalizing hundreds of marriages now invalid because performed in unlicensed churches.

Orders have been received at Portsmouth for several ships of the fleet reserve, including a torpedo-boat destroyer, to shortly join the Mediterranean squadron.

The King has announced his intention of presenting the 4th Battalion Royal Welsh Fusiliers (Carnarvon Merioneth Militia) with a goat from the flock in Windsor Park, to replace the one that died recently.

Lady Beatrice Pole-Carew and her sister, Lady C. Butler, have been awarded £50 compensation at Colonial Quarter Sessions for the malicious burning of 500 acres of wood at Callena county, Tipperary.

Mrs. Ronalds, one of the American ladies who raised the fund with which the hospital ship Maine was bought and equipped, has been gazetted as an honorary lady of grace of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem.

The Secretary to the Admiralty announced in the House of Commons that the British naval programme for this year includes three new battleships, six new cruisers, and ten improved torpedo-boat destroyers.

In the House of Commons on Thursday, Mr. Chamberlain, the Colonial Secretary, announced that a bill would shortly be introduced changing the title of the King, so as to more clearly recognize his sovereignty over the entire British Empire.

There is a rumor that Rear Admiral Lord Charles Bessborough wants to resign the command of the Mediterranean fleet next February, in order to be free to criticize the Government's naval and military policy and its administration of affairs in general.

MARKETS OF THE WORLD

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

Toronto, July 16.—Wheat—The wheat market was firmer to-day, with offerings restricted. No. 2 white and red winter would have been taken at 61c, north and west, and at 62c, middle freight, but holders asked more. No. 1 spring is quoted at 64 to 65c on Midland, and No. 2 goes at 59 to 60c, middle freight. Manitoba wheat—Quiet, with No. 1 hard quoted at 79c, grinding in transit; No. 2 at 77c, and No. 3 at 72c. For Toronto and West 2c lower.

Millfeed.—The market is steady. Bran quoted at \$11.50, middle freight, and shorts at \$13, middle freight.

Corn.—The market is quiet, with offerings small. No. 2 Canadian yellow quoted at 40 1/2c west, and mixed 40c west. On track here the quotation is 46c.

Rye.—The market is dull, with prices nominal at 46c, middle freight. Buckwheat.—Market dull, with prices purely nominal.

Flour.—Nothing doing.

Barley.—Market is steady. No. 2 quoted at 41c, middle freight, and at 40c, high freight.

Oats.—The demand is fair, with sales to-day of several cars of No. 2 white at 30c, high freight, and of 10,000 bush. at 30 1/2c, middle freight.

Flour.—Trade continues quiet, with exporters not offering more than \$2.50 west for 90 per cent. patents in buyers' sacks. Straight rollers in barrels for Lower Provinces, \$3, and Manitoba patents, \$4, and strong bakers', \$3.70.

Oatmeal.—Market quiet and steady. Car lots at \$3.65 in bags, and \$3.40 in wood; small lots 20c extra.

DAIRY MARKETS.
Butter.—Choice qualities in good demand and firm, but of grades hard to sell. Pound rolls job at 16 to 16 1/2c; large rolls, 14 to 15 1/2c; selected dairy, tubs, 16 to 16 1/2c; dairy, crocks, and pails, 14 to 16c; medium grades, 13 to 14c. Creamery prints, 20c; do. solids, 19 to 19 1/2c.

Eggs.—The market is steady, with fine, fresh stock selling at 11 1/2 to 12c per dozen in case lots. Seconds, 10c.

Cheese.—Market quiet and prices steady. Full cream, September, 9 1/2c; do new, 9 1/4c.

DRESSED HOGS AND PROVISIONS.
Dressed Hogs are unchanged here at \$9.25 to \$9.75. Hog products firm, as follows:—Bacon, long clear, and case lots, 11c. Pork—Mess, \$19.50; do, short cut, \$21.

Smoked Meats.—Hams, 11 1/2 to 14c; breakfast bacon, 14 to 15c; rolls, 11 1/2 to 12c; backs, 14 1/2c, and shoulders, 11c.

Lard.—Pails, 11 1/2 to 11 3/4c; tubs, 11 1/2c; tierces, 11c.

MONTREAL MARKETS.
Montreal, July 16.—The markets show little change. The grain market continues quiet. Ontario flour is becoming very scarce. Buyers have so cleaned up the market, owing to low freight rates, that many millers in Ontario have closed down, while others are on the point of doing so. They are consequently writing their agents in this city to take no further orders in these brands.

Grain.—No. 1 Ontario spring wheat, afloat, May 73c; peas, 77c, afloat. No. 1 oats, 35 1/2c; No. 2 oats, 34 1/2c; 35c; buckwheat, 58c; rye, 55c, and No. 2 barley, 50c. Flour, Manitoba patents, \$4.20; strong bakers', \$3.90 to \$4; straight rollers, \$3.30 to \$3.45; in bags \$1.60 to \$1.65; Ontario patents, \$3.75 to \$4. Feed—Manitoba bran, at \$13.50; 1 1/2c; shorts, \$16; Ontario bran in bulk, \$15 to \$16; shorts, in bulk, \$15.50 to \$16; middlings, in bulk, \$17 to \$17.50. Rolled oats—Millers' prices to jobbers \$3.70 to \$3.80 per bbl., and \$1.77 1/2 in bags. Provisions—Heavy Canadian short-cut mess pork, boneless, \$20.50 to \$21; family short-cut back pork, \$19.50 to \$20; heavy short-cut clear pork, \$19 to \$19.50; pure Canadian lard, in 27 1/2-lb. tierces, 11 1/2c; parchment-lined, 500-lb. boxes, 11 1/2c; parchment-lined pails, 200 lbs., 12c; tin pails, 11 1/2c; tins, 3, 5, 10 lbs., 12 to 12 1/2c; compound refined lard in 37 1/2-lb. tierces, 11 1/2c; parchment-lined wood pails, 20 lbs., 8c; tin pails, 20 lbs., 7 1/2c; hams, 12 1/2 to 14c; and bacon 14 to 15c per lb; fresh-killed hogs, \$9.50 to \$10 per 100 lbs. Eggs—Choice creamery, 19 1/2 to 19 3/4c. Good-sized lots of No. 1, 11 to 11 1/2c; No. 2, 8 1/2 to 9 1/2c. Cheese—Ontario, 9 1/2c; Quebec, 8 1/2c; Maple products—New syrup at 6 1/2c per lb. in wood, 7 to 7 1/2c per tin, sugar, 9 to 10c per lb. Potatoes—Jobbers' prices, 50 to 60c.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.
Milwaukee, July 16.—Wheat, steady close. No. 1 Northern, 63 1/2 to 66 1/2c; No. 2, do., 63 to 64 1/2c; Sept., 64 1/2c; Sept. corn, 49 1/2 to 50 1/2c. Rye—Steady. No. 1, 48 1/2c; Barley—Steady; No. 2, 54c; sample, 35 to 35 1/2c.

Toledo, July 16.—Cash and July, 65 1/2c; Sept., 65c; Dec., 68c. Corn—Cash and July, 48c; Sept., 49 1/2c; Dec., 49c. Oats—Cash, July and Sept., 30c. Rye—51c. Cloverseed—Cash, prime, \$6.50. Oil—Unchanged.

Minneapolis, July 16.—Close—Wheat—Cash, 62 1/2c; July, 61 1/2 to 61 3/4c; Sept. 61c; on track, No. 1, hard, 64 1/2c; No. 1 Northern, 62 1/2c; No. 2 do., 61 1/2c.

Duluth, July 16.—Close—Wheat—Cash, No. 1 hard, 68 1/2c; No. 1 Northern, 65 1/2c; No. 2 do., 60 1/2c; July, No. 1 Northern, 65 1/2c; Oats and corn—None.

Buffalo, July 16.—Flour—Quiet and easy. Spring wheat—Strong but dull; No. 1 Northern, old, 74 1/2c; do., new, 70 1/2c; carloads, No. 1 Northern, old, c.i.f., 70 1/2c. Winter wheat

TO HARVEST THE CROP.

North-West Said to Require Twelve Thousand Men.

A despatch from Toronto says:—Twelve thousand farm laborers will be required from Eastern Canada to harvest the enormous wheat crop which it is expected Manitoba and the Northwest will yield this year. This number is approximately what it is thought will have to be supplied from outside sources if the great crop is to be safely harvested, and while official figures have not yet come forward from the Manitoba Government it is likely that the figures given will be found practically correct.

It must be a record crop to require this number of outside harvesters. The largest number ever sent out before was ten thousand, two years ago. Last year, owing to the failure of the crops in Manitoba farm hands from Ontario were not needed, and the railways did not run their usual farm laborers' excursions. Mr. W. Scott, a representative of the Manitoba Government, has been in Toronto inquiring into the prospects for securing men from this province.

The Canadian Pacific Railway is fully alive to the necessity of obtaining enough men to harvest the crop, and this year will run the farm laborers' excursions a little earlier in the season than usual. While the arrangements are not yet completed, it is expected that three excursions will be run from Ontario between August 5th and 7th. The rate going will be \$10 from all points in Ontario, with \$18 the single return fare.

The Manitoba Government is at present receiving reports from all points in the wheat growing territory as to the exact number of men that will be needed, and that information will be issued shortly. Mr. James Hartney, Emigration Agent for the Manitoba Government in Toronto, is out in the Province arranging for excursions. He is at present operating around Annapolis, P. E. I., and Calabro, on the Canada Atlantic line, where are lumbering districts, but if work is scarce there men might be secured for Manitoba who otherwise would not think of going out. Western Ontario always sends a large number of farm hands to the west when they are required there, and with the high wages that are pretty certain to be offered the excursion from that district is regarded as likely to be a very large one.

"FORT CANADA."
South African Constabulary Like Their Work.

A despatch from Ottawa, says:—In a private letter written from Krugersdorp, Capt. Lawless, of the South African Constabulary, says his command has just finished constructing a fort which they have called Fort Canada. At Krugersdorp they built three block-houses, seven feet high, and with a five-foot radius. Through these block-houses are loopholes. The men are constantly sniping at the Boers. Just a couple of days before the letter was sent one of the men was shot from ambush by a Boer. In fact the enemy's pretty well surround the station. The work is hard, but we are in perfect health and like the life," he says. With Lawless are Capt. Bristol and Bennett.

POLICE GUARD.
Special Protection for the Heir Apparent in Canada.

A despatch from Ottawa says:—Special interest is being taken in the arrangements for the protection of the Royal party while they are in Canada, and that the arrangements for this protection will be very complete.

It is stated that the secret police will be considerable augmented for the time the Duke is in Canada, and that only picked men will be engaged.

All trains arriving in cities where the Royal visitors are staying will be closely watched for suspicious characters, and if any are found, it is said they will be arrested and detained until it is deemed safe to set them free again.

MONTREAL'S POPULATION.
Directory Increases It 6,000 Over Last Year.

A despatch from Montreal says:—The Montreal Directory, which was issued on Wednesday, estimates the population of Montreal and outskirts at 346,000. Last year's estimate was 340,000. In the city proper the compilers of the directory estimate that there are 297,000, which leaves a population of 49,000 on the outskirts.

The directory contains 83,559 names and enumerates the residents of the eight hundred streets of Montreal. The directory shows that the city is in a flourishing condition, for the collectors of names were able to discover only 2,133 unoccupied stores and residences. This is just a thousand less than they found without occupants last year.

NAVAL MANOEUVRES.
169 Vessels of the Navy to be Engaged.

A despatch from London says:—The Admiralty issued instructions on Wednesday night for 169 vessels of the navy to engage in manoeuvres beginning July 29. During these manoeuvres the two main fleets of the participating vessels will contend for the command of the English Channel.

SOUTH AFRICAN MEDALS.

They Are With the Duke on Board the Ophir.

A despatch from Ottawa says:—The medals which are to be presented to Canadian South African soldiers by His Royal Highness the Duke of Cornwall and York are on board H. M. S. Ophir, which is conveying the Royal party. They are in charge of Lieutenant the Duke of Roxburgh, who, upon the arrival of the Ophir in Quebec, will hand them over to the general officer commanding, and the next day they will be presented by His Royal Highness. This arrangement means that the medals will not be engraved, so that as in the case of some of the medals of 1885, the engraving will have to be done at the expense of the individual recipient or of his regiment. It appears that all the medals for the Australian and Canadian contingents were sent out together in the Ophir. The Duke of Roxburgh, in whose charge they are, is a lieutenant in the 4th Battalion, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.

THE NEW OBSERVATORY.
Expected to be Equipped and Ready for Use in the Year.

A despatch from Ottawa says:—Work on the new Government observatory at the Central Experimental Farm will be begun within a month, and the institution is expected to be equipped and ready for use in the course of the year. It will be situated at the north side of the farm, which is the most accessible point from the electric railway line. The standard time, which is now obtained for Ottawa daily from McGill University, will be furnished by the new observatory, the 152-inch equatorial telescope for which is now being constructed in Cleveland.

MAUVE, LILAC, GREY.
Also Black and White Can be Worn During Royal Visit.

A despatch from Ottawa, says:—Major Maude, Governor General's secretary, has issued the following memo in reference to the Royal visit:—

"During the forthcoming visit of their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall and York to Canada half mourning should be worn by ladies, according to Queen Alexandra's orders, that is, mauve, lilac, grey, or black and white."

Addresses for presentation to his Royal Highness should be commenced as follows:—"To His Royal Highness George Frederick Ernest Albert, Duke of Cornwall and York, Earl of Inverness, and Baron Killarney, K.G., P. C., K. P., G. C. M. G., G. C. V. D., LL. D., D. C. L., etc., etc. May it please your Royal Highness."

If desired reference may be made to her Royal Highness the Duchess of Cornwall and York in the body of the address.

BURGLAR'S QUEER DEATH.
Killed by Explosion of Nitro-Glycerine in His Hip Pocket.

A despatch from Dubuque, Iowa, says:—An unknown burglar was overtaken by retributive justice at Benton, Wis., on Monday night. He was forcing an entrance to a creamery office when a trap door fell, striking and exploding a quantity of nitro-glycerine he was carrying in his hip pocket. He was instantly killed and the mangled body was found in the morning.

HE WILL MARRY AGAIN.
Lord Rosebery Said to be Betrothed to the Duchess of Albany.

A despatch from Manchester says:—The Daily Despatch claims to have good authority for stating that the Duchess of Albany, widow of Queen Victoria's fourth son, is about to be betrothed to Lord Rosebery. The paper says that the Duchess will accompany the King on his forthcoming visit to Scotland, and that the formal announcement of the betrothal will be made during his Majesty's stay at Holyrood, or immediately after.

THE DUKE'S CHARGERS.
Department of Militia Called Upon to Provide Twelve.

A despatch from Ottawa says:—The Department of Militia has received from His Excellency the Governor-General, a request for the horses which are to be used as mounts for the Duke of Cornwall and York, his party and staff. The requisition calls for eight thoroughly trained chargers for the use of H. R. H. and party on reviews, and four other party chargers, which are to be blacks, for the use of the staff, making a total of twelve chargers, which the Department will have to provide.

BOER PRISONERS ESCAPE.
They Were Speedily Recaptured and put in Irons.

A despatch from Hamilton, Bermuda, says:—Three Boer prisoners of war escaped on Tuesday night from the island in the sound on which they had been confined. They were recaptured and put in irons.

Barnum & Bailey's circus train has been in collision at Beauthon, Upper Silesia. One person was killed and several were injured. Great damage was done to the material of the show.

The Berlin Vossische Zeitung prints an editorial, declaring that Germany, under no conditions, would permit France to acquire Morocco or the key to the Mediterranean near Gibraltar.

A nun, whose expulsion from a religious order had been brought about by Abbe Fouchard of Nantes, France, attacked him with a club as he knelt at the chapel altar and dangerously wounded him.

SOBERELLED THE TOWN.

Homestead of Hon. Mr. Heroldt Burned Before His Eyes.

A despatch from Cape Town says:—The homestead of the Hon. Mr. Heroldt, near Murraysburg, was burned by a band of rebels under Commandant Scheepers last Monday. Mr. Heroldt was insulted and threatened. His family was ejected from the house, and compelled to witness its destruction. Its valuable contents were looted. Mr. Heroldt arrived at Graaff Reinet on Wednesday.

The Boers under Conroy attacked the Town of Campbell last Friday, and demanded its surrender. This was refused, and after half an hour's truce for the removal of the women and children to a place of safety, firing began. The fire of the Boers quickly weakened, but sniping continued until sunset. The Boers retired during the night. The British suffered no casualties.

Another cousin of R. E. Sauer has been captured at Stormberg. He carried documents showing that he served under the Boer General De Wet. R. E. Sauer, brother of the former Commissioner of Public Works, was recently convicted of being a ringleader of the Cape Colony Rebels, and sentenced to a year's imprisonment.

SIXTY SETTLERS HOMELESS.

Details of Disastrous Forest Fires in the Temiskamingue District.

A despatch from Toronto says:—Disastrous forest fires raged in the neighborhood of Liskeard, Temiskamingue District, during the early part of last week. Particulars were received by the Crown Lands Department on Thursday, which show that the conflagration raged over eight townships, Hudson, Kerns, Dymond, Hailey, Harris, and Casey were completely burned over, and the settlers, some 60 in number, lost all they possess, crops, buildings, and outfits. Most of these were poor men, who had gone into the woods to make homes for themselves, and therefore they are destitute. The Government will undertake measures of aid, but private assistance will be extremely welcome. The heavy rainfall of July 3 ended the conflagration for a time seriously threatened. Fortunately no lives were lost, according to all accounts, and the Townships of Armstrong and Hilliard, which were settled this summer, were practically unharmed.

CHINESE GUNS FOR CANADA.

British Government Makes the Dominion a Recipient of Two Cannon.

A despatch from Ottawa says:—Canada is to have a couple of interesting mementoes of the Chinese War. His Excellency the Governor-General has received the following message from the lieutenant-general commanding the British contingent, China field force:—

"Sir, I have the honor to inform you that the principal ordnance officer of the China field force has, under instructions from me, despatched the two guns shown in the attached statement for presentation to the Canadian Government. The guns were shipped at Taku on the 9th May, and have been consigned through to Ottawa, via Shanghai and Vancouver to the address of Col. Pinault, in charge of militia defences."

The guns are of brass, smooth bore, being four cwt. each, the calibre being 3 inches. They are about five or six long, replete with Chinese inscriptions, and have the old-fashioned brass rings or hoops cast about the gun.

EIGHT MEN KILLED.

Construction Train Falls Through Bridge Under Repair.

A despatch from Cleveland, Ohio, says:—According to information given out on Thursday afternoon at the headquarters of the Nickel Plate road here, eight men were killed as the result of the collapse of a bridge at Springfield, Pa., while a construction train was passing over the structure. The bridge was being repaired. When the locomotive and cars went down a gang of Italian laborers working beneath the bridge were caught. At least seven of the Italians were instantly killed, and a number of others badly injured. P. A. Moore, of Conneaut, Ohio, the conductor, was also instantly killed. The names of the dead laborers have not yet been learned.

SANITARY REGULATIONS.

Instructions Issued for the Unorganized Districts.

A despatch from Toronto says:—The Provincial Health Officer, acting under instructions from the Provincial Secretary, has issued in pamphlet form the regulations adopted by the Provincial Board of Health, under the authority of the act passed last session, respecting sanitary regulations in unorganized territories. The owner, manager, agent or foreman of any lumbering or mining camp, sawmill, smelting works or other industry or of any railway construction camp, located in an unorganized district, is made responsible for carrying out the regulations. Provision is made for proper ventilation for dwelling houses occupied by the employees, and for the erection of a hospital building, or, in lieu thereof, a properly-equipped double-walled tent, with all facilities for heating and ventilation, must be kept on hand in case of necessity. The pamphlet is being sent to all mill owners in unorganized districts and others who come under the regulations.

The costliest theatre-ticket ever sold was for a Jenny Lind concert in 1850. It brought \$650.

Business is business, unless the customer happens to be a lady, in which case it becomes strategy.