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Ladies' Suitings

Broadcloths and Venetians in a full range of shades at \$1.25 and..... \$1.50
Homespun suitings in pastel shades, 56 inches wide, extra quality at 90c, \$1.25 and..... \$1.35
Novelty colored and checked suitings in the prettiest color combinations also silk mixtures at 50c and..... 75c
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Latest selections for suits, costumes, spring and summer gowns, with seasonable fabrics of every kind for reception, dinner, carriage or street wear. Special display of white dimities, white percales, white piques, elegant goods at 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c and..... 40c
Organdie Muslins sheer and dainty, our showing is large, the colorings exquisite and the prices small, special at 20c, 25c, 30c and..... 40c
Mercedized Pongees looks like silk and will wash and wear until you are tired of them—elegant for summer dresses 15c and..... 25c
American Percales 36 inches wide, pretty for shirt waists, only requires two yards, the colorings are correct, special at..... 17c

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The Passing of the American Shoe

There are \$20,000,000 worth of shoes made annually in Canada. Of this \$5,000,000 is wages paid to Canadian shoe operatives and \$2,000,000 is clerk hire and salesmen's salaries.
The greatest shoe-making nation of the world—U.S.A.—can only sell in Canada about \$300,000 worth per annum against this. Why?
No shoes have more appearance than the United States make and American wearers are satisfied with shorter service than Canadians, if the shoes fit their critical eyes.
The Englishman, on the contrary, must have wear and comfort first of all to fit his critical feet.
The Canadian wants both of these for the price of one of them, so he never buys his first pair of English shoes, their appearance being too clumsy, and since the advent of "The Slater Shoe" he has found that he can get American appearance and British wear with Slater fit for 40 per cent to 50 per cent less than he has to pay for American shoes of reliable reputation.
Aside from all this the Canadian wearer of American shoes pays 25 per cent duty on—

1. All materials in the shoe.
2. The American labor in it.
3. American rents, taxes and clerk hire.
4. American freight and warehousing.
5. American manufacturers' profit.
6. American wholesalers' profit.
7. American travellers' commission.

A United States shoe costing the Canadian shoe dealer \$4.00 (duty paid) must therefore have about \$1.00 worth of leather, value, etc., taken out of it in order to sell at the price of a Canadian made "Slater Shoe".
As the leather, etc., in such a shoe should be about \$1.75 worth, it can be seen how serious is the sacrifice of \$1.00 in the vital parts, concealed by a costly finish which disappears shortly after the shoe is worn.
Of shoes imported into Canada, the whole purchase price goes forever out of the country and \$300,000 worth of them worn by Canadians, dissolve into these figures when dissected.

Import Custom duties..... \$75,000
American profits and commissions..... \$36,250
American labor..... \$77,500
Actual leather value, material, etc..... \$91,250

When the dealers' profits are paid these American shoes cost the Canadian wearers \$420,000, or nearly five times the value of the materials.
The Slater Shoe is made by Canadian operatives, in a Canadian factory, with the very latest improved American Shoe Machinery, Goodyear welted, Slater method. No other shoe being made in this factory the mechanics are able to give their whole attention to the manufacture of this particular shoe for men. This is a claim that no other Canadian manufacturer can make and the result is the nearest possible toward the point of perfect shoe manufacture.

THE 2 T'S - Trudell & Tobey

Sole Agents for Slater Shoe

DUBLIN FENIANS.

Nolan and Walsh, the Dynamiters, Identified as Such.

Nolan Said to Have Once Been Tried For Murder in the Old Country.

Toronto, May 3.—The County Crown Attorney of Welland has received more information concerning John Nolan, the dynamiter, in custody at Welland. It is to the effect that Nolan is an ardent Fenian of long standing. It is said that about ten years ago he was tried for murder in Dublin, and was acquitted. At that time he was living on St. Thomas' street, Dublin, with his mother, and worked at his trade of engineer. After his trial, to defray the costs of which his mother almost beggared herself, he was sent out to this country.
The statements were made by Detective John Hodgins, of Toronto, who gleaned John Nolan in Dublin. He described him as having a pug nose, wide nostrils, blue eyes, light hair. Detective Hodgins notified the Crown Attorney at Welland of these facts, and gave the description. He has received a reply that the description tallies exactly with that of the man in custody.
Crown Attorney Cowper has been in possession of evidence for the past week clearly identifying Nolan and Walsh as two of the Dublin conspirators. The description sent of Nolan is a perfect pen picture, even to the slightly damaged finger of his right hand.
There is every likelihood that this case will prove the most sensational in the history of crime in the Dominion.

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7 patterns, New Brussels Carpets, imported make, a splendid cloth, in choice colorings and designs, at per yard..... \$1.00
Standard 5 Frame Brussels Carpets, best English make, exceptional value at per yd..... \$1.25
6 new patterns, Brussels Carpet, extra good quality, in rich designs, a reg. \$1.25 cloth, while they last at per yd..... \$1.10
Tapestry Carpets, an extensive range of designs and colorings to select from, name your price and we will give

you the newest patterns, choicest colorings and best value in the city at 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 65c and..... 75c
"Axminster Carpets," extra good heavy quality, choice designs, in light and dark colorings, with border to match, reg. \$1 quality, special..... 83c
All-Wool Carpets, made from thoroughly scoured yarns, in choice reversible patterns, new spring colors at old prices per yd. Super 2 ply all-wool for..... 75c
Extra Super 2 ply all-wool for..... 85c
Reversible Union Carpets, full yd. wide, large range of patterns and colorings to select from, at 25c, 35c, 40c and..... 50c
Floor Oil Cloth, good quality, in block, tile and floral designs, 1, 1 1/2, 1 3/4 and 2 yds. wide, at per sq. yd..... 22c

Best Quality Floor Oil Cloth, in large range of new patterns, 1 yd. to 2 1/2 yds. wide, at per sq. yd. 20c and..... 35c
Scotch Linoleums, imported direct from the best makers, large range of styles, 1 yd. to 4 yds. wide, per sq. yd. 50c, 62 1/2c and..... 75c
Bobbin Net for curtains, fine quality, soft finish, 2 yds. and 2 1/2 yds. wide, note the width, worth 35c yd. special..... 25c
Lace Curtains, you cannot afford to pass this stock when in search of curtains, every wanted style and make, bought direct from the best manufacturers, in six store lots and sold for cash at lowest possible cash prices, we have them beginning at 25c per pair and every grade up to the finest Brussels at..... \$10.00

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MOVING TO THE FRONT.

Troops Equipped for a Winter Campaign Leave Bloemfontein

A Line of Posts to be Established Across the Free State—The Relief of Mafeking—General War Notes.

London, Thursday, May 3, 4.10 a.m.
—The immediate objective of Lord Roberts is to establish a line of British posts from one frontier of the Free State to the other at right angles with the railway, thus preventing Boer raids southward. It is essential, therefore, that the Boers should be expelled from the rugged Thabanchu district and be forced to retire to Ladybrand.
As the result of the desultory firing Monday and Tuesday the Boers were pushed back a few miles, but nothing decisive appears to have been yet attained. The Boers continue to follow their harassing tactics. One well-horsed commando, operating in the neighborhood of Sannas Post, interferes with the British convoys going from Bloemfontein to Thabanchu. The enemy nearly captured a convoy Tuesday, but they were driven off after a brisk fight.

ADVANCE TO MAFEKING.
Preparations for an advance continue at Kimberley. Sir Alfred Milner has written to the mayor of Kimberley, assuring him that the relief of Mafeking has not ceased to occupy his attention and that of the military authorities, and that nothing will be left undone to raise the siege at the earliest possible moment. The British garrisons along the railway to Warrenton have been strengthened and supplies are going forward. A mounted force has gone to Barkly West in consequence of the Boers having occupied Windsorton. A thousand Boers threaten the communications between Boshof and Kimberley. Malala, chief of the Tumpas, has informed the British that the Boers are preparing to resist their advance at Phokwani, 20 miles north of Warrenton. A correspondent at Lorenzo Marques cabled Tuesday that a large part of the investing force at Mafeking had been withdrawn.

OFF FOR THE FRONT.
A Bloemfontein despatch, dated Tuesday, says:—This morning Gen. Pule-Chew's division, composed of the Guards and Gen. Stevens' brigade, with several batteries of artillery, all in winter clothing, left Bloemfontein. Lord Roberts, with Lady Roberts and their daughter, reviewed the division in the market place. Later Lord Roberts, while reviewing Roberts' Horse, congratulated the men upon their bravery, spoke of the gallantry of the colonial troops and expressed the hope that he might soon review them in Pretoria.

SOME BOER LETTERS.
The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post, telegraphing Tuesday says:—We have captured two interesting letters. The first, which is from Steyn to Botha, complains of

the neglect of the defence of Kroonstad by commandos there, who are described as "occupied in looting the grain districts," which causes "an increase of ill-feeling among the Free State burghers." Steyn concludes by declining to be responsible for the loyalty of the Free Staters unless a guarantee is given of the Transvaal's intention to protect Kroonstad. The second is a letter from Kruger to the commandant at Fourteen Streams. Kruger declares that it is impossible to send the reinforcements the commandant asked for, since all the federal forces are required at their present posts, but he declares that the federals are gaining great victories, and that European intervention is only a question of days. Spenser Wilkinson, commenting upon the foregoing letters, says:—They show that the military resources of the Boers are straitened. They have no reserve of men. That being the case, we can only wish that the British advance should begin. The interests of the Empire and financial reasons demand that the war should be concluded as speedily as possible.

SUPPLIES FOR BOERS.
The Lorenzo Marques correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing yesterday, says:—A French steamer has arrived with 10,000 bags of coffee and 10,000 bags of sugar, consigned to a syndicate which is buying for the Pretoria Government. Four more steamers, with similar consignments, are expected this month. It is evident that the Transvaal intends making a long resistance.
"The Boers have begun constructing fortifications at Lydenburg, where they are storing provisions. There is also evidence of an intention to connect the disused Solati Railway running north-west from Komatipoort with Lydenburg, to destroy the Northern Railway as a last resort and to hold the Drakensberg range as an eastern barrier, with Lydenburg as headquarters. If this plan should be adopted the campaign would become exceedingly difficult. The Portuguese authorities here object to H. M. S. Forte using her searchlights, and they next objected to night patrols. Consequently the cruiser now steams outside the harbor nightly to avoid a possible repetition of the Maine disaster."

PRESSING THE BRITISH.
The Morning Post has the following despatch from Winston Churchill, dated Thabanchu, April 29:—"When Gen. Dickson retired in the circumstances related in my last telegram, his own mess cart and the brigade water carts fell into the hands of the enemy, and his rear guard was heavily fired on. This retreat compromised Gen. Hamilton, who therefore collected his forces and fell back warily into Thabanchu, after sharply checking the advancing enemy with musketry and artillery fire. Although much ammunition was expended on both sides, the losses were insignificant, the fighting being at great range. The result is that the Boers are willing to retreat, but it is not in the power of the present force to interfere with them or their wagons."

WAR NOTES.
The Boer envoys sail for the United States to-day.
President Kruger is again reported to be seeking peace.
A party of 13 native women trying to escape from Mafeking, were slaughtered by the Boers.
In an attack on Mafeking under one of the Cronjes, the garrison lay low and then at close quarters poured in a terrible fire on the advancing Boers, who fled. Under a flag of truce, the enemy subsequently removed five dead and many wounded.
The French steamer Coratellas picked up at sea off Table Bay twelve Boer prisoners, escaped from Simonstown. They were in an open boat, with but few provisions. The Coratellas landed them at Lorenzo Marques, and they have gone on to Pretoria.

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

The first trade union in the United States was that of the tailors, formed in 1806.
One of the Buffalo papers runs its entire plant by electricity furnished from Niagara Falls.
Queen Victoria is the shortest adult sovereign in the world, being only 4 feet 11 inches in height.
The crews of an Atlantic liner revolves something like 630,000 times between Liverpool and New York.
According to Liebig, the soil in Paraguay develops fern in the human brain.
Hair dye deceives people who use it into thinking they are deceiving other people.
The productive capacity of the labor saving machinery of the United States at the present time is equal to a hand working population of 400,000,000.
A few years ago there was as many as thirty-three vegetarian restaurants in London. To-day there exist only about six.

DO YOUR SHOES FIT?

That is the question—Fit is the very first requirement in shoes. No matter whether the leather is the finest and the shape the most beautiful on earth, if the shoes do not fit they should not be worn—and will not be by patrons of ours if we can help it.

Fitting feet is our specialty and we assure perfect comfort to every customer.

This week we are offering special value in LADIES' KID LACED and BUTTONED BOOTS, at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00.

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