The Old World

Mr. Ford's Review of the South African Campaign-The Queen Has Taken the Brightness of the Metropolis to Dublin -Her Majesty's Increasing Duties-Debates in Parliament Dull and Dreary-British Prisoners in Pretoria Live Well

correspondent of the New York Tribune, says: "Press accounts of the surrender of the British garrison at Reddersburg are still meager and unsatisfactory. General Roberts reports that the Boer force was 3,200 strong, with five guns and that the British ing in gorgeous dresses and shining that the Boer force was 3,200 strong, garrison included 591 men, of whom 41 were either wounded or killed. While the British infantry were outnumbered, the losses do not indicate desperate fighting. The force was without artillery, and was surrounded and exposed to an enfilading fire. It is clear that the Boers are not in great force, but are bent upon moving rapidly from one exposed place to another and swooping down upon defenseless de-tachments.

BOER TACTICS.

Their factics are excellent, and it is not easy for Gen. Roberts to counteract them. The Boers by these raids can threaten the British communications and harass greatly the superior force, yet always be able to retire to the eastern hills and keep the door open for their retreat northward to Sene-kal. This is their best expedient for deferring General Roberts' march northward. The original plan of cam-paign on the Boer side, as explained last October by sympathizers, included these tactics, and described the district from Wepener to Ladybrand and Senekal as highly favorable for their employment. The view held in official circles is that General Roberts will not allow the Boers to draw his orces away from the railway line, towards the mountains, but will send the bulk of his army northward, with the expectation that in this way he will compel the raiders to concentrate directly in front.

GEN. METHUEN'S VICTORY. Fresh details of Gen. Methuen's little victory indicate the Gen. De Villebois-Maureil, with a small force, was scouting and reconnoitering with a view to conducting raiding operations in the Kimberley district. The report is confirmed that a volley was fired by the Boers after they had raised the white flag, and that several marks-men repeatedly used their rifles after surrendering. The war office gave out a small list of casualties in Methuen's ngagement, but there was nothing from Roberts respecting the raiding opera-tions near Bloemfontein.

There is a complete silence from Natal, and only a vague report of daily artillery fire between the two forces at Fourteen Streams. The reason assigned remounts, but this difficulty is now said have been overcome by the arrival at Cape Town and Durban of immense shipments of horses from Buenos Ayres and elsewhere. It is to be hoped that the armies will not become stiff from their protracted rest.

THE QUEEN TOOK THE GOOD LUCK.

The Queen has taken all the bright-ness of the metropolis to Ireland, adds the same correspondent. She has taken all the good luck as well as all the good weather with her. The public here has been seriously depressed by various occurrences at the moment when it was beginning to brighten up and prepare

for a brilliant social season. Sipido's shallow-brained act of bravado has increased the popularity of the Prince of Wales, and deepened the Impression that even the best-managed royal family in Europe is never safe against the risks of assassination. The Belgian debate on the outrage has also been resented as unsympathetic and

A cloud has come up in Ashantee which carries the menace of another troublesome war with natives. The two reverses to detachments of Lord Roberts' army have been forcible reminders that the British campaign Dutch Africa is an assiduous undertaking, with immense transous undertaking, with immense transport difficulties, and that the end of the war is not yet in sight. The only quarter where there is bright effect of light is in Ireland, where the Queen has been received with genuine sympathy and even loyal devotion.

IN PARLIAMENT. The debates in parliament continue dull and dreary. The ultimate cost of the war cannot be estimated from the data now before the House of Com-It is known that in addition to the millions expended from September to April, the army will require more than \$300,000,000 during the next twelve months, and this will not include sea transport from South Africa back to England. All estimates for thips, horses, forage and food supplies appear unduly heavy, and it is an open secret that the rates of the con-Probably there is no way out of it in such, however, that horses bought a the sudden emergency of war, but month ago can handly there is a frank confercion. there is a frank confession by military experts in and out of parliament that the government is paying too much for sea transport of freight, foodstuffs, military stores and forage, and that the contractors are making immense fortunes out of the business of war. There are no scandals in the purchase of supplies, but the market is stripped and the traders dictate their own terms. This is the usual experience of every government in the emergency of war, but John Bull is exceptionally sensitive to the reproach of paying more for a military campaign than fustice and equity require.

ARMORED TRAINS

France has adopted an armored train. One with armament complete has been manufactured at the Indret g. The train, drawn by conical-ed engines, can travel 60 miles an hour. It presents a strange, serpentine arance, especially in rounding curves, as the cars are cylindrical in shape, and overlap each other like

DURLIN TRANSFORMED

Another correspondent cables: From a city of nervous forebodings, political excitement and almost stagnant business, Dublin has been transformed into a capital as gay and as busy as any European center. The coming of the Queen, though to a Catholic country in the middle of Lent, has started a whirl of festivities such as there has not been in Ireland since the good old days which Lever wrote of. The irish nobility have flocked across the chan-

London, April 9.—Mr. Ford, London net from their English homes in unprecedented number, and from the south, the west and the north of Ireland itself, old country families have flocked into Dublin. There is a sufficient number of the members of th cient number of the members of the ministry on the banks of the Liffey with jewelry, which has not been worn for many a dull day, to make an Irish levee of which any country might be

AT THE CASTLE. The castle, where the lord-lieutenant holds sway, is naturally the center of attraction; but the ancient building can hold only a few. There the Duke of Devonshire, the Duke of Abercorn, the Marquis of Lansdowne, Home Secretary Ridley and a number of peers and page 250 have been dining in and peeresses have been dining in state every night this week. The bril-liant uniforms of officers of the Life Guards from London, of the Duke of Connaught's staff, and the court uniforms of Ireland's dignitaries, are nightly blended with the black attire of celebrated civilians. Nor could anything be more superb than the big-calfed, be-powdered lackeys that flit in gold and red through the great corri-

OUTSIDE.

Outside the castle the Shelburne Hotel has been the center of gaiety. There almost every visitor has a title, though many of the most distinguish-ed found with chagrin that they could not get rooms, and had to be satisfied with humble lodgings and dinners. PRECAUTIONS.

Owing to the presence of thieves in the town and the large amount of jewelry carelessly exposed, no one who is not staying at the Shelbourne is allowed to enter the outer doors of that hotel without specifying whom they want to see and are often kept in the cold for further inspection. A wellknown but badly-dressed peer, who seldom visits Ireland, underwent this ordeal the other day, and almost exploded with wrath when a gold-laced porter barred his way and made him show his card before allowing him to enter. The most popular form of evening amusement has been the chartering of trolley cars by large parties, and taking rides through the crowded and illuminated streets. With the influx of money and social gaiety, political considerations are temporarily in

abeyance. WORK OF THE QUEEN. The more advanced the Queen becomes in years, the more her work semi-officially for the inaction of Rob-erts and Buller is the delay in receiving pire, the increased activity of modern life and the developments of the times have quadrupled the work the Queen has to deal with at 80. Therefore, she has to work harder than at any previous period of her reign. is estimated that she has to sign 50,000 documents yearly, an average of 137 a day, including Sundays. Masses of state papers go to her now, while in She never really has two

days' holiday together. THE BOERS AS FIGHTERS. In one of the three parliament house inner rooms is a long oval table. At this the members of the cabinet dine every evening when the houses are in session. No private member would think of taking a seat at this table. The ministers there discuss the plans and prospects of the night, or go over the speeches to be delivered. Owing to the absentees in Ireland, only a small group of ministers gathered there on Thursday evening, when some random war talk took place. The first lord of the admiralty, Mr. George J Goschen, twitted the secretary of state for the colonies, Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, pleasantly on the length of the Mr. Chamberlain made a goodhumored reply, and is then reported

to have said, seriously:
"I think we are dealing with better fighters, as individuals, than any regular soldiers of the continent. Boers seem to me to have both caution

COMMENTS ON THE WAR. The depressing incidents of the past week have caused Englishmen to resign themselves to a long struggle. The disposition to find fault with the war office for not having anticipated the necessity for the enormous number of horses seems unjustifiable, for it is learned that before the dash on Kimberley and the destruction of horse flesh caused by the surrounding of Gen. Cronje, the war office wired its agents all over the world, particularly in South America, giving them unconditional power to buy horses un-limitedly until further orders. The conditions in the way of assembling month ago can hardly reach Lord

BRITISH PRISONERS LIVE WELL. Nothing more was heard last week of the movement initiated by the ministerial members of the House of Commons to petition the government to proclaim the Orange Free State annexed to the British Empire. London bankers are transmitting gold or its equivalent, regularly to the Transvaal in paying checks of British officers who are held prisoners, and the Stand-ard Bank of Pretoria honors all such checks. Therefore, as no limit is placed on the luxuries bought by the prisoners, they live in much comfort. In fact, their messes are probably



Here's how the people speak of them: "I had an attack of Liver Trouble and Indigestion and decided to try Laxa-Liver Pills, and found them to be the best remedy I ever used, and their effects are lasting."

Mrs. C. Grimes, Hazeldean, Ont. Laxa-Liver Pills work while you sleep without a gripe, make you better in the morning.

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SPECIAL FOR EASTER W

LL next week we'll have a special exhibit of Easter Goods, and we extend a hearty invitation to all to visit the store and see our grand displays. We have provided bountifully for the Easter Season. All over the store, which is sparkling with newness and beauty, will be found magnificent showings of pretty things, useful things and novelties. Special Easter prices all next week.

Easter Dress Goods.

111 Yards Homespun Checks and in new spring colorings, newest designs and weaves, for skirts; price 85c to 90c a yard. Easter 44-inch, all wool; very special lines and good dark colors; regular price 50c and 75c a yard. Easter week, to clear 35c

BLACK GOODS.

20 Pieces Black Figured Dressgoods, 44 inches wide, all wool, Priestley's and Gold Medal Brands; regular price 75c, 90c and goods, 44 inches wide, fine wool and mohair designs, in skirt and dress lengths; prices \$1, \$1 25 and \$1 50. Easter week, to clear 85c 15 Pieces Black Silk and Mohair Crepons and Figured Poplins; special for skirts and dresses, in elegant designs; regular price \$1 50 a yard. Easter week\$1 00 N. B.—Skirts made of any of the above Hnes for 500

Spring Jackets.

Our Easter week offerings will be marked by a special display of Ladies' Spring Coats, beautiful garments and excellent value, including one case 30 days overdue. This lot we'll sell at the following reductions to close:

\$7 50 to \$8 00 Jackets......\$6 00
\$6 00 to \$6 75 Jackets......\$5 00
\$5 00 to \$5 75 Jackets.......\$4 00
All sizes, in shades of fawn, gray, nutria, lined and half-lined with silk. Somebody will lose on this deal, but Somebody will lose on this deal, but whoever buys will come out ahead.

Laces and Veilings.

367 yards Faney Cotton and Silk Laces, in black, cream, white and butter, 4 to 8 inches wide, regular 15c, 20c and 22c per yard. Special 25c each. Very special during Easter week, per 12 yards...10c and 15c 239 yards Silk Net Veiling, all colors, plain and spots; regular 5c and 10c per yard. Special during Easter week, 2 yards for...... 5c 6,000 yards Narrow Valencienness Lace, at half-price, viz....2c, 3c, 4c 35c Veilings for 25c.

About 200 yards Veilings, black, brown, navy, spots and plain, 35c

Hose.

Children's Black Cashmere Hose, double knees, spliced heels and toes, sizes 6, 6½, 7, 7½, 8, at, per pair, during Easter week...... Ladies' Black Cashmere Hose, plain and ribbed, sizes 81/2, 9, 91/2. Spe-

fine ribbed, sizes 5½ to 8; regular 35c to 60c per pair. During Hose, with natural cashmere soles, seamless, sizes 8, 81/2, 9, 91/2. Spe-Hose, seamless feet, double heel and toe, regular 3 pairs for \$1. Special Easter week, per pair... 25c

Parasols.

Special sale in Ladies' Umbrellas, silk and wool cover, steel rod, Paragon frame, regular \$1 25 and \$1.50. During Easter week.......\$1 00 Ladies' Parasols, in Black Gloria covering, fancy handles, regular \$1. During Easter week 75c Ladies' Parasols, strong frame, plain and fancy handles. Special

"Nothing equal to it in the city." That's what we hear nearly every hour of the day. Certainly our Millinery is in a class of its own, having no parallel. It reflects the dictates of those who set the pace in the fashionable millinery centers of the world, and you don't have to pay much more than you do for the ordinary kind.

handsome Dog-Collar Belts, worth \$1 00 and \$1 25 each; Easter sale

Paper Knives, Wedgewood Placques, Austrian Vases, Vas-eline Jars and Fern Pots.

Special in Purses.

Seal Finger Purses, from 35c each

Easter Linens.

Fine Bleached Table Damask, 72inch, Easter sale price900 Fine Irish Linen Damask, 68-inch, Centers, Oblongs and Squares. Just new; all sizes; special prices.

Hats and Caps.

10 dozen Men's Fine Fur Felt Hats, new Fedora and stiff shapes; silk bands and trimming, best Russia leather sweat bands, black and brown; regular \$1 75 and \$2 each. and plaid tweeds, navy and black serge, corduroy, self-peaks, hook-down shape, 35 dozen in the lot; regular price 20c to 35c. During

Lace Curtains.

Easter Belt Novelties. Waterproof Coat Sale.

Men's Navy Blue, Fine Twill Waterproof Coats, sewn seams and facings, fly front, self-col-lars; regular price \$5. Quarter off Men's Waterproof Coats, dark gray check patterns, sewn and vul-canized seams, with 26-inch capes; regular price \$5. Quarter

whipcord, light fawn color, deep velvet collar, double-breasted, full length box back; regular price \$7 50. Quarter off\$5 63 Men's Waterproof Ulsters, fine cov-ert cloth finish, sewn seams, ventilated sleeves, deep velvet collars, light brown shade; regular price collars, full length, deep rubber facings, all seams sewn and vul-canized, very dressy coat, fast

colors; regular price \$12. Quar-regular price \$2. Quarter off .. \$1 50 Several Odd Coats to be cleared at special reduced prices.

Special Easter

[In the Basement.]

6-inch Berry and Salad Dishes, 8-inch Berry Bowls in crystal and emerald, Cream, Sugar and Spoon Holders, Trays, Pickle Dishes, Covered Butter Dishes, Sugar Bowls, Pickle Dishes, 7inch Crystal Vases, choice, each 15c Salt and Pepper Cruets, 1/2-gallon Water Jugs, Cake Stand, 8-inch Berry Bowls, 10-inch Oval Salad Dishes, choice, each 250 Rose Bowls, Fern Bowls, in blue

and gold, each 25c, 30c and 35c Fancy Soaps.

Old Brown Windsor, per cake...1c, 2c, 3c Hyacinth, box of 8 cakes....... 15c Golden State Beauty, box of 3 Lady Minto, box of 3 cakes...... 25c Lana Oil, cake, 9c; box 25c

Easter Kid Gloves.

We are very enthusiastic about our Kid Glove showing, which is really the best we have every made; elegant styles, excellent qualities and perfect

fitting.

When you see our Kid Glove display you see the best in the market.

Fowne's "Rocquaine," two large embroiderpearl clasps, heavily embroider-ed points, in modes, tans and pique sewn, in tans, modes, grays with self, black or white points, in new shades of tan, mode, ed, with new stitching and two

and white; very special. Easter in tans, browns and black; regular \$1 25. Easter week 650

Waists and Blouses.

A lot of new Silk Waists, in newest colors and designs; prices ranging Ladies' Percale Blouses in light or dark blue, white, tucked yoke; serviceable and stylish\$100

Easter Whitewear Sale

Ladies' Fine Nainsook Gowns, Hubbard style, tucked yoke and square neck, finished with Lons-dale frills. Easter sale price..... 756 Ladies' Fine Nainsook Gowns, yoke of fine tucks and lace insertion, gular \$1 25. Easter sale price...,\$1 00 Sale of Glassware Ladies' Fine Nainsook Gowns, revers and yoke of lace insertion and beading, edged with Torchon lace. Easter sale price. \$2 00 Ladies' Fine White Skirt, muslin umbrella frill, trimmed with embroidery or lace. To sell special \$100 Ladies' Fine Muslin Skirts, lace and embroidery insertion and deep frill of Valenciennes lace, extra wide and muslin dust frill; regular \$2 50. To sell\$2 00

Corsets.

Ladies' heavy Jean Corsets, double side steels, perfect fit; per pair. 500 Ladies' Short Corsets, steel filling and trimmed with lace, made on French model; per pair..\$1 and \$1 25 Crompton's Yatisi Corsets, neavy cord filling and stockinnet sides, suitable for stout figure, pair \$1 25

Elegant Wash Fabrics

display of Wash Goods, and every day brings forth something new. Yesterday we opened a case of Fine English Cambrics, the very latest Foulard designs, handsome goods, choice colorings and modest prices; 32 inches, only...12 1/20 32-inch Satin Stripes, in blue, helio, maize and pink; a choice and exclusive line; very special 250

32-inch Fancy Zephyrs, another exclusive line; in pink, blue, etc.... 30c
32-inch Fancy Spot Muslins, with solid over-check, in pink, blue, helio, cardinal and navy; this is one of our choicest and best lines, 45c
White Picus in different sized. White Piques, in different sized Batistes, the leading shades, from Mercerized Sateens, plain and black

striped, 32 inches, choice goods white, 32-inch, per yard...20c and 250 Striped Sateen Skirtings, heavy make, in black and white, helio and black, blue and black 250

The Runians, Gray, Garrie Co.

Extra Special.

and colors, usually sold from 15c to 25c a yard. For Easter

Linens, worth from 20c to 35c a yard. This lot goes on sale

suits, in gray and blue grays, 27-inch, worth 121/2c yard. For

week 5c

for Easter week at, per yard 80

Easter week..... 80

About 800 yards Fancy Organdie Dress Muslins, good patterns

Another lot high-class Dress Muslins, with some Fancy Piques and

20 pieces Heavy Homespun Cotton Tweeds, suitable for skirts or

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much better provided than are those of and truculent abusiveness operating the officers of Bloemfontein. Some of the captives have been there four months and have a regular service, actions, from which, to do the writer's via Hamburg and Lorenzo Marquez, which brings them good things to eat, drink, smoke and wear. The British officers box, fence, and play various games, including billiards, an old table having been bought in Pretoria.

THE ATTACK ON THE PRINCE. There is no disposition here to make overmuch of the attack made on the Prince of Wales by Sipido, the anarchist lad, at Brussels, Wednesday, while his royal highness was on his way to Copenhagen; but the British see in it the direct consequence of the continental press attacks on Great Britain in connection with the war.

on weak minds, are almost certain, sooner or later, to have an issue in justice, they would shrink with hor-

ror."
The Times held the German press The Times held the German press especially responsive for the personal sourlities directed against the Prince of Wales, referring to the Kladdersdatsch, which is not a socialist sheet, but which ranks up toward London Punch. Such alleged scuriffices the Kladdersdatsch prints, are systematic, yet the Times avers that the German press is controlled, guided, cajoled or coerced by the government, and that coerced by the government, and that the German law of les mateste is the most stringent in Europe.

A NOSEBUG'S KISS

Produces Unpleasant Effects-The Pest Is Coming North From Mexico.

Kalamazoo, Mich., April 9.—The warm weather Saturday brought with it a most unwelcome visitor in the shape of the poisonous nosebug, the rival of the famous kissing-bug, which is immigrating northward from Mexico in great numbers. The first victim of the bug's bite in this vicinity was Joseph Elder, of Pokagon. While waiting at the Michigan Central depot this afternoon to take a train home a "There is no little enemy." Little ed his nose, inserting its pincers in the propagation of glaring falsehoods the propagation of glaring falsehoods by Hood's Sarsaparilla. large bug flew into his face, and seiz-

lacerated it in several places. Within five minutes after being bitten Elder's nose was swollen to twice its natural size, and when he boarded the train he was suffering intense pain. The nose bug was about twice the size of an ordinary June bug and had a shell-like back. It first appeared in the east several weeks ago, and later at St. Louis and Evanston, Ill.

The sickly weariness of spring needs urgent looking after. LAXA-CARA TABLETS for the stomach will shoulder the burden of your cure. The highest grade cathartic in the market. Druggists, 25 cents per

Give Holloway's Corn Cure a trial. It removed ten corns from one pair of feet without any pain. What it has