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New Prints

At Pleasing Prices

Several cases of spic and span New Prints have just been opened up by us—the lot includes Prints in stripes and checks, navy blues in stripes and figures, red ground in stripes spots and figures—"penny value" you'll exclaim when you see them—the prices are

5c, 8c, 10c, and 12½c the yard.

Ladies' Wrappers

Wrappers by the hundred, they've just arrived from the factory—fine quality of print, some "H. H. H."s, some with yokes finely trimmed with braid, no skimp to the width of the skirt, every color is a good one, every pattern seems, what's more they have filled linings, these are the best value you have ever seen at \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50.

New Embroideries And a Bargain

You'll relish the show of new embroideries all the more when you know that the prices are even lower than last year—we managed that through purchasing very largely from one of the best manufacturers in St. Gall, Switzerland—we show you St. Gall, prettiest Edgewise, Insertion and All-over Embroideries, at 3c, 4c, 5c, 6c, 10c and up to \$2 yd.

Silks for Early Spring

TAFFATA—what a hold good Taffetas have upon our affections, we have several grades worthy of note—we mention two extra specials in black, at 75c and.....\$1.00
JAPAN SILKS—our showing of these is magnificent, stripes, checks and fancy figures, in the newest colorings, and the best of it is they will wash—economical prices, 4c, 5c and.....75c yd.
BLACK PEAU DE SOIE—we pride ourselves on having the finest black silks in this part of the country and the qualities we are offering at \$1 and.....\$1.25 are wonderful.

Spring Jackets and Capes

The swell styles from Berlin, Germany, they just arrived to-day, we'll have something to say about the prices later on, in the meantime, come and see them.

Thomas Stone & Son

DIRECT IMPORTERS

A Shirt Tale

March 13th Too early for most haberdashers to show their spring pattern shirts, but that's our way. Always first to show the new styles—Been doing it right along for years, and our customers expect it. Our shirt tale this evening deals with the new Fauldes & Co. lar articles. Say, boys, they're all right, and there's a hundred and fifty here for you to choose from.

Number one in our affection is with full length bosom. The color in the brand new dull finish blues, this spring and summer. They color. This is a big feature with but here it is in these dollar ones, improvement.



a new form of woven madras, cuttings are splendid, being principally that are to be so very fashionable are of fast dye and will hold their three dollar made-to-measure shirts, along with every other known.

Number two is big value and no mistake. This shirt is made of French Percalé, woven by the celebrated Anderson, who boasts that the world never saw anything to compare with the excellence of his 1900 fabrics. For one dollar we give you a short-bosom shirt, full 36 inches long, made in faultless thorough manner, two collars (Gorham pattern) and link cuffs. The stripes run up and down and the colorings are varied, but principally blacks and blues.

The 2 T's

Outfitters to all Mankind.

Trudell & Tobey.

Sole Agents for Slater Shoes

JUST TEN KICKERS

On the Dominion Government's South African War Policy.

Six Were Liberals and Four Conservatives—Mr. Bourassa's Motion of Censure Defeated.

Ottawa, Ontario, March 14.—In the house of commons last night Mr. Bourassa moved that the house insist on the principle of the sovereignty and independence of parliament and refuse consequently to consider the action of the government relative to the South African war as a precedent which should commit the dominion to any action in the future and that the house further declare that it opposes any change in the political and military relations which exist at present between Canada and Great Britain unless such change is initiated by the sovereign with parliament and sanctioned by the people of Canada.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier regretted that he could not accept the resolution, although it asserted principles with which he agreed. The premier the defended the action of the government and declared that there never was a juster war than that in which Great Britain was now engaged in South Africa.

The House divided, and the motion of Mr. Bourassa was defeated by 119 yeas to 10 nays. Those who voted for the amendment were Messrs. Bourassa, Monnet, Angers, Ethier, March, and Legris. Government, and Macdonald, Dugas, Chauvin and Morin. Opposition. They all came from Quebec.

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New Dress Goods

2076—LADIES' WAIST.

Sizes 32, 34, 36, 38, 40.

Paul de Foie Checks, latest for sep rate skirt or suits, fine wool quality, good weight, 42 in. wide, in black and white, very special per yd. 50c
V. & S. Suits, a fine finish fabric, pure wool, in firm sharp twill, clean finish, in gray, rose and heather mixtures, will make a dressy suit, special per yd. 50c
Violet Suiting, spring weight, plain weave, 42 in. wide, in lawn, green and gray mixtures, special per yard 50c
Volanses, small checks, with satin stripes, in choice range of colorings, suitable for children's dresses and ladies' waists, a fine all-wool fabric, special at 50c
Tweed Suiting, a large range in fancy checks and mixtures, latest spring colorings, unusual values at per yd. 25c, 35c, 50c and.....65p

French Poplins, heavy smooth cord, all wool quality, wide width, in new shades of electric, pastor, navy, fawn, myrtle, new blue, gray and cardinal, exceptional value at.....60c
Broad Cloth Suiting, fine venetian finish, warranted pure wool, 44 in. wide, 12 leading shades to select from good value at 65c and 75c, our special price 60c and.....60c
Venetian Suitings, extra quality, 48 in. wide, in large range of new spring shades, costume weights, extra value at per yd. 75c
Covert Venetian and Amazon Suiting, 50 to 54 in. wide, heavy firm weight, extra finish and quality, worth to-day \$1.25 per yd., our special price.....\$1.00

Gun Club Checks, a leading London favorite for suits or separate skirts, guaranteed to give satisfaction, 40 in. to 57 in. wide, very special at per yd. 75c, 85c, \$1 and.....\$1.25
Plaids, for separate skirts, extra fine quality, 56 in. wide, in new colorings, good value at \$1.25 yd., our special price.....\$1.00
Serge, a special purchase of navy blue and black serge, French and English make, fine, medium and wide twills, guaranteed pure wool and best dyes, ask to see them, wonderful value at per yd. 25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 60c, 65c, 75c, 85c and.....\$1.00
New French Delaines, fine all-wool quality, in new stripes and fancy designs, perfectly fast colorings, 36 in. wide, special per yd. 45c

Samples sent by mail to any address on application.

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO. The Busy Cash and One Price Store

FREE STATE CAPITAL.

It Will be Taken Possession of by Lord Roberts To-day.

London, Wednesday, March 14, 4.30 a. m.—Nothing can be said of the advance on Bloemfontein beyond Lord Roberts' own despatches. Nothing more has been permitted to come through. Doubtless Lord Roberts himself is fully occupied with important military operations. The despatch from Cape Town, saying that Gen. French has arrived at Bloemfontein, probably does not mean that he has entered the city. Lord Roberts' message may mean either that the Boers have cut the railway to the north or that the British cavalry have done so. If the former, then it may be assumed that no rolling stock has been seized, but by general assumption the latter is interpreted as correct. This would greatly facilitate obtaining supplies from Orange river, an important matter, as Lord Roberts' line of communications with Modder Bridge is now one hundred and ten miles long. The Boers may make another fight, but there is little doubt that Lord Roberts will occupy Bloemfontein to-day, Wednesday. The Boers, retreating from Orange river, will find themselves between two British armies, and their guns are almost bound to fall into the hands of the British, while the occupation of the capital of the Free State will strain the alliance of the two republics to the utmost. There will be no diminution of measures calculated to maintain the full efficiency of the field force, and whatever reinforcements were previously considered advisable will still be sent out.

HARD ON THE PRISONERS.
Winston Churchill wires to the Morning Post from Durban, protest-

ing against the ceremonious treatment of Gen. Cronje. He adds:—"The stern decision not to accelerate the end of the war, but will prove very hard and perhaps even dangerous for the British prisoners in Pretoria. There is abundant evidence that the Boers are becoming more cruel and that the war will enter a darker phase. It is very doubtful if the Boer government will be able to control the wild passions of the exasperated ruffians, forming the noisier part of the Boer forces, in the event of a siege of Pretoria, and the position of the British prisoners would then become precarious. I have visited the dam which the Boers began on Kip River, below Lady-smith. If it had been completed it would have submerged Intombi camp, where there were 2,000 sick."

THE SITUATION.

Mr. Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, says:—"Lord Roberts is probably waiting in front of Bloemfontein for the infantry divisions. None of them could be expected to arrive before to-day, Wednesday. Three divisions would probably be so directed that while the leading one would follow the cavalry and turn the Boer defenses, the other two would come up echelon to the original Boer front, so that in case of resistance the Boers could be enveloped and compelled to retreat under difficulties, and with heavy loss. Lord Roberts is not the man to forget, in his determination to reach a strategic point, any measures likely to contribute towards crushing a part of the enemy's forces. There are abundant signs of the demoralization of the Boers. The first is the bad strategy of their resistance to Lord Roberts. Then comes the message of the President to Lord Salisbury. Kruger and Steyn, it can be seen, have not yet quite realized their position, but Lord Salisbury's reply, being precisely what the British nation expected him to send, may open their eyes."

THE PEACE PROPOSALS

Lord Salisbury's Reply to Kruger and Steyn's Canting Message.

London, March 13.—A parliamentary paper containing the telegrams sent to the British Government by the Presidents of the South African Republic and the Orange Free State, and Great Britain's reply thereto, was issued this afternoon. It first gives the telegram sent by the two Presidents to the Marquis of Salisbury, as follows:—
The Presidents' Telegram.
Bloemfontein, March 5.—The blood and the tears of thousands who have suffered by this war, and the prospects

of all moral and economic ruin where with South Africa is now threatened, make it necessary for both belligerents to seek themselves dispassionately, and as in the sight of the Triune God, for what they are fighting, and whether the aim of each justifies all this appalling misery and devastation. With this object, and in view of the assurance of various British statesmen to the effect that this war was begun and is being carried on with the set purpose of undermining Her Majesty's authority in South Africa, independent of Her Majesty's Government, we consider it our duty to solemnly declare that this war was undertaken solely as a defensive measure to maintain the threatened independence of the South African Republic, and is only continued in order to secure and maintain the incontestable independence of both republics as sovereign international states, and to obtain the assurance that those of Her Majesty's subjects who have taken part with us in this shall suffer no harm whatsoever in person or property. On these conditions, but on these conditions alone, are we now, as in the past, desirous of seeing peace re-established in South Africa, while if Her Majesty's Government is determined to destroy the independence of the republics, there is nothing left to us and to our people but persevere to the end in the course already begun. In spite of the overwhelming pre-eminence of the British Empire, we are confident that that God who lighted the unextinguishable fire of love of freedom in the hearts of ourselves and of our fathers will not forsake us, and will accomplish His work in us and in our descendants. We hesitate to make this declaration earlier to Your Excellency, as we feared that as long as the advantage was always on our side, and as long as our forces held defensive positions far within Her Majesty's colonies, such a declaration might hurt the feelings and honor of the British people. But now that the prestige of the British Empire may be considered to be assured by the capture of one of our forces by Her Majesty's troops, and that we have thereby been forced to evacuate other positions which our forces had occupied, that difficulty is over; and we can no longer hesitate to clearly inform your Government and people, in the sight of the whole civilized world, why we are fighting and on what conditions we are ready to restore peace."

SALISBURY'S REPLY.

The Marquis of Salisbury to the Presidents of the South African Republic and Orange Free State:—"Foreign Office, March 11.—I have the honor to acknowledge Your

Honors' telegram, dated March 5, from Bloemfontein, of which the purport is principally to demand that Her Majesty's Government shall recognize the incontestable independence of the South African Republic and Free State as 'sovereign international states,' and to offer on those terms to bring the war to a conclusion.
"In the beginning of October last peace existed between Her Majesty and the two republics under conventions which were then in existence. A discussion had been proceeding for some months between Her Majesty's Government and the South African Republic, of which the object was to obtain redress for certain very serious grievances under which the British residents in South Africa were suffering. In the course of these negotiations the South African Republic had, to the knowledge of Her Majesty's Government, made considerable armaments, and the latter had consequently taken steps to provide corresponding reinforcements of the British garrisons at Cape Town and in Natal. No infringement of the rights

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Stand the Family In a Row

How many are there in it? Three, four, five, six? How many are in need of shoes? What kinds are wanted?

Remember that this is a family shoe store, that we have every good sort of shoe for father, mother and all the children down to the tot who takes the little bootee.

And the prices are as right as right can be.

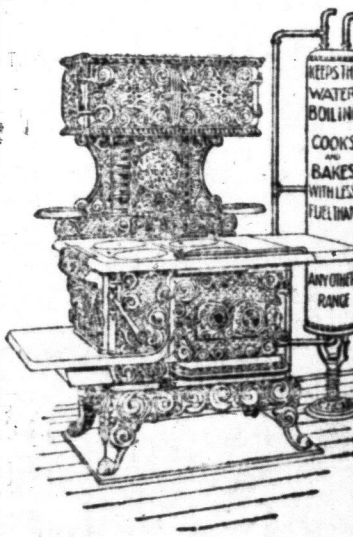
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RUBBERS Misses' now..... 25c
RUBBERS Ladies' now..... 35c

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