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Sale of Mantle Cloth On Saturday

We have seven more pieces of heavy Mantle Cloth than we want. This is just the sort of weather for you to have them. Splendid goods, all wool, especially suitable for Golf Capses or Children's Jackets:

1 pc. 54 in. wide heavy green mixed tweed effect, reg. price \$1.35 a yard for..... 67c

1 pc. 54 in. wide heavy gray mixed tweed effect, regular price \$1.35 a yard for..... 67c

1 pc. 54 in. navy blue mixed Owl Cloth, reg. \$1.35 for..... 67c

1 pc. 54 in. navy blue Blanket Cloth, r.g. \$1 a yard for..... 50c

1 pc. 54 in. Red Owl mixed, reg. \$1.35 a yard for..... 67c

1 pc. 54 in. Black Diagonal Twill, reg. \$1.25 a yard for..... 62c

1 pc. 54 in. heavy green mixed Tweed effect, reg. \$1.50 for..... 75c



Be in mind our one half price sale of Ladies' and Children's Jackets. You have here 100 Ladies' Jackets in the very newest styles, made up in the best possible manner, and all this season's productions. You select one and pay only one half its actual value. You have here also 50 Children's Jackets, Long Coats, and Short Reefers, neat natty and serviceable, to fit all ages and sizes, your choice of any one of them at one half its regular value.

This is the greatest Jacket opportunity ever offered you and it will be a sad loss to you if you miss it.

THOMAS STONE & SON

Direct Importers



Sale of Cloth Suiting On Saturday

9 pos. double width Cloth Suiting, 40 in. wide, in blue, brown, gray and red, regular prices 20c and 25c a yard, on sale for:

14c a yard

Sale of Tweeds

12 pos. heavy Wool Tweeds, in good colors, grand goods for Men's and Boys' wear, worth regular 40c, 50c, 75c, 85c, \$1, and \$1.25 a yard, on sale Saturday morning for

1-2 Price

Men's Underwear

All-wool Shirts and Drawers, good weight, on sale Saturday morning for

35c each

Good weight Union Shirts and Drawers, on sale Saturday

25c each



BOER PRISONERS UNDER ESCORT FROM THE FRONT TO PETERMARITZBURG.

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BOERS VERY NERVOUS.

They Fear a British Advance.

SOME OF THEM CAUGHT TRYING TO IMPROVE THEIR POSITION AND DRIVEN BACK WITH LOSS

London, Friday, Dec. 29, 4.30 a. m.—The despatches from the front all represent the Boers as in nervous condition and all in fear of the advance, but this is probably an exaggeration. The enemy having been again detected attempting to improve the trenches facing Gen. Buller, the British heavy guns opened upon them, and the Boers scampered back into the hills.

The British patrols sighted the enemy in force on our extreme left. Nine Boers were killed in a skirmish that followed and six Boer wagons were captured. It is estimated that the war will cost at least £20,000,000, and it is suggested that the sinking fund of the national debt should be suspended for five or six years in order to defray the cost.

The Transvaal Government, according to information supplied by Boer sympathizers, threatens to reduce the rations of British prisoners if Great Britain stops the entrance of food by Delagoa Bay. The Imperial Yeomanry Committee has issued a statement that the Government considers the formation and despatch of yeomanry as one of the most pressing needs of the situation, and has intimated that it is now prepared to accept from 8,000 to 10,000 yeomanry, instead of 3,000, formerly asked for. It is expected that the first contingent of 1,000 will sail about the middle of January.

The Government has announced that it will accept the service of a battery from the Honorable Artillery Company. It will be attached to the city imperial corps. Lady Chesham and Lady Georgina Curzon have issued an appeal for public funds to establish a field hospital for the yeomanry.

CONVERTED INTO FORTRESSES.

London, Dec. 29.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Pietermaritzburg, dated Saturday, Dec. 23, says: "Every day reveals some new fact regarding the strength of the Boer position at Colenso. Thanks to the service of continental officers, the character of the campaign has changed. We are no longer fighting a foe who relies upon guerrilla tactics, but we have to deal with what is rapidly becoming a disciplined army, enjoying the advantages of knowing the country and of selecting the scene of contest without the burdens of a cumbersome commissariat. The Boers have converted the hills near Colenso into fortresses of immense strength. Everywhere they have splendid trenches, many of them bomb proof. Tramway lines permit the shifting of guns with astonishing rapidity. The main positions are connected with the outlying positions by underground passages, and the forts proper bristle with machine guns that command the approaches. Probably mines are laid. One hears less nowadays about Boer shells not bursting. Observers of the Colenso fight say that the Boer shell fire was very effective. This is due largely to the fact that the distances are marked off with white paint. The enemy's

discipline is improving. The trenches represent great manual labor, for which the Boers have a keen dislike, and the way in which they restrained their fire when our troops were advancing is another proof of improved soldiering."

THIS IS GENEROUS.

Durban, Natal, Saturday, Dec. 23.—Mr. Winston Churchill on arriving here, after his escape from the Boers, received a tremendous ovation. He says that from conversations with members of the Transvaal executive at Pretoria he learns that the Boers began the war with trepidation, but that President Kruger is now confident Great Britain will soon sue for peace. In the highest Transvaal circles, Mr. Churchill asserts there is serious talk of a compromise, by which Great Britain would cede the territory now occupied by the armies of the two Republics, pay an indemnity of \$20,000,000 and acknowledge the complete independence of the Transvaal.

FOR TWO MONTHS MORE.

London, Dec. 27.—The latest independent news from Ladysmith says: "The field fortifications would now withstand any organized attack the enemy is likely to deliver. There are sufficient foodstuffs for two months. The question of forage might be troublesome, but since the rain there has been some grazing within the British lines. There is no horse sickness. The casualties caused by our shell fire are increasing, and the Boers are reported to be becoming nervous. They fear night sorties, and constantly open a heavy fusillade on an imaginary attack."

COULDN'T SEE THE JOKE.

Mafeking, Dec. 12, via Mochudi, Dec. 19.—The following is published by Col. Burden-Rowell: "General Symes has written regarding our circular to the burghers advising them to return home, that he is very incensed at its having been sent direct to the burghers themselves. He is also apparently

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The Last SaturdayIn 1899

Off every dollars worth you purchase at this store you will get

10 CENTS BACK, including in this offer everything. Everything on sale, "Famous" STOVES and RANGES—Dinner and Tea Sets—Fancy and Plain LAMPS—Japanese Art Chinaware—Haviland Limoges Chinaware—Glass and Silverware—Tables and Pocket Outlets—

Baker and Fox Razors

Fancy Articles—Celluloid and Plush Goods—Toys, Dolls, Rooks, Games, Skates, Granite and Tinware, or anything you select in our immense stock. THIS CUT IS FOR SATURDAY ONLY. Come early and get first choice—Wishing all a very HAPPY and Prosperous NEW YEAR.

THE ARK BLOCK . . . H. MACAULAY
89 King Street

Saturday the Last

Business day of 1899 will long be remembered with pleasure by those who do their buying at this Busy Store. We have made special preparations for this the last bargain day of the year. In every department you will find prices down to the lowest possible notch. Read this carefully. It contains but a few of the many attractions we have in store for Cash Buyers. We would advise you to shop as early as possible in the day.

Kid Gloves—Lot 1—68 pr. black kid and miquelette, in size 5 1/2, 6 1/2, and 6 3/4, fine French makes, sold regular at \$1.25, your special Saturday..... 29c	some styles in blister and matelasse effects, sold regular at \$1.25 to \$1.50, special Saturday..... 95c	sold regular up to \$4, clearing Saturday..... \$2.50
Lot 2—47 pr. Black and Colored Kid Gloves, buttoned and laced styles, size 5 1/2, 6 1/2, 6 3/4, 7, 7 1/2, sold regular up to \$1.50, clearing Saturday..... 55c	Cloakings, 3 pos. astrachan curls, in black and blue, firm round curl, jersey back, sold regular at \$1.50, special Saturday..... 75c	Clothing—For Saturday we offer the biggest bargains of the season in men's and boys' clothing, call and see these lines:—
3 doz. White Wool Hats, 36 in. long pure black wool, full and fluff, special Saturday each..... 22c	Golf Clothing, 1 pc. only navy, with plaid back, fine quality, 54 in. wide, sold regular at \$1.50, clearing Saturday..... 75c	Suits, well tailored, first class, in medium and dark patterns, at \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$9.00
1 only, Capeline, finest quality electric seal, edged with muskatoen, extra full sweep, deep storm collar, head and tail trimming, heavy satin lining, sold regular at \$35.00, Saturday..... \$28.00	Blankets, 19 pr. extra large wool blankets, fine soft fleecy finish, fancy colored borders, warranted unshrinkable, good value at \$3, clearing special at..... \$2.69	Men's Heavy Double Breasted Tweed Suits, at \$5.00, \$6.50, \$7.50 and \$9.00
Gray Lamb Muffs, full round curl, rich satin lined, worth \$4.00, special Saturday..... \$3.25	Men's Underwear, 4 doz. fine Scotch knit shirts and drawers, fine pure wool rib skirt, across the knee, heavy weight, sold everywhere at 75c, special Saturday each..... 60c	Men's Heavy Rough Reefers, double breasted, storm collars, Italian linings, extra heavy quality, regular \$4.50, special Saturday..... \$3.68
Silk Seal Gantlets, fine quality, wool lin d, kid facing, full cuffs, special Saturday..... \$1.19	Ladies' Jackets—Lot 1—Consisting of fine beaver and furze jackets, in black, navy and fawn, sold regular up to \$6.00, Saturday..... \$3.89	Men's Black Clay W. red Suits, fine pure wool quality, made with double French facings, extra quality linings, real value at \$12, special at..... \$8.89
19 pos. Colored Dress Goods, plaids, serges, chevrons, silk and wool mixtures, curds, etc., sold regular up to 75c, clearing Saturday..... 25c	Lot 2—Fine Knives, Beavers and Frieze Jackets, lined and unlined coats and storm collars, handsome garments, worth up to \$9, clearing Saturday at..... \$5.49	Millinery Snaps, 38 only, sailors, rough liners and walking hats, latest shapes and colors, sold regular up to \$1.50, clearing Saturday..... 43c
Black Crepons, in choice blister designs, 44 in. wide, sold regular at 75c and \$1, Saturday..... 55c	Children's Jackets, in beavers, frieze, tweeds and boucle cloths, large assortment of styles and colors,	Trimmed Hats at Half Price:— Regular \$1.50 Hats, Saturday..... 75c Regular \$2.00 Hats, Saturday..... \$1.00 Regular \$3.00 Hats, Saturday..... \$1.50 Regular \$4.00 Hats, Saturday..... \$2.00 Regular \$5.00 and \$5 Hats, Saturday..... \$2.49
Black Crepons, 4 patterns, very hand-		Violets, in bunches of 2 doz., with fresh foliage, special per bunch..... 9c Wings and Birds, sold regular up to 85c, clearing Saturday..... 14c

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Is highly recommended by Prof. Pyne, Dominion Analyst, Toronto, for persons suffering from either rheumatic or constitutional, or habits of constipation. It is a most palatable beverage, and is absolutely pure. Recommended by leading physicians. A trial will convince you that it has merit of a high order. For sale by Central Drug Store and F. A. Robert.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

Two per cent. will be added to all taxes unpaid up to 31st inst., after which date 5 per cent. will be added. Wm. Rennie, collector.

CORKSCREW BOAT

Which Will Cross the Atlantic in Three Days.

A Brooklyn Man Has Invented One And a London Syndicate Has Taken It Up.

New York, December 29.—James Gresham, of Brooklyn, has found capital to demonstrate the commercial value of his corkscrew boat for which is anticipated a speed of fifty miles per hour. A syndicate of New York capitalists has agreed to furnish \$50,000 with which to build a small boat on the corkscrew plan, with the further understanding that if it demonstrates its ability on a commercial scale to approximate the speed which the models have reached, the syndicate will furnish sufficient capital to build a mail boat. The inventor promises that his craft will cross the Atlantic in less than three days. The vessel, the construction of which is being arranged for at Newport ship yards, is not intended for passenger service, but only for the conveyance of mails and fast freight and for use at life-saving stations. It is so constructed that it can penetrate the surface of the waves of the roughest weather. The boat is cylindrical in shape, with a serpentine flange like a corkscrew extending from bow to stern, and the outer shell revolves through the water, while the inner compartment maintains its equilibrium.

Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.