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Stylish Garments

Selections particularly suitable for the season's requirements—temptingly priced novelties to be found on all sides, from fine Millinery, Mantles and smart tailor-made Suits, Spring Jackets, Capes, etc., down to the complete touch of style obtainable from a large display of Lace and Chiffon Ties, Fancy Collars, pretty Belts and Gloves.

NEW JACKETS AND SUITS

Ladies' black and colored cloth jackets, the very styles, lined throughout with silk at \$5.00, \$7.50 and.....\$10.00
Special tailor-made suits, extra quality of homespun, Eton jackets and the new box plaited skirts, jackets lined with fine Roman, satin and skirt with best peraline, velvet binding \$13.50 and.....\$14.00

SPRING SUITINGS

An immense showing of popular weaves at popular prices.
All wool homespun 54 inches wide, very special.....90c
Very extensive display of broad-cloths in very newest colorings, 54 inches wide at \$1.00, \$1.25, and.....\$1.50
Came's hair suiting, a very popular weave, new colorings 54 inches wide at.....\$1.25
Cheviot finished serges in black and navy blue, serviceable and stylish at 50c, 75c and.....\$1.00

MILLINERY DISPLAY

This week's presentation surpasses former efforts both in selection, variety and price attractiveness.

SEPARATE SKIRTS

Every lady needs a separate skirt and we have them.
Fancy figured mohairs, well made, well lined at \$1.75, \$2.00 and.....\$2.50
Fine quality of serges navy and black, latest style at.....\$4.00
Homespun at \$5.00, \$6.00 and.....\$6.50

Thomas Stone & Son

Direct Importers
78 and 80 King Street

Spring Neckwear Easter

Has taken possession of our shelves and show cases. The wave of prosperity sweeping over our land will also sweep fine neckwear into its very zenith of popular favor. This has prompted us to make special efforts to form our selection of neckwear at

50 cts.

Into the strongest and most impressive that ever entered our establishment.

The shapes for this Spring are:

THE PRINCE OF WALES TIE—A happy neckwear thought for 1900. There is nothing sweller for the high turn down collar.

THE BAT WING BOW—Beyond the reach of 25c neckwear copyist.

THE FLOWING END—So popular with the Froek suit.

To describe the colors would be in vain; one must look at them to conceive their true effects. Purples and blues, reds and other colors have been joined together by artists into neckties, which are intended to make bright spots in our Spring attire. The patterns are void of that glaring loudness, but have that exclusiveness of design and chaste refinement which commands them to every well dresser.

Novelties in Neckwear arriving daily, the price 50c.

The 2 T's = Trudell & Tobey
Sole Agents for Slater Shoes and Barrington Hats.
"TOP TO TOE CLOTHIERS."

ROBERTS' ADVANCE.

German Military Plan Doesn't Think Boers Can Block It.

Berlin April 10.—The latest events in South Africa are interpreted as very unfavorable to Great Britain, but Gen. Von Becher, in the Lokai Anzeiger, says: "Evidently the British will soon begin a concentric advance movement rendering it impossible for the Boers to communicate with their forces within the inner line, but the principal danger for the British remains in their extremely long approximation lines. It will be, however, next to impossible for the Boers to continue movements in the open field when Lord Roberts moves after putting his army in first class condition."

TILBURY.

April 11.—The W.C.T.U. will meet next Saturday at the residence of Mrs. P. Shaw.

J. W. Morris has severed his connection with the handle factory and secured a lucrative position in Delray, Mich. Councillor Russell is removing the fence and otherwise improving his residence on Queen street.

Easter rates come into force to-morrow and there is expected to be the usual exodus from Tilbury.

Rev. J. C. Tolmie, Windsor, will conduct Presbyterian services here next Sunday. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Wilson leave on Monday for Alberta, where they will reside.

The social at the parsonage last night was very successful and largely attended. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered at English church services next Sunday.

Wear The 2 T's \$10 New Method Suits.

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"THE BUSY STORE"

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Grand Easter Millinery Display

At no time since this store has been in existence has it presented such an attractive appearance as now. A galaxy of beauty, quantity and quality, newness and novelty commands the attention of every shopper. Never before such exquisite styles for so little money. England, France Germany and America contribute to this superb display. How to tell you of it is a conundrum, but we want you to know all about it:

NOVELTIES in Hats and Bonnets,
NOVELTIES in Jackets and Capes,
NOVELTIES in Shirt Waists and Blouses,
NOVELTIES in Gloves, Laces, Ties, Belts and Pins,
NOVELTIES in New Dress Goods and Silks.

We want you to see how thoroughly we have anticipated your every needs. When ever and where ever good things are to be had we get them. Buyers trotting back and forth between Europe and Canada keep us in touch with leading fashion centres and gives us all the advantage of direct importation and first choice. DON'T WAIT until the last moment to make your selection. Stocks are now at their best. There is advantage in having first choice, so we repeat again—Select Early.

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CASH ONLY AND ONE PRICE

THEY CLAIM A VICTORY

But Lord Roberts' Report Does Not Mention it.

Boers Say They Have Taken or Killed 1500 British in the Latest Fight—Brabant's Colonials are Holding Their Own.

London, April 11.—A despatch to the Daily Mail from Brandfort, dated Sunday, says: Yesterday Gen. De Wet inflicted the third defeat of the British within a week at Meerkatsfontein, killing and wounding 600. He captured 900, with 12 wagons, losing five Boers killed and nine wounded.

The Daily Mail also publishes the following, dated April 10, from Lorenz Marquez: The Netherlands Railway Co. professes to have received a telegram reporting a Boer victory near Kroonstad, the Boers capturing 900 British. Commenting upon this the Daily Mail remarks: There is a Meerkatsfontein about eight and a half miles southeast of Kroonstad, but, if the report be true, this can hardly be the place.

The Daily News has the following from Pretoria, dated Monday, by way of Delagoa Bay: It is officially announced that a battle has been fought south of Brandfort, in which 600 British troops were killed and wounded and 800 taken prisoners. Lord Roberts is declared to be finding great difficulty owing to scarcity of water.

LORD ROBERTS' REPORT.

London, April 11.—Gen. Roberts wires the war office the following from Bloemfontein under date of April 10th: The enemy has been very active in the past few days. One commando on the north bank of the Orange River near Aliwal North. Another attacking Wepener, where the garrison is bravely resisting it, and has inflicted serious loss on the enemy. Troops are being moved up rapidly.

REPORT NOT CREDITED.

London, April 11.—But that the war office has issued no news from Lord Roberts during the last three days, there would be little disposition to place any credence in the Boer reports of another British disaster. The unexpected rallying of the Free State commandoes, however, leaves the public in a very nervous condition, fearing everything.

Despatches from Pretoria, as late as Monday, did not mention any further Boer victory. On the contrary they said the commandoes were all quiet, and, as Lord Roberts has hitherto never failed promptly to report mischances, as well as successes, or to allow the newspaper correspondents to report them, until some confirmation is received there is justification for regarding the Meerkatsfontein rumor only an exaggerated account of the Reddersburg affair. At the same time, Boer reports have so often proved correct that the greatest anxiety will be felt.

No further news has been received of fighting either at Wepener, or in Natal. Boer reports seem to indicate that Lord Methuen is advancing from Boshof towards Hoopstad. It is a bold and apparently a dangerous move, since although it turns the right flank of the Boer position at Brandfort, it puts Lord Methuen's force between whatever garrison there may be at Bloemhof in the Transvaal, and the Brandfort force.

The Boer peace commissioners at Naples do not conceal the fact that they have no hope of obtaining peace with independence for the republics, but they will endeavor to save their honour proper or to secure a truce for further negotiations. Mr. Fischer

says the present Boer strength at the front is 38,000.

BRITISH ENTRENCHING.

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Morning Post says:—The water supply continues satisfactory. Entrenching is proceeding vigorously on the hills commanding Bloemfontein. Civilian labor is to be utilized. Speeches among the troops is somewhat diminishing.

The Bloemfontein correspondent of the Times, telegraphing Monday, says: "The enemy are making a general attempt to discover a strategic opening. Their numbers are unknown to us, but are anywhere between 3,000 and 6,000. They are moving cautiously. Remounts are arriving, but the Argentine animals are little liked by the cavalry. Among the valuables discovered belonging to Messrs. Steyn and Fischer is some correspondence proving that the fall of Lydenburg was to be the signal for a general Dutch rising."

BULLER HOLDS A PASS.

London, April 11.—The Boers are reported to have ventured south of the Biggarsberg, and to be posting heavy guns four miles north of Elandsburg. They are also said to have fortified the vicinity of Wesse's Nek.

In connection with the resumption of hostilities in Natal an interesting rumor is current that Gen. Buller has obtained command of one of the Drakensberg passes, whereby he hopes to take the Boers in the rear, in the event of his being successful. General Buller has enough troops to leave 20,000 men to hold Natal while he should advance by way of Harrismith, whence he would be able to threaten the Boer position at Delheim and Kroonstad.

The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph, April 10, says:—"Our naval guns have commenced bombarding the Boer positions between Sandy's River and Biggarsberg."

WAR NOTES.

The Boers claim the British casualties at Develsdorp were 100 killed and wounded and 450 captured.

The Boers claim to have smuggled in a number of big guns, and lots of ammunition lately through Portuguese territory.

The Berlin correspondent of the Daily News asserts that the Reichman, who is credited with having led the Boers at Kori spruit, is certainly the American military attaché, Capt. Carl Reichman.

A cable has been received from Lord Strathcona, asking that 50 more officers and men be sent on to South Africa to fill any vacancies that may be caused to the Strathcona Horse through casualties.

A Zwart Kopfontein, Orange Free State despatch, dated Monday, April 9, says:—Lord Methuen's force is encamped here, 10 miles east of Boshof. Since the Boshof affair Lord Chesham with Yeomanry and the Kimberley Mounted corps has reconnoitered eastward, but he only encountered a small body of Boers, who fled.

The Daily Mail has the following from Lady Sarah Wilson, dated Mafeking, March 30:—"Colonel Plumer's column is now within twenty miles of us, but its advent is undesirable, unless accompanied by food supplies. The opinion prevails that young Cronje has returned to the ranks of the investing Boers and is trying to average Paardeberg." Lieut. Milligan, of Col. Plumer's column, is a prisoner in the hands of the Boers.

A CHIMNEY FIRE.

Last evening a fire alarm was rung in from box 34, cor. of Queen street and Park Avenue. The fire department on turning out found that a chimney on the house of H. Murphy, Edgar street, had been the cause of the alarm being sent in. The chemical extinguisher was used on it. No damage.

The Latest Creations

Men's Fine Shoes

This week we have passed through the customs OUR NEW LINE of MEN'S SHOES. These goods come from the best manufacturers in New York city and Boston—They are perfect in style, stock and workmanship—They come in all the new shapes, shades, and different kinds of leather.

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It is reported that Major Drummond, military secretary to Lord Minto, has been appointed to command the Canadian militia in succession to Gen. Hutton. He left Cape Town for Canada last Saturday.