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Our sale of Ladies' Fur Lined ends this week.

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ADVERTISE IN THE STAR.

St. John, N. B., Feb. 25, 1904.

Men, Buy Pants Now

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\$1.25 Pants now 38c. \$2.75 Pants now \$1.98

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We have just received a very dressy line of Striped English Worsted Pants, goods same as usually cost \$5.00 at your tailor's. OUR PRICE \$2.95.

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J. N. HARVEY, Tailoring & Clothing, 199 & 201 Union St.

COLOMBIA IS READY TO FIGHT.

Her Troops Will Invade Panama Immediately

The Ratification of the Canal Treaty is the Cause—Troops Massing on the Frontier.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—A cable from Panama to the Herald says ratification of the Panama canal treaty resulted in the immediate recall of the U. S. warships and about half of the marines from the isthmus. Despite Colombia's international disturbances, letters just received from the isthmus declare that the Colombians are ready to fight as soon as the news arrives that the treaty has been ratified. One general in Cartagena is quoted as saying that if the government does not declare war the troops on the border will invade Panama anyhow.

The last information from the coast is that another regiment of soldiers has been sent from Cartagena to the frontier. If the Colombians carry out the threat to attack they can reach the railroad section as fast as vessels can be sent from any part of the United States after the news of the advance arrives.

ANOTHER FAKE EXPOSED.

Balfour Denies all Reports of the Trouble With Spain—Relations are Most Friendly.

LONDON, Feb. 25.—Premier Balfour, on his first appearance today in the house of commons since his illness, was greeted with warm cheers. Replying to a question, he confirmed the statement made in these despatches Feb. 23, that there was no truth in the reports that Great Britain intended to seize certain points on the Spanish coast in the event of a continental war. He said: I am glad to say that relations between this country and Spain are likely to remain of a most friendly character.

The premier added that there appeared to be no truth in the rumor that Spain was mobilizing her army, though she was strengthening some of her garrisons.

COKE O'BRIEN AGAIN.

Coke O'Brien, the wandering sheep from the King street flock is back in the fold, and with every prospect of going out to his old pasture in the near future. He was arrested in King square—as usual—drunk—as usual—and rather well dressed, as usual—at half-past one this afternoon.

Coke left the chain gang in Rockwood Park on July last, and made large footprints through the woods. They pointed towards the land of lynchings and high-priced cotton, and in that great country Coke has since lived.

During his absence he has visited several jails, but not as a government official. He has grown fat and prospered, but could not bear the loneliness. So last night, having quit work in the Maine woods, he came in to St. John, and this morning proceeded to get drunk. Force of habit led him, without assistance, towards King street east, but on the square, his strength failing him, he was picked up by Joe Scott, who has in former days performed the same act of kindness.

THE CONCORDIA'S CARGO.

The steamer Concordia, Capt. Webb, which sailed on Tuesday for Glasgow, carried a cargo valued at \$75,160, made up as follows:—

Foreign goods—380 head of cattle, valued at \$800.

Canadian goods—21,100 bushels of wheat, 2,047 bales of hay, 25 rolls of roof felt, 296 barrels of apples, 1,000 sacks of flour, 200 sacks of oatmeal, 344 bags of corn, 87 bags of meal, 30 bales of straw, 100 head of cattle, 1 case of corn brooms, 375.25 feet of spruce and pine deals, battens, etc.; 29 cases of bacon, 5 cases of hams, and 300 sacks of flour; all valued at \$41,700.

FUNERALS TODAY.

The funeral of the late Miss Pearl Holder was held this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from her parents' residence, Main street. The Rev. Mr. Howard, of Portland Methodist church, officiated, and interment was made in Cedar Hill cemetery.

Thos. A. Vincent, who died on the 23rd instant, in his 80th year, was buried this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from his late residence, 41 Harrison street. Rev. Mr. Hoar conducted the funeral service and interment was made in Fernhill cemetery.

COUNTSSESS ATTEMPTS MURDER.

SEATTLE, Wn., Feb. 25.—A special to the Post Intelligencer, from Dawson, says that Count and Countess Moroscowski are in Nome jail, charged with attempting to murder Captain William Gilpin, a former friend. Their bonds are fixed at \$5,000. The trouble took place at the Russian mission, where the countess tried to shoot the captain. She did not succeed because he had taken the powder out of the cartridge.

Manifests were received at the customs house this morning for the following American exports in transit:—19 cars of flour, 9 cars of lard, 8 cars of meat, 3 cars of poultry, 12 cars of cattle, 4 cars of sheep, 6 cars of hogs, 1 car of hickory logs, 1 car maple blocks.

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FAR EAST COMPLICATIONS.

Japan-Korea Alliance May Drag Other Powers Into the War.

Story of Japanese Warships Being Sunk Was a Fake—They Were Only Old Hulks—Details of the Engagement.

PARIS, Feb. 25.—Additional details of the harbor of Port Arthur have been received from most authoritative quarters. These say that the Japanese sent five or six old transport hulks, conveyed by torpedo boats, to Port Arthur, with the evident purpose of sinking the hulks at the entrance of the harbor. The Japanese fleet discovered their approach and her fire on them was strongly seconded by that of the shore battery north of Port Arthur. The report adds that two Japanese ships were wrecked and lie in Tiger Bay, that along the shore another Japanese ship was burned, and that a fourth lies wrecked on the shore outside Tiger Bay. It is believed that these wrecks are not warships, but hulks designed to be sunk at the entrance of the harbor, which remains open. This report gives no information concerning the Japanese fleet, which is said to have supported the operations against Port Arthur.

There are plenty; there is no lack of ammunition or money for the patriotic rich are subscribing.

INTERNATIONAL COMPLICATIONS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 25.—A despatch from Washington to the Herald says of the Japan treaty with Korea: There is much anxiety to see how Russia's ally, France, will accept this oriental alliance against Russia. Korea is not a strong power, but it is pointed out her assistance to Japan may easily assume substantial proportions. The Japanese are expected to undertake the control of the Korean army, which can only be recruited by the strength of 30,000 men. Offered by Japanese this force might be sufficient menace to Russia to protect against the principle of confining the struggle to the two powers, Russia and Japan, but they were too quick for me and got the coast before I was paid.

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(bandits), who are the curse of Manchuria, but assist the troops to exterminate them; if they do not assist in this they also will be treated as robbers.

Sixth, if the people antagonize the troops or show them hatred, they will be exterminated without mercy. The government is taking all steps, in any event, to protect its interests.

FUN IN POLICE COURT

The Man Who Seared Spring Street is a Humorist—Took the Magistrate's Advice.

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Riley is rather a fine looking fellow, in spite of the descriptions given of him by those whom he has scared. He was arrested for stealing an overcoat from the residence of Benjamin Seely, Elgin street. It has also been learned that he is the man who has haunted Spring street for the past week.

When the charge of theft was read this morning, Riley, who was chucking to himself, pleaded guilty. He explained between giggles that he had stolen the coat and tried to sell it. "I was going back to the Jew for the money, but they were too quick for me and got the coat before I was paid."

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THE WEATHER.

Feb. 25.
Highest temperature today, 34; lowest temperature, 10; temperature at noon, 14; barometer at noon, 29.50 inches; wind, N.; velocity, 16 miles per hour. Light snow.

Forecast—Strong winds and gales from northwest, partly fair and cold, with snow buries; Friday, strong northwesterly winds, fair and decidedly cold.

Synopsis—The disturbance mentioned yesterday has passed to the south of Nova Scotia, it is now likely to move northward to the Gulf and there hover. Wintry conditions everywhere, with no indication of change to Banks, westerly gales; to American ports, northwesterly gales.

10 p. c. to 30 p. c.

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