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## MAGNIFICENT MATTINGS

Is the verdict of all who have seen our importation of China and Japan floor coverings for this season, and well do they deserve the praise bestowed on them. Rivaling the rainbow in coloring, beautiful as a Brussels in design, and pliable as an In-grain in texture, it's no wonder that they are steadily increasing in popular favor.

Then the price is phenomenally low, we have none but reversible patterned goods and yet are showing some grades at 9c per yard, then gradually increasing in quality and price at 10c, 12c, 15c, 20c, 25c, 30c, 35c, 40c and 45c.

We were taken by surprise at the sale of those 23c Verandah Cushions, and had to disappoint some would be purchasers, but another supply will be on sale to-morrow at the same startling price, 23 cents.

THOMAS STONE & SON

## Swell Shirts FOR Small Sums

The season for going vestless is here. Are you prepared? One of these handsome and sure-to-please negligee shirts will add greatly to your appearance and don't-care-a-rap-how-hot-it-is feeling. Our run of sizes is so extensive that you're sure to find exactly what you desire, and at the price to suit you. Some have mercerized fronts and all are very dressy. While some carry collars and attached cuffs, others come with convenient watch pockets, and separate link cuffs, and all the little niceties known to the swell shirt makers.

Fifty cents to \$1.50.

## The 2 T's Trudell & Tobey Slater Shoe Agents

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO. "THE BUSY STORE" JOHN NORTHWAY & CO.

## Handsome Wash Fabrics

The past week has seen great selling in our Wash Goods Section. The large range of styles and exceptional values has made it the busiest spot in the store. New goods are being added almost daily. Searchers after style, quality and right values will find it profitable to visit this department.

White Organdy Muslin, 86 in. wide, sheer quality, very special at 35c and..... 25c	Simile Pongee, the new French fabric, not shown elsewhere in town, equal in appearance to silk, fine sheer finish, beautiful designs and colorings, special per yd..... 25c	widths, exceptional values at 25c, 20c, 15c, 12c and..... 10c
White Organdy Muslin, 70 in. wide, extra fine quality, special..... 50c	Fine Imported Zephyra, beautiful colorings, in new satin stripe effects, for shirt waists, absolutely fast colors, special at..... 25c	Fancy Figured White P. K's, in pretty small designs, excellent qualities, at 25c, 30c and..... 35c
Organdy Muslin, pink, sky and white, 66 in. wide, firm soft finish, excellent value at..... 40c	Dress Gingham, in checks, plaids and stripes, fancy corded effects, new color combinations, fast dyes, special at 10c, 12c and..... 15c	Colored P. K's, new stripes and polka dots, fast colors, special at 20c and 12c
Dimity Muslin, fine corded weave, white grounds, with small dots or figures, in blue, pink, helio, etc., guaranteed fast colors, special at..... 10c	Pink Chambray, fine soft finish, wide width, fast dye, special per yd..... 12c	New York Percales, finest American quality, full yd. wide, new stripe patterns, warranted fast wash colors, 2 yds. makes a waist, special per yd..... 47c
Dress Muslin, new blue grounds, in daisy figure dots and stripe designs, special at 15c and..... 12c	Cash Skirting, full yard wide, beautiful quality, special per yd..... 12c	Khaki Cloth, the popular material for Boys' Summer Suits, warranted in wear and color, special per yd..... 20c
Dress Muslin and Dimities, new patterns, latest colorings, choice range at 17c, 20c and..... 25c	White P. K's, lengthwise and cross cords, in narrow, medium and wide	35 pes. Duck Skirting, best quality, large range of patterns, in navy and butcher blues, fast colors, extra value per yd..... 12c

Mail orders promptly attended to. Samples mailed on application.

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO.,

CASH ONLY AND ONE PRICE.

## A FOREIGN FORCE

Has Relieved Tien Tsin but the Worst is Feared

About Admiral Seymour and the Foreign Legations at Peking.

Chee-Foo, Tuesday, June 25.—Rear Admiral Kempff reports, by a Japanese torpedo boat that the combined forces entered Tien Tsin on Saturday, June 23, sustaining small loss. They started on Sunday to relieve the force which left Tien Tsin on June 10, and which is believed to be surrounded near Peking.

According to Japanese reports Admiral Seymour has been captured and the ministers have left Peking, guarded by Chinese soldiers. Their whereabouts is unknown.

United States Consul John Fowler yesterday received from Rear Admiral Kempff the following:

"Only one communication from Peking has reached me since communications were interrupted on June 12. No direct or indirect news from the ministers since."

"About 430 foreign troops, including 56 American marines, went to Peking to guard the legations. A force of 100 Americans, uniting with a total of 2,500 men of all nationalities here, went on June 10 to open the road, and to relieve Peking. This movement was by permission of the Chinese government."

"The last news from the expedition was dated June 12, when the expedition was at Lang Fang. The railroad has been destroyed behind it since."

HEAVY RUSSIAN LOSSES.

Tsing Tau, June 24, 8 p. m.—Eight thousand allied troops have landed at Taku, including 1,200 Germans. A French officer who has succeeded in getting through from Tien Tsin to Taku says that the Russians alone have lost 150 killed and 300 wounded.

THE WORST FEARED.

London, June 25.—The British cruiser Terrible has arrived at Chee Foo from Taku with the latest news, which is as follows: "Eight hundred Sikhs and 200 Welsh Fusiliers have effected a junction with the American, German and Russian forces, which had been cut off by the Chinese about nine miles from Tien Tsin. It was proposed to deliver an assault upon the Chinese forces at Tien Tsin last Sunday night."

It is not clear what forces united. It would seem that one relieving force, cut off, had been relieved by another. At any rate, it is apparently certain that the allies arrived in sufficient force at Tien Tsin Sunday to attack the besieging Chinese.

"Foreign official opinion here," says a despatch from Shanghai to the Daily Express, dated yesterday, "inclines to the belief that the worst has happened to the legations at Peking, and to Admiral Seymour as well. Even if the legations were safe on June 19, there is no guarantee that they are safe now. The situation, in fact, grows more and more gloomy. The entire absence of reliable news from the capital seems to justify the worst construction which can be put on it."

## CANADIANS IN IT.

An Outpost of Them Cut Off by the Boers.

In the Honingspruit Affair—Six Columns Closing in on General Dewet.

London, June 25.—The following has been received from Roberts:

"Pretoria Presidency, June 25. Clements successfully engaged a body of Boers yesterday, near Wynberg, where he had gone to pick up supplies and some heavy guns preparatory to acting in combination with columns from Lindley, Helibron and Heidelberg. He drove the enemy north of Sandpruit with loss. No casualties are reported."

Lord Roberts' six columns are converging apparently so as to close in upon the Free Staters, although decisive results cannot be expected for several days. A number of Boers who were supposed to be within the wide-flung net have broken, or rather stolen, through Gen. Ruddle's Ficksburg-Senatal lines.

CANADIANS CUT OFF.

The Canadians were engaged in the

## STANDING HAY FOR SALE

By Auction

Tuesday, 3rd July

At 2 O'CLOCK

20 acres of first class standing timothy hay, on my farm, Lot 13, Con. 11, Dover, to the highest bidder.

I also wish to dispose of a Threshing Machine and Traction Engine, as good as new. And I will rent my farm, consisting of 100 acres, 50 cleared, as I intend giving up farming. Three months' credit will be given. For particulars address

THOS. J. COLLOP, Mitchell's Bay.

Honingspruit fight last Friday. Gen. De Wet's men first cut off a Canadian outpost of mounted rifles at dawn, two being killed. Lieut. Triglis and four others were wounded and three captured. The Free Staters then attacked the camp, where were 50 Canadians and two companies of Shropshires, although without much effect, as the men were well intrenched.

The foreign military attaches who were with Lord Roberts, are now in Cape Town en route for Europe. United States Consul Hay of Pretoria is going to Maseru in the interest of British prisoners, and to see President Kruger. Eighty Hollanders have been lodged in jail at Standerton for destroying property prior to the British occupation. The wives and children of the Boers are surprised that the British do not loot, but pay for what they get.

The Boers derailed a construction train near Standerton on June 24. Two trainmen killed and four badly hurt.

A part of Brabant's horse, near Ficksburg, saw a camp of khaki-clad men, and walked in, only to find themselves among the Boers. The visitors surrendered.

The Lorenzo Marques correspondent of the Times, telegraphing yesterday, says:—

"The Boers are losing a large number of horses from the cold and from lack of food, and the survivors are in a miserable condition. The inadequacy of the Boer commissariat is telling on the burghers."

The Times editorially adopts the suggestion of a correspondent that Johannesburg should be the capital of the Transvaal Colony, "because the traditions of Pretoria are corrupt."

## WENT IN TO BATHE

And Little Johnnie Brennan Lost His Life

In the Treacherous Thames—The Tragedy Nearly Followed by Another One.

Yesterday afternoon shortly before five o'clock, Joseph Brennan, son of John Brennan, carter, was drowned in sight of his twin brother in the Thames at the foot of First street. After school, a number of boys, including Harry Campbell, Jos. Kenny, Challice Sheldrick, Norman Atwater, Carol Green, W. Nutbrown, Ed. Carver, B. Taylor, and John Brennan, the twin brother of the dead boy, went swimming at the scene of the accident. The majority of the boys could swim and were sporting out in the middle of the river. The two Brennan boys and the little Taylor boy could not swim, but were playing on two logs in the water. Jos. Brennan got beyond his depth in a deep place, but was brought out by the other boys and warned to keep away from the dangerous spot. He seems to have returned to it again. Unheeded by the larger lads he sank and was drowned. As the little Taylor boy, who was standing next to him, said, he just gave two struggles and sank. Challice Sheldrick summoned the older boys from the middle of the river, and they came in and began diving for the lad. Young Sheldrick then ran down to the office of Dr. Holmes & McKeough. In front of John Piggott & Sons' office he met P. C. Darr and told him of the occurrence, and Mr. Darr promptly hurried to the scene. Dr. McKeough, on being notified, hurried to the river. P. C. Darr secured a pike pole from Piggott's mill, but found that the body had been recovered by the lad's companions. Young Green, by diving succeeded in getting the body, and with the assistance of Nutbrown, brought it ashore. Every effort was made by Dr. McKeough to resuscitate the lad, but without avail. The remains were finally taken home by J. A. Wilson's delivery wagon by E. Lapp, who happened to come along. Jos. Kenny, better known as Pete, was the youth who pulled young Brennan out the first time about half an hour before. The little fellow had got beyond his depth and was sinking the second time when rescued by Kenny. Pete told the boy to go home then, but he didn't go.

This piece of water here is peculiarly treacherous. Already six or seven persons have lost their lives there, including old Mr. Dennis and two boys named Luscombe and Chaffee.

Another almost fatal result of the tragedy came near being enacted last evening. The little fellow who had witnessed his brother's death got hold of some of Jankke's embalming fluid and drank it. His life was despaired of for some time, and as it was, only prompt medical treatment saved the lad's life.

AN INQUEST HELD.

Coroner Holmes held an inquest into the drowning last night. The following jury were empanelled by Detective McGregor: Henry Richards, Fred. Chaplin, John Glasford, George Turner, Robert Porter, Wm. Connors, Chas. Croft, Thomas Hughes, R. Jordan, Wm. Pickering, Alfred Brown and James Milner. They then adjourned to view the remains, after which they assembled in the town hall. Joseph Kenny, Harry Campbell, Willie Nutbrown and Challice Sheldrick, four of the lads there at the time, told what they knew of the accident. Dr. McKeough gave medical testimony as to the effort made at resuscitation.

Carol Green testified to recovering the body. This witness said that if there were an artificial pond to bathe in that he wouldn't bathe in the river, as the pond would be cleaner, safer, and more private.

Albert Taylor told how he was standing near Brennan when he was drowned, how the pond had gone down once, came up and then went down again. This concluded the evidence, and without hesitation the jury returned the following verdict: That John Brennan came to his death by drowning and that his death was accidental and no blame is attachable to anyone.

June 22nd, 1900.

## ANOTHER SNAP IN LADIES' OXFORDS

a little over one hundred pairs of Ladies' Fine Don-gola and Vici Kid Oxfords, in Tan and Black, almost every size—they're all regular \$1.50, \$2.00 and \$2.50 shoes, clearing out the lot at . . . . .

\$1.00

a pair. This sale is for Saturday the 23rd.

GEO. W. COWAN

"In the springtime Ladies' fancies . . . lightly turn to . . . thoughts of . . ."

## Gas

So that they may have a cool kitchen and perfect luxury in cooking. Gas Ranges and Stoves sold at cost at almost any price. . . .

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Screen Doors in 3 sizes, at \$1.00 Each

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BE SURE to measure your doors and windows before leaving your order for Screens.

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Our Refrigerators are the correct build and are great ice savers, \$13, \$16, \$20, \$25.

Water Coolers in Stoneware, with milled faucets, \$1.75, \$2, \$4.50 and \$5.

Summer Cook Stoves, \$7.00—all stores guaranteed to satisfy.

Japanese Fans with every \$1.00 purchase for the balance of June.

Slate Roofing PLAIN AND ORNAMENTAL. Our work is on the Hospital, the residences of H. Gray, J. M. Park and many others. All work guaranteed. Write for estimates. John Whittaker, 551 King St. London Ont.