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Carpets and Housefurnishings

If you want to buy carpets and are not particular about the wearing qualities, and do not care whether the designs are the newest—and prices the lowest—you will not be interested in our magnificent display. But if you want something distinctive without being higher in cost, original and not commonplace, you will certainly see the result of our buying from the best makers in the old world—we can save you money whether the carpet be

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500 yds. extra quality English Tapestry Carpet, in a nice range of new designs, special at 35c, 45c and..... **50c yd.**
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If you have never worn one of this class of Shirts, now is a good time to begin. The best grade have cuffs attached? a few of the cheaper grades are cuffless. Fashion has decreed in favor of the attached cuffs. We have a fine selection of the best and latest patterns which we can sell at from \$1.00 to \$1.50. The same goods usually sell for more. We have colored shirts as low as \$1.00. We have also a good line of white shirts to sell from 75c to \$1.

SEE EAST WINDOW FOR LATEST SPRING STYLES

THE 2 T'S = Trudell & Tobey

Outfitters to all Mankind

FOR A GOOD CAUSE.

The Ministering Circle Society, consisting of twelve young ladies, re-organized at the residence of Mrs. T. Richardson, Thames St., on Thursday, March 1st. Officers were elected as follows:

President—Mrs. T. Richardson.
Vice—Miss Kate Campbell.
Treasurer—Miss Jessie Harper.
Secretary—Miss Belle Baxter.
These young ladies discussed different ways of raising funds to furnish their room anew at the Public General Hospital. A Patriotic Lunch and Tea was decided on for Friday, March 16th, in the I. O. O. F. Auditorium. The whole society have been canvassing for refreshments for the past week and send a vote of thanks to all of those who were so liberal in donating to them. Half of the proceeds of their lunch and tea they intend sending to the ladies of the Red Cross Society in Toronto, where it will be forwarded to the Canadian boys in South Africa. These young ladies are so earnest in their work that the general public should do their utmost in patronizing their tea. Don't forget the date, Friday, March 16th.
Those who have promised to donate refreshments will kindly send them up to the I. O. O. F. Auditorium on Friday, March 16th, instead of Wednesday, March 7th, as originally intended.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature in each box. 17

Lecture on the South African war by the Rev. R. F. Hurley, D.D., of Detroit, Mich., at the A. M. E. church, Thursday evening, March 8, 1900. Admission 10c.

Pte. W. J. H. Ross, of the Dominion Police, Ottawa, and a member of D Company, died at Wynberg Hospital from enteric fever.

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Wonderful Linen Values

Our buyer has just returned from the European markets, where he has made some extraordinary linen purchases. A large shipment of these goods was passed through the customs yesterday and will be placed on our counters for sale to-morrow. Hotel-keepers, boarding housekeepers and others will do well to secure requirements in linen goods while this stock lasts as they are fully 25 per cent. below regular values.

Superior Satin Damask, warranted all linen, pure grass bleached, in handsome designs, full 2 yds. wide, wonderful value at per yd..... **50c**
Double Damask, 2 yds. wide, superior quality, satin finish, pure dew bleached, in lovely designs, exceptional value at..... **90c**
Superior Double Damask, extra quality, fine satin finish, pure Irish grass bleached, full 2 yds. wide, extra values at \$1 and..... **\$1.25**
Heavy Cream Union Damask, fine quality, in good patterns, very special per yd..... **19c**
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Extra Quality Union Damask, full 64 in. wide, satin finish, desirable patterns, extra value at..... **35c**

Pure Linen Cream Damask, 66 in. wide, fine heavy quality Bo fast make, very special at..... **50c**
Cream Satin Damask, superior quality, full 2 yds. wide, warranted pure Irish linen, handsome designs, exceptional value at..... **60c**
Table Napkins, a special purchase of these goods enables us to offer unusual values, to see them is to buy them, an immense range to select from at per doz. 50c up to..... **\$3.75**
Wonderful Toweling Values—Pure Irish Linen Tea Cloth, 28 in. wide (note the width) fine heavy quality, with fancy border, special per yd. 12 1/2c
Birdseye Hachaback Toweling, fine pure linen quality, soft finish, full 21 in. wide, extra value per yd..... **12 1/2c**
Belmont Tea Cloth, a fine linen towel-

ing, 23 in. wide, with fancy red or blue borders, special per yd..... **10c**
Crash Towelings, in all the best makes, exceptional values at per yd. 4c, 5c, 6c, 7c, 8c and..... **10c**
Check Glass Toweling, full yd. wide (note the width) pure linen, fine quality, with red check pattern, fast color, wonderful value at per yd..... **15c**
Pure Bleach Hachaback Toweling, 66 in. wide, fine quality, special per yd..... **25c**
Towels, some wonderful values in fine linen towels, you can effect a substantial saving by buying now.
New goods of every description coming to hand, drop in and see what is really new and correct in style.

The Busy Cash Store

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO.

DEFEATED WITH LOSS.

Lord Roberts Again Succeeds in a Flanking Movement.

Enemy Forced to Abandon a Strong Position—They Leave One Gun Behind—British Cavalry do Most of the Fighting—The Casualties About 50.

London, March 8.—Lord Roberts wired from Osofontein yesterday afternoon:

Our operations to-day promise to be a great success. The enemy occupied a position four miles north and eleven miles south of the Modder River. I placed General Colville's on the north bank and General Kelly-Kenny's and Tucker's divisions with cavalry on the south bank. The cavalry division succeeded in turning the enemy's left flank, opening a road for the sixth division, which is advancing without having been obliged to fire a shot up to the present time. The enemy are in full retreat towards the north and east. They are being closely followed by cavalry, horse artillery and mounted infantry, while Tucker's seventh division, Colville's ninth division and the Guards Brigade, under Pol-O-nev, are making their way across the river at Poplar's Drift, where I propose to place my headquarters this evening. Our casualties will, I trust, be few as the enemy were quite unprepared for being attacked by the flank, and having their communication with Bloemfontein threatened.

ENEMY IN FULL RETREAT.
London, March 7.—Midnight—The War Office has just published the following advice from Lord Roberts:—Poplar Grove, Wednesday, March 7.—Evening—We had a very successful day, and have completely routed the enemy, who are in full retreat.

The position which they occupied is extremely strong and cunningly arranged, with a second line of entrenchments, which would have caused us heavy loss had a front attack been made. The turning movement was necessarily wide, owing to the nature of the ground, and the cavalry and horse artillery horses are much done up.

The fighting was practically confined to the cavalry division, which, as usual, did exceedingly well, and Gen. French reports that the horse artillery batteries did great execution among the enemy.

Our casualties were about 50. I regret to say that Lieut. Keswick was killed and Lieut. Bailey was severely wounded. Both of the 13th Lancs. Lieut. De Grey, of the 35th and Life Guards, was severely wounded. Remaining casualties will be telegraphed to-morrow.
Generals Dewet and Delarey commanded the Boers.

LEFT ONE GUN.
Osofontein, March 8.—Lord Roberts' forces advanced early in the morning. Gen. French turned the southern part of the position of the Boers, who fled incontinently, leaving a gun, immense quantities of forage and their tents. He is now in pursuit. The Boers on the north bank are also evacuating the position.

Prior to this engagement the Times correspondent wired that the Boers occupied "an extensive position between Osofontein and Wynberg. They include the bulk of the Natal forces, and are under Gen. Joubert himself. Only sufficient men have been left to hold Van Rensburg's Pass and Laing's Nek. Extensive desertions are reported during the trek. An engagement is imminent, which will probably be decisive as to the whole war."

AN ADVANCE OF 14 MILES.
London, Thursday, March 8, 4 a. m.—Lord Roberts wired yesterday morning from Osofontein, and in the evening from Poplar Grove, 14 miles eastward. By an application of the elementary principle of strategy, the Boer positions, 15 miles long, across his path, have been vacated, and their holders have been obliged to retire in confusion, consequent upon hasty withdrawal. Nothing was done by Roberts to disturb the symmetry of the deadly ingenuity of the Boer trenches in front of him. He marched out infantry estimated from the commands named, at 30,000 men, and sent 1,000 horsemen and horse artillery, in a bold sweep, upon the Boer left, whereupon the Boer centre and right became untenable. Fifty British fell when the cavalry came into contact with the Boers. The correspondents offer us the enemy's strength. The Daily Mail's report thinks the Boers numbered something more than 4,000. The Daily News' main estimates them at 10,000. As these figures are from observers at headquarters, it is clear that Lord Roberts' force was overwhelmingly superior. He can scarcely have fewer than 15,000 immediately available, as the Guards Brigade reached him from Lord Methuen Tuesday. Lord Methuen now commands only volunteers, and the local forces at Kimberley, some of whom have gone toward Mafeking. The Boers do not yet appear to appreciate the mobility of Lord Roberts' corps which was able to strike so swiftly in this affair that the enemy had to abandon wagons, much forage and a large quantity of camp equipment.

A WARNING.
The Standard warns the English against rising to a high state of contentment, which the position does not justify, and thus measures the situation. "A large number of Boers still in the field. They have a wide range of country over which they can operate. Although their morale is somewhat damaged, it will be too much to say that they will not stand again. Indeed, what we want them to do is to stand again, for it is only in a real stand-up fight that we can inflict those losses which would eventually lead the defeated to sue for peace. Lord Roberts has gained a success, but it must not be regarded as a signal victory until we know what prisoners have been taken."

TOO BAD THEY ESCAPED.
Speaker Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, says:—"Yesterday's event is not quite concluded. It cannot be the Boer game to be beaten in detail. Their only chance is to collect the bulk of their forces for a decisive battle. If they have not enough men or spirit to stand up to Lord Roberts, their case is hopeless. It begins to look, indeed, as if the original estimate of the strength of the enemy's force—about 50,000—were not far wrong. In that case the game is up, for they must have lost 10,000 or more of the original 50,000. The escape of the Boer force yesterday, however, is most disappointing. A good general is not satisfied with the retreat of his enemy. He wishes to destroy them."

SENT TO ST. HELENA.
The military authorities have decided that Gen. Cronje and the other Boer prisoners shall be sent immediately to the Island of St. Helena, there to remain until the end of the war. Lord Roberts has chosen Lord Bathurst, colonel of militia at the front, to command the escort to St. Helena, which was last month placed in cable communication with Cape Town and London. It is also asserted that the Cabinet resolved neither to propose nor to entertain proposals at the present juncture for an exchange of prisoners.

WAR NOTES.
The death roll among the Canadians now numbers 42.
The Dutch rebels in northern Cape Colony are firing on natives and committing other outrages.
A peace meeting in Edinburgh was successfully stormed by students and broken up. There were many arrests.
Gen. Cronje's losses were greater than he admitted. Sixty bodies of Boers have been found in one grave.
Private J. Adams, of the Manitoba Dragoons, died from dysentery at Jacobsdal. He was a member of "A" Company.
T. G. H. Redderick, member of the British parliament for Wick, proposes to introduce a bill into the common

providing that the colonies be admitted to direct representation in parliament.

The total casualties in Buller's final attack for the relief of Ladysmith from Feb. 14 to 27, were 1859.

A large mounted force under Major Prendergast has entered the Transvaal from Zululand and is daily skirmishing with the Boers.

A Pretoria version of the retreat from Ladysmith says it was rendered necessary through the key to the Boer position being abandoned on account of a mistaken order. The commandant's blunder in retiring was irreparable.

A despatch from Cape Town, says there is a crying need for an explicit statement by the British ministry that nothing short of annihilation is intended in order to "dampen the mischievous agitation that is going on under the pretext of a demand for peace."

Squadrons "A" and "B" of Kitchener's horse, that were reported missing have returned to camp. They were cut off with Squadron "C" on Feb. 13th, but they escaped, although they lost their way afterward of the veldt. Squadron "E" are prisoners at Pretoria.

March 1st, 1900.

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?

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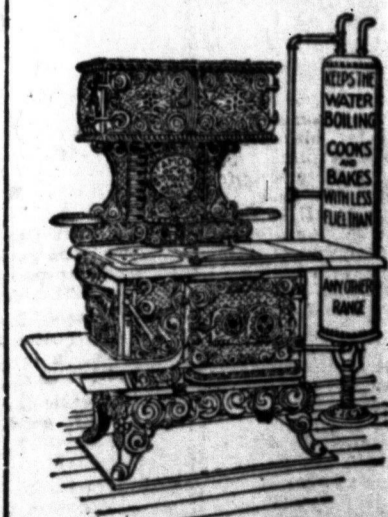
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Misses' now..... **25c**
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