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## Embroideries and Tuckings

Lovely "All-over" goods in Swiss Muslins and pretty Nainsook Coverts with puffing—shirring, hemstitched tuckings and Lace Insertions. The most beautiful selection conceivable for yokes, gimps, trimmings, etc.—they were purchased in St. Gall, the home of these dainty white goods, at such decided price advantage that we can let you have them

at 60c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50 yard.

### A Quilt Special

Fine white quilt, full double bed size, beautiful marseilles pattern, but they are slightly spotted, regular price \$1, on sale Thursday

at 85c.

### Table Sets

Hemstitched Cloths with Napkins to match:

Size 8 x 10.....\$3.00 each  
Size 8 x 12.....\$3.50 each  
Napkins to match.....\$3.00 doz.  
Size 8 x 10.....\$3.50 each  
Size 8 x 12.....\$4.00 each  
Napkins to match.....\$4.00 doz.

They are the finest grass bleached goods guaranteed pure linen.

### Easter Gloves

No matter what your Easter Glove needs may be, there is one place in Chatham that is sure to have exactly what you want. Every quality we have strictly reliable, and we have all the shades and tints that are looked for.

Ladies' 2 large dome, fine French kid gloves, narrow silk embroidered backs, "guaranteed" special per pair.....\$1.00

Ladies' 3 large dome fine French kid gloves, silk stitched backs, perfect fitting, per pair.....\$1.25

Ladies' extra quality fine French kid gloves, gusseted fingers, new Paris backs, per pair.....\$1.50

### Fancy Silks

In many pretty styles, and our black silks will effect a big saving for you.

400 yards new fancy striped Japanese silks, also in checks and fancy figures, 21 inches wide, at 50c and.....75c yd.  
Splendid range of new Foulard silk, 21 inches wide, in small dots and figures, also in the larger and more stylish designs, special at 50c and.....75c yd.

### Exceptionals

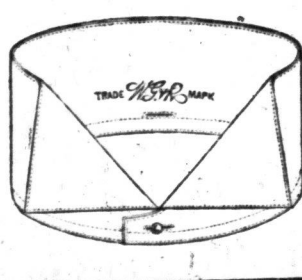
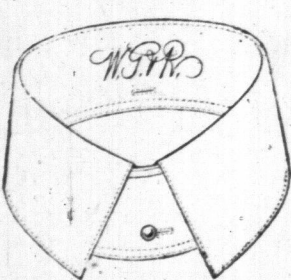
Bonnet's guaranteed black, Peau-de-Soie, pure silk 22 inches wide and very heavy

at \$1.00 yd.

This is a rare chance.

Thomas Stone & Son

Direct Importers



## We'll Collar You Twice for 25c

We haven't quite enough Collars at this price to go around the world, but we've enough for a couple of hundred quick buyers. They are from one of the best known collar firms in Canada. All styles turn-down, high stand-up turn-down, plain standing and turn points, sizes 13 to 17 1/2.

.....The 2 T's.....

Trudell & Tobey

Sole Agents for Slater Shoes and Barrington Hats

## ON A WAR FOOTING

Russia Now Almost Has Her Army and Navy.

Speculation as to Whether She Intends Attacking Japan, Turkey or Great Britain.

Paris, April 4.—A St. Petersburg special says:—Signs are not wanting that the Empire is rapidly approaching a war footing, and although Northern Russia is still reserved and rather pessimistic, the southern part of the Empire fairly smells of war. St. Petersburg, however, despite its superficial cynicism, is endeavoring to guess with what power the fight will be begun, whether Japan, Turkey or Great Britain. Fifteen thousand troops are gathered at Sebastopol to wait further orders, and the four speediest express steamers of the local commercial fleet are under contract with the government to be placed at the shortest possible notice at the disposal of the Admiralty.

William J. Hyne, of Belleville, committed suicide by taking Paris green. Sir William Macdonald has made another gift of \$200,000 to McGill University.

A great deal of evidence of persecution in the Third Main by-law vote in Hamilton was given before Judge Snider. It is reported that the government of Korea has granted the Russian demand for ground within the settlement of Masampo.

The authorities of Laval University have transmitted to the council of Montreal, the account of the damages occasioned during the recent disturbances. They ask for \$170.75.

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"THE BUSY STORE"

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## New Millinery

It means much to make such a display as we now have in our Millinery department, but no labor is to great that wins such expressions of appreciation as we have received during the past week. Our charming display has been the talk of the town and the most fashionable dressers in Chatham have favored us with their orders. We have increased our leadership more than ever and discounted our best efforts of the past. As Easter will soon be here, would it not be well to place your orders now and avoid the rush that is sure to come later.

### Home Spun Dress Goods

We have just opened out a case of the Finest Home Spuns we have seen this season. You must see these goods in order to judge of their excellence.

56 in. Fine Pure Wool Home Spuns—in new shades of gray, made from clean scoured yarns, fine, crisp finish, will make a handsome suit, at per yd..... 90c  
Extra Quality Home Spuns, fine, pure crisp wool, clean finish, in desirable shades of gray, full 56 in. wide, very special at \$1 and.....\$1.25  
Gun Club Checks are leaders in fashion, this season we are showing a beautiful range in all the new spring colorings at 50c, 65c, 75c, 85c, \$1 and.....\$1.25  
Scotch Tweed Suitings, fine wool qualities, in choice small, medium and broken check and mixtures, 42 to 54 in. wide, at 50c, 65c, 75c, 85c and.....\$1.00

SAMPLES sent by mail for the asking. Drop us a card stating the class of goods and shades you prefer.

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO.

CASH ONLY AND ONE PRICE

## MAGNIFICENT PLUCK.

### The British Displayed it During the Late Attack From Ambush.

Bushman's Kop, Tuesday, April 4.—Hearing that the water-works was deserted, the correspondent of the Reuter's agency rode forward to-day. Arriving at the crest of the hill a volley was fired at him, and a moment later a man appeared at the top of the crest. Calling on him to stop firing, and saying he was unarmed, and desired to talk with him, the correspondent discovered that this man was an American, who declared that he accompanied the Boers only as a sight-seer.

He said that never during his whole life had he witnessed such magnificent pluck as that shown by the British on Saturday, and he asserted that not only himself, but the whole Boer army, were profoundly touched with admiration at their gallant behavior. It appears that the Boers never doubted their ability to capture the whole British force, and were dumbfounded at the courage displayed and the mastery way in which the force was able to escape from the death-trap. The correspondent's informant refused to give any information regarding the Boer forces or their movements, but it appeared that the present force was detached from Koenigsdorp, joined the Ladybrand force, and then divided north to Thaba Nchu, one portion following the other and meeting Col. Broadwood's retreating force. The burghers engaged consisted of Seboeman's commando, which was accompanied by many foreigners. Commandant John Y. Blake was present with the Irish brigade and other foreigners.

The fight was marked by many acts of individual courage. The first man to warn the British of the ambush was a sergeant of the army service corps, who shot a Boer dead with his revolver. A Household cavalryman, who was summoned to surrender, threw his rifle in his captor's face, knocking him over, and escaped. The Boers undoubtedly shot some of their own men who advanced to demand the British surrender.

BOERS SHOOT PRISONERS.

Later—According to the testimony of eye-witnesses the Boers shot some of the prisoners, but the confusion was great—the fire proceeding from all directions—and the Boers firing on the convey, in which their own were mixed up—that it is impossible to say exactly what happened. Explosive bullets have been found in the bandoliers of some of the Boers who were captured. The enemy pursued the British for miles, killing, wounding and taking prisoners. One squadron of the Sixth Dragoons, which entered the action 140 strong, mustered at the end only ten mounted men. The Boers seemed to be in great strength throughout the district and are signalling on all sides. A large body is reported moving south-west of Bloemfontein in the direction of the railway. Duplicate machinery is available to replace that which the Boers destroyed at the water-works. The British troops are in urgent need of remounts.

### BRITISH CASUALTIES.

London, April 3.—An official list of the casualties sustained by the British officers near the Bloemfontein water-works is as follows:—Killed—Northumberland Fusiliers—Major Booth. Roberts' Horse—Lieut. Crowler. Army Medical Service—Lieut. Irvine. Wounded—Artillery—Col. Rochfort and five others. Royal Horse Guards—Lieut. the Hon. A. V. Meade. Roberts' Horse—Three. Mounted Infantry—Four. Missing—Artillery—Capt. Wray. Tenth Hussars—Lieuts. the Hon. D. R. H. Anderson-Petham and C. W. H. Crichton.

## SOMETHING GOING ON.

### Censor has Cut Off all News Concerning Lord Roberts' Movements.

London, April 4, 4.30 a.m.—It is announced from Springfontein that the censorship has again curtailed the despatches. There are important developments must be impending.

No news has yet been received of the expected battle between General French and the Boers. There is now but a remote prospect of the recapture of the guns.

### A BRILLIANT SUCCESS NEEDED.

The Daily Chronicle, whose Cape Town correspondent joyfully predicts that the war would be over in three months, says—in order to re-establish our position in the Free State, we need a brilliant success, won on

the scene of our latest reverse. The Cape Town correspondent of the Times, telegraphing Monday, says:—Apparently there was not a man ahead of the convey with order to look out, but the escort tried quietly and only discovered that something was wrong after half the convey had been captured.

Spencer Wilkinson discussing the attack on Col. Broadwood's detachment in the Morning Post, says:—The attack was well planned and well executed. Col. Broadwood, however, skillfully evaded the stroke aimed at him. Possibly Lord Roberts has retired his infantry with a view of encouraging the Boers to advance and to continue their attack. Probably nothing will suit him better than that they should attempt to move toward the railway or to attack in the direction of Bloemfontein. He is collecting remounts and stores in order to be in readiness for a renewal of the general advance, and he will not be drawn away. If the Boers venture too near they will receive punishment.

### LORD ROBERTS' DESPATCH.

Lord Roberts continues his description of the recent disaster while crossing the spruit near the water-works, as follows: The Essex, Munster and Northumberland Mounted Infantry and Roberts' Horse covered the retirement of the guns from that position to the crossing of the drift found by the cavalry two miles further south, and withstood the determined attacks of the enemy, who, in some cases, advanced within a hundred yards. "D" battery, of the Royal Horse Artillery, was suddenly surrounded in the drift, and the officers and men were all made prisoners without a shot being fired. But Major Taylor and a sergeant-major succeeded in escaping in the confusion. Five guns were captured at the same time. Further details to-morrow.

Lord Roberts' despatch seems to finally dispose of the earlier report of the recovery of the guns, and the fact that the Boers remain in occupation of the water-works is taken as an indication that they intend to make a stand sufficiently long to cover the withdrawal of the guns and wagons to a place of safety, although the absence of definite information regarding the movements of Gen. French's cavalry makes it difficult to estimate their chances of success.

### IN SIGHT OF LADYSMITH.

London, April 4.—A despatch from Ladysmith says that the Boers are becoming daringly bold, and are approaching within sight of Ladysmith. After the relief of Ladysmith the Boers fell back to the mountain passes, but finding they were not pursued, have gradually drawn near the town on north, east and west sides. A strong column came within eleven

miles of the town Sunday, while their patrols scour the country.

### BOERS DEMORALIZED.

The correspondent of the Times at Lorenzo Marques, telegraphing Tuesday, says:—It is reported here that all the Rand mines closed down last Thursday. British workmen and their countrymen in other parts of the republic are being expelled wholesale from the Transvaal. On the other hand, the Boers are so demoralized that it is impossible to induce many now on furlough to return to the front. They are generally averse to defending Biggarsburg and are divided with reference to the wisdom of continuing the war. Kruger has prevailed on Mr. Steyn to make one big stand before surrendering.

### TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Take Laxative Broncho Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. See E. W. Grove's signature in each box.

## If A Shoe-man Tried

He could mislead almost any customer as to the worth of a pair of shoes. Careless shoemakers are often misled themselves. We begin with the leather—we know the makers—we know the shoes. You can buy here with your eyes shut and be sure of your money's worth.

## Our New \$2.00

Ladies' vici kid laced boots for spring is by far the best value we have shown: made on newest shape in different widths and all sizes—flexible sole—soft smooth kid uppers—cut to fit right—every pair warranted to give satisfactory wear.

Geo. W. Cowan



## Reduction Lamp Sale

### "THE ARK"

Parlor, Library, Hall, Vase and Banquet Lamps to be sold at reduced prices for the next

10 DAYS

\$10 Lamps at.....\$6.00  
\$8 Lamps at.....\$7.00  
\$6 Lamps at.....\$4.00  
\$5 Lamps at.....\$4.00  
\$4 Lamps at.....\$3.25  
\$1.50 Lamps at.....\$1.25  
\$1 Lamps at.....\$0.25