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BUTTERICK PATTERNS

THOMAS STONE & SON

FASHION SHEETS FREE

Honest Linens

Has been one of the features of this business ever since your grandmo hers filled their Linen closets from our shelves. Thus by only having reliable Linens to sell this "satisfactory store" has become purveyor of Linens to her serene highness, the Chatham matron and her household.

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As never before, by the yard, in all widths, bleached or unbleached, or the creamy satin Damask Cloths of every size, with Napkins to match, at all prices per yd. from......

25c to \$2.00

Towels and Towelings

Make us really "Linen proud." For if we have learned to judge your taste correctly, we've Towel comfort for you by the dozen...

Towels from 10c each to 50c Towelling, all Linen, 8c, 10c, 121 c and 15

The Art Linens

25c, 35c, 40c, 50c, 75c. \$100 & \$150

Of manufacturers' samples of Battenberg Pieces of all kinds, these we are selling at 25 per cent below regular prices

Lots of them left. Just think of buying Napkins that are only slightly imperfect at

Pruning Season

Will soon be here and those who wish to raise 'good fruit and grow nice trees must prune. Geo. Stephens, Quinn & Douglas have all the necessary tools for this purpose and their prices are right.

Geo. Stephens, Quinn & Douglas

FAMOUS ENAMELED WARE



Kettles 350, 450, 550

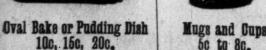




"THE ARK"

for any thing you need for the kitchen.







Wash Basins 15c to 25c.

H. Macaulay "THE ARK"

Include all manner of dainty things for table, dresser, cray cloths, carving cloths, squares and scarfs innumerable, some hemstitched,

A Splendid Purchase

Mill Seconds

these prices † size, regular \$4.50 quality, for \$2.50 § size, regular \$1.50 and \$1.75 quality for \$1.25

THOMAS STONE & SON, Of Irish Linens.

STILL STAND

The Lion and the Bear Show a Desire to Mix-up.

Forces are Reduced, However, to Pre vent Possible Collision During Negotiations.

Tien Tsin, March 18.-There is no change in the situation developed by the Anglo-Russian railway dispute sented by small detachments with officers encamped on opposite sides of the railway siding. The utmost friendliness is exhibited toward each other by the opposing parties; but as a measure of precaution the guards have been reduced to twenty-seven on each side in order to prevent any possible collision during the ne. gotiations. A Russian general arriv-rived from Pekin Saturday evening. Owing to the persistent rowdyism of French soldiers in the British con-cession, the British authorities have been reluctantly compelled to forbid the French to enter the concession unless on duty. Maj. Hockler, of the British force was assaulted yester-day afternoon in the French conces-

The Russians continue to purchase land in their new concession A German reconnoitering party returned to Tien Tsin to-day with thirty

captured robbers.
Count von Waldersee is expected to arrive here Tuesday from Kiao-Chou. THREAT OF AN ENGLISH PAPER. THREAT OF AN ENGLISH PAPER.
London, March 18.—The Tien Tsin correspondent of the Standard, says:
"The railway dispute here is another of the attempts of the Russian admiral. Alexieff, to create trouble, and until he is removed there will be constant friction, which will eventually lead to hostilities. He loses no opportunity to thwart the English."
Commenting editorially upon its Tien Tsin advices the Standard reminds Russia that "the British fleet is as potent as ever and Japan is is as potent as ever and Japan is burning to second the efforts of any-

burning to second the efforts of anyone ready to oppose the annexation of Manchuria," adding:

"It is a painful task thus to be compelled even to hint at contingencies so vast and disturbing, but the perils of the moment are more likely to be overcome if it is thoroughly realized that we do not shrink from such action as would be best calculated to maintain our rights."

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The other morning papers recognize the gravity of the situation at Tien Tsin and counsel the government to be firm but they express themselves less aggressively.

"A grievous blow has been inflicted upon our reputation in the far east," asys the Daily Mail. "Our weaknesses and unpreparedness for war are well known to our enemies and there is reason to expect further sarprises in the diplomatic line. Before, however, we can put our foot down the empire must be placed in fighting order.

"There is no fear of Lord Salisbury

"There is no fear of Lord Salisbury going to war with Russia for a good or had cause," says the Daily News. "Russia is a fit object for graceful concessions and not a small republic to be bullied and provoked.

St. Patrick's Day will be observed by a splendid concert in the Grand Opera House to-morrow evening, when Har-old Jarvis, Miss McGill, and the best local talent will present an admirable program. Seats can be reserved at the Central Drug Store.

"We were very much pleased with the design you sent. It was beauti-ful and appropriate." The Victoria Ave. Green Houses receive such words of commendation every day. Tele-phone No. 181.

Boer Leaders are Reported to be Holding Daily Conferences Upon the Proposal.

London, Monday, March 18 .- A Cape Town despatch, dated Sunday, says:-General De Wet's commando has been broken up at Senekal, Orange River

A Pretoria despatch of Sunday says: -The prospects of peace are still considered hopeful.

The Boer losses last month were 160 killed and 400 wounded and 1,000 captured and surrendered. Owing to the heavy rains General French's transport difficulties are

CONFERRING DAILY. Mondon, March 17 .- A special de-Mondon, March 17.—A special despatch from Standerton says the Boers are massing at the station on the Delagoa line, and the leaders are conferring daily at each station and also at Pietersburg. Nothing has transpired except that the fate of the Boers who have surrendered is one of Boers who have surrendered is one of the subjects of discussion. The lead-ers are in communication on the subject of a general surrender with the Boer committee at Amsterdam. It is stated that the manufacture of ammunition is proceeding vigorously.

CONFERENCE AT PIETERSBURG. London, March 16.—A special despatch from Durban, Natal, says the Boer commanders are holding a meeting at District Property of the commanders are holding at the commander of t ing at Pietersburg, in the northern Transvaal, to discuss the position and the advisability of a continuation of LOOTING AND BURNING.

London, Cape Colony, Friday, March 15.—The Boers passed through here yesterday morning. They looted the the stores, seized forage, and burned what wheat they could not carry off. ERASMUS CAPTURED.

London, March 16. - A despatch from Gen. Kitchener, dated from Pretoria, March 16, announces that the notorious Abel Erasmus, of Lydenberg, has been brought in with his family of Col. Park's column.

DEWET NOT IN IT. London, March 16 .- Whatever the re

sonal views of the Boer leader are not known in Pall Mall, but if the War Office, is consulted the officials there would rather see De Wet killed in action than taken alive. One of the officials responsible for the direction of the affairs of the army said to a press representative:—"I cannot see how Kitchener can possibly accept De Wet's surrender. If he ever gets him he will be obliged to try him for his recent alleged murders of prisoners. I have no doubt that the verdict of either a military or a civil court would be death, and if such a verdict should be carried out there would be a should be carried out there would be a horrible howl on the continent and in America. And, indeed, one would be sorry to see such a brave fighter meet such an end. Therefore, we can only hope De Wet will either be let out of the country or shot in battle.

RAIDERS DRIVEN BACK. Cape Town, March 16—A party of Boer invaders, which was evidently marching with the intention of raiding the remount depot at Bowker's Park, Cape Colony, was met by the colonial district forces, and driven back. One British soldier was dan-

A small party of Boers in the Tark-astad district met three colonial scouts. The Boers held up their hands and showed a white flag, but when the scouts approached the burghers fired on them. One of the scouts was severely wounded.

An armored train from Kimberley collided yesterday with a regular train near the Orange river bridge. One soldier was killed and four were injured. The rolling stock was considerably damaged.

CASUALTY LIST. London, March 16 .- The war office last night issued the monthly return of casualties of the British force in in South Africa. The total reduction

of the force throughout the war is 16,-859 officers and men, as follows:— Deaths in South Africa—664 officers, 13,137 men. Missing and prisoners—17 officers, 783 men (some of the latter have

rejoined). Invalids sent home, who have died-4 officers, 287 men.
Invalids sent home, who have left the service as unfit—1,967 men.

sult of the peace negotiations between Gen. Kitchener and Gen. Botha, it is tolerably certain that the rumors of the inclusion of Gen. De Wet in any form of amnesty are not based on fact. Gen. Kitchener's per-FOR CHEAP NOTORIETY

Windy Yankee Congressman Pours Forth Hot Air and Blusters Excitedly at Detroit Theatre.

itself into a twisting of the lion's tail in the evening at the Empire theatre, Detroit, where Congressman C. A Gallagher, of Minneapolis, delivered an address full of invective and epigram. The audience, which was not large for St. Patrick's day, was wrung to a high pitch by the heated words of the Minnesota congressman, who turned from a eulogy of Ireland and her saint to a bitter denuncia-

tion of England. "We are here to celebrate the day when religion was firmly planted in the Irish soil," began the orator, "and to pray for the day when the god of battles shall send a prophet with a triumphant sword to plant the flag of freedom and independence upon that soil. England will laugh at riots, and parliamentary uproars, but will quail

before the drawn sword. In her mad and malicious attempt to apostasize a nation, England has to apostasize a nation, England has hunted the priests of Ireland like wild beasts, and from the inspiration and enthusiasm of the ministers of the church has sprung the fortitude and invincible attitude of the people and this is what has aroused the animosity of the English."

"We need no apology in appealing to the American people for sympathy. The cause of Ireland and that of the colonists in America are one. Both

The cause of Ireland and that of the colonists in America are one. Both felt the same lash, both were crushed by the same tyrant heel, both prayed to the same God, and as history will one day be written, both liberated by the same sword. England will yield only to the sword.

RIFLES WILL DO IT. "Generations are yet unborn that will nurse and feed the national ven-geance until it becomes irresistible. It was not the voice and pleadings of Grattan, but the rifle in the hand of Grattan, but the rifle in the hand of the volunteer that won for Ireland an Irish parliament. The greatest foe to the Irish cause is the Irishman who pleads neutrality under the guise of American patriotism, saying 'America is good enough for me.' Yes, too good for them. This land is the world's tribunal where the cause of right must be fought for and won. Will less satisfy you than what was won by the followers of Washington?"

Congressman Gallagher went on to recite the many instances of what he termed "English deceit, perfidy and bloodthirstiness," and supported his charges with historical and recent events.

St. Patrick's day celebration shaped ing in the ditches from famine, the street into a twisting of the lion's Sultan of Turkey sent his check for the sum of £10,000. While the richest est of all the world's sovereigns, Queen Victoria, whose purse was overflowing with the gold she stole from Ireland's poor, opened the strings and with the dying echoes of a famished people ringing in her ears, donated the munificent sum of £5.

"Not content with crushing the life out of a famished people, she sends her petted lords abroad to spill the blood of the defenders of a weak republic in South Africa. But she was met with drawn steel, the only thing which England fears. The reports of her defeated generals were daily, 'I regret to announce.' Regrets are in order yet, And this great nation is selling its horses to England to help drag cannon against the builders and defenders of a republic. It is a violation of the laws of neutrality.

"England lives in dread of that day when the united Irish soldiers from this country and all the world over will march upon her and crush her into the dust, blotting out forever that monster of greed, that glutton of blood, vampire of destruction, mistress of famine and consort of savages and her her into read of the savages and her her into series." UNCLE SAM IS NOT NEUTRAL.

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Frank C. Cook acted as chairman for the evening, and on the platform were Assistant Corporation Counsel Mc-Grath, Bishop Foley and other De-troit citizens. A musical program followed with Irish solos by local talent.

Sir William Macdonald has just presented McGill University with \$150,000, and Miss Jessie Dow has made a gift of \$60,000 to the same institution.

The time of ratification of the reci-procity treaties between the United States and Jamaice, Bermuda, Guiana and Caicos Islands has been extended for a year.

A select committee of the House of Commons on the premature publica-tion in The Times of the details of the tion in The Times of the details of the civil list yesterday recommended the Speaker to take steps, whether by exclusion of The Times' representative from the House or otherwise, as he saw fit, to prevent a recurrence of the offence.

events.

"England stole the livery of heaven to do the work of hell," he continued, "She stirred up religious strife and gloated over her crimes. Hand in hand with famine, she breathed a curse upon our people. And when one million and a haif of Irish were dy-

CITY SOLDIER WRITES HOME

Private Wm. H. Reed Tells of the Campaign in South Africa.

Is Identified With the Imperial Light Horse now on Active Service.

Major Reed has received the followlowing letter from his son Willie, who is with the Imperial Light Horse,

South Africa. Bernato Park Camp, Johannesburg.

Transvaal. My dear Parents.-I presume vou are in receipt of my letter under date of January 12th, from Cape Town. Well, dear father and mother, I take pleasure in saying that I am in active service now, being identified wth the Imperial Light Horse, a Colonial regiment that has gained great distinction throughout this campaign. I enlisted with them at East London, Cape Colony, and I left the Cape Jan. 14th and arrived at E. London the 17th, a distance of 600 miles, it taking three days to make the journey, as we only travelled during the day. From there we were ordered to this city, leaving E. London on the 18th, and on the route we stopped at Queenstown and Bloemfontein, the latter city being the cap-ital of the Orange Free State (which is now the Orange Free State (which is now the Orange River Colony). I must say that it is a beautiful city. The British have it well fortified, there being about 8,000 soldiers stationed there, and from there we journeyed to Kroonstadt, a city where in the earlier campaign there was heavy fighting. At the latter place our captain received orders from head quarters to proceed to Johannesburg quarters to proceed to Johannesburg that night, and as the train on which we were was the first to make the attempt by night; we had only 250 soldiers aboard and we left Kroonstadt about 7.30 p. m. Prior to the train leaving the Captain gave the command for us all to be in readiness as we were bound to engage the enemy in this hostile part of the country. So here is where the fun begins; and I shall never forget it. About 2 a. m., volley after volley was poured into the train. The captain gave the order for the train to come to a stand-stift, and we all got on the opposite side of the train from which the Boers were, and rushed to the rear part of the train, where we had 15 Boer pris-oners, the captain ordered us to keen them very close in order that they ould not give any information to the Boers. We engaged the enemy from 2 a. m., until 4 a. m., when it was breaking day and we could then see the Boers beating a hasty retreat to the mountains. There must have been fully 600 of them who attacked us, and we drove them off so were must have drove the must have been so were droved the so were dro and we drove them off, so you may judge what kind of fighters they are. There were 13 Boers killed and about

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A SOLEMN CEREMONY

Bishop Baldwin Accepts Fourteen Candidates for Confirmation.

Delivers an Barnest and Elequent Ad-

dress at Holy Trinity Church. His lordship Bishop Baldwin admininistered the apostolic rite of confirmation in Holy Trinity Church yesterday morning.

Morning prayer was read to the end of the Third Collect. The Bishop then addressed the candidates, taking for his theme the prayer or invocation to be used by the bishop when laying his hands upon a candidate, as set forth in the confirmation service. He dwelt particularly upon the word 'servant'-it was as servants of God that the divine blessing would rest upon them. The word servant as used by the apostles really meant slave. They gloried that they were slaves, bond

the apostles really meant slave. They gloried that tney were slaves, bond servants of Jesus Christ. All true Christians are His slaves by the right of purchase, and as his slaves He is entitled to their unquestioning obedience. Nothing they have is their own, their time, their money, their strength, their powers — all are His to be used as He directs.

But this bondage is freedom, inasmuch as His slaves have all been purchased in the slave markets of the world. There are three great slave holders who possess everyone in the world not a slave of Jesus Christ. These are Satan, the World and the Flesh. Their yoke is weary and heavy, Christ's is light and lined with love.

Then followed the Confirmation Service. Fourteen candidates were presented:— Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sly, Mrs. Harry Green, Alvin Moore, William Watson Tackabery, Morley Donaldson Williamson, Stanley Gilbert Rowland Taylor, Edna Blanche Moore, Helen Kendall Atkinson, Edith Maud Ball, Mary Elizabeth Smyth Northwood, Olive Mary Edmondson, Mabel. Catherine Edmondson. Frances Blanche Campbell.

The Bishop then spoke a few words on the importance of Bible reading prayer and the reverent use of all the means of grace.

During the offertory Miss Ada Ross sang, "O Jesus Thou art Standing Outside the Fast Closed Door," with much spiritual power and grace.