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THOMAS STONE & SON

Fashion Sheets Free

BARGAINS FOR SATURDAY

Prints and Gingham

Many of our customers like to buy early, partly to get the sewing over with and partly to get early and first choice. We are ready for early buyers, with a very choice assortment of English and Canadian Prints, Scotch and Canadian Gingham.

Extra heavy English Prints, in indigo blues, reds, etc., at per yd. 10c
Fine finish light weight prints and heavy dull finish prints, in English and Canadian makes, best qualities, at 12 1/2c
Pretty new dress gingham, 1901 style of checks and stripes, colors as fast as can be made, excellent values at per yd. 10c and 12 1/2c

New Silks

New Japan wash silks for shirt waists, in the new and stylish crystal cord effects, in pretty shades of sky, mauve, cardinal, blue, etc., and the prices are just as attractive as the silks, at per yd. 50c and 60c

Window Shades

Soon be time to be thinking about blinding your house. Don't pass this store in looking or buying. Remember we are just as pleased to wait on you whether you buy or not. At any rate come in and get our figures. We keep all desirable shade colors in stock and can make up your orders on the shortest possible notice.

Fur Jackets

Not too late yet to buy an Astrachan Jacket, many days of cold weather are still before us, and besides next winter is coming and you save money by buying now.
\$37.50 Astrachan Jackets for \$30.00
\$45.00 Astrachan Jackets for \$35.00

Ready-to-wear Suits and Skirts

Tweed skirts, black and navy serge skirts, black lustre skirts and homespun skirts, all well made and well tailored, reg. prices \$3.50 to \$6.50 each, on Saturday next we offer them at 1/2 off

We have four only tailor made suits, in sizes 34 and 36 in., bust measure in fawn cloth, gray check homespun, brown check tweed and plain blue gray suiting, the reg. prices are \$14.50 and \$17.50, on Saturday next we offer them at HALF PRICE

Men's Underwear

Next Saturday we want to see the finish of our men's winter underwear and we make the prices so low that it will pay you to buy now for next winter.

Men's extra fine and heavy fleece lined shirts and drawers, reg. price 50c a garment, next Saturday very special at 75c per suit.
Men's heavy all-wool shirts and drawers, regular price 75c a garment, special on Saturday at per suit \$1.15

Tweeds for Boys

A new lot of Halifax tweeds, in good shades of gray, fawn, navy, brown and green, best possible wearing materials for boys' or men's wear, very special values at 25c, 37 1/2c and 40c

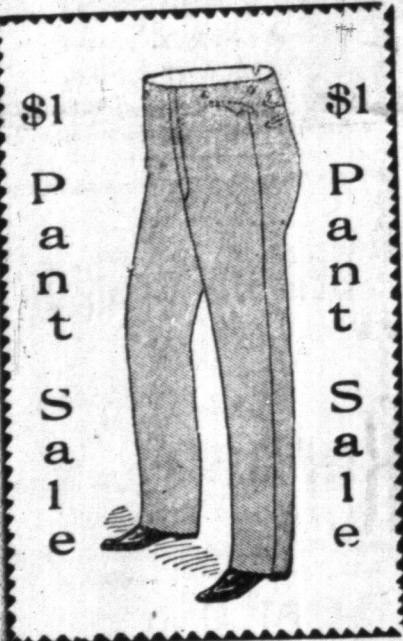
New Print Wrappers

We have just passed into stock a case of New Print Wrappers, in all sorts of light and dark colors, made up of new designs and in the new styles for the present season. The prices are low considering style and quality, \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2

Thomas Stone & Son

\$1.00 Pant Sale **On Saturday** **\$1.00 Pant Sale**

But Positively for Saturday Only



\$1.00 Pant Sale

We place on sale our entire stock of \$1.25, \$1.50, \$1.75 and \$2.00 Men's Tweed and Worsted Pants, at

\$1.00 per pair

This Pant chance happens but once each year. Remember to-morrow only. Come early, or send your size with \$1.00.

See East Window

The 2 T's

Trudell & Tobey

\$1.00 Pant Sale

The House Furnishers

IN A PARLOR

There's nothing that adds more to the appearance of the room than a suitable

Parlor Suite

We have a lot of New Suites, Couches and Carpets, and they're the prettiest we've ever seen for the money.

Call and see our stock before buying.

Hugh McDonald

The House Furnisher and Upholster Opp. Garner House

Now is the time to Subscribe

"THE ARK"

Is Headquarters for Everything in

House Furnishing

Cook Stoves \$12 to \$25, Dinner Sets \$6.50 to \$50, Toilet Sets \$1.25 to \$10, common Glass Lamps, complete, 20c to 50c.

A full stock of crockery in open stock, assorted colors and patterns.

Knives and Forks, \$1.20 to \$5.00 a doz., Silver Tea Spoons 75c to \$4.00 a doz., Silver Dessert Spoons \$2.50 to \$7.00 a doz.

Our stock of Fancy Chinaware is not excelled in the West. Window Shades 25c, 35c and 45c, all mounted on the best rollers, Curtain Poles 25c each, complete, brass or wood trimmings.

Everything for the kitchen that is useful and handy. Full line of tin and enamel goods.

H. Macaulay, "The Ark"

Mimard's Liniment - Lumberman's Friend.

PAUL KRUGER WAILS OVER THE RESULT OF HIS VISIT.

Will no One Interfere, he Cries, and Give the Transvaal a Chance—Old Man is Bitterly Disappointed.

London, Feb. 16.—The Pall Mall Magazine will publish on Feb. 18 an interview with Mr. Kruger, in part as follows:—

"Will no one arbitrate? Will no one give us a chance of defending ourselves? We may have done wrong. We have our faults and our weaknesses. We declared war, but our hands were forced, and we can prove it. Get some one to judge between England and ourselves. But the Lord will help us in the end. We shall win. I do not know how or when, but we shall win at last."

Mr. Kruger says the Transvaal offered more reforms in one week than an older country would make in forty years, giving in on all points almost to the uttermost, but that the stumbling block was the commando. Referring to his reception in Europe, which has bitterly disappointed him, Mr. Kruger says: "I care nothing for flowers—nothing, nothing. The

people who send them mean well, and I am grateful; but I care nothing for them. What I want is a fair hearing. If they will only give us a fair hearing and justice, I ask for justice. We are a little folk, but we have made great steps."

When asked why he came to Europe he said to the interviewer:—"I could not go out with the commando, as Mr. Steyn said, I am too old, does, as Mr. Steyn said, I am too old, but I may be of some use here."

Regarding Mrs. Kruger he said:—"I am sorry for her, too. I have a deep sorrow for my country. My wife has had six children, six are still with her. They were left with her in her home. Two of my sons have died on the battlefield. Two more are dead also, as I believe they were captured. I have not heard from them for two months, and I know they were in the thick of the fight. Thirty-one sons and grandsons I have in the field yet, but I could not go on commando. I have not heard from my wife for sixteen days, but she has six children, ten days, but she has six children, with her, and she is not to be pitied."

DEWET PUTTING UP A HOT BUT HOPELESS BATTLE.

He is Being Slowly Pushed Back With Considerable Loss—Many Arrests Made for Assisting the Boers—What Methuen is Doing.

London, Feb. 16.—A despatch from Colesburg, Cape Colony, dated Thursday, says:—"Plumer's column engaged De Wet between Colesburg and Philippstown, Feb. 13 and gradually pushed back the Boers. The British had a battery of field artillery and the Boers one fifteen-pounder. The shrapnel burst splendidly. Ten of the British were wounded during many hours' fighting. An occasional dead Boer was found. The engagement is being continued to-day. All the males at Grasfontein have been arrested. There is plenty of evidence that they were assisting the Boers."

METHUEN'S WORK.

A Cape Town despatch of yesterday says:—"For a month Lord Methuen has been scouring the country between Kuruman and the Transvaal, bringing in women and children, cattle and food from all the

farms. Fifty women and 100 children, together with a few men, he has sent to Vryburg. On one occasion, while he was pursuing a commando, the Boers sent off their wagons in charge of women and girls in one direction and went themselves in another. The women were such expert drivers that the British had considerable difficulty in catching the convoy."

WILL BE SUNK AT SEA.

A Lorenzo Marques despatch says:—"The ammunition, guns and shells surrendered by the Boers to the Portuguese at Komati-poort will be sunk at sea."

The Berliner Tageblatt refers to a "severe quarrel" which it alleges recently took place between Sir Alfred Milner and Herr von Lindquist, German Consul-General in Cape Town, regarding the "brutal treatment of a German inhabitant there." According to the Tageblatt, Sir Alfred Milner finally showed Herr von Lindquist the door, refusing to see him afterwards.

A TERRIBLE DISASTER IN B. C. COLLIERIES

Sixty Lives Reported to Have Been Lost—Workmen Cut Off From Escape and Suffocated to Death.

Seattle, Wash., Feb. 16.—A special to the Post-Intelligencer from Victoria says: What is feared will prove to be one of the most horrible mine accidents in the history, not only of the Province, but of the Dominion, took place yesterday, at the Union mines, owned by the Walling Colliery Co., of which James Dunsmuir, the premier of the Province, is the principal shareholder. The telegraphic advices received so far give no complete story of the accident, but newspaper correspondents are now hurrying by steamers and tugs to the scene and the full facts will soon be obtainable.

As near as can be gathered the explosion took place about 11 o'clock in the morning in No. 6 shaft. This particular shaft is situated in the village of Cumberland. There were 60 men in it when the explosion took place, and not one of them escaped. The explosion ignited the mine, wrecking the shaft from midway down to the bottom, and filling it with a solid mass of rocks, earth and timbers. The mass of rocks, earth and timbers, several more while a dense volume of smoke pouring from the vent holes indicated that fire as well as gas was doing destructive work below.

As soon as possible after the accident the men of the morning shift in No. 5 shaft, organized a rescue party. No. 5 is situated about a mile from No. 6, but the two workings are connected by a tunnel, and through this tunnel an effort was made to help the men. They had not cut their way shaft. They had not cut their way shaft. They had not cut their way shaft.

are married and have large families. Immediately upon the receipt of the news at head office of the Dunsmuir Co., here, a special train was made up and proceeded at 1.15 to Nanaimo. Premier Dunsmuir has not returned from Ottawa, but his personal representative, A. L. Lindsay, his son, Robert Dunsmuir, Mr. Little, the superintendent of the mine, and Inspector of Mines Morgan left on the special. At Nanaimo, which was reached this evening, the Dunsmuir steamer Joan awaited them, and on their way they proceeded 60 miles by water to Union bay, the remaining six miles by land to Cumberland to be made on the Dunsmuir colliery railway. The scene of the accident will be reached by midnight. Dr. Walkem, the colliery surgeon, will join the party of officials at Nanaimo, and will accompany them to the mine.

Even should the rescuing party reach the interior of the wrecked workings to-night, there is little hope for any of the men locked up in the shaft. John Dryer, ex-member of parliament, brother-in-law of the premier, and ex-manager of a portion of the Dunsmuir mining business, said to the Post-Intelligencer last night, that scarcely any hope could be held out for the men. The only way in which any of them could escape would be by reaching some remote portion of the workings to which the fatal gases and smoke could not penetrate. The work in a coal mine, he said, did its work in a few minutes. Hence the hopelessness of the task of saving men who had been in it for hours.

The last report of the inspector of mines pronounced the shaft as completely unsafe, with the regulations governing coal mines.

HORSE PLAY AT AN INITIATION

Results in the Breaking of a Candidate's Neck.

Whetung, W. Va., Feb. 16.—Henry Schmalstieg, a blacksmith, had his neck broken in an initiation in the Wheeling lodge of the Order of American Foresters. Schmalstieg with a number of other candidates, appeared for initiation into the Foresters and in the course of the ceremonies something occurred that caused the black-

smith to leap into the air, he came down on the back of his head with terrific force, and lay unconscious long after he was removed to his home. The physicians discovered that the seventh cervical vertebra had been crushed. That the man still lived greatly puzzled the doctors and they determined to spare no effort to save his life. A bed of sandbags was placed in such a position that he cannot move his back or head. The doctors said they thought he would recover.

The order of which Schmalstieg is now virtually a member will see that he is well taken care of.

LABBY AND THE BOERS.

He Praises Them as a Noble Band Fighting for Liberty.

Lord Stanley Says They Have a Code of Honor of Their Own Which Permits Them to Live on the White Flag.

London, Feb. 16.—In the House of Commons yesterday the debate was resumed on the address in reply to the speech from the throne at the opening of Parliament. The discussion ranged from hospitals in South Africa to arsenicated beer.

The principal subject, however, was the Government's war policy in South Africa. Many members spoke.

Mr. Labouchere elicited some opposition cheering by the remark:—"It is a noble determination on the part of the Boers to incur all risks rather than submit to a foreign power, and I honor them for it."

Lord Stanley, Conservative member for Westboughton, who was aide-de-camp for Lord Roberts in South Africa, and press censor, said:—"I do not think anyone can regard the Boers as devoid of honor when we consider the humanity they have always shown toward the British sick and wounded; but the Boers have a sense of honor peculiar to themselves. They do not think it dishonorable to fire under a white flag. We do. The new way of dealing with Boers who surrender is to keep them in a big camp. Lord Roberts did his best to communicate with the Boer Generals, and was always ready to discuss terms. I believe he would never have issued the proclamation allowing the burning of farms if it had not been calculated to bring the war to an end in the north. It did good, but farm burning has now been stopped."

Just Received From Europe

4 Large Cases of

New Dress Goods

The Spring stowing in our Dress Department will be double any former season. Many lines confined to us and sold by no one else.

Don't fail to see our goods before you buy your Spring Dresses and Millinery.

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