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A Great Skirt Bargain

Some rarer good luck enabled us to procure a fine line of Ladies' Tailor-made Skirts of the newest style, at almost half the regular price, and you will be in rare good luck if you get one of them, they go on sale to-morrow (SATURDAY).

20 only, Ladies' Tailor-made Skirts, with box pleated backs, made of a fine cheviot finished serge, lined with best percaline and bound with velvet in brown, green, blue black and navy, worth \$5.00, on Saturday your choice at.....\$3.50

LADIES' SPRING JACKETS

Of box cloth lined with silk in fawn and black.
Regular \$5.00 quality for.....\$3.10
Regular \$7.50 quality for.....\$4.75
Regular \$10.00 quality for.....\$6.75

LADIES SPRING CAPES

Chiffon and sequin trimmed, elegant goods, in black and fawn.
Regular \$5.00 quality at.....\$3.88
Regular \$8.00 quality at.....\$5.66
Regular \$10.00 quality at.....\$7.40
Regular \$15.00 quality at.....\$10.75
See our swell American wash goods.

FOR BOYS' WEAR

Extra quality Duck in navy and white with small checks, spots and stripes for blouses, special 10c and.....12c

Finest Scotch Galateas in shades of blue and brown, pretty patterns also in plain—the very best coloring—never fades, special per yd.....20c

The famous "Mulekin" boys hosiery, made with elastic double knees—fast black—will wear longer than any other hosiery made. Every pair guaranteed, per pair 20c to.....35c

Thomas Stone & Son Direct Importers 78 and 80 King St.

Saturday, May 19th, will be Boy's Suit Day

(At The 2 T's Store)

The 2 T's will sell Saturday the choice of any of their Boys 2 pc. Suits in the store for \$3.50, reg. prices are \$4.50, \$5 and \$5.50, middie, vestee suits, and Norfolk jacket styles, all sizes from 4 years old to eleven, beautiful patterns all new and up-to-date goods.
The \$3.50 and \$4 Suits will go for \$2.75 same styles and sizes.
Boys three piece Suits, knickerbockers, choice of any in the store for \$5.00, regular \$6.50 \$7 and \$7.50 goods.
The \$5 goods will go for \$3.75.

This is an opportunity you do not get every day, as The 2 T's Boys' Suits are all new, being in the store only a few months, as they did not keep clothing until recently. Best make on earth, "Tiger Brand," fit the boys properly.

Remember the prices—four prices only, \$2.75 and \$3.50 for 2 pc. Suits, and \$3.75 and \$5 for 3 pc. Suits. No reserve they all go at the same price. First come, first choice.

\$1,200.00 worth in all—which gives you a large assortment to choose from. The Suits will be all laid out in the different prices on tables in the store and there is no mistake made.

\$2.75

\$3.50

FOR 2 PC. SUITS

\$3.75

\$5.00

FOR 3 PC. SUITS



The 2 T's = Trudell & Tobey Sole Agents for Slater Shoes and Barrington Hats.

"TOP TO TOE CLOTHIERS."

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO.

"THE BUSY STORE"

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO.

Saturday Snaps

Economy does not mean the using of poor goods because they are cheap, but the use of the best goods so as to get the very best out of them. Cheap things when they are poor cost far more than good ones. This store deals only in reliable goods, and sells them at the very lowest possible prices for cash. We are offering some very extraordinary values Saturday. If anything in this line interests you act promptly. There is advantage in first choice.

300 yds. Bleached Cotton, full yard wide, fine, firm, even thread, pure finish, the best 10c quality in the city, special Saturday.....8c
2 pcs. Toweling, 16 in. wide, warranted pure flax, firm weave, in red and blue checks, per yd. special Saturday.....4c
14 pcs. Dress Tweeds, 3/4 yd. wide, in checks and mixtures, spring shades suitable for skirts, suits, for cycling wear, worth up to 85c yd., special.....30c
25 pcs. Dress Trimmings, pompadour rushings, elastic rushings, silk and chenille, in large range of shades, sold reg. up to 15c yd., special.....7c
3 pcs. Cretone, beautiful new designs and colorings, good heavy firm quality, special per yard.....6c
6 pcs. Art Denim, 34 in. wide, extra quality, in choice reversible designs and colorings, reg. 20c per yard, special.....15c

Hemp Carpets, in stripes and floral designs, special values at per yd. 7c, 10c, 12c, 15c and.....20c
2 pcs. Tapestry Carpet, bright cheerful colorings, Brussels designs, reg. 40c value, special Saturday.....33c
10 doz. Window Shades, 36x72 in., mounted on rollers complete, special each.....25c
30 P. N. Corsets, one of the best American made corsets in the market, made from finest French Canton, steel fillings, patent cork clasp protectors, perfection in fit and finish, all sizes in black, white and dove, special Saturday.....88c
10 doz. Ladies' and Children's Hdkfs., fancy borders, reg. 5c each, special Saturday 7 for.....25c
3 doz. Pompadour Combs, reg. 20c quality, special each.....15c
Unlaundered White Shirts, "Crest" brand, heavy cambric, fine pure linen bands and bosom, extra reinforcement.....50c

MILLINERY SPECIALS
I.—8 doz. bunches fine flowers and foliage, worth up to 60c, Saturday each.....25c
II.—6 doz. Fine French roses and foliage, all the newest shades, worth up to \$1.50, for.....50c

forced front and back, all sizes, for men and boys, special each.....50c
10 doz. Men's Colored Shirts, extra fine quality, soft bosoms new patterns, warranted fast colors, usually sold at \$1.25, our special price.....\$1.00
15 doz. Men's Sox, good heavy cotton thread, in mixed colors, elastic top, special per pair.....\$5.00
CLOTHING—Men's Tweed Suits, in stylish check and mixtures, spring shades, well made, good serviceable linings, all sizes, easily worth \$6.00, special at.....\$5.00
Men's Suits, in fine clay worsteds, black navy Irish Serges, fine oxford twills, Scotch tweeds, extra well made, French facings, first quality linings, sizes 35 to 42, worth up to \$12.00, special at.....\$9.85
Scotch Linoleum, extra good quality, in choice floral and tile patterns, 4 yds. wide, special on Saturday at per square yard.....85c

JOHN NORTHWAY & CO.,

CASH ONLY AND ONE PRICE.

LONDON'S WILD NIGHT.

The Old Capital's Millions Turned out to Celebrate Mafeking's Relief.

News Came From Pretoria—Believed to be True Though it is not Official—The Siege Raised Last Tuesday.

London, May 18, 9.16 p. m.—Mafeking has been relieved.

Pretoria, May 18.—It was officially announced to-day that when the ladders and fortifications around Mafeking had been severely bombarded the siege was abandoned, a British force from the south taking possession of the place.

London, May 18.—A special despatch from Amsterdam says a telegram from a Boer source announces that Mafeking was relieved Tuesday. The recipient of the telegram is credited with having heard of the relief of Mafeking before it was announced.

LONDON GOES WILD.

London, May 19.—London's millions spent half the night in the streets and even at 4 this morning, troops of young men are promenading singing and cheering, and there are crowds in front of the Mansion House, Marlborough House, the clubs on Pall Mall, and the war office and in parliament square, waving flags and joining in the national airs. This sustained bellowing and uproar of hundreds of thousands amazes the Englishman who ceases for a moment to be an actor and becomes merely an observer.

Sober, phlegmatic London is beside itself with emotion. Guests of patriotism have set the town quivering twice or thrice before during the war, but nothing has quite equalled to-night's 100 square miles of almost furious demonstrations. It was a curious thing for the onlookers to see solemn gray-haired men toss their opera hats into the air and join in the hurricane of cheers when a wreath-crowned banner, with the portrait of Col. B. J. Powell on it, was borne along Piccadilly. Smart women in brown and navy blue union jacks out of the windows. Conventional family parties stopped at street corners to take part in singing "God Save the Queen" and "Soldiers of the Queen." Everywhere were abandoned, good feeling and an astonishing roar of human voices.

It was all brought about by a 20-word telegram from Pretoria that Mafeking had been relieved. Although the government has not received a word, and although nothing confirmatory has been received from African sources except Pretoria, nobody apparently questions the news.

NOTHING OFFICIAL.

Arthur J. Balfour, government leader in the house of commons, speaking from the government bench late last evening, said:

"The only news I have is through the courtesy of the press. We have no information at the war office, nor would we have it as soon as it would arrive through other channels. Therefore the fact that we have not received it neither confirms nor disproves the accuracy of the information. I need hardly say that we all trust and we have good reason to think that it is probably true."

Geo. Wyndham, parliamentary under-secretary for war, replying to several members of the house, who had privately interrogated him, said:

"Although the government has noth-

ing, I am disposed to believe the Boer bulletin. It may be to-morrow, and perhaps even Monday, before the government will get despatches from our military commanders, even if the siege were raised some days ago, as the news would be conveyed over a very long distance by messengers on horseback, whereas the enemy would probably be able to avail themselves of telegraphic communication."

Col. Baden-Powell's brother in London has received a telegram from a Dutch friend in Pretoria saying Mafeking has been relieved.

The performers in the London music halls and theatres last evening had little use for stage business or for the lines of their pieces. The audiences which crowded the Alhambra, the Empire, Covent Garden or the theatres, had no desire to attend to stage performances. The first sight of a biographical sketch of a military or naval costume on the stage was sufficient to create an uproar. A leading actor in one of the Strand theatres said:

"I did not attempt to read my lines last evening. It was of no use. The public had no interest in me beyond the fact that I wore a military uniform."

The London fire insurance laws make fireworks impossible, and the city lacked the blaze of illumination characteristic of other great cities during such festivities. The British therefore rely on lung power, and from St. Paul's Cathedral, Westminster Abbey, and up through Piccadilly to Hyde Park, there was a Niagara-like roar, incessant, rising and falling hour after hour as the surging masses poured through London thoroughfares like the processions on a Presidential election in the United States. There was a lack of pyrotechnic glare, but the cabbies and every business man in London, had a union jack fluttering from his whip, and the stars and stripes were by no means lacking.

WAR NOTES.

President McKinley will receive the Boer envoys as private citizens.

It is reported at Pretoria that 5,000 British troops have surrounded Christiania, and that the Landrost and other officials have been taken prisoners.

The New York Sun has the following despatch from Pretoria, under date of May 15, via Lorenzo Marques, May 17—Recent reverses in the Orange Free State have had a most depressing effect on the Boers. There is no longer any concealment of the fact. There is reason to believe the Boers will presently accept peace. The government has asked the correspondents to invoke their best endeavors to secure intervention by the United States.

IT IS COLLAPSING.

Boer Resistance Appears Almost at an End.

President Kruger Preparing to Leave Pretoria for Sydenburg—The Enemy Despondent.

London, Saturday, May 19, 4 a. m.—The relief of Mafeking has had the effect of suspending for a moment interest in the operations elsewhere in the field of war. Despatches yesterday brought important official announcements. Lord Methuen entered Hoopstad Thursday. He is now 70 miles from Kroonstad and 50 miles from Bothaville. Gen. Buller entered Newcastle Thursday evening. Lord Roberts is not idle. While waiting for stores at Kroonstad, he is using his mounted men to search a wide tract of country. Col. Broadwood occupied Lindley on Thursday, and the same day Gen. Hutton captured one of the Bothas, thirty miles from Kroonstad. Gen. Buller on Thursday encamped at Clocolan. British successes are thus at every point from which news came yesterday.

A Lorenzo Marques correspondent, telegraphing yesterday, says:—"New peace proposals will probably be put forward by the Boer Government. The recent reverses are causing despondency. There was a prolonged meeting of the Transvaal executive at Pretoria Thursday, and the destruction of the mines was again considered. It is understood that the Government does not intend to destroy the mines."

GOING TO LYDENBURG.

According to other advices from the same point, President Kruger and the other high officials purpose leaving almost immediately for Lyden-

burg. The British prisoners will be conveyed there, and the foreign consuls at Pretoria are leaving for Lydenburg. In Kroonstad, it is said that President Kruger will surrender when Lord Roberts crosses the Transvaal frontier.

Lord Roberts is accumulating immense quantities of supplies, and the preparations for another movement are well advanced. The next stop will be Johannesburg. Two thousand men are waiting on the railway deviation at V. Sch River. There are 12,000 Boers at Rhenoster Spruit. Reconnoitering parties are sighted daily by the British patrols.

Commandant Nel, with the Johannesburg "Zaps," is actively commanding fifteen miles north-west of Kroonstad. Desperate efforts are being made by the transvaalers to get every available unit on the fighting line. All exemptions have been cancelled. The civil administration is reduced to the lowest limits.

LAST HOPE GONE.

The Standard says:—"As a final blow to the hopes of the enemy comes the news from Washington that the United States cabinet met to consider a Pretoria despatch, asking intervention; and that President McKinley and his colleagues decided that they can take no steps whatever. If the Boers want peace they must sue for it from the Imperial Government."

VERY BRILLIANT.

The Complimentary Musicals in Andorium

By the Students of Mrs. John Cooper and Miss Lillian Pratt—A Large and Cultured Audience Present.

Chatham is fortunate in possessing an exceptionally large and cultured musical community, and the presentations to which our citizens are treated from time to time are always accomplished and pleasing. It is seldom, however, that the Maple City has greeted so choice and exquisite a program as was contributed at the Oddfellows' Auditorium last evening on the occasion of the brilliant complimentary musicals tendered by the vocal and instrumental students of Mrs. John Cooper and Miss Lillian Pratt.

The large auditorium was filled to its utmost capacity by a select and cultured audience, which evinced the high tribute the presentation deserved in a most enthusiastic manner. Rarely, indeed, has such a galaxy of talented embryo artists been heard upon the same platform with such uniform success and brilliancy. The entire production was a model for the efficiency and earnest effort of the accomplished teachers, and none the less for the aptitude and ability of their large classes. The vocal numbers embraced oratorio, sacred selections, concert work and all the other branches of the art, testifying to the versatility of instruction received and the thoroughness of the work accomplished. In the instrumental renditions tone production, technique and originality of expression were admirably exemplified, and much appreciated.

At the conclusion of the exquisite program many of the guests remained to a late hour, entertained by the dances, accompanied by the excellent music of Lortzmann's orchestra.

THE PROGRAM.

Two Pianos, Spanish Dance, Merz—Misses L. Pratt, D. Sheldon, M. Merz and E. Ball.
Piano, Arabesque, Chaminade—Miss Nellie Richards.
Vocal, The City of Rest, Pinsuti—Mrs. S. C. Walker.
Piano, The Robin's Morning Song, Hennings—Miss Mamie Taylor.
Vocal, Ashore, Trotter, Mr. C. H. Gunn.
Piano, Impromptu, Borowski—Miss Helen Atkinson.
Vocal Duet, I Live to Love, Campana—Miss Lillian Simpson and Mr. K. Costaworth.
Piano, Caprice-Gavotte, op. 33, Grogg—Miss Bessie Brackin.
Vocal, On Mighty Pens (from Creation), Haydn—Miss Maud Oliver.
Piano, a Consolation No. 6, Liszt, b. Value—op. 70, Chopin—Miss Ethel McKerrall.
Piano, Valse Impromptu, De Wilm—Miss Sybil McGeorge.
Vocal, Angela, Ever Bright and Fair, Handel—Miss Maud Marshall.
Piano Duet, Danse Espagnole, Holst—Misses H. Birch and M. Barrie.

PART II.

Two Pianos, March Triumphant, op. 91, Gori—Misses M. Brackin and H. Atkinson.
Vocal, Forging the Anchor, Rodney—Mr. Horace Davis.
Piano, a Nocturne No. 15, Field, b. Polka de Concert, Bartlett—Miss Mary Brackin.
Vocal, Summer, Chaminade, Miss Clara Bright.
Vocal Duet, O'er Hill and Dale, Glover—Misses Ethel McGeorge and Sara Langford.
Piano, a La Sere, Thoma, b. The Lark's Morning Song, Koelling—Miss Flossy Bogart.
Vocal, The Daily Question, Meyer-Hellmuth—Miss Marion McCall.
Vocal, The Bandit Chief, J. Christopher Marks—Mr. Wm. H. Brackin.
Piano, Valse Tyrolienne, Raff—First Piano, Miss Dorothy Sheldon, Second Piano, Miss Lillian Pratt.
Vocal, Barcarolle, Tosti—Miss Ethel Brown.
Piano, Valse Legere, Meyer-Hellmuth—Miss Flora McGeorge.
Vocal, The Children of the King, Francis Lloyd—Miss Florence Stephenson.
Piano, Minuet, Borowski—Miss Doris St. John.

MAINE'S LIAISON CURS BURNS, ETC.

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Which Side?

Perhaps your boy wears his shoes out most rapidly on the outside of the soles. The chances are both soles and heels wear down quicker than the other.

We note this by his old shoes and strengthen the soles and heels accordingly with

Perfection Circlettes

which make a shoe last twice as long, and we don't charge anything extra for this, adding 50 per cent. of durability to the shoes.

Boys' Shoes in all Sizes 75c to \$2.00

1000 packages of Fire Crackers will be thrown from the top of the building at 9.00 a. m. sharp, on 24th of May, so boys be there.

Geo. W. Cowan Chatham

"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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Lawn Mowers

\$2.98

"The Ark"

These Mowers are 1800 patterns and made by Woodvatt & Co., Guelph, Ont. This firm secured 1st prize at World's Fair, in Chicago for Lawn Mowers.

You can have one on trial and if not satisfactory you get your money refunded. We have all sizes and styles.

"The Ark" is full of useful things you need these fine days, such as Summer Stoves, Refrigerators, Tinware, Enamelled Ware, Brushes for anything, Mixed Paints, Glassware and Crockery.

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