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FASHION SHEETS FREE

Holiday Handkerchiefs

It's always safe to give Handkerchiefs at Christmas—and if you buy from our stock you are going to select from the finest collection within your reach. It is not boasting on our part to say that our present stock is the best and largest we ever had—and represents a far better variety and far better goods than ever before. You'll make a mistake if you don't see what we have:

Ladies' fancy Embroideried Hand-kerchief, Irish manufacture, with hem-stitched, scalloped open work and lace-trimmed edges, with neat little in-sertion let in at 12½c, 15c, 20c and 25c.

Ladies' and men's pure Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, wide or narrow hems, at 20c, 25c, 35c and 50c.

Children's Handkerchiefs at 21c, 5c and 10c.

Large sized Japanese pure Silk Hand-kerchiefs, hemstitched, initialed or plain at 25c and 50c.

Holiday **Furnishings**

These are for men folks. Ample preparation has been made for them in this progressive store. Neat Xmas Neckwear, Shirts, Collars, Suspenders, Half Hose and the like. We'll only give an item or two, but they will do duty for fifty equally as good.

Men's and boys' handsome string and durable suspenders at 10c, 12½c, 25c and 50c.

Men's and Boy's Ties—elegant new things at little prices—25c and 50c.

Men's and Boy's Gloves—the stylish and comfortable kind. You will practice economy if you buy your gloves here at 50c, 75c, \$1, \$1.50 and \$2.

UMBRELLAS

If you have an umbrella thought, de-pend on it that here you'll find its ma-teralization. covered with the best at \$1, \$1.50, \$2, \$3, \$4.50, \$5 and \$6.

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Direct Importers,

Christmas Cheer

OW prevades this store. Yes, there's something besides business in visiting here, these days. There's entertainment, lots of it: the stocks are entertaining to the eyes of all who have the pleasure of witnessing the rich and beautiful display of countless suggestions for gift making. Here's a handful of suggestions that't bring joy to the men

A pair of Gloves lined and unlined, any kind Nice Neckwear, a Muffler or Full Dress Protector An Umbrella or Walking Stick

Solid and Rolled Gold and Sterling Silver Scarf Pins, Link ons, Studs and various other Trinkets A Suit or two of Underwear or a box of Hosiery A cap for Winter Comfort, fur or other kind Night Shirts and Pajams in all Suitable Fabrics A few nice Shirts or a box of Collars and Cuffs A Mackintosh for Man or boy A pair of Suspenders

A Pair of Slater Slippers A Pair of Slater Shoes A New Method Overcoat

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Trudell Tobey.

Is Now in Full Blast At "The Ark"

Every attention given to holiday shoppers. Comfort and ease now, before the great rush

We ask our city friends to do their selecting as soon as possible.

Our Lamps and Dinner Sets are on second floor, and comprise the finest stock in Western

Our Stoves and Ranges are in room at rear of store. Ask to see them, and get the holiday re-

Fancy Goods, Chinaware, Dolls, Toys, Games, Books, Purses, etc., are now exposed to the view of the public. We have three silent Salesmen--the 5c, 10c and 25c Counters. You can buy a lot for a little money.

89 King Street, Chatham.

POOR OLD KRUGER,

Every Side.

Has Now Been Told That Holland Can do Nothing For Him.

The Hague, Dec. 12.—The Dutch Government yesterday finally and definitely refused to take the initiative in behalf of between the Transvaal and

communicated in an interview between Mr. Kruger and Dr. Leyds on one side and the Dutch foreign minister and the minister of finance, N. G. Pierson, on the other. Mr. Kruger explained that the object of his journey was to disseminate the idea of arbitration, and the Dutch minister replied that the rule of The Netherlands must be passive. The initiative belonged to the great powers, they added. When the powers had reached a decision the Dutch government might see what it could do.

A serenade of Mr. Kruger by the scholars fixed for to night, has been prohibited by the police, out of fear of disturbances.

EVEN SOCIALISTS APPROVE. Berlin, Dec. 12.—In the reichstag Herr Bebel, socialist leader, concurred with Chancellor von Buelow's statement as to Ger-many's policy in the Transvaal question. He said: "We have every reason to be on friendly terms with England without there-by restricting our freedom."

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All people wishing to spend Christmas with their friends in the Old Country should call on W. H. Rispin early and make their steamship arrangements, as he is agent for all lines crossing the Atlantic, and will give best possible rates.

Grows.

THE GOVERNMENT STILL BEING CRITICIZED BY THE LIBERAL LEADERS-£16,000,000 MORE VOTED.

London, Dec. 12, - In the House of Commons yesterday Sir Alfred Hickman, Conservative, brought up the subject of the contract for the Uganda railroad bridges, insinuating that fav-oritism had been shown American

Lord Cranborne, Parliamentary Secretary of the Foreign Office, re-pudiated the suggestion. Tenders had been invited in the United Kingdom been invited in the United Kingdom on exactly the same conditions, but the American tender had been considered the lowest. The government could only give contracts when consistent with public interests.

Another question elicited the statement that (there had been 15,625 cases of typhoid fever among the British troops in South Africa, and that of this number 3,642 had proved fatal. In committee of supply, Mr. Wil-

this number 3,642 had proved fatal. In committee of supply, Mr. William St. John Brodrick, the Secretary of State for War, introduced the supplementary estimates of £16,000,000 for the army. He admitted the government's expectations had been over sanguine, and it was now anticipated the supplement to (March 31 sanguine, and it was now anticipated that the expenditure to (March 31 would be little short of the outlay the government had been incurring during the whole financial year, He added that the government's policy was to pursue the war with the strongest possible force, and a continuous stream of supplies, so that peace might more quickly be achieved. Mr. Brodrick added that he believed the government was now asking for the final sum required for this abnormal war.

war.

Sir Wm. Vernon Harcourt, Liberal, expressed the opinion that the house had never heard a more depressing confession. Although his original opinion of the circumstances leading to the unhappy war was altered, he would ont oppose the vote. The whole secret of the government's miscalculations, he added, was this:—"It was in no wise a warfare of governments, but a conflict of races. He thought that now they had overthrown the governments of the republics by overwhelming force of arms they should deal with the brave burghers remaining, not by perpetually increasing the expenditure, but by a policy of recon-

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman said that the Secretary of State for War had made a frank statement as to the real condition of affairs, and he expressed a hope that the government would bring home the volunteers.

Mr. Brodrick replied that it would be impossible for the government to give any pledge on that point, as Lord Kitchener must be kept sup-plied with many mounted men. Timothy Healy remarked :- "A war begun in braggadocio and hypocrisy had brought humiliation to England, and the culprit is in the Colonial

Herny Labouchere expressed the opinion that guerilla warfare in South Africa might last for two years. The supplementary estimates of £16,000,000 were then adopted by a

voice of 284 against 8.

The House having gone into committee of ways and means, the Chan-

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cellor of the Exchequer, Sir Michael Hicks-Beach, explained that the existing borrowing powers of the Chancellor only amounted to £5,000,000. He moved, therefore, a resolution authorizing him to borrow by war loan, exchequer bonds or treasury bills £11,000,000. He said he did not expect to use his borrowing powers until February or March, and he asked the House to postpone any discussion on the subject until the second reading next Thursday.

Sir Henry Campbell-Bannerman expressed his approval of the resolution, which was agreed to.

The committee then rose, and the House adjourned.

IRISH CONVENTION

The Nationalist Party Seems Far From United.

An Agitation to Put out the Tims-Resolution Condemning the South African War.

Dublin, Dec. 12.-There was a large atendance of delegates at the convention of the Nationalists, which assembled under

the presidency of John Redmond.
On motion of John Dillon a resolution was adopted, amid cheers, that the South African war had been entered upon in pursuance of a conspiracy to deprive two free nations of their liberty in the interests of contralists and mine owners.

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Wm. O'Brien introduced a resolution, excluding Timothy H. Healy from the parliamentary party, for the sake of unity.

Timothy Harrington, who was frequently interrupted, said that if the action of delegates plunged the country back into the vortex of despair, future generations would curse the convention and those who participated in it. cipated in it.
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"How wash!" yelled an O'Briente in the gallery."
"I know where the hog is," said Mr. Harrington, which caused protests and cries of "He is calling his fellow patriots 'hogs."
Mr. Harrigton, after the chairman had admonished the convention to give him a fair hearing, made a temperate appeal for harmony.

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After other speeches an amendment, taking the bitterness out of the resolution, was proposed by Father McNeece, but this was rejected overwhelmingly and Mr. O'Brien's resolution was adopted, only 25 hands showing against it.

The convention then adjourned until to-

Great excitement marked the discussion of Mr. O'Brien's resolution, which included the exclusion of J. L. Carew. There were loud shouts on all sides of "Put out all the Tims," which were met with counter de monstrations by the Healyites.

ON THE FIRING LINE.

Ladies of Canada-Side by side stood Canada's noble sons with the best brawn of Ceylon and India in the recent unpleasant ness. The slogan was "help one another," and no one forgot the watchword, You ladies of Canada, have the power to wage a relentless warfare on the impure teas that come into your home from China and Japan, and at the same time assist your brother col-onists who produce the pure Ceylon and India teas. If you drink Japan tea, try Salada, Monsoon or Blue Rib-bon packets of Ceylon and India green teas.—Colonist.

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Shoes

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The Puzzle of the Day.

What shall I give as a Christmas-Present to my son? That question can be solved to the mutual satisfaction of all concerned by buying him a Scholarship in The International Correspondence Schools, of Scranton, Pa. Your want your son to make his way in the world; give him a technical education that will make him capable of filling responsible positions at high salaries. The prices are low and you can pay, cash or on easy installments. For particulars, see or write local representative, W. J. Medford, Chatham.

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