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## Further Interesting..... Reductions

And on goods that are very suitable for Christmas giving. Money saving opportunities all around the store. A dollar saved on a five dollar purchase makes buying easier for you, and our sale prices do that for you and more too. We invite you to come in and look around. You will see nice displays of goods all around. You need not feel it necessary to purchase, you will not be urged. We want you to feel a liberty to spend as much time in the store as you wish whether you purchase anything or not.

For Wednesday morning we place on sale some very desirable goods at remarkably low prices. We give here descriptions and prices as accurately as possible, but you must see the goods to appreciate their true worth. Come early on Wednesday morning.

### Kid Gloves

We have left from the past two months back a few odd lines of kid gloves and intend closing them out at these very low prices. As the sizes and quantities are limited it will be wise to come early on Wednesday and make your selections:

Ladies' White Kid Gloves, all sizes, from 5½ to 7½ with white or black stitching, reg. price 50c a pair, on sale Wednesday morning for 27c

Ladies' 4 button Black Kid Gloves, in size 6 only, for per pair..... 15c

Ladies' Black Mouse Mitts, Undressed Kid Gloves, in sizes 5½, 6, 6½, 7, reg. price \$1.50, for per pair..... 49c

Ladies' Colored Mouse Mitts, Undressed Kid Gloves, in gray, modes and tan shades, in sizes 5½, 6, 6½, 7, reg. price \$1.50, for per pair..... 39c

Also a number of pairs of colored and black in assorted sizes, for per pair..... 22c

The sizes in stock are just as advertised. To procure the size you want come early, but no use asking for other sizes than are stated above.

### Corsets

A few odd lines of Corsets in a limited number of sizes—if the size of any suits you now is your chance:

Corsets in sizes 18, 23, 24, 25 and 26, reg. price \$1 a pair, on sale Wednesday morning for..... 24c

A new lot of Ladies' Novelty Cafton Ties and Neck Scarfs, just received to-day direct from the makers, and marked at sale prices.

We have made a special of this season of Ladies' and Men's fine Umbrellas.

### Blouse Silks

Here is a silk opportunity for you better than you have ever anticipated. A silk waist length makes a very acceptable present and an opportunity to buy at almost half price is here now. Hundreds of yards for your selection and over 25 different designs and colorings for you to select from. The lot is this:

25 pieces of silk including navy blue, spot foulards and elegant striped pongee, fancy striped Japan silk and fancy brocade, not a piece in the lot worth less than 50c a yard, and some worth as much as 75c, on Wednesday morning on sale at 33c.

### Men's Ties

20 doz. Men's Bow Ties, silk and satin, light and dark colors, reg. price 55c each, on sale Wednesday morning for..... 11c

Children's Shaker Night Dresses

These gowns are well made and nicely trimmed, assorted sizes, worth reg. 75c each, on sale Wednesday morning for..... 23c

### Winter Window Wear

Nothing nicer for bedroom window decoration than mullin curtains, read our story about what we have:

15 pairs white Swiss Mullin Curtains, 3½ yds. long, handsomely tamed, reg. price \$1.50 a pair, on sale Wednesday morning for..... 95c

10 pairs same style, only more elegant reg. price \$2.50 a pair, for..... \$1.50

### Ready-to-wear Skirts

We have about fifty ladies' black and colored made up skirts, to be cleared out on Wednesday. They must all go, nothing reserved. They are all well made, well lined and well bound, fit for any lady to put right on and wear:

Ladies' black Skirts, made of Alpaca, figured lustre, all-wool serge, etc., well lined throughout, worth reg. \$8, on sale Wednesday morning for..... \$1.48

Same styles in lower quality, worth \$2, on sale Wednesday morning for..... 95c

Same styles, better quality, worth \$3.50, on sale Wednesday morning for..... \$1.63

Gray and brown Cloth Skirts, reg. \$3.25, on sale Wednesday morning for..... \$1.55

### Children's Sleeping Garments

For all ages, made of good warm unbleached cotton flannel, made with feet and without, worth from 35c to 50c a garment, on sale Wednesday morning for..... 16c

### Carpets

148 yds. of a handsome design 8 wire Tapestry Carpet, with border to match, reg. price 75c a yd., on sale Wednesday morning for per yard..... 48c

40 yds. Brussels Carpet, in small design for hall, reg. \$1 a yd. on sale Wednesday morning for..... 55c

185 yds. handsome dark green Brussels Carpet with border, reg. \$1 quality, on sale Wednesday morning for..... 63c

## CATACRE MAY RETIRE

### And Await Further Reinforcements at Queenston--Stormberg is Impregnable

#### BRITISH LOSS TO DATE.

Killed..... 566  
Wounded..... 2,027  
Missing and Prisoners..... 1,977  
Total British Losses..... 4,570

London, Dec. 12.—4.40 a. m.—No further news has been received to remove the mystery overhanging Gen. Gatacre's retreat from Stormberg. He has not yet forwarded the promised additional messages, and the censorship has prevented the correspondence from explaining the matter. Until Gen. Gatacre has given his explanation, it is felt that considerable allowance must be made for the extreme difficulty of getting intelligence in a country whose inhabitants are in strong sympathy with the enemy.

Stormberg is described as a stronger position than Laings Nek. The only road winds through lofty hills and flanking is impossible. Coleberg is said to be an almost impregnable position; and as no troops are available to reinforce columns acting in those directions, it becomes evident that Gen. Gatacre's misfortune or error will delay the invasion of the Free State, perhaps some weeks. It is expected to retire that he will be compelled to retreat on Queenston and to wait for reinforcements, which can hardly reach him until Sir Charles Warren's division arrives at the Cape. The first detachment will sail Saturday next. Even if Gen. French is not compelled to retreat, he will be obliged to pause in his advance. It now seems certain that the seventh division, which is being mobilized at Aldershot, will be sent to South Africa.

Nothing has been yet received concerning the Boer report of the capture of 50 prisoners at Modder river from Lord Methuen's column.

It is just two months since the Transvaal ultimatum was delivered. Nine engagements have been fought and the British have lost 566 killed, 2,027 wounded and 1,977 missing or prisoners.

#### LONG CAMPAIGN.

The war office has issued a notice that after January 1 a deduction will be made from the pay of soldiers serving in South Africa—in the case of privates, four pence per day for wives, and a penny for each child; in the case of sergeants, eight pence for wives and twopence for each child. These sums have thus far been paid by the government. The order indicates a belief that the campaign will be a long one.

It is announced from Cape Town that the Boers have succeeded in repairing the Lefontein bridge, between Stormberg and Burgersdorp, which the British destroyed on retreating.

Commandant Swanepoel, who commanded the Boer forces at Stormberg, has been replaced by a Scotchman named Robertson.

#### BRIDGE DESTROYED

A despatch from Frere Camp, Natal, says: "The British cavalry reconnoitered today a stream of Colenso, and exchanged shots with parties of Boers who fell back across the river. The bridges were observed to be thickly occupied by the enemy. The railway bridge at Colenso has been completely destroyed. Two stone piers were blown up last night. The highway bridge is intact."

## BOERS SAY THAT ONLY FOUR MILES

### Between the Enemy and the Canadian Contingent.

#### They Took 672 Prisoners at Stormberg

#### Also Claim to have Captured 50 at Modder River--War Notes.

London, Dec. 12.—A despatch from Pretoria, dated the 11th, says: "Six hundred and seventy-two British prisoners were taken at Stormberg."

"In the fighting at Modder river yesterday evening, Gen. Cronje maintained his position and captured fifty British soldiers."

"The war office has no news of any kind lost at Modder River."

The latest despatch is dated Dec. 10 and says that they shelled the Boer position with lyddite. This cleared the ground and showed that the enemy did not intend to defend Spytfontein but a position in rear of it. Apparently, Spytfontein is not defended or the Boers are unwilling to unmask their position there, as the replies to the British artillery were all from guns at Magersfontein.

The Boers claim to have captured three guns from Gen. Gatacre.

WAR NOTES.

The French press is not unduly exultant over the last English reverse. They say Gen. Gatacre has been misled by Boer strategy and Dutch traitors.

News of a general advance from Frere is momentarily expected.

#### Notice to Creditors.

In the matter of William Nelles, of the Town of Dresden, in the County of Kent, harness maker, insolvent. Notice is hereby given that the above named William Nelles has made an assignment to me under Chap. 147, R. S. O. 1897, and amending acts, of all his estate and effects in trust for the benefit of his creditors.

A meeting of the creditors of the said insolvent will be held at the office of G. E. Weir, Solicitor, St. George Street, Dresden, Ont., on FRIDAY, the 22nd day of December, A. D. 1899, at eleven o'clock, forenoon, for the appointment of inspectors and the giving of directions with reference to the disposal of the estate.

All the creditors of the said insolvent are hereby required to file their claims with me, duly verified by affidavit, and showing the nature and value of securities (if any) held by them, as provided by statute, on or before the 21st day of December, 1899. Dated at Dresden this 11th day of December, 1899.

ARTHUR SMITH, Assignee, Dresden, Ont.

G. E. WEIR, ESQ., Assignee's Solicitor, Dresden, Ont.

Quackery in medicine is a foul practice.

forcements to Lord Methuen as possible, and at the same time retaining complete control of the line of communication, the Canadian regiment has been divided for the present at least.

"The right half battalion—that is, Companies A, B, C and D (those from Ontario, Manitoba and British Columbia) were yesterday sent forward to this spot, the scene of Lord Methuen's first victory over the enemy."

"The left half, comprising Companies E, F, G and H (including the Montreal and Quebec Companies), were left behind at Orange River."

"We hear that the enemy is within four miles of this place, and so the prospect is that we shall soon be in the midst of the fray. All's well."

#### OUT OF THE MOUTHS OF BABES, ETC.

Special to The Planet.

Tilbury, Dec. 12.—Mr. Moffat, the blind orator, in addressing the Sunday school lately, asserted that Canada would soon be annexed to the United States. This was spontaneously answered by the children singing, "God Save the Queen."

#### PHILIP BLAIR'S FUNERAL.

The funeral of the late Philip Blair took place yesterday morning to Pain Court church and considering the pouring rain was largely attended. The Rev. Father Andreux conducted the obsequies. He also celebrated high mass in the church with full musical services. Peter Robert of Chatham leading a number of friends of the late Mr. Blair were present from this city including Rufus Stephenson, ex-M. P., Theodore Bourassa and Eugene Le Roi. The pall-bearers were John Primeau, Anthony Daniel, Joseph Thibodeau, Moses Caron and Thos. Bredau. The remains were interred in Pain Court burying ground. The late Philip Blair was a man of sterling worth and his death will be much felt in the community where he so long resided.

## Books

We want especially to direct attention to our book stock, wherever else in Chatham you will find so large and complete an assortment as here and at close prices too. Standard books for boys and girls and older folks, besides the newest and most popular books will be found here.

## Bibles

We make a specialty of Bibles and carry a large stock at prices ranging from 25c to \$7.00. Exceptional value is our

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This is an international bible and contains very complete and accurate notes of value to Bible students, besides index, concordance, references, maps, etc.

## Storing Purchases

The early buyer gets the benefit of first choice and better assortment. We'll store purchases for you now for delivery later on.

Store open evenings until Christmas.

The Gordon Highlanders are with the Canadians, not the Seaford, so far as known.

An official telegram speaks most highly of the way in which the Canadian managed the stiff work at Orange River, building sidings and erecting platforms, besides the routine military work.

A cable from a special correspondent with the Canadian contingent, dated Belmont, Dec. 11, says:—"In consonance with the plan of campaign of sending as many rein-

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## Holiday Attractions....

At no time since this store has been in existence has it presented such an attractive appearance as now. Every department is in Holiday Dress and overflowing with suitable goods for gift giving. A large and attractive collection of fancy goods imported specially for the holiday season and selling at dry goods prices.

### A Few Gift Suggestions.

#### For Children

Writing Desks,  
Photo Frames,  
Beautiful Dolls,  
Letter Boxes,  
Handkerchief Boxes,  
Glove Boxes,  
Purses,  
Silk Ties,  
Pin Trays,  
White Aprons,

Fancy Gloves,  
Fur Gauntlets,  
Sealette Gauntlets,  
Eider Coats,  
Cloth Coats,  
Men's Ties,  
Men's Gloves,  
Men's Shirts,  
Men's Handkerchiefs,  
Men's Umbrellas,  
Cloth Coats,  
Fur Coats,  
Fur Capelines

Fur Ruffs,  
Muffs,  
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