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## For Christmas Gifts

If you give it your attention the Christmas giving of 1899 will always be remembered by you for the remarkable buying power of small amounts of money. A sale such as the one we are now holding gives you an unusually good chance to buy your Christmas Gifts at considerably less than you anticipated. Thousands of dollars worth of goods now ordered by us especially for December and Christmas trade long before the sale commenced. And these have now been passed into stock and marked at sale prices.

## Over Six Thousand Dollars

(\$6000) worth of new goods have been passed into stock since Nov. 1st and this just makes it necessary for us to do \$6000 more business than at first calculated in order to reduce the stock to the required amount. You can draw your own conclusion as to the necessity of marking all these new arrivals at cost and some of them even less than actual cost price.

### KID GLOVES

What is more appropriate for a Christmas Gift to a lady than a pair of fine Kid Gloves? We have the best, and what is better we are selling them at reduced prices:

Ladies' Kid Gloves, in all the pretty shades of fawns, browns, blacks, etc., two dome fasteners, fancy backs, reg. \$1 quality for..... 89c  
Ladies' extra fine Undressed Kid Gloves, with large pearl fasteners, reg. \$2 quality for..... \$1.87  
Ladies' White Kid Gloves, with fancy stitching, two dome fastener at 69c and..... 89c  
Ladies' Lined Mitts, Undressed Kid, extra fine quality at..... \$1.33

### HANDKERCHIEFS

Pure Linen Hemstitched Handkerchiefs, Irish manufacture, special per dozen..... \$1.50  
Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, at 10c, 12c, 15c, and up to..... \$1.25  
Real Lace Hemstitch, at \$1.75, \$2.50, \$3.50 and..... \$6.25  
Mourning Embroidered Handkerchiefs at 10c, 20c and..... 25c  
Men's Silk Handkerchiefs hemstitched extra quality of silk at 25c, 45c and..... 50c

### LADIES' SILK MITTS

This is something especially nice, made of the finest silk and ladies will be delighted with a pair of the handsome and serviceable hand coverings, they come in black only done up in a neat box

Special at.....\$1.19 and \$1.69 pair

### LADIES' SILK HOSE

Extra fine qualities at special sale prices 89c and \$1.33 a pair.

### GARTERS

In a pretty box, elastic is the best and the buckles very pretty, special 25c pair.

### LADIES' STOCK COLLARS

New shapes, combinations of velvet and satin, they're very pretty.

### LINENS

Dainty goods, helpfully under price—here's news that every woman in the city wants to know. Every one who has a home likes dainty linens and this is an opportunity to have them at little cost.

The finest grass bleached cloths, Irish manufacture, two yards wide by three long, hemstitched special \$5.00.  
Napkins to match \$4.50 dozen.  
Same size at \$3, \$3.50 and \$4.

### NEW KID GLOVES AND MITTS

Lined or unlined, dressed kid or mocha special sale price 99c pair.

### MEN'S NECK SCARVES

In all the pretty color combinations—large size, special at 69c and 89c.

### MEN'S SUSPENDERS

The very best makes, with pretty buckles very special at 23c and 46c pair.

### MEN'S UMBRELLAS

The finest stock in the city to select from—the newest handles and best coverings—a very special line sterling silver mounted at \$4.25 and \$4.65.  
Special quality at 89c, \$1.33, \$1.69, \$2.25 and \$2.50.

### DAINTY TRAY CLOTHS AND SIDEBORD SCARVES

In the prettiest patterns imaginable all double damask, fine linen.  
Tray Cloths 29c, 34c and 48c.  
Sideboard Scarves, at 76c and 98c.  
Five O'clock Covers at 89c, \$1.15, \$1.35.  
Doilies at 10c, 12c, 15c, 20c and 25c.

### SMALL FURS

Such as Capelines, Collarettes, Gauntlets Muffs, for the Ladies and Children, all selling at reduced prices.

## BRITISH SUFFER SEVERE REVERSE

### General Gatacre Defeated With the Loss of Nearly 700 Men

#### --He was Surprised Himself Instead of Surprising the Boers.

London, Monday, Dec. 11.—The War Office here publishes the following despatch from Gen. Forestier-Walker, at Cape Town:—

Gatacre reports:—  
I deeply regret to inform you that I met with a serious reverse in the attack on Stormberg. I was misled as to the enemy's position by the guides and found impracticable ground.

Casualties so far as known at present are:—

Second Battalion Royal Irish Rifles—Wounded—Lieut.-Col. Eager, Major Serton, Capt. Bell, Capt. Kelly, Lieut. Stephens and Lieut. Barkardston.

Suffolk Regiment—Wounded—Second Lieut. Maynard and 12 men. Missing—Capt. Weir, Lieut. Christie, Lieut. Rodney and 200 men.

74th Field Battery—Severely wounded—Lewis and three men. Slightly wounded—Two men.

77th Field Battery—Killed—One gunner. Wounded—Major Perival, Northumberland Fusiliers—Missing—Major Stevens, Capt. Fletcher, Capt. Morley, Second Lieut. Wake, Second Lieut. Colson, Lieut. Radcliffe, and 300 non-commissioned officers and men.

Royal Berkshire Regiment—Killed—One private.  
The remainder of my casualties will be wired as soon as ascertained.

SHORT AND SHARP.

Molteno, Cape Colony, Sunday, Dec. 10.—Gen. Gatacre left Petter's Kraal by train for Molteno, and then pro-

ceeded by forced march 12 miles toward Stormberg. He had 2,000 men, including the Northumberland Fusiliers, Royal Irish Rifles and two batteries of artillery. The British were unopposed by the Boers until the Boer position was reached, when a hot fire was unexpectedly opened on the advancing column. The engagement began at 4.15 a.m. At 7 a.m. after a sharp artillery duel, the British retired. They are now marching toward Molteno. Gen. Gatacre found the enemy's position impregnable. It was impossible for the British infantry to get at the Boers.

#### THE FIGHT.

Molteno, Cape Colony, Sunday, Dec. 10, 5.30 p.m.—Gen. Gatacre's movement may be termed a reconnaissance in force. Its object was to ascertain the strength of the position of the Boers, who were strongly entrenched along the Stormberg range. He left Petter's Kraal shortly after noon yesterday with a fighting force slightly over 4,000 men. Leaving Molteno at nine last evening he made a memorable night march over the rocks and veldt. There was no sound except a steady tramp, and there were no distinguishing lights, the bright moon having gone down about half past eleven. The column arrived safely within a couple of miles of the destination, the only incidents of the march being an occasional sudden call of "Halt!" under the belief that the Boers were near. Suddenly a terrific fire opened simultaneously on the British front and right flank. The Royal Irish Rifles, which formed the advance, sought shelter behind a neighboring kopje, and were speedily joined by the remainder of the column.

It was soon found, however, that this position was also covered by Boer guns, which were more powerful than had been supposed. The troops, therefore, sought a safer position about half a mile away, two batteries in the meantime, engaging the Boers, and covering the troops in their withdrawal. The action now became general at long range, and a detachment of mounted infantry moved northward, with a view of getting on the enemy's right flank. Suddenly a strong commando was seen moving from the north, and the Royal Irish Rifles and the Northumberland Regiment were sent out to meet it. It was soon discovered, however, that the Boers had machine guns well placed, and the British were compelled to face a terrific fire. Finding it impossible to hold the positions in the face of an enemy apparently superior in position, numbers and artillery, the British retired on Molteno, the Boers following up the retirement closely and bringing two big guns to bear on the retreating column. It is believed here that the British casualties were not serious.

#### THEY LOST ONE GUN.

London, Monday, December 11.—The Times publishes the following despatch from Molteno:—"Gen. Gatacre attempted to assault the Boer position at Stormberg at Dawn to-day (Sunday). The guides led us wrong, and we were surprised while still dark, and after a very trying march. Our retirement was effected in excellent order, there being no hurry even at the most critical time. The Northumberland and Irish Rifles behaved as if on review. I fear our losses are heavy. One of our guns we had to abandon."

## UP TO THE FRONT.

### Half the Canadian Contingent Moved Forward.

They Have Been Engaged on Some Hard Work the Last Few Days—War Notes.

Orange River, Saturday, Dec. 9.—Half the men of the Canadian contingent have gone forward.

Like the Australian contingent, they have been put to stiff work since their arrival, and have been building ridges, erecting platforms and rendering the usual routine service.

They are in excellent condition and very zealous.

#### WAR NOTES.

The railway bridge over the Modder was completed Dec. 7.

Methuen reports that he made a demonstration up the line of the railway with artillery. The enemy did not respond.

Methuen is receiving the remainder of his reinforcements and supplies. He has established detached posts on his line of communication.

Mafeking reports all well on Nov. 30th.

The New York Sun declares that Lord Methuen will fool the Boers by abandoning his march to Kimberley and striking directly across to the Free State capital.

According to the despatches from Ladysmith excursions are running weekly from Pretoria, bringing num-

bers of gaily attired Dutch women, who take up points of vantage on the hills, and closely scan the proceedings in the town.

Three bodies found after the Mooi River fight proved to be the remains of three scouts belonging to Thorneycroft's Light Horse. They had been captured by the Boers, and while bound had been riddled with bullets.

A copy of the Johannesburg Standard and Digges' News recovered here contains a list of the Boer casualties at Elandslaats. This list shows that the Boers' loss in that fight was 43 killed and 110 wounded.

#### LYNCHING JUSTIFIABLE.

The Macaulay club held its usual meeting Saturday night. There were present, the president, Fred Hall, Geoffrey O'Hara, Thos. Scullard, Jas. Fleming, Edwin Bell, John Reeves, Fred Stone, Dr. Holmes, Harry Stevens, S. B. Arnold, C. E. Beeston, J. W. Aitken, J. G. Kerr and J. W. Young. An amendment to the constitution was adopted limiting the number of members to 30. Harry Stevens read a number of extracts from Ruskin's "Address on War to Young Soldiers." The debate was, resolved that lynching is never justifiable. Fred Hall, C. E. Beeston, Edwin Bell, J. G. Kerr and Harry Stevens spoke for the affirmative and Geoffrey O'Hara, Dr. Holmes, J. S. Lane, S. B. Arnold and Jas. Fleming for the negative. Thos. Scullard who occupied the chair gave his decision for the negative. Fred Stone criticized.

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Table Figs..... 15c and 20c lb  
Malaga Grapes..... 20c per lb  
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## When the Twentieth Century

begins, is a very debatable question. Many intelligent people strongly affirm that it begins with January 1st, 1900. Others, equally well versed in Chronology are very positive that the coming century begins with January 1st, 1901. We will refer this matter to the Editor of "The Market Guide."

But we know that there is no ground for debate on the question, WHERE TO GO FOR CHRISTMAS GIFTS AND NOVELTIES, as all are of one mind that

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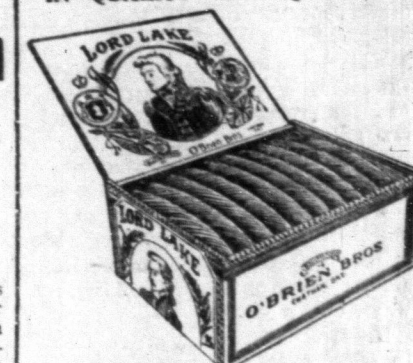
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## Holiday Attractions....

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	Fancy Gloves, Fur Gauntlets, Sealette Gauntlets, Eider Coats, Cloth Coats, Mens Ties, Men's Gloves, Men's Shirts, Men's Handkerchiefs, Men's Umbrellas, Cloth Coats, Fur Coats, Fur Capelines	Fur Ruffs, Muffs, Dressing Sacques, Kid Gloves, Silk Ties, Silk Handkerchiefs, Fine Linen Hdkfs., Silk Dresses, Wool Dresses, Silk Waists, Silk Umbrellas, Fancy Linens, Piano Drapes.
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No matter what is it if it comes under any of these headings you will pay less for it here.

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