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January Selling

We are strongly opposed to dull trade. In the natural course of events many merchants look for a falling off in trade during January and after the holidays. We don't want it that way and so for this year we have been just about as busy since the holidays as before, simply because we make shopping interesting for you every day. For Friday we make a special list of prices:

3 pos. good weight, striped Hemp Star Carpet, 18 in. wide, special on Friday for..... 60
2 pos. extra heavy Union Carpets, good patterns, 38 in. wide, worth regular 40c and 50c a yd., Friday for..... 30c

Black Goat Fur Capes, well lined with black satin, 24 in. long, wide spread, well made, regular \$11.00, Friday..... \$8.00

3 pos. fancy figured Denim, 34 in. wide, in brown, bronze and Welsh blue shades, reg. 20c a yard, Friday..... 12c

Men's all-wool good weight Shirts, and Drawers, regular price 50c, Friday..... 35c

18 x 33 Linen Towels, hemmed ready for use, good value at 11c each, Friday for..... 8c

The great event of next week will be our White Wear Opening on Tuesday. We have scarcely five dollars worth of last season's stock in the store, so that you are guaranteed a completely fresh and up-to-date assortment of gowns, corset covers, drawers, skirts, etc. Our embroideries are imported by ourselves direct from Switzerland and we have just to-day been advised by the customs house that they have arrived. The patterns, the qualities and the prices will please you

Jackets are going out rapidly at the unheard of prices. When you think that \$5.00 will buy you a \$10.00 Jacket you will smile.

\$10.00 Jackets.....\$5.00
\$12.00 Jackets.....\$6.00
\$15.00 Jackets.....\$7.50
\$3.00 Jackets.....\$1.75

The Dress Goods counter is a busy scene these days. Prices are a great attraction. A collection of cashmere, fancy checks and plaids, hosiery, silk mixtures, etc., worth from 50c to \$1.00 a yard is on a table for your inspection to-morrow for

25c a yard.

1 pos. good weight black Taffeta, slightly damaged in the dyeing, but good for facing or lining, reg. value 85c a yard, on sale Friday for..... 58c

..Thomas Stone & Son..

For House Wear

Another lot of Ladies' Black Felt Slippers, warm wool lined, elastic in front, several sizes, all sizes.

25 Cents.

WE INVITE

Shoe Critics

To make a close examination of the Ladies' Shoes which we are selling at \$2.50. We urge a comparison of this shoe with any sold in the city at \$3.00. This line is made by an American maker (for whose goods we are sole agents here) who get that JUST-RIGHT-FIT to his goods which so many shoe makers never learn. This is a high laced Black Vici Kid, on the new "1900" shape, kid tip, flexible sole in different widths, will please the moment you see it—made in Boston—and only.....

\$2.50

Geo. W. Cowan....

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Our January Clearing Sale

Is daily becoming more interesting. The large crowds that thronged our store yesterday shows that our efforts are being appreciated by the shrewd cash buyers of this city and surrounding country. For Friday shoppers we have some of the biggest snaps of the season. Would advise you to be on hand early, you will always find goods exactly as represented and your money back if you are not satisfied.

30 pairs Lace Curtains, Nottingham make, 3 1/2 yds. long, 54 to 60 in. wide, white and coral, handsome designs, edged and embroidered edges, sold regular at \$2.00 and \$2.50, sale price..... \$1.58
5 pos. Art Muslin, fine quality, 37 in. wide, choice patterns and colorings, reg. 8c, sale price..... 5c
3 pos. Tapestry Carpets, rich colorings and designs, sold regular at 40c, sale price..... 29c
50 Window Shades, in assorted colors, sizes 36x72 in., complete with rollers, sale price..... 25c
300 yds. Heavy Crash Toweling, pure linen with fancy borders, firm smooth finish, worth 7c, sale price..... 4c

1 pos. Turkey Red and White Tablecloth, 56 in. wide, fine quality, fast color, worth 30c, sale price..... 23c
4 pos. Crestonians, in new fancy designs, bright cheery colorings, worth 7c and 8c, sale price..... 5c
DRESS GOODS—Storm Serge, 52 in. wide, pure wool, firm weave, heavy weight, navy and black only, a special cloth at 75c, sale price..... 47c
Amaranth Suiting, a fine French cutting material, made in fancy herringbone effect, dark colorings, warranted not to shrink or spot, regular price \$1, sale price..... 68c
10 pos. All wool Black Pebble Cloth, Satin Cloth, Fancy Broches, Serges, Etc., sold regular at 60c, 90c and 75c, sale price..... 38c

19 pos. Colored Dress Goods, in tweeds, serges, checks, silk mixtures, covertes and fancy suitings, sold reg. at 35c, 40c and 50c, sale price..... 23c
MILLINERY—Toilet, Misses' Hats, silk velvet, lace crowns, regular \$2.25, sale price..... 10c
4 doz. Fancy Wings and Birds, assorted colors, sold regular up to 90c, sale price..... 25c
2 doz. Felt Shapes, regular \$1 and \$1.25, sale price..... 25c
21 only, handsome Trimmed Hats, sold reg. at \$1.50 up to \$5, sale price..... 68c
Ladies' Jackets, handsome up-to-date garments, in all the fashionable shades, clearing at less than cost or material.

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KENT LAW ASSOCIATION.

The first annual meeting of the Kent County Law Association was held yesterday afternoon, some twenty members of the bar being present.

The secretary-treasurer, Ward Stanworth, reported receipts totalling \$839.50, while the expenditures amounted to \$760.83.

It is reported at Durban that the captured German steamer Bundesrath had on board five big guns, fifty tons of shells and 180 trained artillerymen.

ABOUT A SPOILED BALLOT.

A somewhat interesting point in ballot-marking has sprung up over the recent municipal elections. In polling subdivision No. 1 in ward 5, the deputy returning officer found one aldermanic ballot marked for Arch. B. McCoy with a cross through which a mark was scrawled in the nature of a capital Z, which to all appearance seemed to be a marking out of the original cross placed opposite Mr. McCoy's name. The deputy returning officer, after consulting with all the scrutineers present, threw out the vote. The recent standard work by C. R. W. Biggar, Q. C., on ballot-marking, in the hands of City Clerk Merritt, however, instances two cases exactly similar in which the courts hold that the ballot is not spoiled and the vote must count. While the matter does not effect anyone in any way, it is an interesting point, and goes further to emphasize the care which must be exercised in marking and counting the ballots.

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.



GENERAL KITCHENER, CHIEF OF STAFF TO LORD ROBERTS, IN SOUTH AFRICA.

BIG BATTLE IMMINENT

Ladysmith in Dire Straits.

GEN. FRENCH HAS THE BOERS TRAPPED BUT IS NOT STRONG ENOUGH TO CRUSH THEM.

London, January 4.—Gen. Buller continues his night bombardment and patrol surprises. As the Tugela River is again fordable and the stretcher-bearers have again been requisitioned at Durban and Pietermaritzburg, there is a disposition to believe that the British advance will not be long delayed.

A SUPREME EFFORT.

There is a deepening sense of anxiety respecting Ladysmith, whence most disheartening reports of the prevalence of sickness are received. General White reports a list of nearly twenty deaths from enteric fever and dysentery, and seventy-one serious cases in the hospital. Dr. Jameson has all the work he can do. It is evident that the garrison cannot hold out long, and that Sir Redvers Buller will not allow many days to pass without striking a blow. Transports with fresh battalions and batteries have arrived at Durban, and within twenty-four hours Sir Redvers ought to be in readiness for a supreme effort. The Boer line of defence is now described as 16 miles in length, having been extended up and down the Tugela in order to prevent a turning movement.

THE RIVER FORDABLE.

The Tugela River has gone down to its normal height. A strong reconnaissance was made toward Slangweni Hill. Two hundred mounted troops, under Lord Dundonald, accompanied by Gen. Clery and Gen. Barton, pushed forward near the hill, where a comprehensive view was obtained of the positions held by the Boers during the last battle and also of the fords by which they cross the river. The British met with no opposition, and returned at two o'clock in the afternoon.

NO NEWS FROM MOLKENO.

London, Thursday, Jan. 4, 4.30 a.m.—There is a complete absence of anything new from the seat of war. The report of the Boer attack upon Molkeno is not yet confirmed. Apparently Gen. French holds nothing within five miles of Colesburg Junction. His request for reinforcements dispels any present hope that he will be able to seize any of the crossings of the Orange River. It is possible that when Lord Roberts arrives Gen. French will be ordered to quit his present unsupported campaign and to concentrate his force at the Ar or Orange River. As the Daily Telegraph says:—"Gen. French seems to be in the position of a man having a tiger cat in a trap and unable to kill it for want of a stick."

A DISPATCH FROM DOVER FARM.

A dispatch from Dover Farm announces that Col. Pilcher has returned there from Douglas.

NORMBERG. The despatch adds that big developments are expected to-morrow.

BEHAVED LIKE BOERS.

London, Jan. 3.—A despatch from Lorenzo Marques says:—"The Boers at Dundee behaved shockingly. The ambulance doctor and his assistants were imprisoned eleven days in compound. There was a terrible exhibition of rowdiness on Christmas day. Sixteen soldiers have died in the hospital since the British evacuated Dundee."

BOERS GOT THE SUPPLIES.

London, Jan. 4.—The supply train, which ran away from Rensburg, ran into a broken culvert, and was wrecked. The Boers began looting it, and another Rensburg train was despatched to the spot in an attempt to recover the provisions. The Boers opened fire on the troops and natives accompanying it, forcing the second train to retreat after several of the natives had been killed.

The war office has issued a despatch received from Gen. French under yesterday's date, saying his position was the same as on the previous day; that with small reinforcements he could dislodge the Boers from Colesburg, and, in the meantime, he continued manoeuvring.

JOE'S CONGRATULATIONS.

Ottawa, Jan. 4.—The following cable has been received by His Excellency the Governor-General from Hon. Joseph Chamberlain:

London, Jan. 3, 1900.—I congratulate Canadians on gallant behavior of contingent in engagement at Sunnyside. (Signed) Chamberlain.

WAR NOTES.

Eight extra regiments of artillery have been called out. Seven are for garrison duty in Ireland.

Winston Churchill has been appointed a squadron leader in the South African Horse.

MOODY'S LAST WORDS.

If This Is Death There Is Nothing Awful Here.

New York, Jan. 4.—Dwight L. Moody's last words, according to a Boston despatch, were:—"Earth recedes and heaven opens before me. If this is death, there is nothing awful here. It is sweet. It is bliss; do not call me back; God is calling me; I must go. There is no valley here. It is all beautiful." These words were taken down by Stenographer Ben Wright, of Boston, who had them directly after the death from Mr. Moody's son.

DISGUSTING BRUTALITY.

Describing a recent cocking main in that city the Detroit Tribune says: There were 11 fights, and the experts appeared to think they were extremely good ones. The handlers of the birds showed a desire to get all the fight possible out of their fowls. They made one cock fight about 10 minutes with a broken leg, and until he was killed. They made another one fight after he had had both eyes pecked out. The experts commented on the skill with which the birds were handled and commended the handlers for their self-restraint, in that they wrangled very little. The battle was between Michigan and Canadian birds on the one hand and West Virginia birds on the other. Of the 11 fights in the main West Virginia won six.

MAYOR'S BLUNDER

He Talked in Peace-at-Any-Price Language

And the St. John, N.B., Council Want Him to Resign—A Fine How.

St. John, N. B., Jan. 4.—On New Year's Day Mayor Sears sent the following cable to the Canadian High Commissioner:

Strathcona, London.—May New Year's blessings rest upon Her Majesty, bringing peace with honor.

As a consequence, the Aldermanic Board are after the Mayor's scalp. At a meeting of the Board of Public Works yesterday Aldermen Milne, Christie, Maxwell, Warring, McMulkin and others, indignantly repudiated the Mayor's right to speak for the people. The Mayor refusing to call a special meeting of the Council to discuss the matter, a meeting was called by eight aldermen and a hot time is expected. The Board of Works, before adjournment, adopted a series of resolutions setting forth that—

Whereas the expression "peace and honor" in diplomatic language indicates that a nation having suffered reverses may, without loss of dignity, accept the terms of its opponent, and as the unalterable opinion of this community is opposed to peace upon any other terms than the unconditional surrender of the national enemy;

Resolved, that the board regrets that, in a semi-official manner, the views of the people of St. John should have been set forth in the language quoted above, and desires to not only express the hope, but the firm conviction that Her Majesty's Government will prosecute the war in such a manner as to vindicate the honor of the nation and the cause of justice they have, as ever, undertaken to sustain.

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