

METHUEN ACTIVE, BULLER SILENT.

Whole Division Stirs Up Boers at Modder River to Aid Kimberley.

MODDER RIVER, Cape Colony, Jan. 17.—There was a demonstration in force under Gen. Methuen, yesterday, a division being engaged, with the object of ascertaining the strength and disposition of the Boer force and also in order to try to withdraw the Boers from Kimberley, where they have been active.

The British discovered the Boers in great force and being reinforced from the direction of Jacobsdal.

At 4.30 the artillery opened fire, the shells dropping in the Boer intrenchments with great precision. The attack was directed against the Boer left.

The firing continued until sunset, mostly with artillery, although the Guards, on the right, fired some long-range volleys.

The Boers reserved their fire until the British were returning to camp, in the darkness, when six shells followed them. There were no casualties among the British troops.

BULLER IN BATTLE.

But No Boers Come from Water to Clear Up the Situation.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—E. P. M.—Public anxiety regarding the advance on Ladysmith remains unquenched, though there are rumors that a general engagement is progressing, emanating from Durban and Pietermaritzburg.

The War Office this afternoon posted this notice: "The following telegram is the only news which has been received in regard to Gen. Buller's operations near Springsveld."

The telegram then proceeds to report the death of a private from dysentery at Springsveld bridge camp, Jan. 15, and the wounding of another private in a reconnaissance toward the Tugela River, Jan. 15.

Gen. French's success, though consisting to the British, is recognized as being only a side issue. The country is grateful to learn that the British losses in this engagement were only six men killed and five wounded.

The news that two transports with troops have been ordered from Cape Town to Port Elizabeth indicates that substantial reinforcements are on their way to Gen. French.

A relative of Gen. Buller is reported to have received a cablegram from the general yesterday to the effect that his force is occupying a very strong position.

AN ARTILLERY DUEL.

Gen. French Silences Big Boer Gun and Recovers the Koppes.

RENSBURG, Cape Colony, Tuesday, Jan. 16.—The Boers opened an artillery duel this morning, using a British fifteen-pounder captured from Gatacre, which the British gunners ultimately silenced.

The British kept up a searching fire all day long on the Boer koppes, and also dragged up another gun to the summit of Colekop.

"VICTORY" FOR FRANCE.

Santo Domingo Pays Up and Apologizes Under Pressure of Fleet.

PARIS, Jan. 17.—The French Government expresses itself as pleased with the settlement of the Santo Domingo trouble, which, according to a telegram from Admiral Richard, was a complete victory for France.

Santo Domingo undertook to pay the indemnity demanded, that a responsible Minister should make a public declaration that no affront was ever intended for France, and the Foreign Minister to write to the French Government expressing the regrets of his Government at the anti-French demonstrations.

RUMOR OF VICTORY.

Stocks Go Upward on Vague Report that Ladysmith is Relieved.

LONDON, Jan. 17.—Prices advanced on the Stock Exchange to-day on the rumor that Ladysmith had been relieved, but there is nothing else to corroborate the report.

GERMAN LINER FREED.

Berlin Says British Admits No Contraband Was Found and Promises Release.

BERLIN, Jan. 17.—An official telegram from London says the British Government has declared that now the inquiry into the seizure of the *Deutschland* is concluded, a satisfactory settlement of the pending difficulty may be regarded as certain. Measures will also be taken to prevent a recurrence of similar incidents.

The Foreign Office officials say that Great Britain admits no contraband of war was found on the *Deutschland* and promises that the steamer will be released to-day or to-morrow.

NO DEMAND BY EUROPE.

French Officials Say Nothing to Be Demanded by Europe.

Paris, Jan. 17.—The officials in the

PROBING MR. GAGE.

Senator Asks in Congress Whether Anything More is to Be Done.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—In the House today Mr. Sulzer (Dem., N. Y.) called attention to the resolution he introduced for the investigation of the charges against Secretary Gage in connection with the deposit of Government funds in national banks.

The committee to which it had been referred had not acted.

"I understand," said Mr. Sulzer, "that the boss of the Republican party says these charges are all 'rot' and that the President doesn't want them investigated and that nothing more is to be done with these grave and serious charges."

If that was so, he continued, the minority was entitled to know it. There was a remedy, he declared, and that remedy would be applied.

The Secretary of the Treasury was charged by reputable newspapers and reputable men with a distinct violation of the law.

NO EXTRA CHARGE FOR IT.

Advertisements for THE WORLD will be received at any American District Messenger Office or Postal Telegraph Office in New York City at the usual rates. Call a messenger if you have a box.

SCOUT GOES TO AFRICA.

F. R. Burnham, a Daring American, Starts for the Transvaal.

The St. Paul, which sailed for Southampton this morning, carried several men en route to South Africa to do some fighting. F. R. Burnham, an American, a noted scout, who has done much service in the English foreign service, was one of them.

Burnham did remarkable service in Africa. He really ended the Matabele war by tracking down and killing the "white doctor." After the war he left the service and went to Alaska. He has been there ever since.

When Lord Roberts was appointed to a command in South Africa he sent for Burnham, and the latter is going post-haste to the Transvaal. When seen before sailing he said that he had nothing to say except that he was going over to do his duty.

Two picturesque individuals who sailed with him, E. H. Harris and his son Felix, Texas rangers, who are also going to South Africa to fight.

SEIZURES IN SENATE.

Male's Resolution of Inquiry Into Britain's Action Taken Up.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—The resolution introduced by Mr. Hale (Maine), calling upon the Secretary of State for information in possession of the State Department relating to the seizure and detention of American flag by the British authorities in Delagoa Bay, South Africa, was taken up in the Senate today.

After it had been modified Mr. Platt (Conn.) made a speech in which he said that he did not believe the passage of the resolution at this time wise.

The Senate also took up the modified Hale resolution relating to the seizure of four in Delagoa Bay.

FRANCE TO ACT AGAIN?

Her Citizens Thrown Into a Fervor in Caracas and Ask for Warships.

PARIS, Jan. 17.—A despatch from Caracas, published here saying anarchy prevails in Venezuela.

Owing to their refusal to advance the Government money, the directors of the Bank of Caracas and Venezuela, including a Frenchman, M. Montauban, and other foreign notabilities have been arrested and thrown into the fortress.

The representations of the French Charge d'Affaires, it is said, have been disregarded.

The French colony at Caracas energetically demands that the French Atlantic Squadron be despatched to the coast of Venezuela.

REBELS BADLY DRIVEN.

Gen. Otis Cables of Successful Operations by Our Troops—Expectations to Keep Poets.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 17.—Gen. Otis reports to the War Department that Gen. Schwan holds all Batangas province.

The navy is co-operating with Wheeler. An expedition under Kobbe leaves for Manila today.

Gen. Hughes whipped the Tansals in Negros and troops in northern Luzon are dispersing the robber bands.

M'KINLEY AIDS PRIARS.

So Philippine Believe, but Gen. Otis Issues a Proclamation.

MANILA, Jan. 17.—The Philippine Commission, the Apostolic Delegate to the Philippines, is greatly stirring the Catholics of all nationalities.

The Philippine Commission has gained the impression that M'Kinley, as the joint agent of President McKinley and the Pope, reinstates the friars in their former power.

To quell the excitement, Major-General Otis consented to the publication in the local newspapers of a statement which he had made to a delegation of Filipinos as follows:

"If the Church authorities assign friars to curacies who are obnoxious to the people they will not be compelled to accept them. The individual liberty guaranteed by the American Constitution will not be denied the Filipinos, and the Government will not force upon them any ecclesiastical denomination contrary to their wishes."

GRIP.

Duffy's Pure Malt Whiskey.

This brand of whiskey is now becoming prevalent. Beware of the "light color" also. It is a quick cure for the cold.

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The January Ribbon Sale.

The most successful in a record of twenty years. The great five and ten cent values continued with 500,000 yards in addition.

300,000 YARDS AT 5c. YARD.
200,000 " " 10c. YARD.

Also nearly 1,000,000 yards of Silk and Satin Ribbons at about the price of linen tape or shoe strings.

3c. YARD OR 50 YARDS FOR \$1.50.
2c. " " 50 " " \$1.00.

Quantities are too large for detailed description. To avoid the usual inevitable crowding, great space will be given them in the new basement of 10,000 square feet.

John Daniell Sons & Sons
Broadway, Eighth and Ninth Streets.

NO SPACE FOR TALK. VALUES CONVINCING.

THIS IS THE GRANDEST, BEST AND MOST REMARKABLE SALE OF THE YEAR. PRICE ELSEWHERE; THEN COME HERE.

WE HAVE BUT EIGHT OF THESE SUITS LEFT. THEY ARE WORTH AT LEAST \$75.00.

LUDWIG BAUMANN & COMPANY,
CASH OR CREDIT. EASIEST PAYMENTS.

3d Ave. & 121st St.

Handsome 5-drawer Chest with glass doors. \$7.70

Excellent Tuffed Velour Couch worth \$12.70

Premier Purveyors of Home Comforts. We desire to and will make a record on this sale.

BEDROOM & DINING-ROOM SUITS AT CLEARING SALE PRICES, ALL LATEST STYLES.

All Cars Transfer to

Bloomingtons

3d Ave., 59th & 60th Sts.

Butterick Patterns for February Now on Sale.

Pulley Belts, 48c

The latest lat. entire belt made of double face satin ribbon, our special price for all sizes.

Main Floor, 5th St. Section.

DENTISTRY.

Have you seen the Dental Parlors? Best dentistry at half usual rates. See window display.

Dr. Randall.

All Cars Transfer to

Bloomingtons

3d Ave., 59th & 60th Sts.

Hosiery Department

Replete with Seasonable Bargains.

Ladies' Extra Choice Hosiery.

A choice of styles to select from at 29c; actual value 50c.

Ladies' Fine Open Work Lace Lisle Hosiery, with silk embroidered instep, in a variety of colors.

Ladies' Spun Silk Hosiery, in opera colors.

Ladies' Fancy Ribbed Lisle Thread Hosiery in a variety of styles. All at 29c pair.

Ladies' Black Cotton Hosiery, double heels and toes, good quality.

Ladies' Heavy Seamless Black Flannel-lined Hosiery, sale price.

Ladies' Plain Black and Cadet Blue, with white polka dots, all extracted and guaranteed fast color.

Choice of Styles at 19c.

Ladies' extra good quality Cotton Hosiery, in fancy styles.

Ladies' 2-holed Hermsdorf Black Cotton Hosiery, with double soles, double heels and toes. Take your choice of any at 19c.

Ladies' Fine Cashmere Hosiery, Merino, with heels and toes extra long, plain and ribbed.

The Men's Half Hose Specials.

Choice of styles at 19c per pair.

Men's Fine Imported Lisle Thread Half Hose, in a variety of new styles.

Men's extraordinarily good quality imported Fancy Cotton Half Hose, in a variety of styles.

Men's fine quality Cashmere Half Hose, in black and natural colors. actual value 35c. Take your choice at 19c.

Choice of Styles in Men's Hose at 12c.

Men's 2-thread cotton Half Hose, in fancy striped and polka dots, in a variety of colors.

Men's imported plain black cotton Half Hose, double heels and toes, Hermsdorf dye.

Men's medium weight natural merino Half Hose, in very good quality.

Take your choice of any at 12c.

Special Lot of Men's Half Hose at 6c.

Men's Half Hose, 2-thread cotton, seamless, in black and tan, sale price.

Children's Hosiery at 12c. pair.

Children's Hosiery, best grades of cotton extra heavy corduroy ribbed also fine 2-ribbed, with double knees and toes, sizes 10 to 15; every pair guaranteed fast color. sale price 12c.

Main Floor, 5th St. Section.

Ladies' Knit Underwear.

A chance to get big values for little money.

We have closed out 1,500 Ladies' Ribbed Vests, heavy fleec-lined, from the Oxford Knitting Mill. They were sold to us at a very low price, and in order to move them quickly and make room for spring underwear, we shall sell them at, each, 19c.

Extraordinary Bargain.

Here are 2,400 Ladies' Vests, fine ribbed fancy cotton, in fancies and white, trimmed with lace at the necks and armholes. They are beautifully made and trimmed, and retail at 25c, each. We bought them at a big bargain, and shall sell them 12c, each.

Main Floor, 5th St. Section.

Rugs and Art Squares.

New and Artistic Effects.

To-morrow we shall place on sale the most artistic effects in ART SQUARES and fine AXMINSTER RUGS at prices that will quickly find new owners for them.

Rugs and Mats.

Beautiful Mosquito Mats, Fine quality Axminster Rugs.

27x61 in., 1.98
36x72 in., 2.98

French Wilton Rugs.

9x16 1/2 in., 6.48
9x12 in., 4.20
9x12 in., 2.94
10x6 x 9 ft., 3.21
12 ft. x 9 ft., 3.67

These Art Squares are reversible, strong and durable, of the latest shades and coloring can be used as a rug or crumb cloth.

These French Wilton Rugs are beyond question the most artistic in coloring and design and very durable.

Main Floor, 5th and 6th Sts.

Irresistible Clothing Values.

For money savers this \$60,000 worth of Fine Reliable Clothing, selling at 35c. on the dollar, has become a tremendous attraction. We obtained in a spot cash transaction the entire winter stock of the well-known firm of

Schlestein & Cohn, of 212, 214, 216 & 218 Wooster St., City.

MEN'S OVERCOATS, fast color kersey and beaver, in all sizes, in blue and black, made with wide French facing, good quality Farmer's satin lining, good workmanship throughout in fact a garment that will give every satisfaction and would sell easily in the season at \$9 or \$10. During this sale your choice, 3.93

MEN'S TROUSERS. One of the greatest values ever offered will be found in a line of Men's Wool Cheviot and Cassimere Trousers in stripes, checks and plaids and herringbone. These Trousers are made as well as it is possible to make them, and perfect in fit. Not a pair worth less than \$10.00, and some \$15.00 and \$40.00. Your choice during this sale 1.66

MEN'S DRESS SUITS, high class, pure worsted, tailored in the best possible manner, in all the newest and richest patterns, some lined with pure silk, others with heavy quality Italian and serge linings. The materials and workmanship in these suits are equal to any that you will find in the most expensive garments. Not a suit in this lot worth less than \$18.00, and some \$20 to \$22. Your choice during this sale at 8.93

BOYS' REEFERS for the little fellows, 3 to 8 years of age made of good chin-chilla, with deep serge collars and bound with heavy Hercules braid; this reefer ordinarily sells at \$2.98; for this sale only, your choice 1.39

CHILDREN'S SUITS. This is the greatest value ever offered by this or any other house. For the little fellows from 3 to 8 years of age we will sell a veste suit (three pieces) with deep sailor collar, in all wool chevots and cassimere, trimmed with fine rows of soutache braid or wide Hercules braid. A low price on these would be \$3.00. Your choice during this sale 1.39

Main Floor, 5th St. Section.

Opera Glasses. A row of new shopworn, but not enough to be noticeable. Framed Pictures, many odd lots, Ansonia and French Clocks, perfect timekeepers, cases a little shopworn.

Fine Watches at one-half and less than one-half their actual values, some lots 2 or 3 of a kind.

Rogers Silver Plated Ware, Spoons, Knives, etc., below 1/2 their value.

Fine Fur Garments at less than 1/2 value.

Umbrellas, many lots below 1/2 their value.

9c. Popular Sheet Music, to close out with a rush at, per copy.

Fine makes of Cameras, below 1/2 their value.

Sewing Machines, the woodwork slightly marred, some two and three of a style.

Ladies' Dress Skirts.

Thursday and Friday we offer exceptional values in Ladies' Dress Skirts to INTRODUCE ADVANCE SPRING STYLES.

A full assortment of extra sizes.

9.98—Ladies' Black Broadcloth Skirts, with taffeta applique panel front. This cut of extra quality, weight material, non-silk lining, velvet binding, newest shape, low plait or saddle back and open front; a large purchase at a low price only in the season of our carrying with extra garment at 9.98 such a price.

8.98—Ladies' Skirts of finest quality black camel's hair cloth, low plait back and open panel front, applique with taffeta silk and velvet 8.98

braid, like cut, lined with near-silk and velvet bound, real value \$12.00, our price.

Ladies' Dress Skirts, of fine black broadcloth or black serge cheviot, box plaited back and panel front, open skirt back and front, handsomely applique with taffeta silk and braid, lined with percaline and velvet 6.98 bound; a rare bargain at

Ladies' Dress Skirts, Gray Homespun Cheviot, box plaited back, taffeta applique front, lined with best quality percaline and velvet bound regularly 4.98 sold for 6.98 to-morrow only

Second Floor, 5th St. Section.

Ladies' Suit Specials.

To move them quickly, we offer the choice of a large number of Ladies' High-Class Suits at

They are such as you would expect to cost \$15 to \$20. They are made of Venetians, Serges, Cheviots, Homespuns and Cover Cloth, in black, navy, brown and dark tan; both fly-front and double-breasted box coats, some have velvet collars, lined with taffeta silk or silk-satin. SHIRTS are high class, custom finished and up-to-date in every detail. Never before, at this season of the year, in our collection has such an opportunity been presented to buy suits of this class at

Your choice of \$15 to \$45 Suits, the finest it is possible to make for those figures, at

On sale until Saturday, Jan. 20, or while the stock lasts.

Second Floor, 5th St. Section.

The Children's Dresses.

CHILDREN'S DRESSES in wool patterns, cashmere yokes and cuffs, trimmed with broad of assorted materials, full ruffles over shoulders, a large selection of patterns, sizes 6 months to 4 years.

Second Floor, 5th St. Section.

The Ladies' Underskirts.

Ladies' Underskirts of striped percaline, domed flannel lined; made with deep knee founce, and having five-inch plaiting; special 98

Ladies' Underskirts of metallic stripes, made with deep knee founce, with four founces, trimmed with cording; special 2.69

Ladies' Underskirts of extra quality Mercantile Italian cloth, made with deep knee founce, heavily corded, and trimmed with three small ruffles; special 3.69

Ladies' Underskirts of silk mercantile, made with knee founces, and trimmed in different styles; special 4.98

Second Floor, 5th St. Section.

Our Clearance Sale, Involving 1/2 Million Dollars,

means a saving to purchasers of from 33 to 50 per cent., and commands intense interest, as nothing but exceptional bargains are offered. You will find in every one of the lots prices one-half and less than the little ones Bloomingtons are famous for.

25 Per Cent. Discount Is Offered from Marked Prices.

The prices on Art Goods, Bronzes, Ivory Statuary, fine Bric-a-Brac, elegant French Clocks and Clock Sets, etc., beautiful sets of Books, some solid Gold and Diamond Jewelry, fine Leather Goods, Fancy Goods, Dress Trimmings and Art Embroidery, all are cut with this big discount.

Umbrella Clearance Sale.

A great Umbrella clearance sale will take place to-morrow and continue until the present stock is sold. Our entire stock of fine umbrellas, embracing many imported novelties, made of fine silks, &c., at special prices.

LOT 1.—Umbrellas that were manufactured to retail from \$1.75 to \$2.25, of silk carola and union taffeta, with Dresden, natural and sterling silver trimmed handles, to be 94c closed out at, each

LOT 2.—Umbrellas that were manufactured to retail from \$2.50 to \$3.50, in union serge and taffeta, with Dresden, pearl, horn and sterling silver trimmed handles, to be closed out at 1.45

LOT 3.—All our Umbrellas that were manufactured to sell from \$4.00 to \$5.00, in taffeta, union and all silk, including a large variety of pearl, horn, ivory and sterling silver handles, to be closed out at 2.64

LOT 4.—All our Umbrellas that were manufactured to retail from \$5.50 to \$6.50, in taffeta, union and all silk, with a large variety of sterling silver, Dresden, ivory deposit, pearl deposit handles, to be closed out at 3.95

Main Floor, Front.

Clearance Sale of Furs.

Some items that show immense savings.

Fur Capes.

In Nezeval, from 16 to 30 inches long, value from \$15.00 to \$45.00, to be closed out at 8.50 to 25.00 from

Fine Capes.

Of Astrachan, Nezeval and other combinations, value from \$14.00 to \$50.00; to be closed 6.75 to 25.00 from

Fur Collarettes.

In all styles of furs, plain and combination, of electric seal, nezeval, Persian lamb, skunk or Alaska sable, Krimmer, Hudson Bay sable, &c., former prices of which were from \$3 to \$75, all to be closed out in many instances At Less than Half Price.

Second Floor, 5th St. Section.

Stationery Bargains.

Here is a chance for a great saving in stationery: Whiting Paper Co.'s 29c. and 39c. paper for 8

We offer this company's renowned brand of Edinburgh or standard linen writing paper, ruled only, at per quire 8

We offer the above at this low price for the simple reason that the plain has all been sold, and we have only the ruled left.

Also one-quire box of Whiting Paper Co.'s velvet finish Paper, octavo size, in heliotrope, azure and cream, 12

Main Floor, Front.

Sewing Machines.

We have just a few of these high-grade, light-running, world-known Delight Sewing Machines with the woodwork slightly scratched; on some of them you would hardly notice it unless your attention was drawn to the blemish. With the exception noted, the machine is perfect in every respect and we guarantee them of the highest standard; each machine warranted for 5 years.

If you contemplate purchasing a Sewing Machine, here is your opportunity:

A few high-grade Delight Sewing Machines, with invisible dust-proof drop head, listed at \$40.00, which we offer until sold at 12.50

Groceries.

Tomatoes, fancy New Jersey, solid pack, red ripe, our 7c 11c. kind, per can.

Tomatoes, Supreme, our 9c 13c. kind, per can.

Corn, our very fancy 8c 10c. kind, per can.

Corn, Maine, our 12c 9c. kind, per can.

Asparagus, delicious California, per can 17

Asparagus, our 32c 27c. kind, per can.

Stringless Beans, very choice, per can 7

Stringless Beans, extra choice, per can 9

Early Java Peas, sweet and tender, our 13c 10c. kind, per can.

Sifted Peas, our 15c 13c. kind, per can.

Extra Fancy Sifted Peas, our 18c. kind, per can.

Spiced Anchovies, formerly 37c., per doz. 25

French Macaroni, Spaghetti, Vermicelli or Alphabets, finest imported, regular price 12c., 1-10 lb. pkg.—

Boneless Bacon, highest grade, per lb., 10

Wines, &c.

Old and New Pepper Whiskey, Gen. and Ric's, extraordinary value at this price, 38 per bottle.

Our supreme \$1.25 Doublet on Key Whiskey, 99 per bottle.

California Port, Sherry, Sweet Catawba, Angelica, Muscadine, very good, half gallon, 44c.; per 75

California Port or Sherry extra fine, half gallon, 1.25

Cigarettes.

Egyptian Cigarettes, extra fine, 25c. per pack.