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We put on sale this week

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"SAMPLE"
UMBRELLAS.**

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This will give you an Umbrella at a trifle less than the cost of manufacturing them.

The assortment comprises all the styles and qualities made by one of the largest factories

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The Lyon Brand MacHurle Full Dress Shirt, is just what you want for Christmas, to wear to theatre and balls—you can buy them at Glaser's.

The fewer airs some musicians can play the more they put on.

DEWET PRESSED ON ALL SIDES

His Attempt on Cape Colony Fails and He is Fleeing Northward.

Abandons 500 Horses and is Hotly Pursued by the British.

ALL HIS STRATEGY NEEDED
TO EXTRICATE HIS FORCES

STRONG BRITISH COLUMNS ON
THREE SIDES AND SWOLLEN
RIVERS IN FRONT OF THE BOER
COMMANDER.

Allwal North, Cape Colony, Dec. 8.—Gen. DeWet appears to be in a most dangerous position and it will require all his strategy to extricate his force. With strong British columns on three sides and two swollen rivers barring his front, the British commanders begin to be hopeful that the great chase by four columns which has been one of the most exciting operations of the war, will result in the capture of DeWet. Definite news of his whereabouts was first received December 2. The next morning Gen. Knox started in hot pursuit, and Pilcher's and Herbert's columns were detached to make a turning movement. After three hours' march Gen. Knox learned that during the night DeWet had doubled back past the British right, necessitating a complete change of plans.

During the night of December 3 General Knox encamped on the Carmel farm, the site of the Boer laager, which evidently recently and hurriedly moved. General Knox started again at daylight, hoping to corner DeWet while crossing Koppoort drift, but he arrived too late.

The British experienced very great difficulty in following DeWet, owing to the rise in the river, but they succeeded in crossing without the loss of a man or a beast. From that time on the pursuit of the Boers was taken up without baggage, the troops being supplied by foragers, enabling them to make more rapid movements.

DEWET HARD PRESSED.

London, Dec. 8.—The war office has received the following despatch from General Klopper of Bloemfontein dated December 8:

"Have just received news from Knox at Rosenville that DeWet's force, having failed to force Commissaria bridge, which we held, has trekked north east, abandoning 500 horses and many carts. His attempt on Cape Colony therefore has failed. He is being pressed on all sides."

ROBERTS ARRIVES IN CAPETOWN

Streets Lined With an Enthusiastic Multitude.

Capetown, Dec. 8.—General Roberts arrived here from Durban this afternoon on the transport Canada. He was received at the wharf by Colonel Williams, representing Governor Milner. The streets through which the commander in chief rode were crowded and he was enthusiastically cheered. He will be given a public reception on Monday.

BIG FIRE IN BALTIMORE.

Baltimore, Dec. 8.—The stores and stock of the Baltimore Bargain House were totally destroyed by fire today. The fire communicated to the building of Crofton, Lobe and company, which adjoins, and did considerable damage. The fire was discovered shortly after 3 a. m., and burned fiercely far into the morning, completely obstructing traffic in the business part of the city during the time. The total loss is estimated at \$300,000, fully covered by insurance.

NOTICE.
Of proposed Amendments to the Charter of the Town of Victoria.
Mayor's Office, Victoria, Dec. 5 1900.
Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the next session of the General Assembly of North Carolina to amend the charter of the town of Victoria.
SAMUEL P. McDIVITT,
Mayor.

Underwear in cotton, wool and silk— from 80c to \$15.00 per suit, at Glaser's.

THE INTERNATIONAL YACHT RACES

Thomas W. Lawson to Build a Ninty Foot Sloop to Enter Contest.

CRACK DESIGNERS AND BUILDERS TO CONSTRUCT A BOAT INTENDED AS NEXT DEFENDER OF THE AMERICA'S CUP.

Boston, Dec. 8.—Thomas W. Lawson will build a 90-foot sloop to compete in the trial races for a selection of the defender of the America's cup. This was decided upon at a meeting in Lawson's office this afternoon. The hull will probably be built by the Fall River Engine Company and the boat rigged by George Lamley. If possible Lamley will also build the hull. Designer Crowinshield was also present at the conference and showed a small model of a yacht. It appears to be an enlarged racer about after the style of Crowinshield's latest success, the champion Jolly Roger. Charles Francis Adams is second designer. Crowinshield and his brother Frank are to have charge of the stowp in the races. Captain "Nate" Watson will be skipper.

FEDERATION OF LABOR SCORES GEN. H. C. OTIS

Will Work Against His Appointment as Secretary of War.

Louisville, ec. 8.—General Harrison Grey Otis was bitterly scored in the convention of the American Federation of labor here. Delegate Lynch declared that if Otis was made secretary of war one of his first official acts would probably be to erect forts near large cities to be used against laboring men if necessary. A resolution was unanimously adopted stating that whereas Otis, "proprietor of the unfair Los Angeles Times and an avowed enemy of labor, was a candidate for the war portfolio, the federation protested and instructed its officers to work against his appointment to that or any other position."

Another resolution was adopted in favor of the referendum, state and national. A communication was received from the Federation of Labor of Porto Rico asking co-operation of the American body and stating that laborers there were brutally treated.

REPORT THAT AGED QUEEN VICTORIA IS BREAKING DOWN

New York, Dec. 8.—A despatch to the World from Windsor, England, says: Much anxiety again prevails in court circles respecting the queen's health. She has broken up noticeably since she was informed that the Empress Frederick was suffering from cancer of throat and cannot live many months. Queen Victoria, who invariably eats and sleeps well, has now lost her appetite and passes sleepless nights. For years she has never missed her morning ride in a donkey chair around the private gardens until the last couple of weeks when she was forbidden by her doctor to go through the park in a closed carriage. A belief undoubtedly prevails among those around here that the queen is failing.

FORCED TO HANG HIMSELF FROM A HIGH TRESTLE

Rome, Ga., Dec. 8.—Bud Rufus, a negro boy who Friday last assaulted and fatally injured Mrs. Joseph White, twelve miles from here, was last night forced by a mob to jump with a rope around his neck from a forty foot railroad trestle. His body was then perforated with bullets. Mrs. White is dying. Her skull was crushed.

ENLOGIES IN THE HOUSE ON REPRESENTATIVE HARMER

Washington, Dec. 8.—The house session today was principally devoted to delivery of eulogies upon the late Representative Harmer, of Pennsylvania, "father of the house."

WILL SELL ALL FELT HATS AT COST ON MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 1900. MRS. LON MITCHELL.

THE KENTUCKY ORDERED FROM SMYRNA TO MANILA

Visit of American Warships to Morocco Postponed.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Acting on the suggestion of Consul General Guamere, at Tangier, the state department has postponed until February the visit of an American warship to Moorish ports to back up the demand for \$5,000 indemnity on account of the killing at Fez of Marcus Ezeqini, a naturalized American. Guamere stated that religious ceremonies, lasting over a month, would begin soon in Morocco, and during that time no public business would be transacted.

Secretary Long today cabled orders to Captain Chester of the battleship Kentucky to proceed from Smyrna, Turkey, to Manila. The Kentucky will make so hostile demonstration to enforce the payment of the Armenian indemnity. It is believed here that the order of the sultan for the payment of the indemnity under cover of payment to Cramps for a cruiser was the result of the Kentucky's visit. Officials are disappointed, however, that the contract for the cruiser has not been signed.

REVISION OF CONFESSION OF FAITH RECOMMENDED

Presbyterian Committee Concludes its Work at Washington.

Washington, Dec. 8.—After two hours' deliberations today the Presbyterian committee concluded its discussion of the revision of the Westminster confession of faith and adjourned.

The committee find on examination of the returns from the presbyteries the following facts:

1.—That the returns plainly indicate that the church desires some changes in its creedal statement.
2.—The returns plainly indicate that no change is desired which would in any way impair the integrity of the confession of faith.
3.—These returns also indicate that a large plurality desire that changes should be made in some new statement of the present doctrine.
4.—The returns also indicate a desire upon the part of many presbyteries for some revision of the present confession.
5.—It was therefore unanimously agreed by the committee to recommend to the general assembly that some revision or change be made in our confessional statement. Substantial but not final agreement was reached as to the method of preparing changes embodying both revision and supplemental statement; but the determining of the whole matter was deferred to a subsequent meeting.

The committee will convene in this city on February 12 next to finally prepare its statement to the general assembly in May.

WINTER SCHEDULE

Last Car on Each Line to Leave Court Square at 10 p. m.

The street railway winter schedule goes into effect tomorrow. On all lines the last car will leave court square at 10 p. m. The complete schedule follows: First car from the square to the depot at 6:30 a. m., to connect with the Knoxville train, 6:45, 7, and every 15 minutes thereafter as formerly, last car to the depot leaves the square at 10 p. m.; First car down Patton Avenue, 7:15, as formerly; first car to Lookout park 8:30, a. m., returning leaves end the line at 6:45 a. m., connecting at the square with the 7 a. m. depot car, schedule, 30 minutes, leaving the square on the hour and half hour, last car leaving the square at 10 p. m.; Charlotte street line, 20 minute schedule for the present, on the hour and 20 and 40 minutes after; Baltimore line as at present, last car leaving the square at 10 p. m.; Bailey street line, no change.

Speak kindly at all times if you would hear only pleasing echoes.

A GOLD MINE ON BLACKWELL'S ISLAND

The New York Commissioner of Corrections Thinks He has Discovered One.

QUARTZ SHOWING TRACES OF GOLD FOUND ON THE ISLAND—NEW YORK'S GIDDY HOPE OF GETTING RID OF TAXES.

New York, Dec. 8.—Commissioner of Corrections Lantry thinks gold has been discovered on Blackwell's Island and wouldn't be surprised to see the city working a gold mine back of the penitentiary. The stone coming from Blackwell's Island quarries, he says, contains quartz which shows traces of gold and an official report will be made as soon as the assay is completed. Reporters asked the commissioner whether taxes would be abolished if the city got sufficient gold to run the government, and if the mine pans out a surplus whether it would be distributed to voters or only to property owners. That question will be decided later, said Mr. Lantry, but if, as he expected, the quartz turns out to be gold bearing he would request the mayor to take proper steps, and the mine ought certainly to help reduce the city's indebtedness.

TWO THOUSAND TELEGRAPHERS STRIKE ON A. T. & S. ROAD

Conductors, Firemen, Switchman and Yardmen May Also Go Out.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—Two thousand telegraphers of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe struck this afternoon. The lines are all inactive from Chicago almost to Los Angeles. The strike probably means a big tie up of all kinds of traffic.

Dallas, Tex., Dec. 8.—The Gulf, Colorado and Santa Fe strike is spreading and it is reported tonight that conductors, firemen, switchmen and yardmen may inaugurate a sympathetic strike tomorrow morning. The strike leaders declare the entire system will be tied up by tomorrow night. Trains ran today almost on schedule time. Telegraphers on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe are generally obeying the strike order today. President Dolph, of the Order of Railway Telegraphers, says over 2,300 men are out on both systems.

DESTRUCTION AND DEATH CAUSED BY A WILD FREIGHT

Richmond, Va., Dec. 8.—Robert Boyd, a colored fireman, was killed, and Engineer Ehippen badly injured in a freight wreck at Clifton Junction of the Richmond Belt Line and Atlantic Coast Line tonight. A wild freight without an engine crashed in to a freight, head first, while both were going at full speed. The engine was almost demolished and fifteen freight cars knocked into splinters.

MR. STATON RELIEVED.

Express Agent Gets Leave of Absence on Account of Ill Health.

B. F. Staton, who has been agent for the Southern Express company at Asheville for five years or more, will today turn over the office to G. W. Lee, lately agent for this company at Mt. Airy.

Mr. Staton has been granted indefinite leave of absence on account of poor health. His enforced absence from his duties is much regretted by his friends as by the officers of the company, all of whom hope a short rest will effect a complete restoration. Mr. Staton intends leaving next week for New Orleans. His successor arrived yesterday.

Life and coat buttons often hang by slender threads.

INDUSTRIAL SURRENDER

Change of Policy in England of Importance to American Interests.

Reported Project of Buying up the Best American Enterprises.

A BLOW TO LABORING
CLASSES OF GREAT BRITAIN

CONFESSION THAT AMERICAN COMPETITION IN MANUFACTURE IS INVULNERABLE—CONDITIONS IN ENGLAND THAT ARE FORCING A CRISIS.

(Special Cable to the Laffan Bureau, Copyrighted by the New York Sun.)

London, Dec. 8.—It may or may not be true that the Cramps and Vickers' Sons and Maxim will consolidate but it is a fact that certain leaders of England's greatest industry are contemplating a radical change of policy of the utmost importance to American interests. They realize the hopelessness of competition with Americans under present conditions and know that the conditions are changeable only by a gigantic struggle with labor unions which must bring disaster to both sides. They, therefore, are seriously considering a project of buying up the best American enterprises and transferring the greater part of their business to the American factories thus purchased.

This policy involves a confession that American competition is invulnerable, but also spells ruin to industrial interests in several lines of British trade. There is not the slightest doubt that the most enlightened English manufacturers understand far better than the Americans themselves the vast opportunities within the reach of the United States for securing a great share of the world's trade. If they undertake to get control of American enterprises they will be sure to offer tempting, even absurd, prices.

More than one American concern, just launching out in foreign trade, is likely soon to be tempted by an offer of fancy prices in British gold, accompanied probably by an invitation to the present management to remain in control. Englishmen have far too high an opinion of American brains to think of supplanting them, and above all they don't dream of discarding American workmen. In fact it is the superior intelligence and energy of American skilled labor which chiefly induces English capital to abandon the home field and go where ambition has the fullest scope and progress is the watchword among employes as well as employers. Those who have the most to fear are, of course, the laboring classes of England. The immediate question for Americans is, shall English capital secure a large share of the vast profits of American enterprise and labor?

DON'T HURRY TO MEET CHRISTMAS,

for it will overtake you. Buy your fine Silk Suspenders, Silk Handkerchiefs, Fine Neckwear, Gloves and Fancy Hosiery, at Glaser's.

Unless you have faith in your ability you can never win a battle.

"Want" ads. in the Gazette reach

DRUG STORE NEWS.

The next time you prepare junket flavor it with Grant's Extract Orange. Its delicious flavoring qualities have been highly praised. You can buy much or little.

GRANT'S NO. 24 CURES COLD.

When you buy a Century Atomizer you get the best. We have a complete assortment.

GRANT'S NO. 24 CURES COLD.

For Roaches and Water Bugs we know of nothing that serves so well as the Columbia Insecticide. 50 and 75c per can.

GRANT'S PHARMACY.

PHONE 19.
Agency for Wood's Peppermint.

Very few people know we carry [anything except solid gold and heavy solid sterling silver articles] but we have been selling for a number of years

Roger's genuine plated tea spoons at 65 and 75 cents per set
Roger's genuine plated dessert spoons and forks at \$1.35 per set
Roger's genuine plated table spoons and forks at \$1.25 and \$1.50 per set
Roger's genuine plated medium size knives at \$1.35 per set

We have other makes that are better than the Rogers. Look for our Christmas advertisement in a few days.

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