

Royal Worcester Corsets The A. Dunbar Co. Headquarters for Dry Goods on the Lower Columbia.

SHREWD DIPLOMATIC MOVE. Kruger and Steyn Out-General the British Premier.

NEW YORK, March 14.—The Journal and Advertiser says: Presidents Kruger and Steyn have apparently made a shrewd diplomatic move, for it cannot be supposed that they expected Lord Salisbury to consent to peace on any such terms as those they proposed.

This gives them something on which they may appeal to the powers, asking if the latter will stand by and see them crushed and turned into integral parts of the British empire.

The strengthening of England's fleet in Chinese waters is a part of her answer to the peace proposition of the Boer republics.

Lord Salisbury realizes that England's enemies have never had so good an excuse for making trouble for her as they have now.

These powers would, very likely, notify England that they would not consent to the taking away of the Boers' independence, and that would mean war.

OUR IMPORTS AND EXPORTS.

WASHINGTON, March 14.—The monthly report of the imports and exports of the United States for February last shows as follows:

The Cruel Knife! It is absolutely useless to expect a surgical operation to cure cancer...

Are made in a hundred styles, for all kinds of figures. Every lady who has been properly fitted with a Royal Worcester will say that for perfect models, best materials, superior finishes and comfort, they have no equal.

Exports, \$119,765,782, increase about \$26,000,000. Gold imports, \$1,899,378, decrease of \$832,000.

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THE RACE PROBLEM.

Leading Southern Educators in Conference at New York.

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Mr. Ogdin introduced Mr. Murphy, who said in part: "It gives me great pleasure to talk to the representatives of the Armstrong association for the reason that upon the platform of helpfulness in relation to the problem of education of the colored man, the North and the South are united."

Mr. Murphy objected to President Schieffelin's remarks about the "white trash" and said that the poor whites of the South had much to complain of.

Other speakers were R. Fulton Cutting, George Foster Peabody, and Elias McCre. Reports showed a membership of 999 and a prosperous financial condition.

OTIS' REPORT OF CASUALTIES.

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Flynn, Thirty-seventh infantry; acute diarrhoea, March 4, Theodore Shaffer, Thirty-second (or Forty-second regiment infantry.)

Multiple neuritis, March 4, William Wight, sergeant Third infantry. Typhoid fever, March 4, Charles Lee, Twenty-sixth infantry; H. O. Green, Eighteenth infantry; March 5, Frank C. Ocker, Sixth infantry; March 5, Henry Fitzgerald, Ninth infantry.

ANOTHER BOER MEETING.

NEW YORK, March 14.—The arrangements for the big pro-Boer mass-meeting to be held at Cooper Union hall tomorrow night were practically completed last night at a meeting of the committee held at the Morton House.

Ex-Judge George M. Van Hoosen will preside, and among the speakers will be Montagu White, John E. Millholland, Wm. McAdoo, Robert R. Roosevelt, John DeWitt Warner and P. Louten Van Wessels.

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BLOODED HORSES AT AUCTION.

NEW YORK, March 14.—The largest stable of race horses owned by the late William H. Clark, will be sold at auction at the Morris Park track in May.

TOO MUCH RED TAPE.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 14.—Patrick J. Noonan, a visitor from Seattle, was found dead on Vallejo street about ten days ago.

RAILWAY MEN ORGANIZE.

CHICAGO, March 14.—More than 140,000 miles of railroad were represented at the first annual convention of the recently organized American Railway Engineering and Maintenance of Way Association that opened in Steinway Hall today.

PLOT TO KILL FORTY MINERS.

CHICAGO, March 14.—A special to the Record from Phoenix, Arizona, says: Advice from Whipsaw mining camp, sixty miles from here, say that a plot to blow up forty men there on Sunday was almost successful.

IRELAND AND THE QUEEN.

NEW YORK, March 14.—Patrick Egan, ex-minister to Chile, and ex-president of the Irish National Federation, has written a letter in which he says: "I think I know the Irish people as a

whole and in detail at home and abroad as well as any other living man, and I can say conscientiously that outside of the immediate place-holders and hanger-on of the British government, the Orange fraternity, the landlords and castle shopkeepers, and a mere handful of the society people, known as 'Cawalle Cawtholdics' making a grand total of not over 15 per cent of the entire population; there are none in Ireland who want Victoria as their queen, or who have any other feeling for her than one of coldest indifference, if not actual hatred.

BATTLESHIPS' ARMORS.

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SOLFILINE.

If you are sick and tired of rubbers, which protect your feet from wet or cold, and wish to save continual re-sooling of your shoes; if you wish to stop greasing your harness and prolonging the life of same at least fifty per cent.

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BEECHAM'S PILLS

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Let us hope that Spain will not prosecute Uncle Sam for obtaining Puerto Rico under false pretenses.

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Some Interesting Figures.

Table with 2 columns: Bank Name and Amount. Bank of England: \$86,045,793; Bank of France: 38,050,000; Imperial Bank of Germany: 28,560,000; Bank of Russia: 25,714,920; Total: \$176,372,855.

Funds held by the Mutual Insurance Company for the payment of its policies, December 31, 1900, \$301,844,537

Or, \$125,471,682 more than the combined capital of these famous banks.

SHERWOOD GILLESPIE, General Agent.

WILLIAM S. POND, State Manager, Portland, B. VAN DUSEN, Resident Manager, Astoria, Ore.

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