

GREAT REDUCTIONS

In Men's Summer Coats and Vests

Fine blue serge coat and vest	\$5.00	reduced to	\$3.75
Fine brown worsted coat and vest	4.50	"	3.50
Fine blue serge coat and vest	4.00	"	3.00
Fine grey mohair coat and vest	2.50	"	1.75
Fine black mohair coats	2.00	"	1.50
Fine black mohair coats	1.65	"	1.25
Grey mohair coats	1.45	"	1.25
Grey check mohair coats	1.35	"	1.15
Men's crash suits	3.65	"	3.00
Men's crash suits	3.35	"	2.75
Men's crash suits	2.40	"	1.95
Men's crash pants	1.00	"	.75
Men's light summer coats, 35c and 85c			
Ladies' tan shoes	\$2.75 line	reduced to	\$2.25
Ladies' tan shoes	2.50	"	1.95
Ladies' tan shoes	2.00	"	1.65
Gents' tan shoes	3.40	"	2.75
Gents' tan shoes	2.85	"	2.25
Gents' tan shoes	2.25	"	1.90

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ANNUAL SHOE SALE

10 per cent. discount on all shoes. One year ago we inaugurated our annual shoe sale. Our customers will remember the wonderful success of our monster shoe sale. This month we will have the greatest shoe sale ever heard of. Ten per cent. discount on all shoes. All goods are marked in plain figures.

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94 STATE STREET

DWELLING BURNED

EARLY MORNING FIRE DESTROYED HOME OF G. L. NEAL.

Family is Camping in the Mountains—Origin of Fire and Amount of Insurance Unknown.

At 1:30 o'clock this (Friday) morning the residence of Geo. L. Neal, on North Liberty street, just outside of the city limits, was destroyed by fire. The dwelling and contents were entirely consumed. The origin of the blaze is not known and in the absence from the city of the family, who are camping out on the Santiam in the vicinity of Ale, it could not be ascertained last night whether any insurance was carried on either the dwelling or the contents. The dwelling cost probably about \$600.

The fire was discovered shortly before 1:30 o'clock, but the cottage was then enveloped in flames rendering it impossible to save any of the contents. The building burned rapidly and when the fire department reached the scene, the structure was entirely gutted. Splendid service was rendered, how-

ever, in preventing the flames from spreading to an adjoining blacksmith shop and a butcher shop. Two streams were directed upon the flames which were soon extinguished. Mr. Neal and family left about ten days ago for an outing on the Santiam. Neal returned to this city on Wednesday where they are now encamped. Mr. Neal intended to attend to some business matters and left on his bicycle about the middle of yesterday afternoon to re-join his family.

MORE TROOPS.

Berlin, Aug. 9.—It is generally believed that Germany will send another expedition to China, bringing the total German contingent up to 30,000 by the middle of October, but neither the foreign office or the Minister of War will confirm the reports to this effect. The foreign office, however, denies that Emperor William has arranged with the Czar for the transportation of German troops by way of the Siberian railway.

A WIDE SPLIT.

Nashville, Tenn., Aug. 9.—The two Republican factions in Tennessee, led by Congressman W. F. Brownlow and Pension Commissioner H. Clay Evans, split wide open today and at present the gulf is wider than ever. The fight will continue through the campaign. There will be two Republican tickets for state officers, and also for electors.

A GOOD SIGN

Cipher Messages from Ministers in Peking.

WILL BE FORWARDED TO THE POWERS

The Chinese Government Will Send Originals to Consuls, as an Evidence of Good Faith.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—Acting Secretary of State Adee tonight made public the following cablegram from Consul Fowler, at Che Foo, which reached the department at 11 o'clock tonight.

"Che Foo, Aug. 9.—On the morning of the 8th I telegraphed the Governor, protesting against limiting the correspondence with Minister Conger, and requesting the Governor to forward my message to Peking. The Governor now telegraphs the following:

"Received note from Tsung Li Yamen, dated the fifth. Tsung Li Yamen has just received an edict, permitting the Ministers to have peaceful, secret, telegraphic communication with their countries. All Ministers at Peking have telegrams for transmission to their Governments. It is proposed, after despatching the same, to send originals to the consuls for verification." (Signed) Fowler.

WOULD NOT LEAVE.

Vienna, Aug. 9.—The foreign office has received the following from Dr. A. von Rosthorn, secretary of the Austrian-Hungarian Legation at Peking, dated August 4th:

"The Austro-Hungarian Legation with the archives, was burned June 21st. Since June 20th we, with a French detachment, have been defending the French Legation which has been bombarded by cannon and rifle fire. Part of their building was destroyed by mines. Since July 16th the Chinese attacks have not been severe. The Chinese Government wishes to induce us to leave for Tien Tsin under a safe conduct, but until now we have not fallen in with this offer."

STILL ALIVE.

London, Aug. 10, (Friday). The collector of customs at Shanghai has received a routine message from Sir Robert Hart, director general of imperial customs, showing that the latter is still conducting the business of the imperial customs—rather a curious change of affairs when taken in conjunction with the words: "Happily still alive," which he included in the dispatch, which was dated Peking, July 27th.

CHOOSING A LEADER.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The subject of the appointment of Count Von Walderssee to command the International forces in China has been presented to the United States Government, but no answer has yet been returned. Count Von Walderssee is regarded as an eminent soldier, and it is believed he will be satisfactory. It is stated his selection would be for a campaign of much broader scope than that in which our forces are engaged.

A LIE BY LI.

Washington, Aug. 9.—An important dispatch has been received in diplomatic quarters in Washington, forwarded from the foreign office of one of the Powers taking part in the International movement, and giving with

much detail a conversation by Li Hung Chang, in which he says that he is satisfied the conservative, or progressive element, to which he belongs, no longer has any influence at Peking.

A MISSIONARY TALKS.

Foreign Diplomats at Peking No Match for the Wily Chinese.

Vancouver, B. C., Aug. 9.—The Rev. Jonathan Lees, head of the London Missionary Society, arrived from Tien Tsin on the steamship Empress of India. He said that but for the Chinese converts many missionaries would have been killed. They were invaluable during the siege. They built all the barricades under a rain of bullets.

He severely scolded the foreign diplomats who, he says, are babies beside the wily Chinese. As an instance of how little the European representatives know of the native rulers, he said that the day before Peking was closed, Sir Claude MacDonald persuaded some ladies who were visiting him, that there was no danger and that they might as well prolong their visit.

MULETEERS IN AFRICA.

Washington, Aug. 9.—The Department of State is in receipt of a dispatch from the Consul-General of the United States at Cape Town, relating further to the shipment of American citizens as muleteers at New Orleans, on British transports. In this instance Mr. Stowe remarks that he sends home, free, all who apply to him but adds:

"Over 500 have arrived, and further shipment of these muleteers ought to be prevented."

A WINE WAR.

Fresno, Cal., Aug. 9.—The grape-growers and the wine men are at war at present. The wine men have called in their buyers and say they will buy no more grapes, as the growers are holding them too high. They are asking \$18 a ton for black grapes and \$15 for Muscats.

HE WAS WHIPPED.

New York, Aug. 9.—At the Broadway Athletic Club, tonight, George McFadden whipped "Kid" McPartland so badly, that McPartland's seconds threw up the sponge in the sixteenth round.

HE IS AN AMERICAN.

SENATOR LEE MANTLE RETURNS TO REPUBLICAN PARTY.

Will Not Support the Proposition to Cravenly Hoist the White Flag in Lunzon.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Aug. 9.—A Butte, Mont., special to the Pioneer Press, says ex-Senator Lee Mantle, chairman of the Silver Republicans, has written a letter, formally renouncing his allegiance to that party and going back to the Republican party. Mantle says in effect that the silver question is dead and that it has been practically abandoned by the Democrats.

"To my mind," said he, "the paramount issue today is the issue of maintaining the honor and dignity of the nation and the supremacy of the flag wherever it is rightfully floating, or throw down our arms, cravenly hoist the white flag and admit to the world that we are incapable of solving the problems which confront us."

TO CAPTURE ROBERTS.

A PLOT TO MASSACRE BRITISH OFFICERS IN PRETORIA

And Abduct the Commander-in-Chief Discovered—The Conspirators Are in Jail.

LONDON, Aug. 10.—The Daily News has the following dispatch from Pretoria, dated August 9th:

"A plot to shoot all British officers, and to make Lord Roberts a prisoner, has been opportunely discovered. Ten of the ring leaders were arrested and are now in jail."

A SHREWD PLAN.

Pretoria, Aug. 9.—The conspirators numbered about 150. They had planned to set fire to the houses in the extreme western part of the city hoping that the troops would be concentrated there. The plan was that then the conspirators were forcibly to enter all houses occupied by British officers and kill the occupants.

Boer sympathizers were acquainted with the plot, and several had been told to secure the person of Lord Roberts and to hurry with him to the nearest commando. Horses had been obtained for this purpose. The affair has created a tremendous sensation.

FACING DESTRUCTION.

Thousands of Treasure Seekers Depend Upon the Government.

San Francisco, Aug. 9.—Charles D. Lane, a well known miner who has returned from Cape Nome, where he has large interests, said today:

"From 5,000 to 10,000 people at Nome are facing absolute destruction, and their only possible relief is through the United States Government."

WILL COMPETE.

Strikers in St. Louis Will Build and Operate Street Car Lines.

St. Louis, Mo., Aug. 9.—Resolutions were adopted at a meeting of the executive committee of the Street Railway Employees' Union, today, appointing T. B. Edwards, S. O. Collins and W. D. Benson a committee to organize a company and enter the street railway business for the Union in St. Louis.

CAPTURE OF YANG TSUN

First Objective Point of the International Forces Has Been Taken.

American Troops Were in the Battle and Suffered—The Advance on Peking to Be Made in Force Immediately.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 9.—The capture of Yang Tsun, the first objective point of International forces, was the supreme news of importance received today on the Chinese situation. The first word of this capture, effected last Monday, came to the signal office at the War Department from Colonel Scriven, a general officer at Che Foo.

A half hour after this message a cablegram came from General Chaffee, giving additional details of the capture, and showing that it had been at a cost of about sixty casualties among the American troops.

Washington, Aug. 9.—Hardly less important than the report of the capture of Yang Tsun, was a dispatch from General Teranchi, second in command of the Japanese staff, sent to the war office of Japan and transmitted to the Legation here, stating that the International army would total 50,000 men on August 15th, to advance on Peking. This dispatch stated that on August 4th, when it was forwarded, the advance had not begun. This was at first incomprehensible, in view of the fact that fighting had actually occurred. But the latter statement that the International force would total 50,000 men on the 15th, appears to make clear General Teranchi's meaning and to reconcile it with General Chaffee's dispatches. The present movement of some 16,000 men doubtless is viewed in the light of a reconnaissance in force, the main movement of the army of 50,000 to follow on the 15th. This makes clear the meaning of General Chaffee's dispatch that Yang Tsun was the objective point. It would appear, however, from General Teranchi's dispatch, that the first force of 15,000 men having opened up communication to Yang Tsun, brought forward supplies and established this advance base, the way would then be clear for the advance of a larger force on the 15th. The capture of Yang Tsun is, therefore, an important strategic branch of the fast maturing military plans.

The place is about eighteen miles beyond Tien Tsin, and little less than a quarter of the way to Peking. Colonel Scriven's statement "wire up," contains much meaning as it is explained as showing that there is telegraphic communication with the army in the field. Aside from the assurance this gives, of a speedy transmission of news from the front, it gives the additional assurance that the line is intact back to the first base of operations. The capture of Yang Tsun on the day following the battle of Pei Tsing is regarded as a highly successful military achievement and especially in view of the fact that it was looked upon as a stronghold, whose capture might give the foreigners considerable trouble.

Late today the State Department received an important dispatch from Consul General Goodnow at Shanghai, announcing the landing of British troops at this point. The consul does not state that he has protested against this action, and the State Department judged from this that no protest had been made by him in the absence of instructions. He stated, however, that the merchants of the city strongly disapproved the landing of British troops, fearing that it would incite the Chinese to hostilities.

The Government at Washington has taken no action in the matter of a protest, and it is stated officially, that no such action will be taken. Secretary of War Root regards the situation, both from a military and diplomatic point of view, as much improved.

HARD FIGHTING.

London, Aug. 10.—(Friday, 4 a. m.)—In the capture of Yang Tsun, the losses of the allies, according to a dispatch to the Daily Express, from Che Foo, August 8th, were 200, a majority of them being killed.

"The allies marched on Yang Tsun," says this report, "at dawn on Monday. The position held by 1500 Chinese was well entrenched to the east of the river. After four hours of heavy fighting, the Chinese were driven from their defensive works."

TROOPS FROM INDIA.

Simla, Aug. 9.—Including the Fourth brigade, the strength of the force proceeding to China is 446 British officers, 1921 non-commissioned and native officers, 13,470 men, 11,850 followers, 1150 mules, 2520 horses, 4290 ponies and donkeys, twelve guns, fourteen Maxim and 1800 Imperial service troops. It is expected that the entire force will have sailed before the middle of next month.



HOW-QUA, THE RICHEST MAN IN CHINA.

This Nabob, whose epicurean life surpasses Aladdin's luxury in his faint palace at Canton, is now looked upon as the empire's main prop. He is the forlorn hope of the foreigners in Canton, now that the Viceroy, Li Hung Chang, is at Shanghai. Owing to his gigantic commercial connections all over the world, this sallow merchant prince appreciates the advantages of civilization. Consequently, the Americans and Europeans in that threatened city sojourn themselves with the belief that he will use his enormous influence to preserve order. Nevertheless, the native merchants are taking down their English signboards every day.

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Shirt Waists

50c—special...25c; 75c—special...50c
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New Velvet Ribbons

Plain and with Polka Dots.

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Velvet, Satin and Silk, 25c.

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