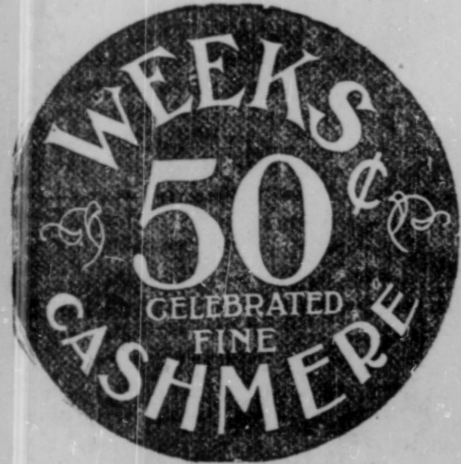


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Goods bought for cash and marked low

We quote below a few of our prices:--



Dress Goods.

	Reg. price.	Our price.
Plain Black Lustre, double width	30	22
Fancy do. do.	32	25
Black Cashmere do.	28	20
do. do.	35	28
Special do.	60	45
Weeks' Special	65	50

Colored Dress Goods in large variety at very low prices.

Dress Linings.

	Reg. price.	Our price.
Single width cambric	7	6
Percalines	16	14
Linenettes, best quality	16	13
Surah Twill	18	15

GLOVES.

	Reg. price.	Our price.
Black Lisle Thread	13	10
do. do. do.	15	12
Black Taffeta	18	16

Other prices 20c. 22c. 24c. 28c. 32c. 38c. 44c

Perrins Kid Gloves.

Black & Colored 7 Stud Lacing	\$1 35
2 Stud Fastener \$1 10 and \$1 35.	Above guaranteed.
100 Pairs Special Laced and Buttoned, Black and Colored 82c., regular	\$1 10 & \$1 35.
5 Stud Black Lacing all sizes in stock,	90c for 60c

Handkerchiefs—Ladies.

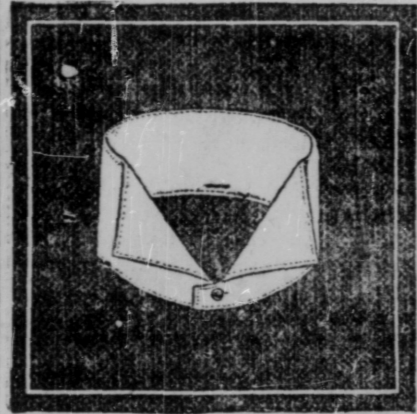
White Hemstitched	5c ea. 6 for 25c
do. do.	9c ea. 6 for 45c
White Embroidered	1c ea. 6 for 50c
do. do.	2 1/2c ea. 6 for 85c

Ladies Linen Collars.

All sizes 10c and 14c per pair
Cuffs to match 16c and 18c per. pair

Gents Linen Collars.

Sizes 14 1/2 to 17 1/2, all newest shapes.
Special 4 ply linen 15c ea. 2 for 25c
4 ply do. 18c ea. 2 for 30c
3 do. do. 10c ea. 3 for 25c
Gents Linen Cuffs all styles and prices.
Weeks' special 25c. pair 2 pairs for 45c



Gents White Shirts.

	Reg. price.	Our price.
Unlaundried 14 1/2 to 17 1/2	40	32
do. do.	70	55

Our Special, Reinforced back and front \$1 for 75

LAUNDRIED SIZES.

	Reg. price.	Our price.
Good value	60	50
Extra value	85	70
Business Mens	\$1 00	85
Short Bosoms	1 15	\$1 00
Other values up to	1 65	

Gents Neckties.

Large assortment in newest shapes.
Knots, Four-in-hand, Puffs, Graduate Bows, American Tecks, Straps etc.
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Black Cashmere, summerweight
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Cotton Linders and Drawers 20c ea. 37c suit
Balbriggan 35 and 50c ea. 60 and 90c suit.
Natural Lambs Wool in all sizes and prices.

Ladies' Hosiery

	Reg. price.	Our price.
Black Cotton, plain	8	5
do do do	12	9
do do rib	15	12
do do do	19	17
Black Cashmere, 2-1 rib seamless-foot, special	40	32

Ladies' Belts.

	Reg. price.	Our price.
Leather Belts, all colors	28	20
White Duck & Pique	28	20

Belt buckles and Blousettes, large assortment.



Corsets.

	Reg. price.	Our price.
Special	30	25
Our Leader	50	42
Beauty	65	50
Princess	75	65

All leading make at lowest prices in stock.

Ladies' Blouses.

Fancy Cambric	48
do Muslin	60
do Colored Muslin	68
Fine Swiss Check	1.00
Scotch Gingham	1.20
Black Sateen	1.00

Black Sateen Detachable collars and cuffs

do	72	20	17
do	81	24	20
do	81	30	25
Bleached,	72	29	25
do	72	33	30
do	81	31	28

UMBRELLAS.

Ladies Twill Cotton	40
do do do large size	55
do do do	55
do do do	72
do Gloria do	90
do do do	1.00
do do do	1.25
Better grades, up to	4.00
Gent's Umbrellas, all prices up to	4.50
Carriage Umbrellas	1.25

WATERPROOFS.

Bought direct from the manufacturers.
Ladies—sizes 52-62 inches.
Black & Navy, heavy Twill Serge 3.80
do do Paramatta 4.70
do do do 6.90
Latest Styles, with sleeves 5.15
Gent's Black Paramatta 9.50
do Cuddock 6.90

Linen Department.

TOWELS.

Pure Linen, 20x36, 14c each; 2 for 25c
do do 22x42, 20c each; 2 for 35c
A full line of best Irish Linen Towels always in stock.

Table Linens.

	Reg. price.	Our price.
Unbleached Linen, 58 in. wide	26	30
do do 72 in.	55	38
Bleached Linens, 56 in. wide	42	35
do do 65 in.	72	47
do do 66 in.	85	72

Table Napkins.

Union—5/8 & 3/4 size.
Prices—65c, 75c, 85c, 95c.
Pure Linen—5/8 & 3/4 size.
Prices \$1.00, 1.15, 1.25, 1.45.
1.65, 1.85 and up to 5.00.
Colored Napkins, all prices.

Sheetings.

	Reg. price.	Our price.
Unbleached, 72 in.	15	13

Pillow Cottons.

Plain,	42 in.	15	12
do	42 "	18	15
do	44 "	16	13
do	20 "	20	17
Circular,	42 "	17	14
do	42 "	18	15
do	44 "	23	20
do	46 "	24	21



Men's Caps & Hats.

Crash, Tweed, Navy Serge, Newest Styles.
See our Tweed Caps at 18c.

MILLINERY.

Our department is in charge of Miss Vanstone, late of Toronto. Her work has been pronounced the best in the city.
If you want a trimmed hat or bonnet she can please you. Give her a trial. Satisfaction guaranteed.
Large stock of Straw Sailors, in Black, White and Colored; also straw and wire shapes for trimming.
Flowers, Ribbons, Feathers, Ospreys, Mounts, Chiffons.
Nets, ratchings, etc. Large variety to choose from.
Grey Cottons, Bleached Cottons, Print Cottons, Gingham, Shirtings, Cottonades, Tweeds, Tickings, Embroideries, Curtains, Laces.
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All our stock fresh and NEW.

THE KING'S ROSE DIAMOND.

By GEORGE GRIFFITH.

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Day by day, stone by stone, the parcel had increased, and every one of the now splendid collection of gems represented not only so many pounds sterling in hard cash when once successfully translated from the Kimberley compound and sorting houses to the outside world, but also many moments of desperate yet skillfully hidden anxiety, during which the fickle needle of fate had swayed to and fro between two poles of fortune and ruin.

Some men in Frank Ridley's position—and he was one of the most trusted sorters in camp—would have taken the stones out one by one, or employed Kaffirs to take them from him after they had been searched, and pass them direct to one of the illicit dealers outside, but that was not his way. He had no other confidant than his own conscience, not always an approving one, but at any rate one that would not give him away.

To have taken the stones out one by one would only have multiplied the risk of discovery and ruin by the number of them, for the possession of a single illicit diamond would have meant disgrace and penal servitude just as certainly as would the discovery on his person of the whole £20,000 or £30,000 worth of gems—the very pick of the Kimberley mine output for nearly six months past.

So one afternoon he made up his mind that he had tempted the fates far enough, and at 6 that evening he walked off to his lodgings with his heart in his mouth and a fortune in the lining of his somewhat shabby felt wideawake.

That night, albeit with some little fear and trembling, he permitted himself the luxury of a few minutes' examination of his plunder in bulk and an estimate of its value, not to him, but to the more fortunate man who should succeed in getting the parcel through safely to London or Amsterdam. If he could only do that himself, he would never need to do another day's work in the world, but he was an employee, a sorter, and therefore a marked man, and the secret ramifications of the wonderful system which inclosed him and all like him in a net were many and wide.

No, that risk was too great, considering that he could now make £4,000 or £5,000 in an hour or so, and at the same time transfer all his risk and liability to some one else, and go back to his work with a light heart and, in a certain sense, a clear conscience.

Yet there was one magnificent rose diamond, which must have weighed somewhere between 40 and 50 carats, which he would dearly have loved to see nicely cut and polished and glittering on the neck or in the hair of a certain well loved some one far away in old Carlisle, but he knew well enough that there was not another of its size and color in the world. The nearest to it was in the De Beers collection, and the mere possession of it by any one but a monarch or a millionaire would mean just what his own possession of it meant, so there was no use thinking about that.

With something very like a sigh for the unattainable possibilities of his so far successful theft, he tied up the gems in a bit of dirty rag and stuffed this into the toe of a rather dilapidated Wellington boot. Then he had a wash and a change and went for a walk down town.

On his way along Stockdale street he chanced to meet a well dressed, dapper looking little man, who nodded to him as one might do to a casual acquaintance, and said in a quick, chirpy sort of tone:

"How do, Ridley? Going strong, eh?"
"Pretty well, Mr. Muratti," he replied, with a quick look up and down the street. "Returns are looking up again. We've had some very pretty finds the last day or two."

"Oh, glad to hear it, even from a man who wastes his opportunities as idiotically as you do! Anything particularly choice?"

"Well, yes. Are you doing anything in secondhand boots just now, Mr. Muratti?"

It may here be conveniently explained that the gentleman with whom young Ridley had thus fallen into con-



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versation was in those days known in camp as Mickey Muratti. The wider world knows him now as Michael Muratti.
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