

Abraham Fair and Square

# Special Bargains FRIDAY and SATURDAY ONLY February 12, 13

10c Japan Rice, extra fine quality Special for Friday and Saturday, 4 pounds for **25c**

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## "WAR"

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us quite close to the present time, yet with all this eager study it is not clear to me to whom these two countries should rightly belong. November 18, 1863, the German Parliament passed a "Fundamental Law for the Mutual Relations between Denmark and Schleswig." Two days afterwards the king died and left no heir.

Relying on this two-days-old law, Frederick of Augustenburg raised his claim and turned to the German Alliance for support. (I had completely forgotten to follow that Augustenburg family.) The Alliance at once occupied and proclaimed Augustenburg the duke. But why? Prussians disagreed with Austrians in the proceedings. But why? I cannot understand it to this day.

The London Protocol must be respected. Why? Are protocols things so absolute and supreme that we must pour out the blood of our sons to defend them? Ah, yes, there comes in the mysterious "reason of State." The gentlemen around the green diplomatic table are all wise, and they know how to bring about the greatest security of national supremacy. Of course, the London Protocol of 1852 must be upheld and the constitutional decree of Copenhagen of 1863 must be revoked within twenty-four hours. Yes, Austria's honor and welfare depended upon that. The dogma was a bit hard to believe, but in politics, even more than in religion, the mass allows itself to be led by the rule of quis absurdum—to reason about it is forbidden. With the sword once unsheathed, they shout the unquenching "hurrah" and struggle for victory.

Oh what a foolish, cruel, and misguided world, still in the leading strings of infancy! Thus my historical studies left me quite as confused as they found me.

### CHAPTER II.

Encouraging tidings from the seat of war. The allies won battle after battle. The Danes were forced from the entire field, which was occupied by our troops, the enemy barely maintaining the lines. With pins and flags I followed the campaign on the map. If only the butchery might end before Frederick's regiment was ordered into the field! This fear hung over me like the sword of Damocles. I dreaded the night lest the morning would bring the marching orders. Frederick was calm, but he saw what was coming.

"Accustom yourself to face the events, my dear, and cease protesting. Believe the war will continue for force was sent to the front in the beginning, so my regiment will have to join."

Two months and yet no results! Oh, why could not the cruel game be settled in one fight like a duel? But no, if one battle is lost, another is offered; if one position is given up, another is taken, and so on till one side or the other is annihilated, or both exhausted.

On April 14 the last stronghold was taken, and immediately a peace conference assembled in London. Every one was overjoyed and relieved, save, perhaps, some of my husband's comrades, who had hoped to share the glory. Their wives thought it bad luck. But I received the news of "suspension of hostilities" with great joy, and wrote in my diary "Disarm! Disarm! Forever." I added desponding, and in brackets, "Utopia."

The London conference dragged on two months without agreement, and then came the orders to Frederick's regiment to march; with twenty-four hours for leave-taking. The birth of our little child was hourly expected, and it was as if we both awaited death upon our farewell.

We were overwhelmed with the magnitude of the approaching evils. To us it was neither patriotic nor heroic to help hew down the Danes, and in case our parting was for ever, what excuse of state could reconcile us to this terrible sacrifice? To defend the common cause of humanity might be justified, but to rush into battle with a distant country, throwing away life, and home, and family, because of the mere pledge of princes — it was too infamous! Why must Austrian soldiers leave home to help set this petty prince on his petty throne? Why? Why? How treasonable and blasphemous to ask such a question of Emperor and Pope! Neither would or could answer.

The regiment was to march at ten. We had not slept for hours lest we should waste a moment. We strove vainly to comfort each other. In the rays of morning light I realized that my hour had come, and with tears of uncertainty we tore ourselves apart, Frederick desperate lest the next moment might rob him of both wife and child.

The next morning the Olmutz papers contained the following account:—

Yesterday the —th Regiment left town with flying colors to gain fresh laurels in the sea-girt brotherland. The joy of battle inspired every heart, etc., etc.

Continued next week.

A horse belonging to W. J. Thurston of Guelph ran fourteen miles along the railway tracks crossing safely over two bridges

# Oh How They Kick!

The fight against us will greatly benefit the public, by causing further cuts in prices.

The low prices at which we are selling our Ladies' and Gent's TAILOR MADE CLOTHING, DRY GOODS, ETC., caused a sensation among buyers and aroused our competitors to the the utmost limit. After our Manager, D.N. Stein took the time and trouble to secure a licence to do business here, and paid the necessary fee required by law, the Merchants of Durham hearing about our sale, tried every possible way to stop us, and even suggested paying our expense to get us out of Durham, thinking that would keep us from showing the public the difference of their prices and ours.

For the past two weeks we have been selling goods at very low prices, but for our last three days' stay we will sell goods at unheard of prices, to save expense of hauling same away.

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Men's fine dongola blucher...\$2.00  
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#### Men's Rubbers

Men's plain overs..... .90  
Men's plain overs E.E..... .90  
Men's roll soled..... 1.00  
Men's high heel (Maltese Cross) 1.00

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Ladies' dongola button..... \$2.50  
Ladies' patent blucher..... 3.25  
Ladies' patent button..... 3.50

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#### HOLSTEIN.

Misses Quinn and McNichol, of Mt. Forest, were the guests of John Orchard and wife over last Sunday.

Pearl Drumm had the misfortune of injuring her ankle by falling down the basement stairs of the school one day last week. She is rapidly recovering.

Married.—On Wednesday, the 3rd inst., Miss Elizabeth Walmsly to Mr. Jas. Brooks. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. T. H. Ibbott, in the presence of about 50 invited guests. Miss Janet Burrows presided at the organ, and played the wedding march. The couple have moved to the village, and will occupy part of Mrs. Tanner's residence.

Morburn Horsburgh met with quite a serious accident last week. He was in the act of discharging a gun, when the weapon burst, badly injuring Morburn's hand. Dr. Ferguson dressed the wounded member and considers that nothing serious will be the result.

Rev. T. H. Ibbott gave a lecture on the war on Monday evening in the hall, in aid of the Belgians. There was a small attendance, but the illustrations by slides was pronounced good.

Mr. John Marsh conducted the services in the Presbyterian church in the morning of last Sabbath, and Dr. Ferguson officiated in the evening.

Dr. and Mrs. Marsh left here on Friday of last week to spend six weeks on Bermuda Island. The Rev. gentleman has taken this trip for the benefit of his health. Rev. Mr. Peckover of Toronto will occupy his pulpit until his return. The handle factory is shut down for this week on account of repairs having to be made to the engine and machinery.

At the quarterly official board meeting on Monday the Rev. Mr. Ibbott was invited to remain as pastor for another year.

The snow blockade last week seriously interfered with traffic, but matters are about normal again.

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#### PERSONAL

Miss Effie Barclay of Toronto is visiting her parents here.

Mr. Wm. Grabel of Toronto, organizer for the A.O.U.W., is spending a few days in town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Lang and family of Hanover visited with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lang over Sunday.

Miss Islay Campbell is in Toronto, where she will spend a month with her aunt, Miss McDonald, and other relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lang have been confined to their home for the past two weeks, under the doctor's care, but are now recovering.

Mr. Fred S. Reeker of the Department of Agriculture at Markdale was in town Tuesday completing arrangements for the agricultural conference, to be held here on the 17th.

#### NEWS OF OLD ONTARIO

Mrs. John Lister of Orillia now in her 95th year, has just finished her ninth pair of socks for the soldiers.

Dr. G. I. Campbell of Grand Valley was fined \$40 and costs last week on a charge preferred by Inspector Robinson of Orangeville.

Mrs. Baker died at Cobourg at the age of 114 years. Up to the time of her death she retained all her faculties and did not wear spectacles.

There are 109 inmates in the House of Refuge at Beeton, the largest number in the history of the institution.

James Terrill & Son of Brighton township raised a calf which, at three months of age weighed 407 lbs.; at four months, 532 lbs.; at five months, 620 lbs.; six months, 755 lbs.; seven months, 804 lbs.; eight months, 970 lbs.; and nine months and seven days, 1,103 lbs. The largest gain for any one month was 135 lbs., or an average of 4 1/2 lbs. per day. It dressed 672.

The manager of the Merchants Bank at Acton, Ont., was surprised when a draft for \$100, drawn in Victoria, B.C., in 1870, was presented for payment. It had been overlooked for nearly 45 years. If the money had been placed on deposit it would have amounted to about \$400.

When the Germans occupied Brussels Grant Watson, Second Secretary of the British Legation,

did not accompany his colleagues in their removal to Antwerp but remained in the Legation, which had been placed under the protection of the American Minister, Brand Whitlock. For some weeks he was not molested; then he was arrested as he left the Legation.

#### NEWS OF THE WORLD

The oil tanker Chester was wrecked in the Atlantic, but its men were saved.

President Poincare of France has provided for the compensation of property loss to individuals.

At Yonkers, N.Y., Nathan Graham mistook Miss Anna Lee for his sister, slapped her face and was fined \$25.

To meet the financial shortage in the Transvaal and Union of South Africa, all gold companies will be required to contribute to a special tax on their profits.

Nineteen different French towns have had bills introduced in the Chamber of Deputies authorizing them to impose a municipal surtax on all alcoholic beverages.

An official decree issued in Trieste raises the price of a two-pound loaf of bread from 14 to 16 cents. The grain markets in Austria are said to be in a desperate condition.

As a result of the new German regulations for the making of bread, several hundred bakers in southern Germany along the Swiss frontier, have been compelled to close their shops.

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