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THE RUMOR REPEATED.

Dentist
 Dr. 9th and King Street,
 Over Geo. E. Young's Grocery.

THE PROBABILITY.

G. N. W. Special.

Toronto, Dec. 14—10 a. m.—North-
 east to north-west winds, unsettled,
 with a fall of snow setting in by even-
 ing. Little change in temperature to-
 day, fair and decidedly cold to-morrow.

FOUND GUILTY.

After two hours' deliberation the
 jury this afternoon rendered a ver-
 dict of guilty, with a recommenda-
 tion to mercy, in the case of Arch. Pat-
 terson, charged with fraud.

VON GUNTEN BROS. CUT SALE.

TO-MORROW.

No wonder the crowd jam Von Gun-
 ten Bros. on their sale days. It is the
 talk of the city and no wonder. To-
 morrow they place on sale in their
 China department up stairs a line of
 goods suitable for Xmas presents with
 a tag on each that if they can be pur-
 chased in any store in Chatham at their
 regular price for double the money—
 you get the goods for nothing and your
 money back. Here they are—Sterling
 silver hat pins 10c each, only paper
 weights, bronze mounted, 25c each,
 call bells a variety of styles, 25c each,
 chateaux spectacle cases with chains
 in both leather and silk, plush mounted
 in oxidized metal at 35c each. We
 give the children 2 flag pins for 5c.
 Positively only one of each article at
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 the quality of ebony goods.



Candy for

Christmas

Give Your Boy
A Camera

For Christmas, the beauty and benefits do not pass away with Xmas, but the
 longer he has it the more pleasure he will have.
 Any one buying a camera from us, will be taught how to take pictures free.
 Some of the cameras in stock are:

GLENDAL, size 3 1/4 x 3 1/4, at \$2.50
 STRATHCONA, size 3 1/4 x 3 1/4, at \$2.50
 PREMIO VEE, size 4x5, at \$5.00
 KORONA, size 4x5, at \$5.00
 KORONA, size 4x5, at \$10.00
 KORONA, size 4x5, at \$14.00
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 They will sacrifice durability to style.
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 The patterns are new, attractive and refined.
 We guarantee that the fit will be absolutely correct.

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TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE

Rumor That General Buller has Defeated
the Boers Capturing 12,000.

London, Dec. 14.—A despatch from Pietermaritzburg states that a report
 has reached there saying that Generals Buller and Clery surprised the
 Boers by a front and flank attack, utterly defeating them, after a short,
 sharp engagement. The enemy's retreat was cut off by General Clery's
 force, and the enemy to the number of 12,000 were compelled to surrender.
 The British troops then pushed on to Ladysmith, thus raising the siege.
 The war office has no official confirmation of this report, and does not credit
 it.

CHURCHILL ESCAPES FROM PRETORIA.

Lorenzo Marques, Dec. 14.—Winston Churchill, the newspaper cor-
 respondent and former officer of the Fourth Hussars, who was captured
 at the time of the armored train disaster near Estcourt, Nov. 16, has es-
 caped from Pretoria.

STOCKS ON THE JUMP.

At the Stock Exchange to-day at 2 o'clock Rand mines suddenly jumped
 up 10 on rumors that Gen. Clery had entered Ladysmith and that Gen.
 Buller had captured 3,000 Boers. The officials do not credit the reports, as,
 they add, the relief of the place at such an early date is believed to be
 practically impossible.

THE KILLED AND WOUNDED.

London, Dec. 14.—The war office
 have received a list of the killed and
 wounded at Magersfontein. The official
 report gives the total number of
 killed, wounded and missing of all arms
 in the engagement of Sunday and Mon-
 day at Magersfontein as 517.
 There were 15 officers killed and four
 wounded, and in addition five are mis-
 sing and one is known to have been
 made prisoner.

The official despatches also show
 that 650 of the casualties were among
 the non-commissioned officers and men
 of the Highland brigade, which lost
 10 officers killed, 38 wounded and 4
 missing.
 The number of men Gen. Methuen
 had engaged is estimated at from 11-
 000 to 17,000, while the Boers are be-
 lieved to have had 12,000 or more.

CANADIANS AT

Ottawa, Dec. 13.—Mrs. Drummond
 to-night received a cablegram from
 Major I. G. Drummond, military
 secretary to His Excellency the Gov-
 ernor-General, Lord Minto, and at-
 tached to the Canadian South Afri-
 can Contingent for staff duty. It is
 dated Modder River, and states
 simply that he is safe. This is taken
 to indicate that the whole regiment is
 there.

GEN METHUEN

London, Dec. 14.—Gen. Methuen's
 summary of Monday's battle is direct,
 candid and soldierlike.
 General Methuen attacked the en-
 emy again straight in front, and, while
 repulsed, still holds his ground and
 hangs on to the enemy like an English
 bulldog. While the British people are
 not able to rejoice over a decisive vic-
 tory, they have no cause to be ashamed
 of the conduct of their gallant troops.
 who fought all day in front of a
 strongly fortified position. They have
 reason to be thankful for at least one
 minor mercy, namely, the clear, intel-
 ligible account of the battle from the
 General in command.
 After a range of broken hills, where
 the Dutch were entrenched, had been
 shelled on Sunday from dawn until
 dusk the Highland Brigade attacked
 the south end of the position at day-
 break, and failed to carry it. The

MODDER RIVER.

Up to a late hour to-night no word
 had been received from Col. Otter
 respecting the movements of the
 contingent. There is a wild rumor to
 the effect that the Canadians suffered
 severely in the late fight. It probably
 arises from the fact that they were
 brigaded with the Gordon and Black-
 Watch. De Aur. On Sunday they
 were still at Belmont, so they could
 not have been in Monday's battle.

STILL HOLDS ON.

Guards Brigade, after supporting the
 Highlanders, attacked the enemy on
 the right and centre with the artillery
 brigade and a howitzer, while the cav-
 alry and a howitzer battery were en-
 gaged on the left. The 9th Brigade
 was held in reserve, but the Gordons
 were pushed forward early in the af-
 ternoon to reinforce the Highland Bri-
 gade, which bore the brunt of the at-
 tack. The troops held their ground
 stubbornly until dusk, and were still
 there at daybreak next day, entrenc-
 ing their position against the Dutch
 forces, estimated at 12,000.
 Apparently General Methuen is not
 discouraged by his repulse. In a sec-
 ond despatch, sent off from Modder
 River, late on Tuesday evening, he ex-
 plains that as the Boer trenches were
 still strongly held in the morning he
 had retired to what appears to be his
 old position.

SEE THAT XMAS EXPRESSION



THEY ARE ALL SO WELL PLEASED WHEN THEY GET ONE OF

VONGUNTEN BROS.
WATCHES

A large stock of Watches
 can be found in the
 whole city put together.



Bought
 before the
 prices
 went up



Not bought to hold, but
 to sell, and we are selling
 them.

HEAVILY FINED.

The trial of Dr. Campeau, of Har-
 row, who was accused of having as-
 sailed M. O'Connor, of the same
 town, was brought to a close before
 Judge Horne at Sandwich. The judge
 deplored the fact that such cases
 should be brought before him, when
 they might be settled before a magis-
 trate. He found Campeau guilty of
 common assault, and fined him \$10
 without costs.

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 King Street,
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East Hastings Conservatives have
 nominated W. B. Northrup, ex-M.
 P., for the commons, and Mr. Rich-
 ardson of Deseronto for the Legisla-
 tive Assembly.

Representatives of several town-
 ships met at Galt and appointed a com-
 mittee to bring to the notice of the
 Railway Committee of the Privy Coun-
 cil, the unsatisfactory condition of
 cattle guards on the two great rail-
 ways.

The coroner's inquest into the cir-
 cumstances surrounding the death of
 Mrs. Mary Cavanagh, of London, Ont.,
 was concluded at midnight. The jury
 returned a verdict that the deceased
 came to her death by wounds at the
 hands of some unknown person or per-
 son.

ABOUT THE NEW TEMPLE.

The last coat of plastering will be
 completed on the L. O. O. F. Block now
 in a few days. Contractor McDonald
 is rushing the work.

Wm. Carswell, the carpenter con-
 tractor, is taking special pains in
 dressing up the beautiful lumber for
 the inside finish. He is pushing his
 part of the job along and will soon
 have the front stairs up.

Deputy Grand Master O. L. Lewis is
 chairman of the dedication committee
 and great preparations are being made
 for the opening of the hall.

C. A. Austin is chairman of the fur-
 nishing committee, and is devoting a
 good deal of attention to the furni-
 ture, which is most appropriate.
 All the glass in the front of the tem-
 ple are plate, the only full plate glass
 front in the city. The boiler has ar-
 rived and in a few days Watt & Son,
 the contractors, will have steam up.
 There will be the most complete set
 of lawyers' offices in the new block
 this side of Toronto.

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 the beautiful design which they or-
 ganized in the L. O. O. F. front. It is
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 now, unbroken assortment affords the choic-
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 Christmas week delivery if you wish.

Special Values in
Men's Black Dress Suits

We are showing special values in
 black suits, men's black venetian and
 heavy clay worsted coats and vests with
 half stripe pants in black or gentle
 shades of gray, coats made four button
 shapes of gray, coats made four button
 range of sizes, values at \$10, \$12 and
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\$7.50, \$9.75, \$12

\$7.50 Special Suit Sale \$7.50

In tweeds, worsteds and serges, regular
 \$9, \$10 and \$12 suits, the greatest values
 of the season, in nobby pattern worsted
 tweeds, blue serges and novelty rough
 goods, sizes run from 34 to 44.

Swell Dress Overcoats at
\$6, \$7.50, \$10 to \$15

Made from blue and black beaver,
 whippersnappers, chinchillas, the swellest
 goods shown, made in single and double
 breasted styles, have no equal for fit
 and finish, sizes run 33 to 44.

Men's Great Ulster Value
\$5.00

Regular \$7.00 Coat, made from pure
 wool frieze, dark shades gray, brown
 and light fawn, fibre chambray lined,
 best linings, very special, all sizes.

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All the new American novel ties in
 reefers, sweaters, navy ty chinchillas, fit-
 ters, for ages 4 to 10 years, prices run

\$3, \$3.50, \$4, \$4.50, \$5

A Sensation in
Neckties

Never before were such values shown in
 this line, we cleared out big stocks from
 two leading manufacturers, all this sea-
 son's styles, goods you will pay fancy
 furnishes price—50c, they are here
 for your inspection, puffs, four-in-hand,
 knots, bows, strings,

At 25 Cts.

American Neckwear
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Words fail to express the beauty, all the
 swell things in puffs, down ends, new
 shape knots, all on display in this de-
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 Swell colored neck scarfs at \$1.00

Gentlemen's Gloves

Men's lined kid gloves, black and
 colored, 50c
 Men's 2 button kid gloves, black
 and colored, 75c
 Men's silk mouchie lined gloves, 85c
 Men's tan mouchie lined gloves, \$1.00
 Men's pure mouchie lined gloves, \$1.50
 Men's unlined dress gloves, 75c,
 \$1 and \$1.50
 Men's silk lined gloves, \$1, \$1.50
 and \$1.75
 Boys' lined kid gloves, tan shades
 50c and 75c

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