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Dentist

Cor. 5th and King Street,
Over Geo. E. Young's Grocery.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES AND DEATHS

DIED.

WALTON.—At Richardson, Texas, on
Saturday, 2nd Dec., Perry F. Wal-
ton, aged 40.

LOCAL BRIEFS

Jas. McMahon is dangerously ill with
pneumonia.Dr. Rutherford was in Thames-
ville yesterday on professional busi-
ness.Mrs. John Sterling, of Rond Eau, is
visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs.
Striker.Drop in and see what F. C. Dunne
& Co. have to offer for Christmas gifts.

No trouble to show goods here.

Men's and boys' caps of every de-
scription to be had at slaughter
prices at Stone The Hatter's bankrupt
sale.Miss Lizzie Smith, of Ridgeway,
underwent a serious surgical opera-
tion at St. Joseph's hospital yesterday.A fountain pen makes a very accept-
able Xmas present. See what F. C.
Dunne & Co. have to offer in that line.Holly Wreaths, Holly, Evergreen
Wreaths, Rosettes, Pampas Plumes,
Smilax, and everything for Christmas
decorations at Victoria Avenue Green-
houses. Phone 181.If you have not bought your Xmas
year yet, now's the time to get it at
Stone The Hatter's bankrupt sale.

Prices simply cut in two.

Make your selections early. Don't
wait till the last rush. We can wait
on you better and give you more time
than we will be able to do later on. So
shop early and avoid the rush at F. C.
Dunne & Co.'s jewellers and opticians.Markus Bros' Dramatic Company play
one week in the Grand Opera House,
commencing Monday, Jan. 8, when a
number of new plays will be presented
by a strong company.At the sessions to-day Henry Salis-
bury, of Romney, was convicted of an
aggravated assault on his wife. He
was sentenced to 23 months in the
Central.At the police court this morning
James McGreggor was acquitted on a
charge of stealing \$20 from Melvin
Matthews in a poker game.

NECKWEAR ELEGANCE.

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LATEST RETURNS.

Hon. John Dryden's Large Majority
in South Ontario—Mr. McNish

Beaten by 21.

Toronto, Dec. 13.—In South Ontario,
Hon. John Dryden, Lib., has 352 maj.,
with one place to hear from.In South Brant, Preston, Lib., is
elected by 398 majority, with two polls
to hear from, which will increase it.Complete returns from East Elgin
gives Brover, Cons., 58 majority.Complete returns from West Elgin,
gives McDiarmid, Cons., 21 majority.

WILL BE PROTESTED.

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METHUEN REPULSED.

He Makes a Bloody but Unsuccessful Assault.

London, Dec. 13.—The war office has received the following from Gen.
Methuen, dated Dec. 12:Our artillery shelled a very strong position held by the enemy on a long,
high kopje from four until dusk Sunday. It rained hard last night. The
Highland Brigade attacked at daybreak on Monday the south end of the
kopje. The attack was properly timed, but failed.The Guards were ordered to protect the Highlanders' right and rear. The
cavalry and mounted infantry, with a howitzer artillery battery, attack-
ed the enemy on the left, and the Guards attacked on the right, supported
by field artillery and howitzer artillery. They shelled the position from
daybreak, and at 1.15 I sent the Gordons to support the Highland brigade.The troops held their own in front of the enemy's entrenchments
until dusk the position extending, including the kopje, for a distance of
six miles towards the Modder river. To-day I am holding my position
entrenching myself. I had to face at least 12,000 men. Our loss was
great.

GENERAL WAUCHOPE ONE OF THE KILLED.

The War Office has received the following despatch from Gen. Forester-
Walker:—"Cape Town, Tuesday, Dec. 12.—Methuen wires that Gen. Wau-
chope was killed in action yesterday."

HUNDREDS WOUNDED.

Orange River, Cape Colony, Dec. 13.—Three hundred and twenty wounded
men have arrived here from the Modder river.

BULLER'S ADVANCE.

London, Dec. 13.—A despatch, dated Dec. 12, says: This
morning a union brigade, consisting
of English, Scottish, Irish and Welsh
Fusiliers under Gen. Barton, with
up a strong position three miles from
Colenso, meeting with no opposition.

THE BOERS CLAIM 41 PRISONERS AT MODDER.

Pretoria, Dec. 11.—An official report
says: "A battle at Modder River be-
gan yesterday with cannon firing,
heavy fighting lasting from 3.30 o'clock
in the morning until 9.30 o'clock, with
cannon, Maxim and rifles. A bom-
bardment began at 4.30 o'clock, and
the fighting still continues. A balloon
has just arisen above the British po-
sitions, where it remained 10 minutes
and descended. There were heavy

rains during the night."

At 9 o'clock this morning a further
report was received from Modder River.
A dispatch rider brought word that all
the Boer positions had been main-
tained and that 41 British prisoners had
been taken. At 9.30 it was reported
that the heavy cannon fire had some-
what abated. The British are con-
stantly using their balloons. The fight-
ing was still going on at noon.

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