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 FARMERSVILLE, FEB. 2, 1897.

Reformers Rally.
 Every friend of honest state-
 manship is invited to meet
 Mr. Blake at the Brockville
 railway station at 4 o'clock on
 Thursday, to join in giving a
 hearty and enthusiastic recep-
 tion to the coming Premier.

FARMERSVILLE AND VICINITY.
 No Advance.
 Although the cotton mills have
 combined and raised prices, A. Par-
 ish & Son offer cottons, prints, ducks,
 shirtings, &c., at old prices.

Recommended Work.
 About 40 men are again at work on
 the B. & W. R. R. on Gaitheil's con-
 tract, and about 20 more on Mitchell
 & Robinson's section on S. Ransom's
 farm. Tenders for ties are also called
 for by the Company.

Liberal Club.
 A Liberal Club was organized in
 Merrickville on Wednesday last.
 The club are excellent schools, in
 which our young men may become
 jostled in the politics of the day. This
 town should have one as well.

Oratorio of Esther.
 This popular oratorio will be per-
 formed at Delta on Thursday and
 Friday evenings, and, under the di-
 rection of Mr. Lewis, promises to be
 a great success. The programme will
 be found in our advertising columns.
 A full report of the oratorio will ap-
 pear in our next.

Just Received.
 A splendid assortment of wedding
 invitations and cards have just been
 received at the Reporter's office, from
 one of the largest wholesale dealers
 in Canada. Those requiring anything
 in this line should inspect our stock
 and samples before placing their orders.

Kitley Council.
 When the newly elected township
 council for Kitley assembled for busi-
 ness, on the time appointed for that
 purpose, it was found that only the
 Reeve and one Councillor could
 qualify. There will consequently be a
 new election for Deputy Reeve and
 two Councillors, and our old friend
 N. H. Beecher, who was defeated
 by only seven votes, will again be
 a candidate for Deputy Reeve.

Hymeneal.
 On Wednesday evening last, the
 house of R. W. Steacy, Smith Falls,
 was the scene of a pleasant gathering
 to witness the marriage of Mr. W. J.
 Warwick to Miss Hattie Rose. Mrs.
 Clara Gould supported the bride, and
 Mr. Willis-Grant performed a like ser-
 vice for the groom. The happy couple
 left on the evening train for the West.
 The Registrar had the pleasure
 of extending congratulations in per-
 son and wishing them *bon voyage* et
leur vie the most auspicious.

Personal.
 Dr. Chamberlain, M.P.P., passed
 through the village on Saturday evening
 on his way to Morton, to visit his
 uncle, Amos G. Judd, of that place,
 who is lying at the point of death.
 Since writing the above we learn
 that Mr. Judd died on Tuesday after-
 noon.

Mrs. Fattie Nowling, of Detroit,
 Michigan, is visiting her sister, Jennie
 H. Atwell, at the residence of her aunt,
 Mrs. Dr. Chamberlain.

High School Literary Society.
 This Society was recently reorgan-
 ized, with the following staff of offi-
 cers: Hon. president, Mr. Johnston;
 president, Mr. A. W. Lewis; 1st vice-
 president, Miss N. I. Blanchard; 2nd
 vice-president, Mr. T. H. Estor;
 secretary, Miss Anna Allyn; treasurer,
 Mr. J. W. Dixon; Leaders of Divisions,
 J. H. Gallagher, D. Brown, J. John-
 son, J. Patterson. At a subsequent
 meeting it was decided to rent a piano,
 and Messrs. Cornwall and Dixon were
 appointed to go to Brockville and se-
 cure an instrument for the present
 term. These gentlemen succeeded in
 their mission and the piano is now in
 readiness to be played upon.

Congratulatory.
 We have received the initial number
 of the *Riteau Record*, a new paper
 just started at Smith Falls, in the in-
 terests of Reform and Temperance,
 and of which our old-time friend, G.
 Fred McKimm, is the editor and pro-
 prietor. We gladly welcome the *Re-
 cord* to our list of exchanges, as it is
 a good sized newsy sheet, and in the
 hands of its able editor will no doubt
 take a foremost place among the
 weekly newspapers of the Dominion.
 But we welcome the *Record* to our
 table more especially as its editor
 hails from our native village and has
 always been a warm personal friend
 of ours.

Surgery.
 A case in which the skill of our lo-
 cal physicians was put to a severe test
 occurred in this village last week.
 Mrs. Isaac C. Barber, residing on the
 Addison road, has been suffering for
 the last fifteen years from an ovarian

umor. On Saturday Drs. C. M. D.
 and S. S. Cornell of this place and
 Dr. Cogswell, of Toledo, assisted by
 F. L. Douglass, medical student, per-
 formed the delicate operation of re-
 moving the tumor. What made the
 operation more difficult was that the
 tumor was deeply imbedded in a mass
 of fibrous tissues which had to be
 carefully loosened. The operation
 occupied about two and a half hours
 and although it left the patient very
 weak, great hopes are entertained of
 her ultimate recovery. On Tuesday
 morning Mrs. Barber made the pleas-
 ing announcement to Dr. Cornell that
 she had not felt better in fifteen years.
 That she may fully recover her health
 is the fervent wish of her many friends
 in this vicinity.

FARMERSVILLE CEMETERY.
 Mr. G. W. Brown, collector and
 treasurer for the committee which is
 managing the improvements in the
 cemetery, has handed in for publica-
 tion the following statement of the
 funds received and disbursed by the
 committee:—

Receipts.
 Total amount raised by contribu-
 tions to date \$120 75

Disbursements.
 Pd C. G. Alguire, for improving
 grounds and soldering monu-
 ments and tombstones \$62 05
 " C. G. Alguire, for head and foot
 boards to mark graves without
 tombstones 4 00
 " McLaren, for fencing lumber 14 65
 " for hauling lumber from town 1 71
 " Wm. Grant, for building fence
 and gates 11 90
 " Parish, for nails, hinges bolts
 and screws 2 06
 " Parish, for lumber for fencing 4 28
 " Horace Brown, for fence posts 3 50
 " E. Middleton, for planning and
 ripping 1 00
 Balance on hand 15 40
 \$120 75

This balance, together with \$39.75
 of promised subscriptions, and further
 amounts expected from others who
 have not yet subscribed, but who have
 an interest in the cemetery, will be ex-
 pended in painting the fence and in
 other very necessary improvements.

**CUR TOWN HALL AND THE
 DIVISION COURT.**
 As stated in our issue of the pro-
 ceedings of the Division Court, last
 week, there seems to be a feeling that
 the time has come when the town hall
 must be rebuilt or renovated, to meet
 the requirements of the municipality
 and the Court. As the whole mat-
 ter will doubtless come up before
 the township council at its session on
 the 12th inst., we shall defer making
 any remarks or suggestions until after
 that body has given an expression of
 opinion in the matter.

In regard to the business done at
 the last sitting of the Division Court,
 we have a few words to say and in
 making our comments we but voice
 the popular sentiment, expressed to us
 verbally and in communications which
 we have received on the matter. The
 Junior Judge was very severe on the
 Township authorities for the want of
 accommodations in the hall and threat-
 ened that unless these defects were
 remedied, the place of holding the
 Division Court would be removed from
 the village, or from the hall at least.

Did it ever occur to his honor that
 the people have rights as well as those
 in authority? We decidedly object
 to any judge, be he high or low, wag-
 ging as much of the people's time as
 was used up at the last sitting here.
 To define our position let us relate
 what actually occurred.

The Court was not opened here un-
 til after 5 o'clock on the day appoint-
 ed, and after an hour and a half's
 sitting, adjourned until 8 p.m. for tea.
 It was within a few minutes of 9 o'clock
 before the court re-opened, and the
 sitting was continued until about half
 past ten, when it adjourned until 10 a.m.
 the next morning. At 15 minutes past
 eleven a.m. his honor came into court
 and business proceeded as usual until
 12.15, when another adjournment took
 place for dinner. At about three p.m.
 the court was again opened and con-
 tinued until the business was finished,
 which was at about six p.m. There
 seemed to be considerable feeling man-
 ifested by those interested in the busi-
 ness of the court at the delays in the
 proceedings, and also at the action of
 the judge in summoning a jury on
 nearly every petty case that came up,
 thereby causing hard feelings among
 neighbors, instead of disposing of
 such cases himself. We do not write
 this from any personal feeling, as we
 had no cases in court, neither have we
 any interest to serve but that of the
 public welfare.

FARM TO LET.
 LARGE FARM to rent, 2 1/2 miles west
 of Farmersville, in a good condition
 and well watered. Stone house, drive-
 house, barns, sheds, stables and outbuild-
 ings, all in a good state of repair.
 GEO. W. GREEN,
 Farmersville.

THE GREAT BARGAIN HOUSE
 MAIN ST. FARMERSVILLE.
 will for the next 90 days offer Great Inducements to purchasers of
DRY GOODS, GROCERIES, BOOTS & SHOES
RUBBERS, and FANCY GOODS.
 We wish to reduce our stock before spring preparatory to enlarging our
 premises. Look for Bargains. We have a few more pairs of those
4-BUTTON KID GLOVES AT 55 CTS
 Secure winter goods while our stock is complete, at low prices.
BROWN & CO.

FOR SALE OR EXCHANGE.—One
 choice building lot in the town of
 Brockville. Would take a good horse or
 WOOD in part payment. FOWLER & CO.,
 Brockville.

FARMERSVILLE & MALLORYTOWN
MAILL
Stage Line
 SAM'L L. HUDSON, PROP'R.

LEAVES the post office, Farmersville,
 L at 11.30 a.m., arriving in Mallory-
 town in time to connect with G. T. R. ex-
 press east and west. Returning, leaves
 Mallorytown on arrival of train from west,
 reaching Farmersville about 7 p.m.
 Will wait arrival of West-post stage
 for passengers, if notified in time by mail
 or telegraph.

NOTICE.
 THE partnership heretofore existing be-
 tween the undersigned, as general
 grocers, in the village of Farmersville, has
 been this day dissolved by mutual con-
 sent. All accounts due the late firm must
 be paid to D. Wiltse at once.
 Dated the 24th of January, 1897.
 JAS. ROSS,
 D. WILTSE.

THANKING the public for the patron-
 age accorded the late firm, I beg to an-
 nounce that until further notice I will
 carry on business in the old stand, where
 I will keep a first-class stock of new
 groceries and provisions. The stock of
 boots and shoes, fancy goods, glassware,
 jewelry and neckties, will be sold at
 cost until all are cleared out, as I intend
 giving up these branches. I solicit a
 share of public patronage.
 3-7 JAS. ROSS.

FASHIONABLE DRESSMAKING
 MRS. G. A. McCLARY respectfully
 informs the Ladies of Farmers-
 ville and vicinity, that she will be pleased
 to execute for any who may favor her
 with their patronage, any work in
 the Dressmaking Line, in
 The Latest and Most Fashionable Styles.
 Perfect Satisfaction Guaranteed, at
 Reasonable Prices.
 Residence, Main st., Farmersville, over
 A. C. Barnett's shoe store.

FARMERSVILLE
INSURANCE AND LOAN
AGENCY.
A. JAMES,
 GENERAL AGENT.

TO MY OLD PATRONS AND
THE PUBLIC GENERALLY:
 I BEG to inform you that I have opened
 out my harness shop in the
OLD PREMISES
 But with far better facilities than before.
 During the past few weeks the shop has
 been thoroughly overhauled and enlarged,
 and I now have the

Finest Rooms for Business in
the County.
 I have now on hand a large and well
 assorted stock of
-: HARNESS :-
Of all kinds,
 As well as BRUSHES, CURRY COMBS,
 WHIPS, &c., which will be sold at
Rock Bottom Prices!
 Harness made to order on the shortest
 notice in the best style, and as cheap as
 can be had anywhere.
 A. E. WILTSE.

G. T. FULFORD,
Brockville.
Ticket Agent
Grand Trunk R.R.
 The old reliable Short line and only
 Through Car route to
 MONTREAL, BOSTON, DETROIT,
 CHICAGO, &c., &c.
 Tickets sold to all points
 at rates as low as the lowest.

EXCHANGE BROKER
 American Currency Silver and all
 kinds of un-current monies bought and
 sold at Closest Rates.
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 Drafts issued on New York, current
 for payment in all parts of the
 United States.
MONEY TO LOAN
 on approved endorsed notes.
G. T. FULFORD.

THE BROCKVILLE STORE
 IS THE RIGHT PLACE TO BUY YOUR TEA.
A NICE WAX DOLL Given away with One Pound of Tea.
 ALL KINDS OF **Crockery, China and Glassware**
 SOLD VERY CHEAP.
Sign of the Big T—Bigg's New block.
 T. W. DENNIS, BROCKVILLE.

FARMERSVILLE CARRIAGE WORKS.
Establish'd 1860.
 I am now manufacturing for the winter trade a First Class lot of
Latest Style Cutters and Sleighs.
 Call and inspect before buying elsewhere. I am better prepared than
 I have been for any of the past years to give every satisfaction.
 Special attention paid to Horse Shoeing & Jobbing
D. FISHER.
 Farmersville, Nov. 18 '96.

TAKE THIS IN!
 We are determined not to be second in our business, but mean to be the
 first. Our goods are the best in quality and quantity, and will be sold at
Low Prices, for Cash, Approved Credit or
Farm Produce.
 OUR SPECIALTIES: Family Flour, Pastry Flour, Graham Flour, Cracked
 Wheat, Rolled Oats, Granulated Oatmeal. Our Sugars are the
Cheapest. Self-praise is no praise; but a trial of our TEAS
 will do away with any need of our praise. In Coffees we defy com-
 petition. Half a dozen different kinds to select from, including a
 fine imported from Botanic Gardens; warranted pure.
 When you want any and every thing in our
 line for a small sum of money, the
 place to get it is at
J. THOMPSON'S GROCERY.

ORATORIO OF
ESTHER.
TOWN HALL, DELTA,
Thursday and Friday, Feb. 3rd & 4th.
 The singers of Delta and Vicinity, under the direction of Mr. C. M. LEWIS,
 and assisted by Mr. W. FOSTER, of Smith's Falls, and Mr. E. D.
 TANNEY, of Woodstock, Ont., will present the above CELEBRATED ORATORIO
 at Delta on the dates announced.

REPRESENTATIVE CHARACTERS.

JEWES	PERSIANS
Mordecai..... Mr. R. M. Percival	King..... Mr. W. W. Foster
Queen Esther..... Miss Addie Soper	Haman..... Mr. Ed. Tamney
Maïd of Honor..... Mrs. W. H. Denaut, jr	Harbonah..... Mr. G. T. Brown
Prophetess..... Miss J. E. Denaut	Seribe..... Mr. F. W. Singleton
High Priest..... Mr. F. M. Lehigh	Herahb..... Mr. Abner Brown
Queen's Attendants..... Miss E. Barlow	Zereah's Attendants..... Mrs. H. E. Eyre
Queen's Pages..... Miss Jessie Sinclair	" M. Barlow
" Lucy Chamberlin	" Mr. M. McArthur
	" G. N. Young
	" Jas. Goukin
	" Master Chas. Stevens
	" Ed. Church
	" Miss Flora Stevens, Miss D. Vanloon.
	" Ger. Stevens, Mr. F. W. Singleton
	" B. Copeland, " J. W. Russell,
	" A. Copeland, " E. Bowser,
	" F. Vanloon, " Jas. Goukin,
	" A. Eyre, " G. N. Young,
	" T. Denaut, " E. Barlow,
	" J. Kilborn, " L. N. Phelps.

CHORUS OF JEWISH CHILDREN.
 Annie Copeland, John Vanloon, Clayton Copeland,
 Minnie Bell, Herbert Sinclair, Willie Church,
 Gerie Stevens, Ed. Breece, Cam. Vanloon,
 Lucy Chamberlin, John Sawyer, Charlie Stevens,
 Cora Denaut, Brayton Breece, Ed. Church

Pianist, MISS L. COLEMAN. **Musical Director, MR. C. M. LEWIS.**

THE events which will be represented in this entertainment transpired
 about 400 years B. C., while Artaxerxes, or the Ahasuerus of Ezra, was
 on the Persian throne. Having deposed his Queen, Vashti, for disobe-
 diance, he was pleased with a Jewish maiden named Esther, not
 knowing her to be a Jewess, and made her his queen. This brought her
 uncle, Mordecai, to the Persian Court (he being a Jewish officer) to look after
 the interests of his people, and to be near his niece. Haman, an Amalekite,
 and natural enemy of the Jews, occupied the chief confidence and favor of
 the King, and being annoyed and irritated by the apparent disrespect of the
 Jewish officer, Mordecai, laid a plot for the massacre of the whole Jewish
 nation and the spoliation of their goods. The rendering of the programme
 will illustrate how the plot was laid and defeated.

TO THOSE WHO PURPOSE LISTENING
TO THE ORATORIO:
 If you would carefully read the Book of Esther, and thereby refresh your
 memories, it would add very much to your enjoyment of the programme.
 Note.—Should you, after reading, by any chance be prevented from attending
 the entertainment, your time will not have been spent in vain.

THE COSTUMES
 To be worn at this entertainment cost \$200.00, and are elegant and correct.
 Battle-axes, javelins, spears, robes, etc., are fac-similes of those
 used at the time of which the work treats.

Doors open at 7 o'clock. Opening Chorus at 8 Sharp.
ADMISSION 25 CENTS.
NO POSTPONEMENT ON ACCOUNT OF BAD WEATHER.

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 as all kinds of work is guaranteed first class, at lowest Prices. None but
 first-class material used, and first-class artists employed in each depart-
 ment. Those wanting photos, or enlargements should call and inspect our
 work, as we Advertise Nothing but what we Can do.
R. H. GAMBLE, - - Photographer,
 SUCCESSOR TO A. C. MCINTYRE. 3-29

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STOVE DEPOT.
FINE AND COMPLETE STOCK
 TO BE FROM NOW UNTIL
Sold Cheap for Cash 28th February.
 We have on hand a lot of the latest style Cook Stoves, which we wish to clear
 out before spring, and as a special inducement we will give every purchaser
 of a stove at our regular prices, for cash, a
PRIZE OF 1 DOZEN EXTRA STEEL KNIVES & FORKS,
 Which are retailed at any first-class house at \$3.25 per dozen.
 3-22 **J. H. PERCIVAL.**

B. W. M. for H. P. at P. W.
PHIL. WILTSE,
GENERAL MERCHANT,
MAIN STREET, FARMERSVILLE.
B. W. M. for H. P. at P. W.
 WHICH, BEING INTERPRETED, MEANS
Balance of Winter Millinery for Half Price
AT P. WILTSE'S.
B. W. M. for H. P. at P. W.

THE PEOPLE'S STORE,
FARMERSVILLE.
CASH! CASH! CASH!
 WE ARE
OFFERING GREATER INDUCEMENTS!
 To-day than have ever been offered in Farmersville before,
 and our store has been
CROWDED WITH PEOPLE!
-: BARGAINS :-
 WE ARE OFFERING,
 Regardless of Price, Cost or Sacrifice!
WE ARE BOUND TO SELL 20 PER CENT. CHEAPER
THAN OUR NEIGHBORS,

And furthermore we are in a position to do so, as you will be convinced
 by calling at our store, where we are throwing out
BARGAINS TO SURPRISE THE PUBLIC,
 And convince them that we are the
Cheap Cash Store.
LAMB & DAVIDSON.
 TEAS AND COFFEES A SPECIALTY. Highest Prices
 Paid for Farm Products.

MILL-MEN! WILL
THRESHERS! Save . . . Money
FARMERS! BY USING
MCCOLL'S
FAMOUS :: LARDINE :: MACHINE :: OIL,
 SUPERIOR TO ANY IN CANADA.
 SOLE MANUFACTURERS, McColl Bros. & Co., Toronto. BUY
 LARDINE! Sold by G. W. Beach, Farmersville.

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