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NEW DRESS STUFFS!

The arrival of Foreign Dress Fabrics, for Spring, has begun, many of the lines were ordered before advance prices took effect, which means a saving to us—and you. See in the dress goods section will be interesting during the next few weeks.

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DRAMA AT DELTA.

The Odd Fellows of Delta scored a great success with their dramatic entertainment on Friday evening last. The night was fine, enabling many from a distance to be present, and the result was one of the largest audiences ever assembled in Delta's fine hall.

The play put on was "The Miller's Daughter," and its presentation was such as to surprise and delight all present. The play is replete with dramatic situations and incidents, and these were faithfully portrayed, every character being impersonated in a manner that well deserved the unstinted applause that followed each of the four acts.

The company was composed of Mrs. Omer Brown, Miss Maggie Barlow, Miss Bertha Godkin, Miss Ruby Stevens, Miss Ella Sexton, Miss Bulford, and Messrs. K. J. Green, W. Birch, Edgar Horton, C. Copeland, R. I. Stevens, Cam Vanloan, and Werner Phelps, with Dr. Creggan as manager. Where all did so well, it would be invidious to particularize; suffice it to say that the whole play was highly creditable to the performers and indicated that they possessed such a degree of histrionic talent as could be well employed in bringing out a series of dramas. Miss Bulford took the part of Mrs. Derwent in lieu of Mrs. E. Bowser, who was called away suddenly, and deserves great praise for the manner in which she played the part on such short notice.

We learn that the company contemplate repeating "The Miller's Daughter" at Elgin in a short time if suitable arrangements can be made.

The failure of the polyphone to reach Delta in time for the entertainment was a great disappointment to the managers of the play. They fully expected it to be present, as they had received a telegram from the owner saying, "The machine will be there, weather permitting." However, we think the audience will agree with us in saying that the part assigned to it was more than filled by musical talent that had been secured. An orchestra composed of Messrs. Patterson, A. J. Slack, and Luther Washburn, with Miss Ross as accompanist, all of Athens, played at intervals and their music was very popular with the audience. Mr. C. C. Slack gave a couple of vocal solos and was enthusiastically endorsed upon each appearance. The audience were greatly pleased with and roundly applauded a banjo duet by Messrs. Patterson and Slack. At the conclusion of the entertainment, Mr. Green returned the hearty thanks of the I. O. O. F. to all who had assisted in the presentation of the programme.

After the drama, the committee of management entertained the musicians and performers with a supper at the Grand Central Hotel. The refreshments were tastily served and much enjoyed by all.

The receipts totalled an even \$100, a result that must be very pleasing to all concerned.

high school at Athens, was home on Saturday. A friend of his, Mr. Jas. Dunn, accompanied him.

A new flour and feed store has been started in the village. It will be managed by Mr. Mac Tonnant and he will use part of the building for the post office which is in the store. Mac is a genial fellow, and here's luck to him.

Mr. Thomas Stack is a happy man these days, over the advent of a daughter into his family.

Mr. G. W. Mallory was in Kingston last week, where he made arrangements for the sale of his hops which he shipped a few days later.

We are pleased to report the condition of Mr. John Kelly as much improved over last week.

Rev. Mr. Edwards of Prescott delivered a sermon on "Missionary Work" in the Methodist church on Sunday morning. There was quite a large attendance.

There have been many conflicting reports about Miss Rachel Thompson's condition. We take pleasure in stating that we have learned, from a reliable source, that she is very much much improved, and that her ultimate recovery is assured.

Thursday night last closed a series of revival meetings which have been going on for some time in the Methodist church, conducted by Mr. Vermilyea, an evangelist who hails from Belleville. Quite a number of converts were secured and much good work accomplished.

Mr. Robert Hagerman of Kingston, formerly of this vicinity, was renewing acquaintances in the village last week.

The village is on the tapis now for a patriotic concert. We think the move a good one, and every citizen should do something to encourage the movement. The place certainly does not lack for patriotism nor enthusiasm, neither do we lack local talent to get up a good entertainment and carry it out successfully. We hope next time to report a decided movement in that direction.

GLOSSVILLE

FRIDAY, Feb. 23.—Bertie Lee is visiting relatives at Evan's Mills, N. Y. Mr. Willie Hall manages to keep his engine running much of the time. Mr. Ruggles Hawks is talking of moving to Smith's Falls.

Mrs. Malvin Wilts of Athens is visiting friends here.

Miss Sadie Hewitt of Leeb's Corners, that popular, excellent dressmaker, is engaged at Mr. Lee's, and many are the surmises about the happy future of some good girl. Mrs. Charlie Goff, if she felt in a humorous mood, from even a teacup night—well—she is not sure that it is just the best thing to let out too much of the future "to omt."

There is a fertile tract—a narrow belt of farms—beginning at the ancient Glossville school-house, now in ruins, (some set the stake on Church Hill), and extending through to the Redan, in the blood-stained entrenchments of which, long ago, was fought a fierce political contest. Winding throughout the length of this belt, in olden times, there ran a dismal swamp, in the sunless recesses of which bears played, wolves howled, and wildcats played second fiddle. This tale could easily eclipse anything ever found around Lake Ontario or the Valley of the Magnetawan in marvels, wonders, and supernaturalities. We have no doubt that our friend, Charlie Goff, could, if he would, tell us of the reports repeated to him in his boyhood days of the haunted place, the wild scenes, hair-breadth escapes, spirits, spooks, and ghosts. But Charlie does his farm chores in the least possible time, hastens into the house, deliberately fills his pipe and as deliberately selects one of his many papers on the war—and his day's work is practically begun.

In our next we may give some of the curious things that happened here. Yes, the black bear has vanished and the grey wolf has fled to the north, yet there is no neighborhood but has a growler—a true brin. There are many varieties of this bear. They don't always wear a black coat, but you can tell them by their growl. If they meet a straw turned the wrong way they will call out and growl.

This social tyrant and bugbear of the family has his spasms three or four times a day, and the only way to prevent this unpleasantness is to never cease patting him on the head and calling him a good fellow. The wolf you can detect at the evening visit, in the gossip, by his snaps at mischief making. He tries hard to

MALLORYTOWN.

MONDAY, Feb. 26.—Miss Bolin of Brockville is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Thos. Wilkinson.

Mrs. Henry McDonald is ill with chicken pox.

A. W. Mallory, jr., is on the sick list.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Gaidl were visiting friends in Brockville last week. Miss Annie Hall is on an extended visit at Aylmer, the guest of Rev. Mr. Perley.

The I. O. O. F. lodge is rapidly increasing in membership. New members are being added weekly.

At the time of writing, we regret to say that Allan MacDonald shows no improvement.

Mr. Joseph La Pier moves to Balintyne this week where he has secured the position of section foreman on the G. T. R.

John Mallory shipped a car load of cattle to Montreal market on Tuesday. Owing to the prevalence of the gripe our doctors are kept busy.

As the roads are very smooth, bicycles are very much in evidence just now.

Our village grist mill is doing a rushing business lately.

Mrs. Wm Yonge of Brockville was a guest of her mother, Mrs. Vanduzen, last week.

D. S. Mallory has recently purchased a large consignment of dry goods which he has placed in his new store.

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THE LATEST WAR NEWS

Cronje Has Surrendered.

On Tuesday morning the welcome news was flashed around the world that General Cronje had surrendered. A report of the events leading up to this triumph of Lord Roberts' skill will be found on the second page of this issue. Notwithstanding his desperate position in the bed of the Modder River, Gen. Cronje repeatedly refused to surrender. It seemed like murder for the British to throw shells at an enemy so situated and during the days that followed the completion of the enveloping cordon only a desultory firing was maintained with the big guns. This left a large force of soldiers and several batteries free to receive any reinforcements for Cronje that might arrive. Several bodies of Boers from Natal and Bloemfontein were met and defeated. A large number of prisoners were taken. The Canadians displayed conspicuous gallantry in the final overthrow of Cronje, and a dispatch

announces that they lost 8 killed and 31 wounded. Lord Roberts gives them full credit for the part they played, and Sir Alfred Milner sent the following cable to Lord Minto:

"Cape Town, Feb. 27.—Cronje surrendered at daylight. Congratulations on noble share taken by troops from your country."

The number of Boers included in the surrendered force of General Cronje is placed at 4,000. They, with their commander, will be sent to Cape Town.

London, Feb. 27.—Mr. Winston Churchill, in a despatch to the Morning Post from Frere Camp, dated Sunday, says: "The idea that the Boers are raising the siege of Ladysmith is premature. The advance is being pursued in the face of the most stubborn opposition, and of heavy losses. President Kruger's grandson is among the Boers killed."

ASSAULT AND DEATH.

Mr. Samuel Copeland, a respected farmer of Lombardy, died at his home on Thursday last, under circumstances that place some members of his household in a very unenviable position.

For his second wife, some years ago, he married a Mrs. Stone who had five children. These children, as they grew older, caused trouble in the family, and finally their actions so displeased Mr. Copeland that he ordered them out of his house. He had loaned a sum of money to one of his step-sons, who was employed in a bakery in Perth, and on Thursday, 15th inst., he went to collect it. While sitting in the bakery talking with his step-son, his eldest step-son, Fred, entered the shop and brutally assaulted him. As soon as he was able he went before a magistrate and swore out a warrant for the arrest of his assailant and then started for home. As the team neared home, two boys found him lying in the bottom of the sleigh and taking charge of the team drove them to his house. His wife declined to allow them to carry him into the house, and how long he was allowed to remain in the sleigh is uncertain. A daughter who called to see him was denied admittance, the wife saying that the doctor in attendance had ordered that no one should see him. This order, it is said, the doctor denies having given. On Thursday last Dr. Hanna of Perth was summoned, but the injured man died a few minutes after his arrival.

The remains have been placed in a vault pending an inquest by the coroner. In the meantime, Fred Stone is being held in custody at Perth.

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DEAR REPORTER MANS,—I am tink me I am write on you couple line, maybe more, 'bout dis place. Well, am pass on dis place las' night through beeg, beeg storm. De win' she's blow some, you bet; deu she's snow some an' rain leetle bit. Am stop on de Hotel Commercial dat's run by dat mans, K-ly, dat's leavel on Athens purty mooch leetle while ago. He was good many I am pass through. He's keep it good house an' good bed an' plattee on dat house for eat an' lot good whiskey blanc for drink (but dat was beeg, beeg storm dat I am pass through). Well, when I gan thaw me out, I look it 'round 'or la papier. Dey han' me dat papier; I look at it, an' what you tink I am find, but de dear ol' Reporter. You bet dat's mak' me feel homesick when I read all about de ol' town-folk, an' for to keep off de de I go an' get me great beeg drink of whiskey blanc—for dat was great beeg storm I am pass through. Well, I am read all ab at de hunt—dat was bally good hunt, for sure—but she was great beeg storm I am pass through. Well, all de folk in de Creek dey are bally good folk for sure—dey all speak on me purty well. 'Bout de Creek, she's nice leetle town (but dat was great beeg storm). De billyging she's run lak blazes on dat railroad—she's purty near tak' my breath an' she's mak' my chapeau go hurrah, you bet.

Well, I am leave here in couple day and pass on de ol' town again an' I'm see on you in two or three day—but she was great beeg storm I am pass through, you bet.

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