

CIVIL WAR VETERAN SUCCUMBS AFTER LONG ILLNESS

**Esley Groat of This Place Died Thurs-
day of Last Week.**

Esley Groat, a well known and highly respected resident of this village, died at his home, Thursday, February 8th, 1923, at 8:30 p. m., at the age of 83 years, 4 months, 20 days.

He was born at Ashford, N. Y., on October 28th, 1839 and was the son of Jasper and Marie Groat. On February 22, 1866, he was united in marriage to Eleanor M. Hopkins and came to this village 42 years ago, where he has since resided.

He enlisted July 28th, 1862, from Cattaraugus county and was mustered into the U. S. Service at Jamestown, N. Y., Sept. 24, 1862 as private to serve for three years in Company G 154th Regiment, N. Y. Vol., Infantry, under Capts. M. B. Cheney and W. S. Cameron and Col. A. G. Rice, J. H. Jones and D. Garner. The regiment was assigned to the 1st Brigade, 2nd Division, 20th Corps, Army of Cumberland and Georgia, and marched to Fredericksburg, Va., Dec. 10 to 15, Mud March, Jan. 20-24 '63; Chancellorsville, May 2nd, where he was wounded by a shell, was treated in Carver Hospital, D. C., 30 days returned home on furlough and rejoined his regiment about July. Gettysburg, July 1 to 3rd; Wawatichie, Tenn., October 28 to 29; Orchard Knob, Nov. 23rd; Tunnel Hill, Nov. 24th, duty in Lookout Valley until May 1864; Rocky Face Ridge May 11; Resaca, May 15; New Hope Church May 25; Pine Hill, June 11 to 14; Noyes Creek, June 19 '64; Chattahoschie River July 17; Peach Tree Creek, July 20; Tuckunis Cross Road, Nov. 29. He was promoted to

CHARACTER INTERPRETING COMPANY APPEARS

Yes, you're right! A great company is due here on February. This company, by the way, has the kind of a success which is back to the same town three or years in succession. It takes a company with real artists to do

Mr. Colston, manager of the pany, is a student of human nature of people as a class. He studies manners, characteristics, eccentricities and customs, and portrays with a depth of feeling and intonation that is truly remarkable.

Now, if you think you are to see simply a character impersonator, you are sadly mistaken. will live with these characters their very presence, not simply a man make funny faces at you tell you funny stories. Through three parts of their program Colston Company brings an element of educational value and of rationalism and humor.

The first part consists of pictures from the family album. Can all of their scenery, they set the to represent a large book and pretend the characters such as we often seen in Grandmother's Album.

As the second part of the program the company presents a one act of home life and for the third we are introduced to such familiar characters as Shylock, David H. Rip Van Winkle, and President Abraham Lincoln.

You have never met any of these folks personally, have you? then here is a great opportunity only to have an enjoyable evening but to meet and live with world famous personages by means of The Colston Company.

Time: 8:00 o'clock—Date: I

Tree Creek, July 20; Tuckunis Cross Road, Nov. 29. He was promoted to Corporal, Nov. 4th, 1864. Averysboro, N. C. Mar. 16th, '65; Bentenville, Mar. 24th, at Raleigh, S. C. April 14th; Bennett's House, April 26. Honorably discharged at Blakensburg, Md., June 11th, '65. He was a charter member of VanAernum Post, G. A. R., No. 232, Ellicottville.

He was a favorite among his comrades, having a jovial disposition and his jokes and witty sayings will be remembered by his many friends.

Deceased is survived by seven children; Minard L., Fred W., Mrs. A. D. Olin, Mrs. T. J. Fenton and Maud of this village; Seth L., and Mrs. Louis E. Pritz of Salamanca and two sisters, Mrs. Hermia Phillips of Machias, and Mrs. Susan Smith of this place.

Funeral services were held at St. John's church, Sunday at 2 o'clock, Rev. P. B. Hoffman, officiating. He was laid to rest in Sunset Hill cemetery.

Peacefully sleeping resting at last,
This world's sorrows and troubles
are past;
In silence you suffered with patience
you bore
Until God called you home to suffer
no more.

Those who attended the funeral from out of town were: Mrs. John Groat, Mr. Jasper Groat, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fitzpatrick, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Abbot, Mr. Floyd Pemberton, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Thorpe, Mr. and Mrs. George Brown of Salamanca; Mr. John Lee of Jamestown, Mrs. Chas. Vance of Randolph; Mr. and Mrs. George Hopkins of Machias, Mr. and Mrs. Merritt Smith and son John, Mrs. Charles Newton, Mrs. Tom Lounsbury of Great Valley; Mrs. Ruby Lee of Bradford, Pa.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our friends and neighbors

ren Colston Company.

Time: 8:00 o'clock—Date: February 17th—Place: Ames Hall.

Kill Head of Russ Church in P

The chief of the Russian church in Poland, the Metropolitan George, was assassinated by the Russian Smaragd. The assassin belongs to a group of the clergy which opposed the metropolitan because of the latter's pro-Polish policies. The assassin, an Archimandrite, whose full name is Smaragd Latyszenko, was arrested.

Settle Shopmen's Strike

Officials of the Northern Pacific railroad in St. Paul confirmed reports that striking shopmen on that road are terminating their walkout on a local basis. Striking shopmen who have been out since September were returning to work in the Minneapolis & St. Louis railroad shops.

G. L. F. SHAREHOLDERS MEETING ELECT OFFICERS

Over two hundred farmers from all sections of the state attended the annual stockholders meeting of the Grange League Federation exchange held in Syracuse February 5th. A majority of the delegates remained for several sessions of the grange the following days.

H. E. Babcock, general manager, reported that the exchange is organizing a seed department and a feed house in Syracuse, a feed department in Buffalo, and a fertilizer division in New York City, all supervised and served by a single administration. A sales office located in Syracuse. A new system of distribution has been worked out which enables shareholders in any community in New York state to select their own type of seed, whether cooperative organization, door agent, or established retail

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