

Mr. Benson, of Keokuk City, was a guest at the home of Robert Griswold Monday.

Miss Myrtle Tyler is at home from her school work in Lansing for the holiday vacation.

Hance Hammond left Monday evening for his home in Hudson, N. Y.

Harley Dorman came over from Lansing for over Christmas with his people.

Mrs. May Whish, of Howard City, is visiting her sister, Mrs. George Remalie.

C. A. Briggs, of Jackson, was an over Christmas guest at H. J. Martin's home.

Miss Elizabeth Slout, of Chicago, spent Sunday and Monday here with his people.

Misses Emma and Annis Flathau are spending the week at home from Battle Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cupples, of Charlotte, were Monday guests of Ort Worden's.

E. D. Rawson left Tuesday for a few days' visit with relatives at LaGrange, Ohio.

Ed. Moore and family, of Jackson, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Sibbrell.

Miss Agnes Hunter, of Battle Creek, was home for a few days' visit with her people.

Mark Hammond is spending a week at home from his engineering work at Loraine, Ohio.

Mr. and Mrs. James Ward, of Marshall are visiting their daughter, Mrs. Geo. Remalie.

Prof. C. G. Wade and family, of Flint, are the guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Darrow and children were over from Woodbury for the Christmas holiday.

Miss Edith Martin spent Wednesday at Battle Creek with her brother, J. J. Martin and family.

Miss Elizabeth Slout, of Chicago spent the Christmas vacation here with her brothers and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Connant, of Battle Creek, spent Sunday and Monday here with his people.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Bland, of Jackson, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cook, over Xmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Holden and daughter, of Lansing, visited Sunday and Monday with her sister.

Mrs. J. J. Curtis, of Charlotte spent Sunday and Monday at J. N. Hawkins' and H. H. Curtis' homes.

Rev. St. Clare Parsons is spending a few days with his parents at Flat Rock, going down Monday morning.

Emory Ferris, of Berrien Springs, is spending the holidays with his brother, William Ferris and family.

Fred Benedict, of Battle Creek, was an over Christmas visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Benedict.

Milton Sprague returned a week from a two weeks' trip to New York city, where he visited his brother and also made a stop at Philadelphia and Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Weller have returned to Vermontville from Fremont, Ohio, and are looking for a good desirable farm to buy, as they have concluded after a few weeks' sojourn at their old home that Michigan is a little nearer the Garden of Eden than it is down in the Ohio clay fields.

### JANUARY 4, 1911.

#### The Season's Greetings.

I wish to extend through the columns of The Echo to my friends and patrons kindly greetings and the compliments of the season. I am going away for two or three months for a much needed rest and hope for a recuperation of health for both Mrs. Snell and my self.

I have persuaded Dr. Dana Snell to care for my patients while I am away. He is well qualified for the work having had the technical teachings of the University of Michigan, the clinical advantages of the University of Chicago and serving for two years as "house physician" at Grace hospital, Detroit. He is a fine chemist and microscopist and is well supplied with all the necessary utensils for the examination of any and all specimens.

I bespeak for him your kind consideration.

The Old Doctor,  
CHARLES S. SNELL.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Snell and daughter, Nedra, left this morning for a three months stay at Jacksonville, Florida, with their son, Roy Snell, and family.

### JANUARY 18, 1911.

Vermontville is adding to the population of the village rapidly. Greeley Fox is happy over the arrival of a young son at his home on Saturday night. He says the youngster is going to be a barber all right as he wore his hair right up in the latest style cut and makes a lot of noise. Along comes Pitt Pugh and reports the birth of a son on Sunday night. He claims the boy is the best in town and stands ready to back up his claim against all comers. With the two youngsters residing on opposite sides of the block, when they get out and get acquainted with each other they may settle the claims as to which one is the best.

### JANUARY 25, 1911.

#### DEACON ASA BENEDICT HAS PASSED AWAY.

#### Vermontville Mourns the Loss of Its Oldest Male Resident.

Deacon Asa Benedict was born in Ledyard, N. Y., on the 14th day of September, A. D., 1816, and passed to the life beyond on Monday evening, January 23rd, at the rural home of his daughter, Mrs. Martha Hay, in Vermontville, at the ripe age of 94 years.

Mr. Benedict was the youngest brother of the late Rev. W. U. Bene-

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