

... Angeles, ...
... position with an ...
... firm who are engaged in
... building the big water tunnel from
... the mountains to that city.

DEC. 18, 1912.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Al Faust,
Friday morning, a daughter, hence
the broad smile worn by Al as he deliv-
ers the Christmas mail these days.

Word comes from Detroit that Mr.
and Mrs. Harley Dorman are the
proud parents of a boy born Monday.
Mrs. O. E. Powers took the noon
train down to get acquainted with the
youngster at once.

H. H. Church left Monday night for
Stuart, Florida, where he will look
after the development of his fruit land
this winter. Will Bale of Fennville
expected to accompany him but owing
to the sickness of Mrs. Bale was un-
able to leave at present.

Editor H. H. Curtis and daughter
Evelyn went to Chicago Thursday af-
ternoon to visit Mrs. Curtis, who is re-
covering from an operation at the Lit-
tlejohn hospital. The latter expects
to be able to return home the last of
this week.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Snell and
daughter Marion are here from Grand
Rapids till after the new year. Mr.
Snell has resigned his position with
the Fox Typewriter Co. and after the
first of the year will have a position
as manager of a city store for a large
office supply house.

Given A Surprise Party.

A bunch of his friends decided that
Hervey Church should not start off for
Florida without giving him an op-
portunity to tell them all about the
land and how he expected to train the
soil and shoot alligators down there
this winter so they dropped in on him
last Wednesday evening, that is they
dropped in and Hervey came home and
found them waiting to receive them.
Walter Davis informed Church that
afternoon that he was thinking some-
of going to Florida and wanted to
know about things down there. Hervey
agreed to meet Walter at the post of-
fice and give him all the facts and
figures needed. This plan worked to
perfection and then after all the
people had arrived Walter decided he
would accompany the victim home to
get a book that they had been talking
about. The plan worked satisfactorily
and when his home was reached
Church was a very much surprised
man. The evening was most delight-
fully spent by all present and all left
at a late hour hoping that the 'gators
wouldn't catch the wanderer while he
was amongst them.

JAN. 8, 1913.

Mrs. Catherine Fox entertained
Miss Blanche Grimes of Wheaton, Ill.,
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Grimes and fam-
ily of Charlotte, Mrs. Mary E. More-
house and son Earl of Lake Geneva,
Mr. and Mrs. Asa Warner, Ernest
Satterlee and family, Glenn Satter-
lee and family, Mr. and Mrs. Howard
Hay and F. E. Hay to a New Years
dinner at her home on West Third St.

... wife and baby ...
Miss Evelyn Sprague returned to New
York City Thursday morning after
spending the holiday vacation here
with his people, E. E. Sprague and
family.

Dr. B. D. Niles and wife of Grand
Ledge left Philadelphia a day or so
before Christmas for a trip to the old
country when the boat, the liner Mer-
ion, was run down by a big coal boat
and was obliged to put back into port.
After a few days' delay in company
with others the doctor and his wife
were sent to Portland, Maine, where
another boat took them on their way.
"B. D." as everyone here remembers
Niles, was one of the popular school
teachers here years ago.

JAN. 15, 1913.

Mr. and Mrs. Keith Barber are
storing their household goods as the
former is obliged to go south for an
extended stay on account of his health.
Mrs. Barber and the baby will stay
at E. D. Barber's for the time being.

Dr. C. S. Snell has sold his home
on South Main street to Jess Garn of
Chester who expects to move to town
about the first of March.

JAN. 22, 1913.

Charles E. Fleming Passes Away.

Word was received Monday morn-
ing from Battle Creek that Charles E.
Fleming had finally succumbed in his
fight for life and had passed away at
the hospital at Ann Arbor on Satur-
day evening. While this had been

... still it cau-
... had made such a
... valiant fight for life and to those who
... had been to see him, he was so cheer-
... ful and full of hope and expressed a
... feeling of improvement, all had hoped
... against hope that he would pull
... through.

His old business associates here in
Vermontville sent a beautiful floral
piece over as a token of esteem, and
Messrs. W. C. Alsover and Charles
Hall went to Battle Creek to attend
the funeral Tuesday.

The following from the Battle Creek
Moon of Monday gives the details
more fully of Mr. Fleming's death.

"While not unexpected, announce-
ment of the death of Chas. E. Fleming,
which occurred in the University hos-
pital at Ann Arbor, Saturday evening,
was received in Battle Creek with a
deep sense of personal and community
loss. Mr. Fleming had been ill four
months and this terminated in pneu-
monia. The body was brought to the
family residence, 113 North McCamly
street, where funeral services were
held Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.
Mr. Fleming had long resided in Bat-
tle Creek and for years was a clerk
in the Hoffmaster dry goods store.
Later he moved to Vermontville, where
he had charge of his father's business
for a term of years. Until his last
sickness he was a traveling salesman
for the Hirth, Krause Co. shoe house
of Grand Rapids, being a successful
and painstaking representative. Mr.
Fleming was one of the most popular

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