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This Season's Goods.

We are going to close them all out during the next few weeks. Low prices make them go fast. Come at once as the assortment is yet quite complete.

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**The Chelsea Gold Mining,  
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Organized under the Laws  
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Divided Into 1000 Shares of \$25.00 Each,

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This Company has been incorporated for the purpose of **Prospect-**  
**ing the Gold Fields of Alaska and the Klondyke**  
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This Company has been organized on strictly business principles, and  
each share of stock shall be represented by \$25.00 cash or by services  
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Those contemplating a trip to the Gold Fields or those who wish to  
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provisions necessary.

Correspondence solicited. Full particulars on application.

## Select Your Holiday Goods Early

From our well selected stock of  
**FURNITURE and PLATED WARE.**

Large line of of Rockers, also Ladies Writing Desks, Combination  
Book Cases and Sideboards.

Special Low Prices on Furniture for December.

Second-hand Heating Stoves Cheap.

**W. J. KNAPP.**

### Olive L. Parker.

Mrs. Olive Loomis Parker was born in  
Lockport, Niagra Co., York State, July 1,  
1830, and died at the residence of her  
daughter, Mrs. G. W. Beckwith of this  
place, Friday morning, Dec. 10th, 1897,  
aged 67 years, 6 months and 10 days.

She came to Michigan in 1847 with her  
parents, Silas and Laura Loomis. She  
was the mother of two children, Mrs. G.  
W. Beckwith and Bernard Parker, of Chelsea,  
who live to share the grief of their  
father. She has lived in Sylvan nearly  
fifty years, and a member of that church  
nineteen years. She lived a faithful and  
useful life in the service of the master, a  
quiet life, but full of helpfulness to those  
about her. Her last sickness was protracted  
and accompanied with much suffering,  
but through it all her faith was strong  
and communion with her Savior was  
sweet. With Christian patience she waited  
the summons of her Lord.

Funeral services were conducted at the  
Sylvan church Sunday, Dec. 12th, at 2 p.  
m., by her former pastor, Rev. Carl G.  
Zeidler, assisted by Rev. Crozier.

### Obituary.

Delos Burchard Spencer, only child of  
Abner and Adaline Spencer, was born in  
the town of Sylvan, November 20th, 1877,  
and died at Chelsea December 11th, 1897,  
aged 20 years and 21 days.

This sad and unexpected event, by  
which a promising and hopeful young  
man has been cut down, not by the fatal  
scythe of Time, but as a lamp, still full of  
oil and brightly burning, dashed in pieces,  
and its full, bright flame extinguished, has  
thrown a pall of sadness and gloom over  
our community, especially over his com-  
panions, by whom he was greatly respect-  
ed and beloved.

The funeral services held in the Con-  
gregational church, Tuesday, 14th, inst.,  
were largely attended by a most solemn,  
attentive and sympathizing audience.  
The sermon by Rev. Dr. Holmes was ad-  
dressed principally to the young, of whom  
a large number were present. The text  
was taken from the epistle of James 4:14,  
"What is your life?"

The bereaved parents have the sympathy  
of the entire community.

### I. O. F.

Court Chelsea, No. 1612, I. O. F., elect-  
ed the following officers last Monday ev-  
ening for the ensuing year:

C. D. H. C. R.—J. Geo. Webster.  
S. R.—Guy Lighthall.  
V. C. R.—Geo. P. Staffan.  
R. S.—J. E. McKune.  
F. S.—Geo. H. BeGole.

Treasurer—J. S. Hathaway.  
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J. B. Henry Steinbach.

Trustees—J. E. McKune, J. S. Hath-  
away, Guy Lighthall, Geo. A. BeGole and  
J. D. Watson.

Finance Committee—Chas. Miller and  
V. L. Staffan.

Delegate to High Court—Geo. A.  
BeGole.

Alternate—J. Geo. Webster.  
Physician—G. W. Palmer.

### Lafayette Grange.

Lafayette Grange met at Mr. Erving  
Storms, Thursday, Dec. 9. There was a  
good attendance and after all had part-  
aken of a good dinner, meeting was called  
to order by Worthy Master.

Mr. I. Storms read an excellent paper  
on Thanksgiving. Mr. F. Sweetland fol-  
lowed with select reading on Thanksgiv-  
ing in Colonial Days.

The Worthy Master then gave a de-  
scription of his trip to California, which  
was quite lengthy.

A solo was then sung by Mrs. Fannie  
Ward. As it was getting late, the pro-  
gram had to be shortened.

Grange closed to meet with Brother and  
Sister Guerin, Thursday, Dec. 23, at 1  
o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing  
officers for the ensuing year. A literary  
program is also expected. All members  
should be present if possible.

If the world loves a lover, it is because  
it is not compelled so see much of him.

## We Will Cut

OUR

## Christmas Pie

AT THE

## Bank Drug Store

From Dec. 18th to 24th,

And all children in this vicinity under twelve years of age and ac-  
companied by either parent are entitled to a free draw. We are also giv-  
ing the older folks the best opportunity they have ever had in Chelsea  
of buying

## Holiday Goods.

Of every description. Notice our prices on

Plush and Celluloid Goods,

Silverware and Jewelry,

Fancy Crockery and Lamps,

Books, Poems, Bibles,

Dolls, Toys, Games, Candy.

Nuts, and Popcorn Balls.

Come to the Bank Drug Store and you can afford to remember all  
your friends.

Merry Xmas to All.

## Glazier & Stimson

## Santa Claus'

## Headquarters

### Bazaar Department.

Toys in Iron, Tin, Wood and Celluloid; Toilet Cases, Photo and  
Perfume Boxes, Albums, Collar and Cuff Boxes, Glove and Handkerchief  
Boxes, Pictures, Solid Silver Novelties; also full line Plated Ware, Fancy  
China, Lamps, Dolls, Doll Cabs, Books of all kinds, Toy and Express  
Wagons.

### Furniture Department.

We have a full line of

Fancy Swing and Floor Rockers,

Ladies' Desks, Fancy Tables and Stands, Couches, Easy Chairs.  
We are making low prices on Bedroom Sets and Dining Chairs.

### Hardware Department.

Skates, Hand Sleds, Pocket Knives, Razors, Carvers,

Nickel, Granite and Silver Plated  
Tea and Coffee Pots.

### Cutters.

Special Prices on Heating Stoves to close out.

Full Stock of Candies, Nuts, Oranges, Xmas Tree  
Ornaments, Candle Holders and Candles.

Candy, pure Sugar mixture, 7c per pound  
Fresh Roasted Peanuts, 8c per pound

**HOAG & HOLMES.**





# Christmas Buyers

Will surely find the largest stock, the most varied assortment, the finest quality, grandest display and the most real genuine bargains here.

## Candies, Fruits and Nuts.

We are offering some tempting delicacies in Assorted Crystallized Fruits 45c per pound. Lowney's New England Chocolates. Choice Malaga Grapes 10c per pound. California Redland Navel Oranges at 30c and 40c per dozen. 1 pound boxes fancy Bon Bons and Crystallized Fruits at 35c each. 1 pound box choice Cream Bon Bons 20c.

## Peanut Crisp, Coconut Waters, Walnut Dates, Venetian Creams.

A fine line of Funkes celebrated Chocolate Candies. None are better we put them up in assorted boxes. Ask to sample them.

Choice Chocolate Drops at 15c pound. Fancy Late Howe Cranberries Valencia Shelled Almonds. Large ripe juicy apples at 35c peck. Hot-house Lettuce. Jersey Sweet Potatoes. Hubbard Squash. Large Ripe Yellow Bananas. Mixed Candies 6c pound.

## Finest Canned Oysters in Town.

Try our JAMORI COFFEE for your Christmas Dinner. It will please your palate and help to cheer and make you merry.

Holly at 10c per pound.

Holly Wreathes at 20c each.

Pine Wreathes at 4c yard.

## 'TIS STRANGE BUT IT'S TRUE.

Commencing Friday morning, December 17, and continuing until Saturday night, December 31, we offer our entire stock of

## Fancy China, Lamps and Glassware AT A ...

## STRAIGHT 1-4 OFF

The regular plainly marked selling price. This sale will enable buyers to purchase Holiday presents at January prices; quick selling and small profits will be the results to us; make your selections early while the stock is complete and avoid the rush later on.

See Our Windows.

## Freeman's Table Supply House.

## How to Fix a Smoky Lamp

## Use "RED STAR" Oil.

No Odor; No Smoke; No Charing of Wick. Gives a White Light. Do not try SOMETHING JUST AS GOOD but buy the "RED STAR" once—then you can give the JUST AS GOOD man your experience. He will not stay long.

10 cents per gallon.

For sale by

M. L. BURKHART & CO.

## The Art of Living

And living well, is in judicious marketing. Where you buy is of as much importance as what you buy and what you pay for it, when it comes to food.

This Week We Offer:

Oysters in bulk and cans, Fresh Candies, Oranges, Banannas also a choice line of smoked meats.

The prices are always right.

GEO. FULLER.

## What You Should Eat

Is the question that is agitating the minds of our great physicians.

## We Can Tell You!

Eat some of those nice fresh Steaks from our market. We will deliver them for you. We can give you meats for boiling, frying, roasts, etc., that will make your mouth water.

We are always supplied with Hams and Bacon for which our market is famous. They are cured by our own process and have no superior.

TERMS—CASH.

ADAM EPPLER.

### Chelsea and Vicinity.

Postmaster Laird is on the sick list. Christmas is one week from Saturday. John McCover has returned home from Illinois.

The choicest cigars and tobaccos at Freeman's.

The Foresters will give a party New Year's eve.

Buy Cigars at Freeman's and enjoy a good smoke.

Mrs. Howard Conk, who has been ill, is now convalescent.

Henry Wood, who has been quite ill, is recovering rapidly.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Glazier are spending a few days in Chicago.

Rev. J. F. Orwick, of Jackson, was a Chelsea visitor last week.

Wm. Stocking, of Ann Arbor spent a few days in town this week.

Miss Ida A. Keusch was the guest of Ypsilanti friends last week.

Christmas will be appropriately celebrated at St. Mary's church.

Mrs. Gus Warren has returned home from an extended trip south.

Richard Burchard, of South Lyon, spent a few days in town this week.

Buy a Box of Union Clubs for your "smokers" friend, at Freeman's.

A Farmer's Institute will be held at the Town Hall, Jan. 10th and 11th, 1898.

Harry Whitaker and Archie Miles, of Dexter, was a Chelsea visitor Tuesday.

Read article on last page headed: "How the waterworks have reduced Insurance in Chelsea."

Messrs. E. H. Scott, Jas. Harkins and Ross Granger, of Ann Arbor, spent Monday in town.

Mr. Anthony Neckel, of Ypsilanti, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. P. Keusch Wednesday last.

Dr. Reilly of Adrian, and Father Savage of Detroit, visited relatives and friends in Chelsea this week.

Z. Spencer and daughters Marlon and Celia, of Fowlerville, attended the funeral of Delos Spencer, Tuesday.

Mrs. E. Labadie and son Rue, of Paw Paw, are the guests of Mrs. Labadie's daughter, Mrs. Chas. Downer.

Orrin Parker, an old pioneer of Lima died at his home in that Township, Dec. 11, 1897. Funeral took place on Tuesday.

Mrs. Truman Baldwin fell and dislocated her left shoulder last Monday. Mrs. Baldwin is 75 years of age and her recovery is doubtful.

Married, November 24, 1897, at Jackson, Mich., Miss Mary Murphy and Clyde Beeman, both of Waterloo. Rev. Fr. Maloney officiated.

Geo. E. Davis left this morning for Lake Odessa to conduct an auction on Friday, and will also sell at Pottsville on Tuesday, Dec. 31st.

Mrs. Martha Lynch, of Grand Forks, North Dakota, and Mrs. E. M. Kingsley of Jackson, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Foster this week.

The children of St. Mary's Sunday School will have their Christmas tree and entertainment at the Opera House on Tuesday evening, Dec. 28th.

Just received at C. Steinbach's Music Store, 500 pieces of Vocal and Instrumental music. All sheet music in stock sold at half price until after the holidays.

F. J. Hindelang, who is agent for the Gale works, and was stationed in Ohio for the past two or three years has been transferred to Iowa, and is located at Cedar Rapids, that state.

Mr. Anthony Neckel and Miss Frances Hammond were married at St. Mary's Rectory, Tuesday, Dec. 14th, 1897, by the Rev. W. P. Considine. Mr. J. Edward McKune and Miss Lizzie Hammond attended the happy couple.

The postoffice department will put a stop to missing word and missing letter contests which are conducted by publishers to increase the subscription to their papers. All newspapers and periodicals containing advertisements of this character are forbidden transmission through the mails.

Upon interviewing the officers of the Chelsea Gold Mining Company, we learn that they propose equipping their boat with a good steam pump with about 2,000 feet of hose, two centrifugal pumps for prospecting and working the river bottoms, a sawing outfit and a small dynamo for lighting purposes besides their other machinery, tools, clothing, and provisions. We cannot see how such an outfit guided by fifteen good practical men can help making big money for all interested. Their outfit alone would be worth many times what it cost them as soon as they reach the upper Yukon river. They say they only need six more to go. This looks like business and we wish the company every success.

### Santa Claus and His Elves.

The following is a synopsis of the Cantata to be given in the Town Hall, Christmas night by the M. E. Sunday school:

#### PART I.

Scene 1.—Santa Claus' fairies in his work shop preparing the Christmas toys. Arrival of the busy bees, a society of girls who, with their teacher have met to sew and prepare Christmas boxes and holly wreaths for the poor. Song of the fairies. Surprise and consternation of the busy bees on hearing the fairies.

Scene 2.—Class of boys and girls out coasting and whiling away the time waiting for Santa Claus. Arrival of the Elves. Song, "Santa Claus' Dominion." The Prince of the Laplanders in costume.

Scene 3.—Arrival of the Boys' Brigade in uniform. Song and drill by the company. Madge and her friends making Christmas wreaths. "Song of the Mistletoe," by Flora and Dora. Elves' Chorus.

#### PART II.

Scene 4.—The Chinese Ladies. Harry, Ben and Carl watch them and hear them sing. "Chinese Motion Song" by the girls in costume. Song, "Jolly Indian boys."

Scene 5.—Madge and the other girls start to visit the poor. Mapping out the route. Entrance of Lillie Frost and the Fairies' Song. Elves' lullaby songs. Song by the Infant Class, "Hush, Hush here comes Santa Claus!" Baby May and her dolly; song. The elves' care of the little sleeper. Meg and Bobby, little wafes, come onto the stage with a big empty basket. "Sweet Story of long ago." Melody and chorus, Conversation of the Elves.

Scene 6.—Arrival of the children from their errand of mercy. "Good news, Santa is in town." Welcome song. Entrance of Santa Claus and his wife. Song by Santa Claus. Crowning of Santa Claus. Good night Song.

Santa Claus' wife does not usually accompany him but this year she will be here by special arrangement.

### The Glazier Stove Co. Band.

The new horns for the Glazier Stove Co. band came last Saturday, and the boys are now independent. The new instruments are from Lyon & Healy, Chicago, and are very fine in action, tone and appearance. The band as now organized consists of 18 pieces, as follows:

Leader—Fred Fuller.  
Manager—Claude Flagler.  
Secretary—Chas. Kaizer.  
Treasurer—Fred Clark.  
Trustees—Louis Burg, James Olark and Fred Fuller.

The boys wish to inform all the church societies in town that they will be glad to come and play at any social or entertainment, at any time. An invitation through their manager, Claude Flagler, will be all that is necessary to secure their attendance and music.

The boys also expect to give open air concerts once a week, when the weather will permit, so the lovers of band music in the vicinity, will have a chance to enjoy plenty of it through Mr. Glazier's generosity.

### Richard Webb.

Richard Webb was born in Stowretton, Warwickshire, Old England, Sept. 7, 1818, and died at his home near North Lake, Nov. 10, 1897, aged 79 years, 2 months and 3 days. Mr. Webb came to Michigan in 1845, and Jan. 14th, 1847 was married to Miss Ann Marshall, and settled on the farm now occupied by John Marshall.

In 1865 he bought the farm at North Lake of Richard McLain, on which he lived a number of years.

July 6, 1880 his wife died, leaving a husband and nine children to mourn her loss.

In 1883 he married Janet Marshall, and of late years has occupied the place known as the Watts farm, where he died. He was the father of nine children, who with a widow, are left to mourn his loss. Five of the children live in North Dakota and four in the vicinity of North Lake.

Funeral services were held on Sunday, Nov. 14, at his late residence, conducted by Rev.'s Thistle and Stow.

### The Discovery of the Day.

Aug. J. Bogel, the leading druggist of Shreveport, La., says: "Dr. King's New Discovery is the only thing that cures my cough, and it is the best seller I have." J. F. Campbell, merchant of Safford, Ariz., writes: "Dr. King's New Discovery is all that is claimed for it; it never fails, and is a sure cure for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. I cannot say enough for its merits." Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds is not an experiment. It has been tried for a quarter of a century, and to-day stands at the head. It never disappoints. Free trial bottles at Glazier & Stinson's drug store.

J. B. Lewis Co's "Wear-Resisters" are making tracks all over the country. People everywhere who love shoe comfort, admire shoe beauty, believe in shoe economy are wearing

J. B. Lewis Co's "Wear-Resisters" They are made in all styles and sizes for men, women and children. Look for "Lewis" stamped on every shoe.

J. B. Lewis Co., BOSTON, MASS. Lewis "Wear-Resisters" Are for sale by H. S. HOLMES MERC. CO.

S. G. Bush, Physician and Surgeon. Office hours: 10 to 12 a. m., 1 to 4 and 7 to 8 p. m. Office in Hatch block. Residence opposite Methodist church.

G. W. Palmer, PHYSICIAN AND SURGEON. Office over Kempf's new bank, Chelsea.

G. E. HATHAWAY, DENTIST. Modern and Improved Methods Practiced. Office over Bank Drug Store.

H. W. SCHMIDT, Physician & Surgeon. SPECIALTIES:—Diseases of the Nose, Throat, Eye and Ear. OFFICE HOURS:—10 to 12 and 2 to 5.

DENTISTRY in all its branches done in a very careful manner and as reasonable as first class work can be done. Crown and bridge work adjusted so as to be very useful. Where this cannot be used we make different kinds of plates—gold, silver, aluminum, Watts metal and rubber. Special care given to children's teeth. Both general and local anesthetic used in extracting. Am here to stay. H. H. AVERY, D. D. S. Office over Kempf Bros' Bank.

F. & A. M. Regular meetings of Olive Lodge No. 156, F. & A. M., for 1897: Jan. 12; Feb. 16; Mar. 16; Apr. 13; May 11; June 8; July 13; Aug. 10; Sept. 7; Oct. 5; Nov. 2; annual meeting and election of officers Dec. 7. J. D. SCHNAITMAN, Sec.

FIRE! FIRE!! If you want insurance call on Gilbert & Crowell. We represent companies whose gross assets amount to the sum of \$15,000,000.

MICHIGAN CENTRAL "The Niagara Falls Route." Time table taking effect Nov. 21st, 1897. 90th MERIDIAN TIME. Passengers Trains on the Michigan Central Railroad will leave Chelsea Station as follows:

GOING EAST.  
No 8—Detroit Night Express... 8:30 A. M.  
No 26—Atlantic Express... 7:00 A. M.  
No 12—Grand Rapids Express... 10:40 A. M.  
No 4—Mail and Express... 8:15 P. M.

GOING WEST.  
No 3—Mail and Express... 10:00 A. M.  
No 13—Grand Rapids Express... 6:30 P. M.  
No 7—Chicago Night Express... 10:30 P. M.

No. 37 will stop at Chelsea for passengers getting on at Detroit or east of Detroit.  
E. A. WILLIAMS, Agent, Chelsea.  
O. W. RUEGLES, General Passenger and Ticket Agent, Chicago.

# Red Mark Sale

## OF Dress Goods.

To reduce the balance on hand of DRESS GOODS, we offer them at January prices now, when you can use them. We don't select out old goods and insist that you take what you don't want, but we are offering

### New Dress Goods Cheap.

- New \$1.00, black and colored Novelties, 75 cents.
- New 88 cent colored Novelties and Mixtures 75 cents.
- New 69 and 75 cent colored Novelties and Mixtures 52 1/2 cents.
- New 59 cent colored Novelties 44 cents.
- New 50 cent colored Novelties 39 cents.
- New 29 and 35 cent colored Novelties 25 cents.

### WE ALSO OFFER:

All wool black and colored Flannel Suitings, 25c quality, now 12 1/2c.  
All wool black and colored Flannel Suitings 38 inches, now 29c.  
All wool black and colored 38 inch Serge, 29c.  
All odd pieces, new goods too, have the Red Mark, reduced from 15 to 30 per cent.

Every Cloak at One-Quarter Off.

## H. S. HOLMES MERCANTILE CO.

Butterick Patterns for December now on Sale.

# Peoples Meat Market.

HINES & AUGUSTUS, Props.

We are now ready to accommodate one and all with the choicest cuts of meat, also a full line of sausages. Everything fresh, choice and select. We shall endeavor to cater satisfactorily to the wants of customers, and cordially invite you all to call.

## HINES & AUGUSTUS.

Terms—Cash. Klein Building, Opposite Postoffice.

# For SAFETY and to DRAW INTEREST,

Deposit your Money in the

## Chelsea Savings Bank.

Spar Bank.

Its Money is protected from fire and burglars by the best screw door, electric alarm, burglar proof vault-safe made.

W. J. Knapp, Pres. Thos. S. Sears, Vice-Pres. Geo. P. Glazier, Cashier.

# For The Holidays

We are showing a large line of Books for children, Games and Toys of every description. Also Silverware, Perfumes, Crockery, Glassware, etc. We can make you all happy for a very little money.

# Groceries.

We take great pride in showing you our grocery department, which is always filled with fresh, seasonable goods.

I will not be undersold.

JOHN FARRELL, Pure Food Store.

To Lovers of Good Bread--

## BUY DEXTER FLOUR!

None Better.

Every Sack Warranted. Premium with every five empty sacks returned.

For sale only by

John Farrell.

JOHN BAUMGARDNER,

Designer and Builder of

\* Artistic Granite Memorials. \*

Office, 6 Detroit St., Ann Arbor, Mich.

Established 1868.

We keep on hand large quantities of all the various granites in the rough, and are prepared to execute fine monumental work on short notice. Original Designs. Correspondence Solicited. Electric Works 6, 8, 10 Detroit St., and 17-19 5th Ave. Dock and Derrick 2-8 Miller Ave.

### Here and There.

Christmas Cigars at Freeman's.  
Food, in the stairway of the Hatch & Durand building, a purse containing a rare coin.

Farm for sale or Rent. Located in Lima township, and contains 75 acres. Inquire of Lewis Yager. 16

Township Treasurer Goodwin, of Lyndon, will be at the Chelsea Savings Bank ever Saturday during December and at Lyndon Center every Friday, to receive taxes.

"The New Woman."—Owing to the Universal demand of the ladies of Chelsea for another lecture, Mrs. N. M. Moore has decided to discuss the above subject at the Congregational church parlors, Monday, Dec. 20, at 2:30 p. m. Admission free.

Famous Portuonados at Freeman's.

The beautiful devotion of the Forty Hours, which was opened at St. Mary's church last Sunday, was brought to a close on Tuesday evening. The audience at each of the services were very large. The altars were beautifully decorated with choice flowers and lights, and elicited the admiration of all. The sermons by the Rev. Fathers Gleeson and Rosswinkle were very practical and eloquent. St. Mary's people turned out in great numbers, and made the devotions a grand success.

Report of school, District No. 5, North Lake for the month ending Dec. 11, 1897. Number enrolled, 16. Entries during month 1. Average daily attendance 13. Cases of tardiness 21. Cases of absence 43. The star indicates the pupil has not been tardy during the month. Chas. Van Sickle, Alice Gilbert, Mildred Daniels and Wrenn Daniels being neither absent nor tardy during the month. Those averaging 90 or above: Luella Rielly, Mildred Daniels\*, Nettie Green. Those averaging 80 or above: Daniel Rielly, Warren Daniels\*, Orley Green\*, Chas. Van Sickle\*, Della Green\*, Carl Monks\*. Lucy Leach, teacher.

There is no better time to dress winter grain than late fall. If it is done after the ground is frozen it will be all the better. The loose soil will not only pouch less, but the manure lying over its frozen surface will prevent the alternate freezing and thawing, which is more trying to winter grain than is continued cold weather. Besides, if the winter grain field is seeded with clover in the spring, as it always should be, the top dressing of manure will be just what the young clover needs to give it protection early, and make it grow vigorously later in the season.

Small Boxes Cigars at Freeman's.

The golden wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. C. Lord of Grass Lake was celebrated Thursday at their home on East Main Street. It was an event that caused a ripple of pleasant excitement in society there as the couple are old and highly respected citizens. Geo. C. Lord and Della Osborne were married at Sharon, Washtenaw county, December 9, 1847. In 1853 they came to Grass Lake, where they have since endeared themselves to the entire community. Being among the early pioneers of Grass Lake, their influence has been largely felt in the business and social life of the village. Mr. Lord has been broad minded and has done much to benefit the town.

Something New Under the Sun.

A new pair of shoes on that boy of yours, especially if they are J. B. Lewis & Co.'s "Wear-Resisters" will protect him against pneumonia and kindred ailments. "Wear Registers" are sold by H. S. Holmes Mercantile Co.

### Letter List.

Following are the letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Chelsea, Dec. 14 1897:

- Wm. Barthis.
- Richard Jackson.
- Persons calling for any of the above please say "advertised."
- GEO. S. LAIRD P. M.

### Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident of which Mr. John Oliver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters,' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents per bottle at Glazier and Stimson's Drug store.

If a new doctor's patient doesn't die on his hands, he has a promising career.

### Washington News.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 10, 1897.— Other more or less important surprises during the first week of the session of Congress have taken the place of those that some persons expected the President's message to contain. The most important surprise is connected with Hawaii. When the extra session adjourned it was admitted by friends and opponents alike that if a vote had been taken every republican Senator, all of the populists and many of the democrats would have voted for ratification of the annexation treaty. Now, so many Senators have changed that the feasibility of dropping the treaty and securing annexation by legislation which will only require a majority vote is being considered. Only two democrats—Morgan and Gorman—now support annexation. But probably the most surprising thing about the situation is the amount of opposition to annexation that has come from New England, where it was supposed that the idea of annexation was first entertained, many years ago. Senators Morrill, of Vt., and Hoar, of Mass., are now classed among the opponents of annexation, and Speaker Reed is said to be with them. Friends of the administration are demanding that a caucus shall be held and annexation be made a party question and forced through. Meanwhile, a powerful lobby, plentifully supplied with money, is working to undermine and weaken the annexation sentiment, both in and out of Congress, and some very sensational stories are being whispered around Washington.

Senator Allen has introduced a bill for recognition of the independence of Cuba and it has been referred to the committee of Foreign Relations, but there is no likelihood of this or any other legislation on the subject for several months to come, as Congress seems disposed to let the whole matter rest for awhile, in accordance with the President's recommendation, in order to see what will be the result of the change in the Spanish policy in Cuba. The hot-heads will, of course, break out now and then and do some talking on the subject.

The total amount covered by claims against the government which have received partial recognition by being passed by either the House or the Senate or approved by the Court of Claims is in the neighborhood of \$10,000,000. At the extra session the Senate committee on Claims appointed a subcommittee to prepare an omnibus claims bill, and this week the subcommittee decided that the bill should include the above mentioned classes of claims. Unless Speaker Beed can be persuaded to reverse his present attitude towards measures carrying an appropriation outside of the regular appropriation bills, there is no chance for this bill to get through the House at this session, even if it gets passed by the Senate.

The number of postal savings bank bills already introduced in both branches of Congress indicate a general friendliness towards the idea; but the many conflicting provisions in those bills indicate much difficulty in preparing a bill that will meet the approval of all who favor postal savings banks.

The Nicaragua Canal question is not likely to get seriously before this or the last session of the fifty-fifth Congress, as the U. S. Commission now on its way to Nicaragua for the purpose of making a new survey, and estimate of the cost of the canal, is not expected to make a report until some time in 1899. Something may be said, however, in Congress about the reported concession by Nicaragua to an English company of privileges that will hamper, if not actually prevent, the building of the canal.

The President furnished the opponents of the civil service law and rules, as now administered, with a club which they were not slow to make use of when he acknowledged in his message that many positions were now under the protection of those rules that ought not to be. So anxious were these gentlemen to begin the fight that they did not wait until the subject was properly before the House, but jumped into a debate as to the proper committee reference of the financial portions of the President's message, and turned it into a civil service debate. General Grosvenor, of Ohio, led the attack, and the law was defended by Representatives Brosius, chairman of the House Civil Service Committee, and Johnston, of Ind., who is always a breezy talker. The anti's got the most applause, and the best of the argument in this first skirmish, but the thing has got to be fought to a finish, or rather to a vote, before the victors can be declared. If a bill is brought forward to take all employees whose work is not strictly clerical out of the classified service it can be passed by the House, although the President's veto would probably prevent its becoming a law. A conference of all members of the House, regardless of party, who desire a change in the civil service law is being arranged.

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