

...e they came to Vermontville in the spring of 65, where he has resided until the time of his decease. April 30, 1872 he was united in marriage to Maria E. Hance, whom he survived only eight days.

Mr. Hammond went into the furniture business in 1870 with which he combined undertaking. Because of ill health and impaired vision he gradually retired from all active business. This brief sketch of his life would be incomplete were no mention made of his character. He enjoyed the confidence and esteem of all who had any business dealings with him because of his integrity and truthfulness. His simple statement was sufficient guarantee for the fulfillment of his promise. Born on such a date, died on some later date is a sufficient obituary of many men; with no act or effort for the social betterment of the community in which their lives have been spent to fill the interim. No life has been better because they have lived. This has not been true of the life of Mr. Hammond. He always had the good of the community at heart. His share of contribution to any cause was gauged by his ability to give, not by what others were giving. In him the Church of which he was a consistent member has lost a liberal supporter and every other good cause a generous contributor. To him God's call was to know others need and to realize his ability to relieve that need. This call he always promptly obeyed.

Mr. Hammond leaves behind him to mourn his loss two sisters, Mrs. Dwight M. Warner and Mrs. David Young, and four sons.

Funeral services were held at his home at ten o'clock Thursday morning, June 17th. His sons, Roy L. Hammond, M. Hance Hammond, Mark A. Hammond, and Dana C. Hammond acted as pallbearers.

H. Warren and two sons, Charles and John of Clawson are visiting at the home of Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Snell. Coming in a car driven by Mr. Warren, they met with two accidents which narrowly escaped being very serious. When eight miles out of Lansing, their car was hit by a passing truck, throwing their car down an embankment and pinning them beneath it. Men from the truck lifted the car and helped them out, badly shaken up and bruised but otherwise uninjured. Another car took them into Lansing where friends offered to bring them on to Vermontville. But when within three miles of Charlotte, they met with a head on collision with an oncoming auto. Had not their driver had the presence of mind to throw on the brakes when he saw a collision was unavoidable they would have been seriously, if not fatally injured. As it was, they were badly bruised and cut by glass from the windshield. Miss Carlah Snell of Lansing, who accompanied them, was the most severely hurt, having a bad cut on her face which required seven stitches to close it. The party in the other car were injured the most. Doctors from Lansing and Charlotte were called and attended to those who were hurt. Mr. Bilderbeck went over and brought the Warren family on to Vermontville without further mishap, and although suffering, naturally, from the shock, and some bad bruises, they are recovering rapidly and only too thankful that what promised to be such a bad day for them, ended as well as it did.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Dikeman left Tuesday morning for Monroe, Mich., for a visit with their son, Frank, and from there to Detroit, to attend the Commencement Exercises where their two oldest sons graduate from the Detroit College of Law.

The 100th anniversary of the entrance of the state of Maine to the union is to be celebrated at Portland, June 28 to July 25th. Dr. and Mrs. C. S. Snell, former residents of Portland, have received a formal invitation from the Governor to attend.

JULY 8, 1920.

DR. JOHN D. McEACHRAN

OBITUARY

Dr. J. D. McEachran was born in Elgin County, Ontario, 1872. In 1902 he graduated from the Grand Rapids Medical School and located in the village of Vermontville, Eaton County the same year. He was united in marriage to Miss Minnie Frazer, also of Elgin County, Ontario, in 1895. There was born to them one daughter, who is now a student of the University of Michigan and a son who is still a pupil of this village.

During the years of the Dr.'s residence with us he gradually built up an extensive practice. During the prevalence of the flu and its fearful aftermath, the Doctor never refused to respond to a call however distant the patient, unheeding the inclemency of the weather and his own unfitness. As a citizen the Doctor was quiet and unassuming and had a cheery word for everyone. His influence was on the side of those things that made for the moral uplift of the community. His home life was ideal.

The Dr. passed away June 30. The religious services of the funeral were conducted by Rev. Robert Dalzell of St. Johns, an intimate friend of the family. The burial was conducted by the Masonic Fraternity.

Dr. McEachran enjoyed the love and respect of all who knew him.

Dr. McEachran also leaves a sister, Mrs. Annie Hopkins of 93 Wind-er St., Detroit, and a brother, Dan McEachran, who lives in Spokane, Washington.

AUGUST 12, 1920.

L. O. T. M. RECEPTION Mrs. Helen Mears Guest of Honor

On Friday of last week Mrs. Clyde Hawkins, on W. First St. opened up her spacious home for a reception given by the Lady Maccabees in honor of Mrs. Helen Mears, of Stuart, Florida. Mrs. Mears was, at the time of her residence here, an honored and active member of this hive.

Cool refreshing drinks, an impromptu program and delicious ice cream and cake were enjoyed by all.

The guests were as follows; Mrs. Elida Clapper, Mrs. Ada Lackey, Mrs. Anna Surine, Mrs. Floy L. Snoke, Mrs. Cora Cook, Mrs. J. W. French, Mrs. Una B. Moss, Mrs. Mary Snoke, Mrs. Margaret Hawkins, Mrs. Bertha Loveland, Mrs. May Slout, Mrs. Della Stiles, Mrs. Viola Smith, Mrs. Mary Pendill, Mrs. Minnie Jones, Mrs. Eva King, Mrs. Weltha Beach, Mrs. H. C. Huntung and Mrs. Nellie French.

The occasion was one which will be long remembered by all.

PECK-ROGERS

A pretty little wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Roger's, August 10, at 3 p. m. The contracting parties being Mr. Waldo Peck and Miss Vera Rogers both of Charlotte. Rev. Mr. Way performing the ceremony.

Lulu Manley left Monday morning for Detroit where she meets a party of friends going from there to Duluth by boat.

Miss Pearl Hawkins of Knoxville, Tennessee is spending a few days with her mother on the farm.

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