

OBITUARY

MRS. W. H. BENEDICT

Josephine Barber was born in March 1839, in the third year of Town Settlement, with the exception of two years residence at Charlotte, a continuous Vermontville resident. In 1858 she was married to Wm. H. Benedict, enjoying over 62 years of married life. Died Decmbr 14, aged nearly eighty-two years. She is survived by her husband, their sons, Frank of Vermontville, Fred of Battle Creek, Lawrence of Grand Rapids and Mrs. Mae Scarvell of Kalamazoo. The funeral services were held at the residence Friday morning, the 17th. Rev. Henry Hunt officiating.

It is difficult in words to form an adequate tribute to so heroic a character as that of Mrs. Benedict. Never posing in the limelight, never attitudinizing for applause, ever the same quiet modest dignity, ever a benevolent mind. From childhood identified with school, church and society activities. For many years a more than valuable member of the Congregational church though in late years accepting the theology of Christian Science. Best known in the confines of her home with a mind and heart ever open to an overflowing tender sympathy for those afflicted or in distress or in need of neighborly comfort or assistance.

A volume might be written recording the deeds of neighborly kindness performed by our departed friend. A life and character—almost majestic—and truly truly typical of the worthy, sturdy early citizens of our Township.

"A virtuous woman, her price is above rubies—Give her of the fruit, praise her in the gates."

H. J. Martin

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Mr. and Mrs. Elo G. Dowman will spend Christmas in Detroit at the home of her brother, Mr. Harley Dorman and family.

Miss Aggie Garinger has been on the sick list but is better.

Mrs. Worden, Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Hawkins and daughter, Tillibelle, Mr. and Mrs. James Clapper, Mr. and Mrs. Elver Briggs and Mr. and Mrs. Wellie Barnes and family will spend Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Cupples in Charles.

Kenneth Clapper will spend Christmas with his father in Haward City.

Misses Mabel and Celia Sprague are home for the holidays.

Rev. Henry W. Hunt has been in Oberlin, Ohio for several days, and will be home this week, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Maud E. Hunt, who is attending college there. Mr. Elgin F. Hunt of Pittsburg, Penn. and Miss Mabel F. Hunt of Joliet, Ill. are also expected home to spend the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Loy Kline and family Mr. and Mrs. Andy Root and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Garn of Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Grover Garn of Chester will spend Christmas Day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Garn.

Mrs. Cyrus Gebman will be at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Granger, Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Gehman and family will eat Christmas dinner with Mr. and Mrs. Otto Johnson.

EDMONDS RECEPTION

A very signal honor was paid our departing telephone manager and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Edmonds, last Tuesday evening. About 200 people gathered in the Opera House, under the auspices of the Eastern Star, and tendered them a reception long to be remembered in Vermontville and vicinity.

Mr. Edmonds is very popular in Masonic work having been secretary

of the local lodge for many years, and also active in the Star.

Mrs. Edmonds is very popular in a social way being active in all Star and church work of any local importance. She together with Mrs. Elo Bowman were the captains of the two teams in the Star which conducted the lately successful campaign for the big banquet held a short time back.

We are all sorry they are going, but if they must leave us, we wish them every success in their new home.

After a residence of sixteen years, Vermontville will always consider them as being of us, and will no doubt have the pleasure from time to time of seeing them if only for short visit.

Mr. Edmonds has a position on the road with the Badger Candy Co., and will have headquarters in Michigan City, Indiana, where they will reside.

The evening was spent in dancing, cards and visiting and as a token of regard, several substantial remembrances were left.

We wish them well in their new home.

Frank Bartig and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Goodell of Lansing spent the week-end in town.

On Friday of last week the ladies of the Rebekah circle and a few friends were entertained at the home of Mrs. Frank Beck. The gentlemen were invited in for the supper and evening. A delicious pot luck supper was served to about thirty guests and the evening was spent in games and an impromptu program. Taken as a whole, the evening was one of intense enjoyment.

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R. H. Barber ate Thanksgiving at the home of C. D. Mur, Battle Creek.

Vance Barber has erected a 24 sheet Electric Lighter Bill Board south of the Opera House to advertise the picture show. Will Lackey did the carpenter work.

Mr. Howard Mason of Lansing spent Thanksgiving at the home of C. A. Anderson.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Hickey of Battle Creek ate Thanksgiving dinner at the home of A. C. Pember.

Mrs. Nellie Hull and Mr. G. F. Mowrey ate Thanksgiving dinner with E. H. Cole and wife.

Miss Nelle Anderson of Tecumseh spent Thanksgiving at home.

Lovina and Kathryn Cappon spent Thanksgiving with their parents in Delton, Miss Kethryn will remain.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cross spent Thanksgiving with their daughter, Mrs. Sparks and family in Lansing. Mrs. Cross remained over for a week.

Will Ward and family ate Thanksgiving dinner with Walter Lowe and Gerald Ward.

Mrs. Etta Stevens left Tuesday morning for a two weeks visit with her cousin at Concord.

Mrs. Mary McWha is here for an indefinite stay with her daughter, Mrs. Clyde Hawkins.

Mrs. Louis Bennett went to Battle Creek Thanksgiving night, motoring over with her daughter and granddaughter and family, who had been here for a visit. Mr. Bennett expects to join her there later.

Mrs. W. E. Alsover entertained her husband at Thanksgiving dinner with a seven course dinner, consisting of bean soup.

There will be election of officers at the Odd Fellows next Tuesday evening. All are requested to be present.

Mrs. J. L. Green, Albert Green and family and Edmond Sprague, wife and daughter, Celia ate Thanksgiving dinner with A. L. Barrin and family.