

Mrs. E. B. Hammond is spending the holiday vacation with her daughter and family, Dr. and Mrs. Garfield Inwood of Chicago.

John W. Rawson second son of Zera and Martha Rawson was born July 22nd, 1844 in Worthington, Ohio and died Dec. 26th 1922.

He came to this state when he was twenty years of age. He was united in marriage to Miss Angelina Young of Vermontville, October 2nd, 1877. To this union there were born six children, five of whom are living, Dora Wells, of Kalkaska, Ernest Rawson of Vermontville, Byron Rawson of Vermontville, Cico Rawson of Nashville and Verne Rawson of Vermontville.

## January 11, 1923.

The honorable mention list are Helen Benedict, Helen Briggs, Dorothy Love and, Charlotte Aldrich, Elinor Briggs, Edna Gehman, Helen Lake, Evert Steward, Julia Briggs, Ruth Dodgson, Earl Gehman, June Hager and Gladys Sherrard.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Park and Raymond of Harbor Springs are visiting old friends and relatives in Vermontville and vicinity.

Mrs. Gertrude Matic of Grand Rapids has been ill and her mother, Mrs. L. W. Loveland has been caring for her and has also been sick but is better and is expected home soon.

Henry J. Martin celebrated his 86 birthday last Saturday. He was able to sit up a little Sunday.

Mr. Dickey and family, the new owner of the Hammond Bros. store, will occupy the Hammond house on West Main.

Mr. Stiles and son Chas. drove to Battle Creek Sunday a. m.

Roy Mathews is moving his grocery store into the Eckhart building.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Canberg went to Lansing Sunday for the day.

## LETTER FROM VERMONTVILLE BOY

The following letter received by Mr. H. J. Martin will be of interest to many of our readers as the writer, Edward J Gray was a Vermontville resident about thirty years ago, and was one of fourteen young people to graduate from our high school in 1890.

Alpena, Michigan. Dec. 29, 1922.  
H. J. Martin, Vermontville, Mich.  
Friend of Old:

The Detroit Free Press of recent date contained your photo and a write-up. It brought back very vividly the years spent in the dear old town. In memory, I can see Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Church, Mrs. Green, Mrs. Brown, Mrs. Wing, the Aderman sisters, Jennie Allen, Eva Kelly, the Reed sisters, Geo. Pal-

menter, Bert Moux, Dr. Green and so on, and so on. I can hear you say "Full voice," (an expression I have used many times since in choir drill).

I always look back to your drill as the first and best training I ever had.

It gave me great pleasure to know you were still alive, as I had known nothing of Vermontville happenings for many years.

I have done nothing in vocal music for a number of years. My musical activities are limited to directing the Alpena Board of Commerce Band, an organization of 32 pieces. I have been its director since its organization five years ago.

I have one son. (Married with baby 17 months old.) who served as sole clarinetist in the 125th Infantry Band in France, and was wounded in Chateau Therey. He is my right hand man in my studio and in the band. He also manages "Dolly" Gray orchestra.

I hope this finds you well, with a Happy New Year ahead.

Remember me to my old friends

as you meet them.

With highest Esteem.

E. J. Gray.

## NEW G. A. R. OFFICERS

At a regular meeting of Edward Dwight Post No. 163, G. A. R., on December 23, 1922 at ten o'clock, a. m. elected the following officers for 1923:

Com. Henry P. ...

S. V. C., Chas. F. Fuller  
J. V. C., Israel Boyer  
Adj., David M. Purchis  
Chap., Wm. E. Surine  
Q. M., Asa J. Brown  
O. D., Edwin Tyler  
O. G., Nelson House  
P. I., Chas. S. Snell  
S. M., David Young  
Q. M. S., Myron Steves

Henry H. Brown, Com.  
David M. Purchis, Adj.

## NOTICE

There will be Installation of Officers at Edward Dwight Relief Corps at G. A. R. Hall, Saturday, January 13th. Pot luck dinner. The Post boys be on hand.

## NOTICE

The L. C. A. will serve supper at the Chapel on Thursday evening, January 18, at the usual hour. A very important business meeting will be held at 4:00 o'clock and all members of the Society are requested to be present to express themselves. Supper committee:

Mrs. E. D. Lake  
Mrs. W. E. Davis  
Mrs. L. P. Lamb  
Mrs. George Knowles  
Mrs. C. K. Wells

Some men have to sit down and think in order to ascertain where they stand.

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