

SEPTEMBER 9, 1908.

School Opens For Year.

Monday morning the sound of the school bell made music of all kinds to the people of Vermontville. To some it sounded a good deal like a dose of medicine while to others it rang out in most welcome tones. The attendance Monday morning was up to the average and Superintendent W. A. Roberts was pleased to see so many present. The teaching force the present year has materially changed from last year. The staff is composed of the following teachers: Mr. W. A. Roberts who will teach science and english, Miss Louise Bates the latin and german, Miss Lillian Crandell mathematics and history, Miss Alice Predmore teaches the seventh and eighth grades, Miss Alice Green the fifth and sixth, Miss Brewer the third and fourth grades and Miss Irma Sprague the first and second grades.

Mr. Roberts was connected with the Caro schools the past year. For a few months at least Mrs. Roberts expects to be in Detroit studying music in the Detroit Conservatory. She may come here to reside after the holidays. Mr. Roberts has rooms and board with Mrs. Hammond on West Third street, Miss Bates and Miss Predmore have rooms with Miss Eva Kelly and take their meals with Mrs. Crandell, Miss Brewer is at Lee Marsh's, Miss Irma Sprague is with Mrs. Hunt and Miss Green and Miss Crandell will be at their homes.

Clare Sprague Married

The following article taken from the Calumet Mining Gazette is the account of the recent home wedding which was solemnized in that city wherein a Vermontville boy was one of the main participants. Mr. and Mrs. Sprague arrived in Vermontville, Friday morning where they visited his people, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest E. Sprague till Monday noon when they left for New York city where Mr. Sprague assumes the duties of Registrar of the University of New York. The many Vermontville friends join in hearty congratulations to the happy couple. A pleasing gathering of Olivet students was enjoyed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Sprague on Friday evening in honor of the bride and groom.

The Gazette, of September 2d, says: Yesterday morning at the apartments of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Selden occurred the wedding of their daughter, Miss Laura to George Clare Sprague, of New York city.

Promptly at half past seven Mrs. Elizabeth Bintliff, under whom, as head of the conservatory of music at Olivet college, Mich., Miss Sheldon had studied, took her place at the piano and, after a beautiful prelude, played a soft accompaniment to the simple but impressive ring service.

The bride, who was gowned in a dainty lace trimmed robe of filmy white, was attended by her sister, Miss Elinor, who wore pink and carried pink sweet peas. Herman Selden, brother of the bride, acted as best man. The ceremony was performed by Rev.

Luther K. Long, of the Calumet Congregational church.

After the ceremony an elaborate wedding breakfast was served to the few intimate friends present. Mr. and Mrs. Sprague, of Vermontville, Mich., came up to attend the wedding and returned home yesterday.

A particularly pretty feature of the wedding was the profusion of sweet peas, which showered the pathway and filled the automobile which was to convey the happy young people to Houghton, from where they departed on the steamer Tionesta for a wedding trip to lower Michigan, after which they will go to New York to reside. Mr. Sprague is registrar at the University of New York, from which institution he holds a Ph. D. degree. He is also a graduate of Olivet.

Miss Amanda C. Sprague is visiting in Charlotte.

Robert Griswold is attending the fair in Detroit.

Fred Lentz was at home from Battle Creek over Sunday.

A. W. Loveland was in Chicago a portion of last week.

Miss Antonette Pope is visiting in Detroit for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Rawson returned from Ohio Tuesday.

Edwin McGee of Charlotte spent Sunday with his parents.

Charles DeGraw spent a few days in Battle Creek the past week.

Mrs. E. F. Edmonds returned home from Grand Rapids Saturday.

Rev. W. L. Waters, pastor of the Congregational church at Grand Ledge, will exchange work with Rev. Parsons, Sunday. Mr. Waters is one of the most brilliant young ministers in the state. All should plan to hear him Sunday morning and evening.

S. A. Fuller has materially added to the beauty of his place by building curbing and grading up the street lawn.

Dimondale has a home coming celebration on Friday and Saturday of this week. Sports of all kinds and a big time for everyone is planned.

J. A. Lackey is rapidly pushing his new house on South Main Street to completion. It is going to be a fine improvement to that part of town.

The Epworth League will give a reception Thursday evening at the M. E. church for the teachers and foreign pupils. A cordial invitation is extended to all.

Mrs. Hattie Thompson has installed a fine new Victrolia which she received from Grinnell Bros. Flint music store one day last week. It is a beautiful piece of work and the music furnished by it is magnificent.

This office has received many kind words over the promptness with which the recent election returns were sent out. We always aim to give the news when it is news. Tell your friends and have them subscribe.