

DECEMBER 9, 1908.

Kind Words For Vermontville Girl.

The following taken from one of the national telephone exchange magazines pays Miss Bessie Bottomley, now of Cadillac a nice compliment as follows; "Very few of the young women employed by the Independent telephone companies of Michigan have been identified with the movement longer than Bessie E. Bottomley, who began as a relief operator in April, 1900, employed by the Citizens Telephone Company at Vermontville.

The following five years she grew up with that exchange, occupying all the various positions, and showing marked ability for toll line operating. Being possessed with a kind pleasing nature has won her many friends in the telephone field.

Her long experience, tact and executive ability well fitted her to fill the position of chief operator at Cadillac, to which she was transferred April 1, 1905, which position she now occupies with credit to herself and her employers.

J. Martin returned from Chicago Friday night.

J. D. Dancer was a Charlotte visitor, Tuesday.

W. H. Benedict was in Bellevue on business, Tuesday.

Lloyd Patterson of Charlotte is in town to day on business.

Dr. H. W. Davis was in Grand Rapids Monday on business.

Messers Henry Patterson and Frank Hay and their wives are attending the State Grange meeting at Saginaw this week,

Robert Griswold went to Ypsilanti to attend a party Friday night and from there to Chicago to attend the fat stock show.

M. L. Stiles spent Sunday at Fowlerville with relatives.

Miss Antonette Pope spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Charlotte.

Miss Olive Randell is visiting here for a few weeks from near Athens.

Mrs. A. G. Fowler of Fremont is visiting her father, Deacon Asa Benedict.

W. C. Alsover and Ned Alsover are spending a few days in Detroit this week.

Mrs. Leonard Curtis was in Ann Arbor Thursday to consult a specialist.

Mrs. Wright of Carlton visited her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bale the past week.

Myrou Hawkins of Charlotte, was in town the first of the week booming life insurance.

Walter Davis was in Albion over Sunday, to see his sister, Mrs. Devering, who still continues quite sick.

Eugene Carey went to Albion Tuesday, to see his wife who is recovering from an operation in the hospital there.

Fred Warner went to Saginaw this week for the Grange meeting and will visit in Lausing for a few days afterwards.

DECEMBER 16, 1908.

FINE ORDINATION SERVICE

Rev. St. Clare Parsons Passed by Ecclesiastical Council on His Paper.

Tuesday afternoon and evening Vermontville was favored with the presence of as able a body of men as often get together in a small town, the event being the services which were to decide whether Mr. St. Clare Parsons should be made a regularly ordained Minister of the Gospel, or not. For the council, there were present, Dr. F. G. Ward, of Lansing, who officiated as moderator; Rev. W. L. Waters, of Grand Ledge, who acted as scribe; Dr. F. H. Foster, Olivet; Rev. A. F. Skeele, Olivet; Rev. Wm. Haynes, Vernon; Dr. E. G. Lancastes, president of Olivet college; Dr. W. B. Williams, Charlotte; and Dr. J. Hyslop, St. Johns. Rev. T. R. McRoberts, of Charlotte, was a member of the council but was kept at home on account of funeral services.

At the afternoon meeting, Mr. Parsons presented his paper to the council, giving a sketch of his life and outlining his belief, after which he was passed by the council, without their propounding any questions as to creed or belief. This is considered to be, by the profession, a fine compliment as but few applicants in the history of the church have ever been granted their ordination papers without being given a pretty thorough examination as to their creed and belief.

At the evening service, the church was filled to its capacity, to listen to the able discourses which were closely followed by every person present. After the opening services and fine music by the choir, Dr. Foster, delivered the Ordination Sermon; Rev. Skeele, followed with the Ordaining Prayer. Rev. Haynes gave the Right Hand of Fellowship, which seemed to be most fitting, as Mr. Haynes labored here faithfully for a number of years preceeding the coming of Mr. Parsons. The Charge to The Paster, was given by President Lancaster and the Charge to the Church by Dr. Hyslop. The services were impressive and were thoroly enjoyed by those who were in attendance. The people of Vermontville extend their hearty congratulations to Rev. Parsons.

For some time past different parties have seen a fox in around H. G. Barber's woods and many attempts have been made to get him but all to no avail. However a party of hunters were out Sunday and got on his track and finally succeeded in landing his foxship after a chase of several miles. The fox ran east and circled around the house and barn of E. D. Lake and then went in with his flock of sheep in an attempt to throw the persuers off the track. Later he was he was caught out in a field by the dogs and was soon put out of commission and the hunters are \$3.00 to the good for the pet.

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