

**APRIL 10, 1912.**

Dr. C. S. Snell returned Wednesday evening from a trip through Virginia.

Mrs. C. G. Wade and family of Flint are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Allen.

Mrs. L. W. Snell and daughter Marion of Grand Rapids spent Friday and Saturday with friends and relatives in the village.

Mrs. F. F. Ambrose returned Saturday evening from a two weeks' visit with relatives and friends in Belding.

Q. A. Hynes is the new pharmacist at I. W. Loveland's drug store, entering upon his duties Monday morning. As soon as suitable quarters can be secured Mr. Hynes will move his family here from Hastings.

Miss Myrtle Mitchell, a former Vermontville girl, is to have charge of the music department of the Middleville schools next year in place of Mrs. McCoy of Hastings, who has looked after the work for the past four years.

**Married at Hastings.**

Lieut. Gladeon M. Barnes, of the seacoast artillery corps, stationed at Fort Mott, N. J., and Miss Evelyn Kopf, daughter of S. E. Kopf of Lansing, were married at the Methodist church in Hastings on Wednesday, last. Rev. J. B. Pinckard officiating. Lieut. Barnes graduated from the Hastings high school and from the U. of M. engineering department, while the bride is a graduate of the M. A. C. The ceremony was a very elaborate affair and was attended by a large

number of guests from out of town. Vance Barber of Vermontville acted in the capacity of usher and with three others was presented with a beautiful solid gold stick pin set with pearl. Mrs. E. D. Barber, Mrs. Vance Barber and Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Williams were in attendance from here.

**A Lifelong Resident Gone.**

In the death of Mrs. Carolina Porter, who passed away at her home here on March 28th, another of the pioneer residents of the village has been removed and a long and useful life brought to a close. Affiliating with church work at an early age her kindly influences were made manifest in many ways and a loving memory lingers amongst her wide circle of friends.

Cornelia Hopkins was born in Prattsburg, Vermont, in 1829, and at the age of 14 came with her parents to Vermontville, where she resided continuously until her death. In October, 1848, she was united in marriage to Stewart Porter, to which union two sons and one daughter were born, Gilbert of Alma, Mich., Robert of Milwaukee, Wis., and Mrs. Clara Shaw of Kalamazoo.

Mrs. Porter was one of the few remaining Vermontville pioneers who since the early forties had been actively identified with the town's history. A short time ago she suffered a stroke of paralysis and after lingering for about six weeks passed peacefully away in her 83rd year after a residence here of upwards of seventy years.

In the absence of the pastor, Rev. F.

P. Sprague conducted the funeral services at the Congregational church and a large concourse of sorrowing friends accompanied the remains to their last resting place in Woodlawn cemetery.

**MAY 1, 1912.**

Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Hawkins returned Monday from a few days' visit in Grand Rapids with their daughter and family.

Mrs. Sarah B. Williams came Saturday for a few weeks visit with her brother and numerous other friends. She has been spending the winter in California and visited Aubry Cossar and wife at Louisville, Ky., enroute home.

Dr. and Mrs. C. L. D. McLaughlin are happy over the arrival at their home Monday morning of a young daughter weighing 7½ pounds. If the doctor comes the Barney Oldfield act just a little more strenuous than usual excuse him for he wants to get home and play with the young lady.

Mrs. S. B. Williams went to Lansing Tuesday morning for a short visit with Willis Bishop and family.

**MAY 22, 1912.**

H. J. Martin and daughter, Miss Jennie Martin, went to Ann Arbor Wednesday to attend the May Festival. From there they went to Battle Creek for over Sunday. Today Miss Martin attended the county federation of woman's clubs at Charlotte and sang a solo.

Mr. and Mrs. John McIntyre and child of Battle Creek were Vermontville visitors Thursday and Friday.

Charles B. Hall and family arrived here Saturday night from Chicago and expect to make this their permanent home. Their household goods have been shipped and as soon as he can locate a house will settle. Mr. Hall finds that he can live here and cover his territory as well or better than from Chicago and wants the children to have the opportunity of enjoying good clean air and outdoor life.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Hammond left for Hudson, N. Y., Monday evening for a visit with their son Hance.

**Resigned His Pastorate.**

Last Sunday morning Rev. N. M. Pritchard announced to the attendants of the Congregational church that he had tendered his resignation to the board of trustees and that after that date he would not occupy the pulpit. This came as a good deal of a surprise to the people as Mr. Pritchard has been here but a few months and was fast making himself popular with his congregation. He stated, in tendering his resignation to the congregation Sunday morning, that he and his estimable wife had greatly enjoyed their stay in Vermontville and should carry away with them very pleasant recollections of our town.

After the church service a formal meeting of the congregation was held when the resignation was acted upon, though we are pleased to say many were the words of regret heard on every hand. Just what the church will