

Mrs. Sarah Wright is in her own home on West Fifth Street, after spending the winter months at the home of her son William and family in Kalamo township. Mrs. Gertrude Hawkins has been staying with her nights.

Those who gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Loveland on Sunday were Mrs. E. E. Loveland, Mrs. F. F. Ambrose, and Mr. and Mrs. V. S. Gutchess and Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Berry of Battle Creek. The occasion was a joint observance of Mother's Day and the birthday of Mrs. Vera Berry, which occurred Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Giles Rogers and Miss Helen Rogers were over from Charlotte Sunday to see their grandparents Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Dikeman, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Green and Miss Ellen were Sunday evening callers.

Charles Warren has recovered from a long illness and will accompany his brother Wayne and family here today or tomorrow. Charles will remain for an extended visit with his grandfather Dr. Snell and Aunt Norena.

C. J. Roberts is home temporarily, having declined a transfer to Hartford, Conn., in the Naval Reserve Base, from Grosse Isle, Mich. However his name is entered on the register of the Seventh Civil Service Commission at Chicago, Ill. for re-appointment at a near base, preferably Selfridge Field, Mount Clemens, Mich. or Great Lakes, Ill. The cutting of the appropriation for the Naval Reserve Base at Grosse Isle, Mich., by the Navy Dept. necessitated his transfer to a larger unit.

### Thursday, May 19, 1932

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Townsend and family of five small children moved Monday afternoon from the Campbell house on East Second street to the Kroger house on North Main street. Mr. Townsend will work some of the time for Mr. Kroger.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Loveland and Mrs. E. E. Loveland drove to Battle Creek, Sunday, to get Mrs. F. F. Ambrose, who has spent a pleasant week with her granddaughter, Mrs. Dorothy Gutchess and husband. The family all enjoyed the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kroger and Frances and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kroger were in Holland Sunday to the tulip show.

Mrs. Mary Williams is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Lackey. They were neighbors when Mrs. Williams moved to Vermontville.

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Clinton Kennedy Wells, one of the twin sons of Melissa and B. F. Wells, was born August 21, 1860, in Clarendon township, Calhoun County, Michigan. Before he was three months old, the family moved to Eaton County, and settled on a farm in Kalamo township. Practically all of his life was spent in that neighborhood. Although he moved to Vermontville ten years ago, he still kept up his old home interests. As a young man, he attended Charlotte high school for a time. On January 29, 1889, he was married to Lydia Hunter, who survives him.

He had recently been made a life member of Vermontville Lodge, No. 232, F. & A. M., and he received the first life membership ever granted by Evening Star Chapter, No. 342, Order of the Eastern Star. He was also a member of Horace Maynard Chapter, and of Charlotte Commandery, No. 37, Knights Templar.

The last few days of his life were spent at the home of his daughter, who resides on the farm which was his home for so many years. Death came May 10, 1932, as the result of a series of paralytic shocks which began in December.

He is survived by his wife, his only daughter, Nellie Barningham; one sister, Mrs. Alice Parker of Chicago; two brothers, Clark E. of Charlotte, and Perry B. of Vermontville; and by eight nephews and nieces.

His life was spent quietly, doing the tasks necessary on a large farm. He did not desire publicity but enjoyed friendship and companionship. He was happy in his home with its quiet pleasures; he enjoyed nature and living, growing things. He was held in high regard by the whole community. He was one who could and did "look-up and laugh—and love—and lift".

Funeral services were held at the home of his daughter on Friday, May 13. Rev. St. Clare Parsons of Greenville, officiating. Burial was made in the Kalamo cemetery, beside his twin brother Clayton. The burial service was in charge of the Vermontville Lodge No. 232, F. & A. M.

Charles Warren's spinal trouble has been entirely cured after several months hospital treatments at Kalamazoo and was accomplished by injections into the spine. His trouble was the result of an accident he had when a small boy and the Warren family lived on the Dr. Snell farm in South Vermontville. Charles was riding a horse rake and the horse ran away taking him and the rake into the woods. He is not very strong yet, but is helping the Doctor with light work and is glad to be back in the old home town.

### MRS. WILLIAM L. GEHMAN

Ethel Irene Fuller, second daughter of Charles and Eliza Fuller, was born on a farm near Vermontville, January 2, 1870. She passed away at her home in Vermontville on May 10, 1932, at the age of 62 years, 4 months and 8 days, her entire life having been spent in the vicinity of Vermontville. On December 24, 1897 she was united in marriage to William L. Gehman and to this union two children were born, a daughter Eliza and a son Earl.

In her girlhood she became a Christian, uniting with the Congregational Church at Vermontville. After her marriage she transferred her membership to the Northwest Carmel Church and later, when the family moved to Vermontville, she affiliated with the Methodist church where she has been an active worker. She enjoyed her Church work and the fellowship of Christian people. For many years she was closely associated with the Relief Corps. She was very thoughtful of others and although not in the best of health for many years, no burden was too great for her to help others bear.

Those left to mourn are the husband, daughter, son Earl and wife, and Mrs. Eliza Fuller who was like an own mother to her, besides a large number of nieces, nephews and a host of friends.

Thieves entered the barn of Mrs. Shaffer and stole every tool and all the things in the barn even parts of an old automobile. Mrs. Shaffer and her brother Sam Shepard found them missing when they went to the barn last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Brown and daughters Kathryn and Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Walker and two daughters Gladys and Ruth of Plainwell and Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Reynolds and Harold of Battle Creek were Sunday callers at H. H. Brown's.

Mrs. J. H. Hambleton of Miles Corners underwent a serious operation at Community hospital, Charlotte, Monday morning. They found a ruptured appendix and peritonitis. Her condition has been very serious but it was reported last night that she is a little improved.

Dr. Parsons and Mrs. Parsons from Greenville and Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Barningham from Marshall were Friday supper guests at A. L. Barningham's.

Mr. and Mrs. Edson Fuller of Detroit spent Saturday night with his mother Mrs. S. A. Fuller, and Sunday she accompanied them to the home of Roy Fuller in Grand Rapids. They returned to their homes Monday.