

Rev. Clara Morgan Called to Pastorate Hornell Church

Rev. Clara Morgan, for the past sixteen years pastor of the Universalist church, has received a call to the pastorate of the Woodbury Memorial Universalist church at Hornell and expects to assume her new pastorate January 1. Rev. Harry Wright, pastor of the church recently resigned to go to Ohio leaving a vacancy there, although two years ago Miss Morgan received a call from the same church to succeed Rev. Mr. Boynton but at that time she declined.

The Hornell society is about the same size as the local and she will get no increase in salary. She feels, however, that it is her duty to accept the Hornell call because of the necessity of the church and the larger field of labor. Miss Morgan talked over the situation with the trustees last Sunday and expects to read her resignation the coming Sunday.

She is one of the outstanding pastors in the denomination and her pastorate of sixteen years here is about as eloquent testimony to her ability as anyone could ask. Highly regarded by all denominations she made for herself a commanding and influential place and her departure comes as a genuine loss to the community as well as to the church itself. Miss Blanchard who accompanies her to Hornell has also been a loyal co-worker and for ten years was in charge of the music and closely associated in the church's social activities.

Rev. Miss Morgan began her pastorate in Nunda where she remained five years, going thence to Cohocton for three years and thence to the local church. For many years she has been a member of the state Fellowship Board of the church and active in the church association.

She is president of the Perry Ministerial association and has always been widely in demand as a public speaker, both at religious and patriotic gatherings. When women received the vote she was made vice-chairman of the Republican county committee which position she held until the recent organization of the committee. She was an effective speaker during the recent campaign and two years ago was prominently mentioned as chaplain of the House of Representatives, her name being proposed by Congressman A. D. Sanders and meeting with popular approval. She was not an avowed candidate for the place, however, preferring to continue her pastoral relations.

Hornell folks will find her a valuable community asset, as she has been here, and the people of Perry sincerely regret her departure, but wish for her a growing measure of success in a broader field of endeavor.

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