

A quiet and very pretty wedding was celebrated at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Mearns, of Southfield, at 5 o'clock Wednesday evening, December 15th, the contracting parties being their only daughter, Miss Viola Mearns, and Mr. Emmet M. Coleman.

There were no groomsmen or bridesmaids, but Mr. and Mrs. Mearns, and Mr. and Mrs. Coleman, were the only guests. The Rev. Jas. McCracken of the R. P. church pronounced the couple man and wife.

The bride wore a handsome robe of white albatross draped with ribbons and lace and also a bouquet of white roses. Over their heads where they stood was an arch of evergreens interspersed with flowers, white and there among the branches were perched birds of various colors.

After congratulations the guests who numbered about sixty, were ushered into the dining room, where a sumptuous repast was already spread for them. The table fairly groaned under the weight of good things, and the manner in which they were partaken of, showed that they were appreciated, and that Mr. and Mrs. Mearns knew how to please the palates of their guests.

The remainder of the evening was spent in mirth and jolly, each one doing his utmost to have a pleasant time and none were disappointed. At about 8 o'clock a carriage was announced at the door and Mr. and Mrs. Coleman hastily bade good-bye to the company and departed amid showers of rice and the well wishes of their friends, to take the evening train from Birmingham to Chicago.

The following is a list of the presents: Father and mother of the bride, bed room suit and silver teapot; Will McCracken, silver sugar set; Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson, silver cake knives; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Lewis, decorated lamp; Mrs. T. M. Coleman and daughter Emma, silver pickle dish; Mr. and Mrs. R. Colburn, silver knife and fork; Mr. and Mrs. Will Mearns, bird frame; Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Grace, silver butter dish; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Brown, silver tea set; Mr. and Mrs. P. K. Pickett, toilet set; R. P. C. committee, decorated lamp; Mrs. E. Stephens, easel plate mirror; Mrs. S. Davis and daughter Mattie, set of fruit plates; Isaac Mearns, counterpane; the standard; Mr. and Mrs. Alex. McClung, table linen and log cabin quilt; Mr. and Mrs. R. McClelland, counterpane; Mr. and Mrs. Cummings, pocket blankets and silver cake basket; Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Simmons, hanging lamp; Fred H. Beade, silver castor; Mamie Young, hand painted pie plates; James Judge, Marston and wife, set of silver knives and forks; Charles Marston, silver salt cake; Mr. and Mrs. A. Solo, silver knives and forks; Little Mattie King, decorated lamp; Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Brown, silver cake basket; Will McClellan, silver napkin rings; Joe and Mate McClelland, water set and Hamburg tunc; Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tibbitts and Carl; silver berry spoon; Mrs. and Nelson Coleman, full set of decorated dishes.

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