

WEDDING BELLS

[Wedding of Charles R. Keyser and Scyble I. Norcross – September 20, 1899]

On Wednesday, the 20th, the usual peaceful and quiet home of Dr. J. P. Norcross, near Sartoria, was the scene of a gay and happy gathering. The occasion for which the relatives, friends and invited guests had assembled was to witness the marriage of Miss Scyble, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Norcross, to Mr. Charles Keyser, oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Keyser.

At high noon the contracting parties made their appearance in the open air where all might witness the marriage ceremony. After prayer by Mrs. McClintock, Elder McClintock of the Christian Church, in a very appropriate manner pronounced the young couple man and wife in the presence of more than 100 well wishers. Congratulations followed, after which the guests were invited to partake of the wedding feast. Only those who know Mrs. Norcross' reputation for preparing delicacies to tickle the palates of man, can draw an idea of what that feast was. We shall not attempt to describe it, but the feast was right and all did ample justice to the same.

The bride was the recipient of many and beautiful presents. We name a few of the donors and presents:

Messers and Mesdames, Raymond Cox, nice carving set; S. Holiday, one set of goblets; L. P. Rose, crumb set; F. D. Brown and Henry Rogers, fine rocker; E. W. Northrup, fancy stand lamp; T. Griffin, very pretty bedspread; Ben Scott, hemstitched table linen and napkins; Wm. Sanderson, fine picture and frame; Sampson Fleet; John Swanson, full set of white china dishes; Wm. Beetle, fancy water set; L. W. Hall, fine silver set; R. M. Peirce, fine pair of good warm blankets for winter; Thomas Wells, nice glass set; W. H. Keyser, full set of decorated china dishes; Fred Echnacht, cut glass berry dishes and set of silver spoons; John Moore, crystal and silver butter dish; Joe Dehm, crystal cake stand; H. R. Ayres, fine table linens; D. F. White, very pretty table linen; Charles Walker, nice table linen and napkins; Mr. Chalmer Robinson, fancy glass set; M. D. Clark, set of silver knives and forks; Goldie, Ruby and Landie Houston, silver salt and pepper; R. Keyser, set each of silver table and teaspoons; Ermal, Jasmine and E. Forrester, fancy glass; Mrs. Forrester and sons, linen table cloth; Maude White, fancy berry dish; Nelson Maddox, five gold dollars of the gold standard variety; Henry Berkheimer, two silver dollars; Wm. Berkheimer, one silver dollar; Ralph Beetle, fancy stand lamp; Mrs. Mary Armstrong, fancy lace sachet; Miss Lou Jones, stand lamp; Emmet Keyser, nice pair of scissors; W. J. Flag, two silver dollars; Miss Maude Rose, fancy work; Miss Nellie Keyser, framed picture; Miss Mary Underwood, fancy bread plate; Miss Carrie Bess, nice table linen; Miss Beulah Armstrong, vinegar pitcher; Mr. and Mrs. Norcross furnished the bride and provided a rip roaring good dinner for one hundred invited guests.

It is scarcely necessary for us to try to add a compliment to the accomplishments of the bride, as she is known to many of our readers as an amiable and pleasant lady, will grace the home of which she now becomes mistress. The groom is one of Buffalo County's shrewdest sons, possessing a pleasant and energetic disposition and is possessed of those qualities which go to make up the true man and has the push to build a home of which any lady might be proud of ruling over.

On Thursday evening, a reception was given in honor of the newly married couple at the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Keyser, five miles northeast of Miller, there being about eighty invited guests present. Refreshments were served, and a good social time enjoyed by all. Many good wishes and plenty "good advice" were tendered the bride and groom.

Mr. J. Russell Keyser of Percival, Iowa, grandfather of the groom, attended both wedding and reception and appeared to be young again. Mr. and Mrs. Keyser will occupy the Norcross home in the near future.