

## GOLDEN WEDDING.

A very pleasant surprise was given Hon. and Mrs. J. S. Weiser last Tuesday afternoon, the occasion being the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding. The Grand Army and the ladies of the Relief Corps having ascertained the date, assembled at the hall, and marched in a body to the Weiser home. They were greeted very cordially by the host and hostess and family, who had already planned to celebrate the event by having a family reunion. Mr. and Mrs. Weiser heartily welcomed the guests to their spacious home. All the rooms were thrown open and fully utilized, the guests numbering something over sixty ladies and gentlemen. The rooms were handsomely decorated with cut flowers and potted plants. Rev. T. E. Greene performed the ceremony which reunited Mr. and Mrs. Weiser, tying the knot more securely than ever. When he reached the usual question, asking "if anyone objects to their union, speak now or forever hold their peace," Judge Johnson, who was present, startled the company and created considerable amusement by calling out, "Have they any license?" Following this the couple received the hearty congratulations of their friends. Then Mr. G. B. Vallandigham, on behalf of the Post, and in a very appropriate speech, presented Mr. Weiser with a handsome gold-headed cane. Mr. Weiser, although quite overcome with emotion, responded in a very fitting manner. Nor was this all. Mrs. Vallandigham now presented Mrs. Weiser, on behalf of the ladies of the Corps, a set of silver tea spoons, gold lined; to which Mrs. Weiser responded with a few appreciative and well chosen words. Mr. and Mrs. Weiser also received a number of other gifts too numerous to mention. The company was then served with a delicious repast, as the ladies of the Corps never do anything by halves. The balance of the evening was spent in a social way, Mrs. J. W. Sifton, of Jamestown, favoring the company with two very delightful selections, and before dispersing the guests united in singing that old Scotch song, "Should Auld Acquaintance Be Forget." It is needless to add that Mr. and Mrs. Weiser are old and respected residents of Valley City, and it is not given to many to enjoy fifty years of happy wedded life together. All joined in wishing that they might have the pleasure of assisting Mr. and Mrs. Weiser at their diamond anniversary.