



Married 50 Years

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred William Amor have recently celebrated their golden wedding. Their marriage at St. John the Baptist Pewsey, church 50 years ago - the Rev. Leaman, then curate-in-charge, officiating in the absence of the Rev. Canon B. P. Bouverie, who was abroad - was the last marriage to take place in the church before it's restoration, preparations for which were already in progress, the registers and other documents having already transferred to the cemetery chapel.

Mr. Amor, who is not now very robust, is 75 years of age, but by taking life quietly he is able to enjoy the society of his friends and to take little strolls in his garden, to which he is greatly attached, when the weather is suitable. He was born and brought up practically on the same spot upon which his home is built, the garden being the one attached to his first home - a house which was burnt to the ground. He left school at the age of nine and went to work in the fields for a Mr. Goode, then farming near his home. As soon as he was old enough to make a choice he took up tailoring, being apprenticed to Mr. Sheppard, who carried on business next door to the Amor home. Later he was at Marlborough as improver with Mr. Foster and afterwards with Mr. Head in the same town. As journeyman tailor he worked for the late Mr. A. J. Noyes in his North Street (Pewsey) business as long as it carried on, and on Mr. Noyes' retirement Mr. Amor set up in the High Street in business for himself, with his two sons, one of whom, Mr. Harold Amor, is now carrying on the work in the same premises.

Mrs. Amor, now 72 years old, absolutely belies her age, being slim, active, and entertaining, and her natural curls, now silvery white, are still very beautiful. She was brought up in Burbage, her parents being the late Mr. and Mrs. Simon Long of that village.

There were eight children of the marriage - three sons and five daughters. One son and a daughter died in early childhood. The sons who both live in Pewsey, are Mr. Harold Amor, who lives in the Crescent, and Mr. Percy Amor, who is the landlord of the Cooper's Arms. The four daughters are Mrs. Lock (Maggie), Croydon: Mrs. Robbins (Phyllis), Trowbridge: Mrs. Harold Marshall (Nora), Pewsey: and Mrs. Taylor (Valentine), Pewsey.

There was great rejoicing at the golden wedding celebrations, all of the sons and daughters being present, with the 10 grandchildren, the two daughters-in-law and the son-in-law. Amongst the guests were two of the four bridesmaids who attended Mrs. Amor 50 years ago- Miss Alice Long (sister of the bride) and Miss Lucy Amor (sister of the bridegroom), The other two bridesmaids - the Misses Annie and Nellie Amor, sisters of Mr. Amor, have passed beyond, as has also the twin brother, who gave the bride away. Mrs. Bullock, of Devizes Road, Mrs. Amor's elder sister who attended the wedding, was also present. In all, there was a company of 34 for the breakfast, for which the table was beautifully decorated with 50 golden tulips in a jar, presented by the two eldest grandchildren, and other floral gifts. Prominent also was a gilt presentation basket, containing 50 golden blooms, brought by the three youngest grandchildren (daughters of Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Taylor), and a big wedding cake, with 50 ornaments occupied the central position. This last was made by Mrs. Marshall and Mrs. Taylor (daughters). The many gifts also included two gold brooches, two gold-coloured silk bed

spreads, and a gold wool rug, and Mr. and Mrs. Amor were the recipients of a great number of congratulatory letters and telegrams, the good wishes of a large circle of friends.

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