

# HOPE COUPLE CELEBRATE GOLDEN WEDDING.



1857 Mr. and Mrs. Uriah J. Rugg 1907

Mr. and Mrs. Uriah J. Rugg celebrated the Fiftieth Anniversary of their marriage at their home "Cottonwood Lane" Colgate Township, last Monday, November 11th. in company with their children and relatives and many friends.

Mr. Rugg was born in Compton, Que., Canada, April 17th 1826. His parents going there from Vermont in the early part of the last century. Being one of several families from the "Old Green Mountain State", who cast their lot in the Dominion of the King. Mr. Rugg lived in his native town until about twenty years of age, when he left the old home—Going first to Ont. (then upper Canada) where he remained two years engaged in lumbering—then returning home again only to join in the mad rush to the gold fields of Calif.—being one of the early pioneers going by the way of the isthmus of Panama. Mr. Rugg is naturally of a jovial disposition and when feeling well it is very interesting to have him relate incidents of those early days of pioneer life in the Golden State, some things very amusing and others sad. There were many hardships to be met and overcome—fortunes were made and lost in a day and many never secured the coveted prize. But he says he enjoyed those days and liked the country very much. After a few years he returned once more to his native land, and with his hard earned gold purchased a farm not far from the old home.

Amanda C. Baldwin, daughter of the late Richard Baldwin of Coaticook, Que., Canada, was born in that town April 6th 1839. Her ancestors also were of that "Old New England Stock" of which New England was so famous in continental days, several of which were in the continental army—

one was with Washington while crossing the Delaware. The Baldwins emigrated to the Dominion about the first of the century. Amanda Baldwin spent her girlhood in her native town and until she was married to Mr. Rugg on November 10th 1857.

About the year 1865 Mr. Rugg sold his farm and purchased the Old Homestead, where the family resided until they removed to Hope, N. D., in the spring of 1885. Mr. Rugg was always considered one of the best farmers in the county in which he lived, as well as a most respected citizen and neighbor. During Mr. Rugg's long life he has never had to call a physician, altho he has been and is now at times sorely afflicted with asthma. Their family consisted of four children—three sons and one daughter, two of whom are living Mr. F. R. Rugg, formerly of this city, now of Port Arthur, Ont., and W. B. Rugg of this place, who remains on the home farm to care for the comfort of his aged parents. Amos U. Rugg met with a tragic death some years ago while engaged in mining in Calif. Clara E. was the wife of Mr. J. K. Joslyn of this city, she died in the year 1893, leaving twin daughters.

The popularity of Mr. and Mrs. Rugg was fully demonstrated by the many callers at their home on this eventful occasion, and the many tributes and tokens of regard and affection from dear ones far and near. The presents were numerous and beautiful and some very valuable. The flowers were lovely—consisting chiefly of roses carnations and chrysanthemums. It was a very pleasant and happy gathering of kindred and friends long to be remembered. It was the sincere wish of all that the aged couple may be spared to see many years yet of this life.