

Married.

ELLEFSON—LARSON

by

The Rev. Oscar D. Purinton,
of Cooperstown, N. D.

One of the prettiest weddings of many a moon was celebrated at the home of the groom's parents Mr. and Mrs. Ellef Olson who reside 12 miles north of Cooperstown, N. D.

The groom Ole Ellefson is well and favorably known, having resided in the county for a number of years and has a host of friends. The bride, Miss Lizzie Larson, a blushing damsel of Stearns Co., Minn., was the lucky number. The bride has resided in Minn., since childhood, where the contracting parties as little tots used to make mud pies together down by the slough. The weather man had favored the occasion with perfect weather and there was gathered together about 150 invited guests. At 11 o'clock the wedding march was played by Miss Thinglestad, being a signal for the approach of trouble. First came A. H. Blasky with Sophia Thoen, followed by Martin Evju with Rendina Ellefson and then Mr. and Mrs. Olof C. Thoen, of Belgrade, Minn., finished the witnesses. All eyes then turned to see the principals who appeared at their best. Mr. Purinton then delivered the wedding ceremony, tied the knot a good-hard one, then for the next half hour congratulations were the order. At 1:30 was the call of dinner and a more elaborate spread would be hard to find. At 5 p. m. the younger element who came with their high kicking shoes on became uneasy and in chasing around in the grove they discovered a platform "a good Republican one," whom some one had carelessly left in the way. Music was also found and the dancers done the rest until 5 a. m., being led around the platform several times by the bride and groom. After midnight supper some of the guests commenced to take their departure, after a day of happiness and farewells were heard from everybody.

LIST OF PRESENTS.

Mrs. N. C. Rukke, waterset, Miss E. Tollefson berry set, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Trostad, water and berry set, Martin G. Evju set sad-irons, Osmunson family set silver knives and forks, Julia Aslakson bed-spread, Mr. and Mrs. Botnan linen table cloth, Guy Trostad and John Ness lamp, Fosholdt family set silver knives and forks, Mr. and Mrs. Ole Alfson water set, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Parsons linen table cloth, Mr. and Mrs. Simonson set silver knives and forks, Mr. and Mrs. Flaten dinner set, Mrs. Ole Trostad wash-bowl and pitcher, Mr. and Mrs. Ole Anderson clock, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Blasky spring rocking chair, Mr. and Mrs. Olof C. Thoen table center set, Eda and Sophia Thoen cut glass salt and pepper shake, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Brown chamber set, Henry Alfson carving knife and fork, Carl Krogfoss silver butter knife and sugar shell, Charley Sloling set silver desert spoons, Elmer Olson linen table cloth, Olive Hafthorn set silver tea spoons, Ole Knudson, linen table cloth, Aslakson family set dinner plates, Hans Larson silver bread tray, Mrs. Nels Torgeson book life of McKinley, Lena Aslakson linen table cloth, Mrs. N. O. Chanstad china center set, Mrs. John Peterson $\frac{1}{2}$ dozen linen napkins, Sarah Opstuen glass center set, Mrs. H. P. Halvorson lace bed spread and pillow shams. "Cash" Nels Ophaug \$2.00, Carl Peterson \$2.00, Albert Arpeson \$5.00, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Kolven \$5.00, Ole Peterson \$3.50, August Anderson \$3.00, Gus Elgin \$3.00, H. P. Halvorsen \$3.00, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Halvorsen Smyrna rug upon which the bridal couple stood when the knot was tied, a full bed room set consisting of bed, bureau, commode, mattress, spring, stand and rocker, by the following gents: Chas. O. Johnson, Iver Clausen, I. C. Curtis, Carl Peterson Carl Beck, Otto Beck, N. O. Haugan, Christ Clausen, Oscar Rognev, J. C. Thinglestad and John Erdall.

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