

WHITLOCK/KEELER WEDDING, 1878

The following item (X3714) was sent in by Edward Whitlock relating to his great-grandparent's wedding:

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Married

At the residence of the bride's parents in Croton Falls, May 29, By Rev. V. Benedict, Mr. James S. Whitlock to Miss Laura A. Keeler.

Croton Falls

The nuptial ceremony of Mr. James S. Whitlock and Miss Laura A. Keeler, was Celebrated at the residence of the bride's parents on Wed. at 4 pm. About 100 invited guests were present to congratulate the happy pair, who left on the 5: 14 train for Syracuse, NY. Below we give a list of the presents:

1 silver cake basket-Mr. And Mrs W. Thacker
Cassall's Dictionary In Cookery-Mr. Robert Fowler
Copy of Bret Harte's poems-Mr and Mrs W. A. Ferris
1 toilet set-Miss H. Fuller
\$10 bank note-(from Grandma) Mrs Nancy W Whitlock
\$50 check on F&D Bank-Aaron B. Whitlock
1 silver butter knife-Mr and Mrs J.S. Fretts
1 pearl handle fan-Mr and Mrs E.C. Cozzens
Gold cuff and collar buttons-Mr and Mrs W.W. Everett
1 nickel plated clock-Mr and Mrs William S. Harris
1 silver Trimmed sugar bowl-Mr and Mrs J.C. Purdy
1 dozen silver teaspoons-Mr and Mrs D.D. Chamberlain
1 silver Trimmed sugar bowl-Mr and Mrs A.B. Thacker
1 pair gold lined engraved silver napkin rings-Mr and Mrs William H. Miller
1 gold lined silver spoon holder-Mr and Mrs L. H. Daniels
1 salt cellar and spoon in case-Mrs L. Eddy
Portmaoniae tie, handkerchief and cravat-O.J. Whitlock
1 silver cake basket-Mr and Mrs William P. Buckley
1 pair vases-Misses Kitty and Carrie Fowler
1 pair silver napkin rings-Charlie and Walter Whitlock
1 pair silver napkin rings and silver cake knife-Mr and Mrs H. Tucker

I was interested to see the type of wedding presents that were given in 1878. I was also interested to see the Cassall's cookbook listed. I have a copy of this book that belonged to my Great-Great Aunt, Annie Trehearne (1846-1933). I had never looked carefully at this book and was surprised to find several items tucked inside. There was a home remedy for chilblains and several recipes including one for Emma (Ward) Trehearne (1822-1896)'s cake (Annie Trehearne's mother).

Also inside were several paper “snowflakes” cut out of 1940's agricultural notices. Any interesting little family history sidetrip.

Edward Whitlock also included another extract from the Brewster Standard dated May 27, 1881. This recorded the death of the above James S. Whitlock of typhoid fever May 25, age 25. James S. Whitlock and Laura A. Keeler had one child, James S. Whitlock (1880-1952). Laura later married George W. Burlinson. Our thanks to Edward Whitlock for these items.