

The Chatham Daily Planet, Monday, June 14, 1897

FIFTY YEARS AGO

Mr. and Mrs. James Patterson were married.

Their Golden Wedding Fittingly Celebrated by Their Children, Grand Children and Friends.

The old homestead, River road, Dover, was the scene of a unique and pleasing celebration on Friday evening last, when the pioneer settlers, Mr. and Mrs. James Patterson, with their many friends and relatives, fittingly observed their golden wedding day. Fifty years ago the couple were united in Tinwald, Dumfrieshire, Scotland, but it was not until seventeen years later they came to this country, settling in Kent. They located upon what has become known as the old homestead.

Mr. and Mrs. Patterson soon won for themselves a large host of loyal friends whose numbers have increased year by year. Ten children united in Friday's congratulations, Mrs. Green, Treherne, Man.; James, Medina, N.Y.; Edward, Brantford; John, Chatham Tp.; Mrs. J. Douglas, city; Mrs. W. Hodson, Cleveland; Mrs. Frank Baby, city; Mrs. W.H. Bartlett and Andrew R. city. Forty-one grand children were also spared to tender hearty good wishes to the old folks. The home was beautifully decorated with flowers and foliage, and a rich and magnificent repast was provided. After the good things had been duly honored, a capital impromptu program was rendered by the guests. The festivities did not close until well into the wee sma' hours, the memorable occasion concluding with that melodious and patriotic air, "Auld Lang Syne"

The gifts were numerous and of a rich and appropriate character, and testified to the high esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. Patterson are held.

Among the guests present were :-

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith, Dover.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Head, city.

Miss Head, city.

Mr. and Mrs. McCuaig and son, city.

Mr. and Mrs. James Glenn, city.

Warren Martin, city.

Mr. and Mrs. Carruthers and family, Chatham township.

Mr. and Mrs. James L. Bartlett, city.

Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Bartlett and family, city.

Mrs. Fitzgerald, Detroit.

Mrs. Woodley, Detroit.

Miss Woodley, Detroit.

Mrs. Cullen, Detroit.

Mrs. Doherty, Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith, city.

Mr. and Mrs. A.R. Patterson, city.

J. Douglas, city.

Miss Douglas, Detroit.

Jas. Hamilton, city.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Baby, city.

A. E. Pennerfather(?), city.

Mrs. Hodgson and family, Cleveland.

Mrs. E. Patterson and family, Brantford.

Mrs. Passmore, Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. McNaughton and family, [illegible].

Rev. P.J. Uzella(?), city.

Rev. Mr. Dickey, city.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Kerr, city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Patterson and family, Chatham township.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Patton, Dover.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Baby, city.

Mr. and Mrs. John Edmondson, city.

Wm. Terry, city.

Mrs. Bachelor, city.

Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Simpson, city.