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CYRUS K. FAIRFIELD, 81, AND YOUNG WIDOW, 34, ELOPE.



Cyrus K. Fairfield and his bride, who was Mrs. Mary Fogle, of Muncie, and who slipped away to Hillsdale, Mich., Saturday morning and were wedded.

SPAN OF 47 YEARS NO BAR TO CUPID

C. K. Fairfield and Young
Widow Are Wedded
at Hillsdale.

NUPTIAL KNOT IS TIED AT HILLSDALE.

Hillsdale, Mich., April 1.—A marriage license was issued from the county clerk's office here at 9 o'clock today to Cyrus K. Fairfield, 81, of Fort Wayne, and Mrs. Mary Fogle, 34, of Muncie. Immediately thereafter they were united in marriage by Rev. John W. Will, of the Presbyterian church. The ceremony was performed in the court house. It was the second venture in matrimony for both bride and groom.

Cyrus K. Fairfield, aged 81 years, and member of a prominent pioneer Fort Wayne family, and Mrs. Mary Fogle, aged 34, a widow, of Muncie, Ind., eloped to Hillsdale, Mich., over the New York Central lines at 5 o'clock Saturday morning, planning to be married there later in the day. They had never seen one another until one week ago last Thursday, and within forty-eight hours after their meeting the nuptial arrangements had been completed.

The bridegroom was married many years ago and was divorced several years ago. He comes of a prominent Fort Wayne family, his father, Captain Fairfield being one of the city's earliest settlers, and it was after the family that Fairfield avenue was named.

The bride is a young woman who has resided in Muncie for a number of years, and who came here to visit her sister, Mrs. Bryant, 225 West DeWald street, nine days ago. The same morning she was introduced to Mr. Fairfield, and it was a case of love at first sight. Within three days she was ordering her traveling attire to make ready for the wedding journey.

Thought It a Joke.

The elopement plan was decided on to escape any possible interference of friends or relatives, and up till the last minute relatives of Mr. Fairfield's refused to believe that he really intended to commit matrimony. They had thought it was the young woman's intention to play an April fool joke on the bridegroom to be, and not even Friday night would they believe that the marriage would really take place.

The five o'clock departure was planned to evade publicity, and less than

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FINDS HIS BRIDE GONE

C. K. Fairfield Shocked by
Discovery When He Re-
turns to Home.

LEFT NO WORD TO
EXPLAIN ABSENCE

Aged Groom Sees Romance
of Few Brief Weeks
Shattered.

After forty-nine days of apparent happiness, Mrs. Cyrus K. Fairfield on Friday evening apparently awakened from her brief dream of domestic bliss. Anyway, like the Arab of old, she "silently stole away," leaving her aged husband and ardent wooer without the helpmate and the loving companion with whom he had hoped to spend the twilight of his life.

Anyway, she had vanished, and no word or sign was left to explain the whys or wherefores or to give a hint as to her destination.

Equally as Dramatic.

The sudden departure of Mrs. Fairfield was equally as dramatic as the elopement on April 1, when the couple stole away to Hillsdale, Michigan, and were married. The elopement as was afterward explained, was to escape any possible interference of friends or relatives and up till the last minute relatives refused to believe that he really intended to marry again. Neither would they believe it until that evening when Cyrus, 81 years old, but as spry as a man many years his junior, brought his blushing bride of thirty-four summers home with him and announced to the world that she was his wife. The announcement however, had been made several hours in advance of their return in an exclusive story in The Sentinel.

Had No Intimation.

For some days there have been rumors that Mrs. Fairfield was not happy, but they were only rumors and the fond husband apparently had no intimation or suspicion but what all was sunshine and happiness in his domicile. Otherwise, he would not have trustingly left her Friday evening and betaken himself to the regular meeting of a lodge in which he is interested. As a matter of fact, it is stated authoritatively that before leaving home Mr. Fairfield embraced his bride fondly, implanted a kiss upon her lips and gave his faithful promise to be home early.

Call Brings No Response.

A couple of hours later he returned and as was his custom, called for his wife. There was no response. He called again with the same result. Then he made a search of every room in the house, but Mrs. Fairfield had departed taking with her all of her possessions save the husband to whom she was so recently wed. She left no note of explanation, and told nobody, so far as is known, of her intention or her destination. Saturday Mr. Fairfield learned that on the previous day his wife had

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made rather extensive purchases at a local store.

Mrs. Fairfield was formerly Mrs. Mary Fogle, of Muncie. She met her husband one week before their marriage, and within forty-eight hours after the introduction the nuptial arrangements had been agreed upon.