

GEORGE & LOUISA HARNEY

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Fifty years ago Wednesday down in Scott township occurred the marriage of James F. Harney and Miss Louisa A. Harrison, daughter of Captain Joshua Harrison, of the Kentucky militia. Wednesday, Judge and Mrs. Harney, surrounded by their four children, celebrated their anniversary at their home on south Green street. The children are Miss Sallie Harney and George F. Harney, of this city, Mrs. Mary L. Roadamour, of Gallipolis, O., and T. C. Harney, of Decatur, Ill. The day was spent in a quiet family gathering and at noon the reunited family sat down to a repast of good things. Mr. Harney was born in Montgomery county, Ky., March 1, 1824, and came to this county in 1834, where he has since resided. Mr. Harney served in the Mexican war, and served in the legislature in the fifties for several terms. In 1864 he ran for congress against Godlove S. Orth, but was defeated. In the meantime at the age of 52 years he became a student of law and later was admitted to the bar. In 1872 he was elected to the state senate and as clerk of the senate committee drafted the bill that provided for the building of the state house, and his friends claim in this connection that his management of the affair saved the state half a million dollars on the structure. In 1890 he was elected judge of the Montgomery circuit court and filled the position for the term of six years, since which time he has been engaged in the practice of law in this city. He is a graceful and fluent writer and as a lawyer and man has a host of friends that join in wishing him and his estimable many more happy years of married life. Mrs. Harney has been a resident of this county 71 years, having been born in Shelby county, Ky., Oct. 4, 1827, and coming to this county with her parents in 1830.

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