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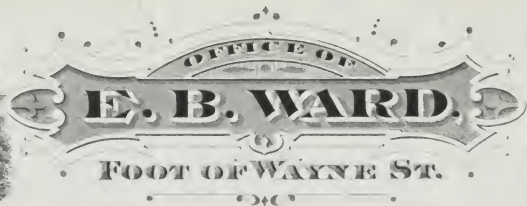
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~~A half century of wedlock constitutes what is happily~~

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Half a century is completed this day since you joined hands and hearts in the endeared relationship of husband and wife. Such an event is so rare as to ~~be~~ and so making of this occasion a "Golden Wedding" festival. ~~on the part of~~ an event too rare to be allowed to pass without glad some commemoration, especially when it signifies (as it does in your case) a true and perfect marriage, with unswerving fidelity to each other, with singular oneness <sup>of</sup> spirit and purpose, and with <sup>all</sup> ~~all~~ <sup>every</sup> ~~marital~~ <sup>matrimonial</sup> ~~and~~ <sup>obligational</sup> ~~parental~~ <sup>connections</sup> ~~obligations~~ most lovingly fulfilled. If the ~~relation~~ <sup>relationship</sup> has brought with it many cares and trials — for exemption from these is scarcely possible or desirable <sup>in our earthly pilgrimage</sup> — it has been crowned with precious experiences, multiplied blessings, gratifying recollections, and mutual enjoyments, to an uncommon degree. Your children, and your children's children, arise up, and call you blessed; and



Detroit, Mich. May 29<sup>th</sup> 1843

Wm Lloyd Garrison  
 My friend

Let me ask a favor of  
 you - The third thousand of my book, "Chapters  
 from the Bible of the Ages" is being published  
 by Wm White & Co - Boston. I would like to give  
 all aid reasonable to its continued circulation.