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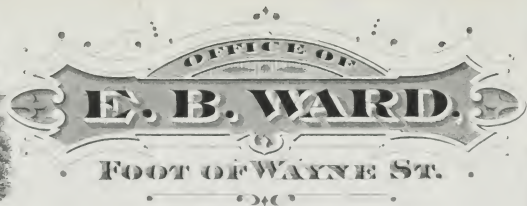
~~A half century of wedlock constitutes what is happily~~

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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 ^{of} spirit and purpose, and with ^{all} ~~all~~ ^{every} ~~marital and parental~~ ^{matrimonial and parental} obligations most lovingly fulfilled. If the ~~relation~~ ^{connection} has brought with it many cares and trials — for exemption from these is scarcely possible or desirable ^{in our earthly pilgrimage} — 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



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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.