

## RENEWED THE TROTHS THEY PLIGHTED SIXTY YEARS AGO.

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Mrs. Allen, who was born in Frankford, now Philadelphia, came to St. Louis in 1836, and was married to Mr. Allen four years later. They moved to Webster in 1865, being one of the earliest families to settle there. Ten years ago, when they celebrated their golden wedding, it was considered rather remarkable that all their living descendants were present, with Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Peck, at whose home the original wedding took place (Mrs. Peck being a sister of Mrs. Allen), Mrs. Charlotte

Holmes of No. 4321 Olive street, who was bridesmaid sixty years ago, Judge Thomas Dunlap of Toledo, O., a cousin of Mr. Allen, of the same age and married the same year, with several relatives and friends of many years' standing.

Saturday night's celebration took the form of a dinner to the children and grandchildren, followed by a reception from 9 to 10 to old family friends. At the dinner, the Reverend S. M. Morton of Effingham, Ill., acted as toastmaster, and toasts were given relative to the family history by each one present. Those present were the Reverend and Mrs. S. M. Morton and daughter, Olive, William E. Plant of St. Louis, with his sons, William M. and Ernest A. Plant, Mr. and Mrs. Roderic A. Allen and daughter, Hazel, of Webster, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allen and son, Nathan of St. Louis, Professor and Mrs. Edward P. Morton of Bloomington, Ind., Misses Mary and Carolyn Allen.

The bride and bridegroom are still a very active couple, and were particularly happy on this occasion, with almost their entire family around them.