PELHAM, N. H.

The Marriage of Mr. Ernest G. Sherburne and Miss Mary S. Hillman.

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On a day unparalleled for its beauty and amid scenes of loveliness which village life so often exhibits, the marriage of Miss Mary Semple Hillman to Mr. Ernest Gardner Sherburne was consummated at the residence of Mr. Frank H. Hillman on Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Rev. Charles L. Merrin, formerly of Lowell but now of Paterson, N. J., was the officiating clergyman. The bridegroom is a graduate of the New Hampshire Agricultural college at Durham and the bride is an alumna of the Massachusetts Normal Art school. Only immediate relatives of both households and a few girlhood friends of the bride were present. Even the officiating clergyman is a relative.

In the parlor where the ceremony was performed, the decorations were goldenrod, while white and green were the prevailing colors in the dining room. To the artistic taste of Miss Clara Jones was due the arrangement of the beautiful floral display. The bridal party consisted of Mr. H. Fred Hillman, as usher; Miss Blanche H. Hillman and Mr. Burton Sherburne, bridesmaid and best man, and little Kenneth Bissell of Milford, Conn., as ring-bearer.

To the strains of the "Lohengrin" march, played by Master Ralph Hillman, brother of the bride, the bridal party entered the parlor, the ceremony being performed under an arch of bittersweet and goldenrod. The bride was given away by her father, Mr. F. H. Hillman.

The wedding ring was fashioned from one worn by the bride's grandmother.

The bride's dress was of white crepe de chine with pearl trimming. She wore her mother's wedding veil, caught up with orange blossoms, and carried a shower bouquet of bride roses and maidenhair fern. The bridesmaid was prettily gowned in yellow silk and white lace and carried a bouquet of yellow chrysanthemums. Following the ceremony vocal and instrumental selections were finely rendered by several friends.

The bridegroom's gift to the bride was a lovely pearl pendant. Various other bridal gifts, both useful and ornamental, were displayed in a room by themselves. During a delightful hour of congratulations and social interchange refreshments were served by the girl friends of the bride, after which the happy pair were borne away in an auto amid a shower of confetti and good wishes.

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