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Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Darling Celebrate 65th Anniversary

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A reception was held Sunday afternoon, February 24, at the Castleton Town Hall to honour Mr. and Mrs. Lorne Darling on the occasion of their 65th wedding anniversary. About 200 friends, neighbours and relatives gathered on this happy day to greet a most remarkable couple.

question "To what do you attribute your long, happy marriage?", Mr. Darling replied that "we have just worked at it." He said, "It doesn't matter what you do in life, whether you operate a farm, run a business, are an officer in the army, in order to succeed you have to work at it, and it's the same in marriage!" the Darlings then have obviously "worked at it" but in such a way that to the onlooker they have made the work look easy.

Massey of Brighton, a sister-in-law of Mrs. Darling. Mrs. Massey was unable to attend the wedding 65 years ago because she had a tiny two-day old son at the time, but both she and her son, Don and family, were present Sunday.

The Darlings are an example and inspiration to all who know them, and we join the others in wishing them God's continued blessing.

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Lorne and Lily (nee Massey) Darling were both born in the Morganston community and were married in 1915 at the home of the bride by the Reverend Alfred Spargo, the Methodist minister, this being 10 years before church union. They owned and operated the Morganston General Store and post office for 42 years and in 1960 moved to their present home in Castleton. Mr. Darling has been connected with municipal matters for 40 years in various capacities and just recently retired the post of clerk-treasurer of Cra-mahe Township.

The Town Hall was beautifully decorated and the 100 daffodils brought from British Columbia by son Earl and Marjorie Darling brought a bright touch of spring. There were also many lovely roses and potted plants.

The Darlings were pleased to have MPP Russell Rowe present and he presented a lovely plaque from Ontario's Premier William Davis. They also received a telegram from Buckingham Palace from the Queen, greetings from Prime Minister Trudeau, Lt. Gov. Pauline McGibbon, and MP George Hees.

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The Darlings had four children: Helen of Kingston, Lorna of Toronto, son Ivan who passed away in 1959, and Earl of Lake Cowichan, B.C. There are 10 grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

A large cake in the form of the numbers 65 adorned the head table and the following ladies poured tea: Mrs. Bernice Darling, Mrs. Marjorie Ogg, Mrs. Velma Massey, Mrs. Agnes Massey and Mrs. Viva Darling. The Castleton U.C.W. catered with Mrs. Jean Papineau heading up arrangements.

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Petite, charming Mrs. Darling still finds pleasure in playing the piano, which she does very well, and both she and Mr. Darling have been active in church work over the years, Mr. Darling having sung in the choir for more than 50 years.

Among the guests was 98 year old Mrs. Gertrude

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