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## ST. VALENTINE'S DAY

"And do you know, it is a splendid thing to think that the woman you really love will never grow old to you. Through the wrinkles of time, through the mask of years, if you really love her, you will always see the face you have loved and won. And a woman that really loves a man does not see that he grows old; he is not decrepit to her; he does not tremble; he is not old; she always sees the same gallant gentleman who won her heart and hand. I like to think of it in that way; I like to think that love is eternal. And to love in that way and then go down the hill together; and as you go down, hear, perhaps, the laughter of grand children, while the birds of love and joy sing once more in the leafless branches of the tree of age."

-Ingersoll-

Shown in the picture are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert C. Adams of Gaines who were married ninety years ago as indicated by the 1889 date in frosting on the cake. This photo was taken by the late William Monacelli on their 66th wedding anniversary in 1955. It was noted then that they were one of Orleans County's oldest couples.