

Marriage Bells.

"Mrs. F. Cooper requests your presence at the marriage of her daughter Marinda to Dr. J. B. Elbert, Wednesday evening, Nov. 16, 1892, at 5 o'clock, at

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Bethel A. M. E. Church. Reception at 356 N. Illinois street, from 6 to 11 o'clock."

So reads the card which bids me to a marriage which takes place next Wednesday evening in Indianapolis, Ind. I should like to witness this union for life of the tall graceful girl and gallant courtly young man who were among the Memphis friends of other days, because the same tragic events have so widely separated us. Three years ago, Dr. J. B. Elbert, a young physician, came in the *Free Speech* office bearing a letter of introduction from friends in Indianapolis. He began to practice and in a short while won friends and was succeeding rapidly. One of his best friends was Thomas Moss, through whom he met Miss Cooper, Mr. Moss's sister-in-law. Dr. Elbert and the writer were sponsors for Thomas Moss's only daughter. On the night of the raid on the People's Grocery at the Curve, one man was wounded and got away. The entire locality was searched for him and when found three days after, twenty miles away, he told that Dr. Elbert had taken him away in his buggy, tended his wounds and given him money. This was the day preceding the lynching. A woman late Tuesday evening overheard a group of white men declare they were going after Dr. Elbert, warned him and he left on the 10 p. m. train. It is currently believed this is the only thing which prevented his being the fourth man lynched on March 9, in Memphis, Tenn. An engagement was already existing between the young couple, and after the first shock, it was determined that as soon as Mrs. Moss was able to travel the entire family consisting of mother and three daughters would move to Indianapolis. Since July that has been their home and on Wednesday the two families will be bound by ties stronger than those of friendship, and lasting as life.

The bride elect is a handsome stately young lady, ambitious and industrious. The groom to be is the son of a prominent physician of that city and a worthy mate to his fair partner. The best wishes of a host of friends go with them upon their voyage upon the sea of matrimony.

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