

BIRTHDAY SURPRISE PARTY.

In the forenoon of Friday, May 1st, about twenty-five relatives and friends gathered at the home of William H. Minkler of Ingraham, this being in the honor and celebration of Minkler's seventy-third birthday. Shortly after the noon hour those in charge of the arrangements in charge invited all friends present to be seated at a well filled table and the hymn "God Save the King" was sung adding to the solemnity of the occasion. This was followed by the serving of all the delicacies of the season. During the progress of the meal a birthday cake was brought on and placed opposite the seat of the person in honor. On the cake seventy-three candles burned brightly. At the appointed time the candles were blown out, and each guest was asked to cut out a piece, in the anticipation of finding the valuables which were placed therein. A glass of champagne, and a piece of money were also found.

at an appropriate time Mr. Minckler was asked to be seated in the front part of the house, where it was expected his future success would be assured. In a few well chosen words a congratulatory speech was made by Ethel Elkins, and a beautiful decorated ebony cane was presented on behalf of the friends present. An umbrella was also received from a friend who was out of town. Many post cards came through the mail.

After a pleasant day had been spent all returned to their homes feeling that they had a very enjoyable time, and wishing Mr. Minckler many more years of happiness. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. George Wright, Mrs. James Williams, Mrs. M. F. Randall, Mr. North Stafford, Mrs. Stafford, and Mrs. Stafford of Beekmantown; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Minckler, Miss Bertha Minckler, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Elkins, Mrs. Ethel Elkins and Mr. and Mrs. William Lombard of Plattsburgh; Mrs. L. J. Aldridge, Mrs. I. J. Aldridge, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. North and Russell North of Chazy.

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