

Lancaster Intelligencer.

SATURDAY EVENING, SEPT. 20, 1896.

Mr. Blaine's Marriage.

Mr. Blaine says of his marriage, that "we were, in the presence of chosen and trusted friends, united by what I knew was, in my native state of Pennsylvania, a perfectly legal form of marriage." This was on June 30, 1850, in Kentucky. He does not explain the mode of marriage, but any form of marriage is good under Pennsylvania laws. It only needs to be proved. Mr. Blaine discovered that the Kentucky laws required a license to make a marriage valid; therefore he came to Pennsylvania in March, 1851, and was married in Pittsburg by a clergyman; no publication, however, being made of this ceremony. In the following June a child was born.

Clearly, if Mr. Blaine's story is true, he did nothing blameworthy. But if he is as innocent as his statement shows, why did he not meet the accusation against him with his simple story in the first instance? Why did he leap into a suit for libel to defend himself against the imputation founded upon the discovered fact that he was married in Pittsburg in March and had a child born to him in June?

Mr. Blaine puts on an air of injured innocence which it does not become him to assume when he admits that he was secretly married twice and has to concede that the first marriage was unknown to the public, until he now reveals it. Mr. Blaine's biography even does not record the marriage Mr. Blaine now claims in Kentucky. It credits him only with the Pittsburg marriage, as we understand the facts.

Why then should the Indianapolis Sentinel or any one else be supposed to know his own words of proof of nothing. He is a sharp fellow; and it is not to be easily asured that he would have lived for thirty years under the imputation which he now repels, if he had all the time at his command the full refutation of it supplied by the fact of a Kentucky marriage in 1850.

General Grant has called upon Mr. Blaine, who has arrived in New York on his projected tour Ohio ward. Mr. Blaine greeted Gen. Grant very effusively, and was evidently delighted to have him call upon and give him the benefit of his adhesion. A few months ago Gen. Grant would have been a very valuable adherent, but he has been too completely used up in the Grant & Ward crash to be of any use hereafter in influencing public opinion.

Mr. Blaine has not made a very brilliant start upon his pilgrimage, and has crept into New York without the sound of a drum. An elaborate programme of travel has been laid out for his westward progress, and a powerful effort is to be made to stir up the enthusiasm of his adherents during his progress. This evening he is serenaded in New York, where he will speak. On Monday the Union League of Philadelphia is to take him in hand, and on Tuesday he returns to New York, where the Union League there will exhibit him. Then he starts westward over the New York Central railroad, and orations will adorn his deliberate progress. He will get into Ohio in about a week, and after a few days there will withdraw by way of Pittsburg through Pennsylvania, his eastward progress being determined in its character by the nature of the Ohio result.

It is high time Mr. Blaine was stirring up his canvass. So far he has been a very hum-drum affair. We certainly expected a pyrotechnical campaign from his nomination; but all his wealthy friends seem to be "broken in pocket as badly as he is in spirit, and no cash or enthusiasm has as yet been let loose.

It is highly amusing to observe the painful grimaces with which the Blaine organs swallow the nauseous dose contained in the fresh instalment of Mulligan letters that have made Mr. Blaine's name a synonym of corruption. Here is the true, the beautiful and the good New Era, which had no room in its news columns for these startling revelations on Monday, the date of their first appearance in the metropolitan dailies, deliberately suppressing from its readers perhaps the most important political information of the campaign. And why? Because, it fears the result of an investigation by its readers of the record of the Republican candidate. Even after their brazen idol had declared that he wished every Republican paper to publish the letters, the New Era refrained, probably knowing that Mr. Blaine was not sincere in his request. Now, in its issue of Friday, it editorially announces its views of the letters as follows:

Eight years ago, or when this supposed "mine" was first sprung to destroy Mr. Blaine's chances for the presidency, one of the members of the editorial staff of the Express considered the matter of sufficient grave import to induce that journal to pause in the support of its favorite candidate until the charges could be considered in all their bearings. The whole matter was then thoroughly discussed and the conclusion reached that there was nothing in those letters which was inconsistent with Mr. Blaine's honor and integrity.

Another Earthquake.

Ohio and Other States Disturbed. Great Excitement Caused by the Tremor, but Little Damage and No Loss of Life as Yet Reported.

About 3 o'clock Friday afternoon the shock of an earthquake was felt distinctly in many of the larger buildings of Cleveland, Ohio. At about the same time there seemed to be two or three sudden sways of the brick building, and the tables wavered on the floor so as to interrupt writing. The motion was from west to east, and was confined to two or three rooms, finally subsiding and dying away in a sort of tremor. The shock was felt at the Cleveland, Columbus, Cincinnati & Indianapolis railroad freight house, where chairs danced about and glass vessels tumbled violently.

Fuller's greatest beauty worked rocked violently. Persons sitting facing north were shaken in their chairs and much started. The attaches of the signal station felt the shocks, agreeing that they were three in number, and in duration from fifteen to thirty seconds. Sergeant Line was busy at the time, and was skeptical at first. Assistant Payne timed the shock at thirteen minutes to 3 o'clock, local time. There are no instruments at the station to detect or measure earthquakes.

The mass of the freight wares in front of the office window were perceptibly agitated by the shock. F. A. Coburn, an architect of the Blackstone block, was in the fifth story of the building, and said he thought the structure would tumble. Several buildings were reported injured. Large sections of plastered brick work, in the new post office building. The shock appeared to chase around the city like a streak of lightning. On one street it was severe, while two blocks away it was not felt at all.

The earthquake was general throughout the lower Lake region. The shock was felt at Akron, Canton, Columbus, Fostoria, Delaware, Toledo, North Amherst, Cecil, Bellefontaine and other points throughout Northern Ohio. It was also felt at Cincinnati, Columbus, A. Toledo pictures, furniture and household goods were thrown from the shelves. At Cecil goods were thrown from the shelves. In the depot the passengers rushed out of the building, thinking that the train had derailed.

West Cleveland, the shock was more severe than in any portion of this city. A night watchman was awakened from a sound sleep, and fearing the end of the world was at hand, rushed into the street, and, falling upon his knees, began to pray.

Women and children ran into the streets crying bitterly. At Rockport a farmer who was riding along in his carriage, was thrown to the ground and his wagon was badly damaged. At Newburgh a demoniac reigned and the public schools were dismissed. Reports continued to arrive from nearly every section of Northern Ohio, but up to this time no serious results have been reported.

A few minutes before 3 o'clock Thursday afternoon, the telegraph operator at the Bee Line spot in Cincinnati received dispatches from the operators all along that there was an earthquake at Cleveland, Ind., inquiring if the same had been felt in Cincinnati, and stating that it had been perceptible at the offices from which the inquiries were sent. About 3 o'clock, Cincinnati time, the operator directed a slight agitation of the line. The same thing was noticed in various offices in the city, but was not attributed to the earthquake until telegraphic dispatches from the West had come in.

The shock was quite different in some of the suburbs in Cincinnati. In Clifton the agitation was so violent as to ring bells on tables, and in some instances on doors. At Cumminsville, in the Northwestern ward of Cincinnati, the tremor was felt so distinctly as to excite an alarm, not only in the public schools, where the pupils were with difficulty kept in their seats, but also in private houses. The house of Captain Frazier, of Cumminsville, was violently shaken, so that the inmates became alarmed, and fled to the streets. In the morning school houses, in the Northeastern part of Cincinnati, an agitation was felt, which was recognized at once by the teachers as being caused by an earthquake. Here, too, it required all the authority of the teachers to avoid a panic.

A shock of earthquake was distinctly felt in Toledo, Ind., at 2:30 Friday afternoon and lasted for several seconds. The shock resembled that of a distant blast. Reports from the surrounding towns in every direction are to the effect that the shock was plainly felt, in some instances rocking buildings and displacing their contents.

An earthquake shock was felt at Detroit, Mich., at 2:45 o'clock on Friday afternoon. No damage was done, but the shock frightened many persons. In some localities, particularly in high buildings, there was a slight tremor, motion that rattled windows and shook chandeliers. Boat captains say there was a noticeable rise in the river at the same time. At the telephone office no shock was felt, while in the same building, across the hallway, it was very perceptible. In the employ of the Whitney Organ company, where the building vibrated at least fourteen inches. In the Western Union building the floor seemed to heave. The operators, their instruments, and men in the lower part of the building were thrown to the ground. In the Chambers of Commerce building the shock was felt on the lowest floor. James Douvan, who was sitting on the ground floor, was shaken violently and fell on his back. The shock passed, leaving all in a mental daze, and not knowing what the shock was general in the neighborhood.

Other towns which felt the shock were East Saginaw, Ann Arbor, Port Huron, Ypsilanti and Chelsea, Michigan; Toledo, Napoleon, Clyde, Bryan, Archbold, Fostoria, Onondaga, Sandusky, Wyandotte, land, Albany, Union City, Parker, Selma, Winchester, Anderson, Dunkirk, Redkey, New Castle, Cambridge City, Fort Wayne and Urbana, Indiana; Louisville, Kentucky; Windsor, London and Dresden, Ontario.

THE MORNING CASE had excited fresh interest Friday by a disclosure of the fact that Mrs. Morosini was so worked up over her daughter's elopement that she made three attempts at suicide. On Thursday morning of last week she swallowed laudanum, and Dr. C. B. Clark and Chief of Police Mangin were sent for. They were about the house for hours, until she recovered. The same evening her son Giovanni entered her room just in time to snatch from her lips a vial of laudanum which was half emptied. She made a third attempt on Saturday. This so excited Mr. Morosini that on Wednesday he drove from Yonkers to New York, placed his wife and children on the steamship Ursula and sailed for Italy, never to return to this country.

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A CORRESPONDENT WHO TELLS TO TATTERS FOR THE INTELLIGENCER'S INFORMATION.

Under the inspiration of the "platitude" that "the second sober thought of the people is always efficient and never wrong," it was thought that Martin Van Buren would certainly be nominated for president in 1844, but it is well known that his chances were "foreshortened" by the adoption of the (doubtful democracy) "two-third rule," in the Baltimore convention. Of course, that matter now seems a "corner" in song books.

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