

MR. BLAINE'S ONLY RECOURSE

In No Position to Permit His Name to Be Considered.

HOW HIS FRIENDS VIEW THE SITUATION

His Previous Utterances On the Subject. Blind Him Irrevocably—Extracts From His Letters to President Garfield—Pennsylvania for Harrison.

WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE BEE, 513 FOURTEENTH STREET, WASHINGTON, D. C., May 26.

There are very few men in Washington to-night who are familiar with the character of the man, who believe that Mr. Blaine, under any condition of circumstances, would accept the presidential nomination at the hands of the Minneapolis convention. A score of the most prominent republicans at the capital said as much today, and in doing so cited the words of Mr. Blaine himself, written in this city on December 10, 1880, in his letter to President Garfield, accepting the portfolio of secretary of state. In that letter Mr. Blaine said in effect that having accepted a cabinet position he was in duty bound to hold it to the end and to the administration of the chief executive so successful that a second term would be the lot of events.

In his letter to President Garfield Mr. Blaine said: "In your new relation I shall give all that I can, and all that I have, to your service. You need no pledge of my loyalty. In heart and in act I should be false to myself and to you if I did not believe you a man and love you as a friend."

Further along in that letter of acceptance Mr. Blaine placed himself again upon record in opposition to any act which it is proposed that he should commit by suffering the use of his name in connection with the nomination of his chief or accepting the nomination, if it should be tendered him unsolicited, while he was a member of the cabinet. Mr. Blaine wrote these words: "However much, my dear Garfield, I might accept as a statesman, I might not enter your cabinet. It is not believe you as a man and love you as a friend."

In that letter Mr. Blaine to some length described how his former friends, then chief of the president, and how he intended to give all of his heart, devotion and ambition to the personal as well as political interests of the president. He expressed his opinion if there was nothing else in the way, it is not believed Mr. Blaine would think of accepting the nomination under existing circumstances. He is for very many reasons, and above all, personal choice and inclination, entirely out of the question. His best and most intelligent friends declare that if he were nominated he would promptly decline, and many of them go further and say he will have this statement made in his own name in 1888 it will be remembered Mr. Blaine wrote a letter declining the nomination. When it was insisted that he should accept and he was pressed to do so while the convention was in session, Mr. Blaine wrote a second letter as follows: "I am not willing that even one of my faithful supporters in the past should think me capable of patting in a double sense with my words. Assuming that the presidential nomination in any way, a chance be offered to me I could not accept without leaving in the minds of thousands of these men the belief that I had been free from indifference, and therefore I could not accept it at all."

After the utterances quoted in those two letters it is not thought possible Mr. Blaine would accept the nomination if tendered at the Minneapolis convention even though President Harrison should nominate him, and that is altogether out of the question.

Pennsylvania Not Against Harrison.

"Don't you let anybody persuade you that Pennsylvania is against Harrison simply because a few politicians are making a 'nomination'." Representative John Edgar Reburn of Philadelphia to the Bee correspondent this afternoon. Mr. Reburn represents the district at large and is the late Judge William D. Kelly of tariff fame and is therefore a republican with solid backing. Mr. Reburn counts as a main judgment, that if the question of Pennsylvania would vote for Harrison's renomination if the question were submitted to a popular vote today. Let me state, however, that a single republican among all my constituents who is opposed to the president. What have they to complain of? Why? How about the 'Blaine' in Pennsylvania, an original Blaine state? "Mr. Blaine is out of the question. He will not be nominated. He should be nominated by some hook or crook?" "Well, replied Mr. Reburn, with measured words, that would never accept. Mr. Blaine is too honorable a man to accept the presidential nomination so long as he was in the cabinet and had not resigned, even an implied aspirant for renomination. He could not accept. Even his enemies would say it was dishonorable in him, after having remained in the cabinet and accepted the good graces of the president."

"Do you think he will say anything further on the subject?"

No Time for Further Denials. "I do not. He can't undertake to come out with a denial of everything that is said unsolicited about him. If he did he would have no time to eat or drink or sleep. His prominence must not enter into an occupation of denials. The people are for Harrison. He is the strongest, ablest man in the party of the party who will be elected."

"I regard our state delegation as practically if not absolutely solid for the renomination of the president, and I have not the least doubt that the next ticket again this year," said Representative Groat, one of Vermont's leading republicans. "Vermont supported Harrison in 1880, and has seen no reason for deserting him. He has made an unblemished administration. One of my Vermont correspondents in writing to me only the other day that President Harrison had already whipped two foreign nations, and without firing a gun. He referred to the war with Mexico and the Hawaiian Islands. He conducted the Chilean and Berlin sea disputes. If we had not every evidence of his sterling integrity and splendid American spirit, these incidents would have afforded them. With Harrison we are sure to win, with anybody else—well, there may be some doubts."

Miscellaneous. Frank Babbs has been appointed postmaster at Walton, Lancaster county; S. A. Delaney at LaPlatte, Sargey county, Neb.; C. Louisiana, Dale, Guthrie county, Ia.; J. E. Phagan, Fort McKeaney, Johnson county, Mo.; W. A. Samuelson, White Rocks, Utah county, U. T.; Mrs. M. Heaton at Hydraulic, Missouri county, Mo.; S. Robertson, J. Zuck, Powers county, Colo.

Today Assistant Secretary Chandler advised that the school land case of Hyrcanus J. Heald, ruff ex parte from Waterloo, S. D., cancelling his homestead entry. P. S. H.

Western Penitents. WASHINGTON, D. C., May 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.] The following list of penitents granted is reported by THE BEE and Examiner Bureau of Claims: Nebraska: Original—Rollin E. Gardner, George Furnop, John W. Clayton, G. Stuart, John Foley, James D. Gage, Walter Crockett, Wesley H. Myers, Levi Cross, William Olson, Lorenzo D. Huffman, Jacob Jeffers, James Wooster, Ed T. Boone, Jacob Hammer, Charles E. Smith, J. N. Brock, James D. Hart. Additional—John Haupp, Thomas Gaisford. Restoration—Abner S. Arnold, Increase—Hiram P. Council. Original widows, etc.—Helen M. Pool, Mary E. Haupp.

Iowa. Original—John C. Russell, Isaac M. Wickham, Jonathan Kincaid, Hans V. James, W. Van Epps, Thomas P. Cowman, James Reed, Lorenzo Finney, Franklin E. McCarty, Isaac W. Knight, Myron S. Fulton, John J. Ayres, George A. Lullie, Newton E.

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WASHINGTON, D. C., May 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.] The following army orders were issued today: The extension of the leave of absence granted First Lieutenant Samuel Rodman, Jr., Second artillery, November 27, 1891, is still further extended to include September 23, 1892. Leave of absence for two months, to take effect July 1, is granted First Lieutenant J. Walker Bennett, Ordnance department, much of whom has been absent since May 17, 1892, as reliever First Lieutenant William J. Pardee, Twenty-fifth infantry, from further duty with the Eighteenth infantry and directs him to proceed to his proper station, is revoked. Major William F. Tucker, paymaster, will proceed to Fort Myer, Arlington, Md., Washington barracks and Fort Monroe and pay the troops at those stations to May 31.

Carroll Lewis Smith, Third artillery, will remain at once to Griffin, Ga., and attend the encampment of the Georgia militia to be held at that place from May 24 to July 1, for the purpose of instructing the troops and leading part in the encampment. Captain Oskaloosa M. Smith, commissary of subsistence, will remain at New Orleans May 17, will relieve Captain Douglas M. Scott, commissary of subsistence, of his duties as depot quartermaster at that place on the 17th. Leave of absence for two months granted Colonel John C. Bates, Second infantry. The following named officers are detailed for duty at the regular state camp of instruction at Peekskill, from June 15 to July 31: First Lieutenant Edward E. Hardin, Seventh artillery (now leave absent); First Lieutenant John T. French, Jr., Fourth artillery. After the close of the encampment Lieutenant Hardin will return to the depot where ordered, and Lieutenant French will join his proper station.

Dr. Birney's Catarrh Powder cures catarrh of the eye as all druggists. 50 cents.

NEWTON ACQUITTED

After Being Out for Many Hours the Jury Finally Agrees.

DES MOINES, Ia., May 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.] The jury in the case of the government against John C. Newton, vice president and general manager of the Des Moines & Kansas City railroad, charged with conspiracy to pad the mails to defraud the government, which went out shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, had returned a verdict in a late hour this evening. At 10:30 this morning the jury went to Judge Woolson that they desired to communicate with him and were brought into court. The foreman in a document presented to the judge announced that they wanted further, or at least more specific instructions. The note about which they were in doubt was, in substance, whether in reviewing the testimony and shaping the evidence with a view to finding a verdict, the jury could consider the remaining packages of old papers at Cainsville by Oxford as evidence of conspiracy.

The jury in retired, the prisoner looked very much dejected after the jury retired, but became more confident of a discreditable acquittal as the hours passed. At 5:30 p. m. the jury sent word to the court that they had a report to make, and the attorneys were sent for, but could not all be found. The general opinion of the jury will disagree. The jury at 10 o'clock returned a verdict of not guilty.

Opposed to Sunday Opening.

CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., May 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.] The twenty-sixth annual convention of the Linn County Sunday School association adjourned at Springfield this afternoon after a valuable two days' session. Over 300 delegates were in attendance. The next meeting will be held at Waterloo.

Among other things, the association resolved that in view of the demoralizing effect of the present war, especially regarding the public mind, temperance and Sabbath desecration, "we would again urge upon the Sunday school workers of this county to give their attention to these important subjects and to hereby utter our most solemn protest to the opening of the State Normal school on Sunday and the sale of intoxicating liquors on the grounds."

The following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President, W. T. Black; secretary, Mrs. S. C. H. Hedges; treasurer, W. A. Stebbins of Cedar Rapids.

Chose Their Officers. IOWA CITY, Ia., May 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.] The Iowa State Homeopathic association today listened to papers from a number of prominent doctors, as follows: Dr. P. J. Montgomery of Council Bluffs on "Cerebro Spinal Scierosis"; Dr. Alex. A. Goodrich of Des Moines, vice president of the bureau of obstetrics, on "The Parturient Bed"; Dr. C. H. Boies of Des Moines on "Acute Diseases of the Respiratory System"; "Laryngeal Sequela of Typhoid Fever," by Dr. J. W. H. Hedges; Prof. W. A. Dunn of Chicago, A. H. Hedges, and able paper embodying largely the results of personal observation and investigation of the party, was read by Dr. C. W. Coperthwaite of Iowa City. The following officers were selected for the next year: President, E. H. Hedges, vice president, Alice A. Goodrich of Des Moines; secretary, T. P. Hanchette of Council Bluffs; treasurer, George Royal of Des Moines.

Will Meet at Des Moines. DES MOINES, Ia., May 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.] The republican state central committee late last evening selected Des Moines as the place for holding the next republican state convention on June 29. A. B. Huff of Muscatine county was selected for temporary chairman. Senator A. L. Harker of Adair county was chosen permanent chairman. H. A. Jehu of Emmet county was chosen sergeant-at-arms, and J. Fox of Ripon was chosen clerk. G. Brown, E. J. Salmon and J. F. Wall were appointed a committee of arrangements.

Iowa Undertakers. SIOUX CITY, Ia., May 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.] The Iowa State Association of Funeral Directors has selected officers for the ensuing year as follows: President, J. B. Turner of Cedar Rapids; vice president, A. J. Millard of Sioux City; secretary, A. E. Wilbur of Marshalltown; treasurer, J. W. H. Hedges of Des Moines; executive committee, G. R. Beck of Waterloo, S. H. Miller of Webster City, Henry Gray of Hampton. Webster City was selected as the meeting place for next year.

Assaulted by a Tramp. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., May 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.] Miss Cora Snyder was assaulted by a tramp at her home last evening, who would probably have killed her had not her screams attracted the attention of others near by. The assailant who scared the fellow away. He made his escape and has not yet been captured.

Iowa Prohibitionists. DES MOINES, Ia., May 16.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.] The state prohibition convention will be held here next Wednesday to elect eight delegates-at-large to the national convention to be held in Cincinnati June 29 and 30 to nominate a full state ticket and elect a new state central committee.

His Skull Was Fractured. CEDAR RAPIDS, Ia., May 26.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.] A "mercy round" sent by a cowboy while a heavy wind and a ten pole struck Frank McNeon on the head fracturing the skull. The boy cannot live.

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Fellow Citizens: As the chief executive, in the name and on behalf of the generous people of Lincoln, I assume the pleasing duty of welcoming you to the ceremonies of the celebration of the silver anniversary of our history as a state. It is the silver jubilee of the body politic of Nebraska, with the sovereignty of the state. I felicitate you upon the exalted aspect of that sovereignty, resting in the people's will, decreed nothing for the people but by the people, and I take great gratification to myself in extending an impartial welcome to each section and valley, to every corner and city, and to each hamlet represented by the people here.

Thirty-six years ago now in the past, here where you now stand, was found a huge barrier in the way of a state, a state without a landmark, and without an inhabitant but ample for the homes and herds and the harvests of millions. You are the fortunate people; you now have those homes; the herds are yours and you have the harvests. You have gathered here, and have added to these other elements of wealth that lies within the grasp of a Christian people. Science has given up to you the laboratories and the chemical apparatus to add to your wealth and increase your prosperity.

I see before me in the audience some few from the old neighbors of the territorial period; those squatter sovereigns of high rank, now reigning citizens of the state, and in years to come, the sons of our state be what it may, back to you and they who first lifted it out of a savage domain, the heart will always turn with sentiments of gratitude to the pioneers and the property of the first decade was not uniformly equal or continuous. There were seasons of warfare; of hardships and depression. The frontier settler, while he gave thanks on benched knees, rose up before and smote the aborigines; and oftentimes he contended with the plague and the pestilence. But these visitations and vicissitudes gradually passed away, and the state of Nebraska at length emerged from a March, 1857, took her place in congress, as a sovereign state, bearing that symbol of justice, "Equality before the law."

From a population in 1857 of 1,050,000 in 1892, from 139,600 head of domestic animals then to 10,174,000 now; from an assessed value of \$3,000,000 then to one of \$250,000,000 at the present time; from 300 miles of railway twenty-five years ago to 5,500 operated today, is a brief story of industrial development and growth found in the progress of no other state. Five years prior to the first settlement of the territory, but three states in the union had a larger population than that of Nebraska today, and it is safe to hazard the prediction that before the next general census here people will have multiplied tenfold the eyes of the civilized world rest upon this state as a marvel of rapid and enduring growth. And what should be a source of pride to us all is that while our population is found the highest grade of public education and the lowest percentage of illiteracy of any commonwealth in the land.

From Past to Future. Thus, my fellow citizens, by your fortitude and enterprise; by your industry and wisdom, the dust of antique times, the mold of ancient barbarism, the shadows of Indian savagery, have been swept from the face of this fair land. And if it shall be questioned whether, with all this enterprise, and its rich results, we have not been too greedy for gain, ambition to conquer, love of mastery and rule, desire to scheme, and the play of worldly policy, we have not the eyes of the civilized world rest upon this state as a marvel of rapid and enduring growth. And what should be a source of pride to us all is that while our population is found the highest grade of public education and the lowest percentage of illiteracy of any commonwealth in the land.

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