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**AN INDIAN ROMANCE.**

The Loves, Hatreds and Battles of the Noted Chief Blackbird.

Captivated in the Midst of Battle by a Ponca Maiden—Blackbird's Power Over His Own and Other Tribes.

Written for the Bee, NO. V.

My last letter was made to read "they sent out messengers to bring in a party of the Ottos." It should read Mahas, for the Ottos had already met them at "Council Bluffs."

At that time the Mahas, (Omaha) and Pawnees were among the most powerful and most numerous tribes in the western wilds; they were then what the Sioux are now; all the smaller tribes lived in fear of them, and were in constant dread of attacks from them. The Mahas were known far and near as a nation of warriors who claimed they were invincible, but as stated in my last, they were greatly reduced by that terrible scourge, small-pox; their great chief was its victim, as well as more than half the tribe. Their glory had departed.

Blackbird was one of the remarkable characters in Indian history. He was scarcely known to the white race, for he had never been brought into contact with them, and of course, had never been engaged in war against them. Red Jacket, Tecumseh, Black Hawk and other noted warriors were familiar characters in tradition, song and history. They had shown their prowess in wars with the whites, but were compelled to recede before the march of civilization, and finally succumb to the white man's power. But Blackbird was away beyond civilization. The only people he had to fight were other tribes, and his fame as a warrior extended into the region from the Mississippi to the Rocky Mountains. He was a man of extraordinary ability, inflexible will, undaunted courage, and great executive powers. There was something about him that seemed to inspire his people with awe toward him. Had he been an American and been educated, he might have proved a Grant or Sherman in war, or a Zach Chandler or Ben Wade in statesmanship. He was devoted to his own people, but was not to any one who questioned his authority.

In his anger he was fierce and terrible, and like the savage Indian he was, he would have his revenge. One band of the Pawnees once assaulted a Maha brave. The moment Blackbird heard of it, not waiting or sleeping, he marched his warriors against the village of the offending Pawnees, and annihilated it with terrific force, and soon destroyed it, and slew a large number of its inhabitants. Such promptness to inflict merited chastisement for wrongs received by an American citizen would unsettle the nerves of our timid secretaries of state. This rude ruler, savage as he was, had the proper conception of his duty to his subjects, which was to protect them from wrong by others, and to have satisfaction if wrong was inflicted, though he was not directly injured. He was a man of a different order of intelligence in his methods of executing vengeance. Whenever a citizen of the United States is made a victim of oppression and injustice by a foreign power, our secretaries of state must take two or three months to cover the matter and in trying to see in what soft language a letter of inquiry could be framed, for fear of hurting the feelings of the people of the offending nation.

Blackbird was accustomed to perform extraordinary deeds of valor in the presence of his own, and the hostile Indians, and thus to cause them to believe that he was possessed of supernatural powers, or that the great spirit communicated, and shielded him from harm. Once, when he was waging war with the Kawzas, he marched his forces on a night, and the next morning, commanding his warriors to stand still, and urging on his horse, and shouting and whooping, he rode three times around the enemy's forces at the topmost speed, firing at them as he went, then coming up in front, he plunged his steed right through their ranks, bearing down all before him, then circling around in front again, he called to his warriors to follow him. Turning to the enemy, and pointing toward heaven, he shouted almost in a voice of thunder, "See the Great Spirit in the clouds yonder; He is coming." He and his braves charged upon them with such restless fury, and they had been so completely bewildered and astounded by his, seemingly to them, supernatural performance, and by his calling out to them to see the Great Spirit coming from the clouds, that they were filled with terror and fled.

A few years before his death some half-breed Frenchman reached his village, bringing such things as please the Indians, to trade them for pelts, etc. Blackbird was glad to see them and treated them with great kindness; and well he might, for whatever he had was free to him without charge. They made up the loss by charging double prices to the other Indians. The chief was satisfied for his goods cost him nothing. Human nature is about the same the world over, and in all races. One of these French traders, in order still more to ingratiate himself into the favor of the great chief, made known to him the terrible nature of arsenic, and gave him information as to its use; and the chief readily availed himself of it to demonstrate to the tribe the mysterious and more than earthly powers which he claimed to possess, and which they only were too credulous to concede. Pointing to a dog, he told them "that dog would die before we sleep." Before night they saw him die, though nothing was done to him except to feed him with meat. Then, indeed, their chief was more than mortal, for he had given them in their very presence, an exhibition of his psychic powers. Then his authority and sway over his superstitious people, for Indians are always superstitious, was without limit or question. He was as absolute a monarch as the world had ever seen.

Blackbird was a man of fierce and terrible passions when aroused. He was also susceptible to the charms of female beauty, and the tender influences of love. At one time he was at war with the Poncas. They had committed some deprivations upon the Omahas, and he pursued them with all his warriors, and, coming up with them, attacked them with his usual ferocity. The Ponca chief, seeing his band was about to be annihilated, sent a messenger to Blackbird, suing for mercy; but the heart of the savage chieftain was invulnerable, and the messenger was slain. The Poncas had but one hope left of softening the heart

of the man who was fighting them so fiercely, and would soon destroy them. They knew of the relenting influence of the charms of female loveliness upon his hard heart. The Ponca chief had a daughter, famed among all the tribes in that region according to tradition, as possessed of wondrous beauty. It was proposed to send her as the bearer of a message to the Maha. She declared her readiness to go but her father consented to it at the last, with much reluctance, saying, "If he slays her then we will all die here and journey together to the happy hunting grounds." The Poncas ceased from the battle and the brave Indian maiden walked boldly forth towards the fierce warrior of the Omahas. This sudden apparition of the young woman alone upon the field, between the contending forces, astonished the Omahas, and they at once ceased fighting and stood observing the strange spectacle. Blackbird sat upon his horse looking at the girl with stolid indifference as she approached, and banded to him the pipe of peace. He gazed at her for a few moments, took the calumet from her hands, smoked it and declared the battle ended. He demanded the hand of the daughter of the Ponca chief in marriage, who had so successfully reached his heart through her charms, which was of course granted and permanent peace was made between the Omahas and Poncas. The youthful maiden, who thus terminated the struggle between the two nations, and saved the lives of her people, completely captivated the heart of Blackbird, and in time obtained a control over him almost as effectual as that of her husband over his tribe. His rough nature seemed to soften under her gentler influence, and he to grow less warlike in his feelings. There is reason to believe that those Mormons who settled in Council Bluffs and at Florence in 1849 were not the pioneers of the Mormon doctrine and practice of polygamous marriages west of the Missouri river, for tradition has it that this daughter of the Ponca, who so quickly melted the heart of Blackbird, and caused him to surrender to the tender passion, was exalted far above all his other wives, thus showing that he recognized the polygamous feature of the Mormon church.

Notwithstanding the softening influences exerted over him by his favorite wife, he still possessed the same fierce and vindictive passions, and when they were aroused, his fury was uncontrollable. In one of these paroxysms of rage, he suddenly became angry with his favored spouse, and as quickly plunging his knife into her heart, with an agonizing scream, the beautiful Indian woman who had stopped the tide of battle, fell dead before him. The moment he realized what he had done, his anguish was indescribable. Thus it was that the daughter of the Ponca, who so quickly melted the heart of Blackbird, and caused him to surrender to the tender passion, was exalted far above all his other wives, thus showing that he recognized the polygamous feature of the Mormon church.

JOHN M. THAYER, GRAND ISLAND, July 10th.

**A SOLDIER'S WEDDING.**

Captain Inman Wedded to Captain Keizer—Volleys Fired and Kisses Indulged In.

Cleveland Leader July 7. The announcement that the marriage of a couple of prominent members of the Salvation Army would take place last night at the People's Tabernacle, was sufficient to draw out a respectable number of the curious public in spite of the severe rain storm, which prevailed during the entire evening, and some of the time with great violence. Nearly all the chairs on the amphitheater-shaped platform, at the rear end of the building, were occupied by the strangely clad people of both sexes, composing the "army," who spent the early part of the evening in inopportune singing to the accompaniment of a brass quartette and numerous tambourines. Not far from 9 o'clock, Commissioner Smith and Chaplain Jones, of the Floating Bethel, emerged from one of the parlors underneath the rostrum and advanced to the vacant space near the pulpit, followed by Captain Jonas Inman, divisional officer of this section of the country, and Nellie Keizer, who is also connected with this division, who were to be married in the presence of the assembled audience.

After these functionaries had obtained positions on the rostrum the service was resumed, and for more than an hour a programme of considerable interest was presented. Members from the Eighth Corps at McKeesport, Pa., and from Southern and Eastern Ohio related their various experiences while doing service in the army. Several reformed drunkards, gamblers, and a tight rope performer were amongst the number. A collection was taken up in the audience, and late at night the marriage ceremony was performed by Chaplain Jones, assisted by Commissioner Smith. Commissioner Smith repeated the regulation justice court ceremony but Chaplain Jones cemented the ties more closely by repeating a part of a church service. When the last words were pronounced the entire army rose and "fired a volley." The blushing bridegroom clasped his beloved in his arms and oratorical ceremonies followed. Nellie then made a speech, telling how she came to be saved and how all would be saved. Captain Inman followed in a few remarks which were interspersed with countless volleys. Said he, "If Nellie should die before I do, I will give her a soldier's funeral, and she will be worthy of a conqueror." "Don't talk about dying," shrieked Nellie. Some more volleys were fired, the band played at the meeting adjourned.

The ladies at Congress hall, Cape May, have been seized with the knitting craze.

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**A DRUMMER AMONG MORMONS.**

A Bishop Points to a Rifle and Respectably Entertains Him.

Cincinnati Enquirer.

On my arrival at Lehi I was directed, as usual, to the bishop's house for entertainment. Rapping at the door, I was soon confronted by a large, heavily built, broad-shouldered fellow, who asked me, in anything but polite language, what I wanted. I informed him that I desired entertainment for the night.

"Where are you from?" "California, sir." "Where are you going?" "South," I answered. After plying me with a few more questions of a similar nature he invited me in. On entering the house he turned to me and said: "Do you see that rifle up there?"

Looking up to the point indicated I saw one of those long, murderous rifles, commonly called Mississippi rifles, resting snugly upon the rafters of a Rocky Mountain buck. I told him that I saw it, and much admired the artistic manner of hanging it.

"Well, mister, that is our law maker. When anyone comes among us and commits any dirt we do not hesitate for one moment to use it. Now, listen to me. I am the bishop of this settlement. I have two wives and several daughters. Now if you can promise me not to speak, or even look at, any of my women folks, you are welcome to remain over night. Keep your eye on that rifle and mind what I told you. Can you do it?"

It was a mighty hard job, but I first told him that I was at his command, and if it was his honest desire, why, of course I would obey him. At that time he bade me to follow him into an adjoining room, where his wife was assembled. I was dimly conscious that there were several females seated around the fire. He drew up a chair for me, and bade me be seated. Turning to the women, he gave them orders to prepare supper, he himself, taking my orders for what I wished.

All this time I dared not turn my head or look toward any one but the bishop. I knew that his eyes were upon me, and that his two wives and daughters were studying me closely. I was greatly embarrassed, but withal managed to dispose of a hearty supper, at the conclusion of which we again returned to the sitting room. It was by this time quite dark, and his son, a large, athletic fellow, coming in, the bishop told him to entertain me, and, at the proper time, show me to bed. Putting on his overcoat and a fur cap, for we were in the mountains, he gave me a hearty good night, and he was compelled to attend at ward meeting. Before closing the door, he pointed to the rifle over his head, and said: "Remember, young man, what I told you."

It was positively unkind of him to remind me of it, for the confounded old gun was constantly on my mind. I had seen some little of their treacherous work, and had heard much more. I knew what they were capable of doing, and under the circumstances, dared not disobey his warning. The door closed and he was gone. The ladies were seated on my right, the son on my left. To make assurance doubly sure, I turned my back to the ladies, and facing the young man, entered into a conversation with him. One of the ladies got up and went to the door several times. Finally she came up to me, and in a friendly way, as if I was a Mormon, I hardly knew what to do. I had been warned against speaking to, or even looking at, any of the women. Was she trying to draw me into trouble? She certainly knew that I had been forbidden to address her under penalty of death. Yet there she stood, calmly inviting me to my fate. The young man's eyes were upon me. Great beads of perspiration stood out on my forehead.

"Do not fear to speak, young man; he has gone, and will not return before midnight," she said, and at that she laid her hand on my hand.

"It's all right, stranger," said the son. "It's all right; speak up and look around you as much you please, I'll vouch for your safety."

The young man was now broken, and, turning to the old lady, I said that I was not a Mormon.

"Thank God for that!" she said, and then the conversation became general. I was told all about the heartaches and sufferings of the first or original wife; how in almost every case they had been deluded into joining the Mormon faith under false pretences; what shame and mortification had come upon them when they found out that a second or third wife was to be taken into the household. I was rather reticent, and did not express my opinion on the subject as I otherwise would have done. The two daughters were comely and full of life. About ten o'clock they bid me good night and retired. A half hour later I was conducted to my room by the young man.

According to a pair of stairs and entering the room by the right I was somewhat amazed to find myself in the bedchamber of the young ladies who had by this time retired. Their lamps were still burning, and having forgotten all previous warnings, I allowed my eyes to roam at will around the room, and naturally they rested on two dimpled faces beneath snowy caps. As I was enjoying the scene I was brought to a realization of my position by the deep tones of the young man who said:

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