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Edmunds as a Letter Writer.

The charming and elegant epistolary correspondence between Mr. Jas. G. Blaine of Maine, and "My dear Fisher" of the classic city of Boston may be remembered by a few of our readers. The graceful and charming naivette, in the phrases "Burn this letter" and the expressive metaphor of the Speaker of the House of Representatives that he could "cast an anchor to windward" is surely not forgotten by our readers. Who could fail to call to mind the ardent expression of Mr. Blaine in 1884 that every Republican paper in the United States should publish these letters in order to vindicate their candidate? With what wonder then did the people see a candidate with so little influence that ninety-nine one-hundredths of the Republican papers refuse to publish what he regarded as his vindication. It is true the organ of Jay Gould, the New York Tribune, ten weeks after his nomination published what purported to be the Mulligan letters, but this version, for some reason, is not the same as fell from the lips of Blaine, when he read these letters in the House in 1876, and which are to be found in the Congressional Globe. In Lane county only one paper published the letters of Blaine to Fisher. What reason the two Republican papers had for refusing to establish Mr. Blaine's innocence of certain charges, we do not know.

The popularity of these letters with Democratic editors was phenomenal.

In the last few days Senator Edmunds of Vermont has appeared to the public as a commentator on these letters. Although rather enigmatical the utterances of this letter and what it refers to is not difficult to find out. This epistle which was written to a friend is not as rhetorical as Mr. Blaine's, but it will do. Brother Edmunds gives Blaine "good measures, pressed down, shaken together, and running over." This is the letter:

WASHINGTON, April 15, 1885.

Dear Sir: I have your very kind and welcome letter of the 10th, and thank you heartily for it. It is true my position was a trying one; for on reflection I felt that it was better that a Republican ticket should succeed (whatever my personal opinion had been and was concerning a candidate), than that the government should go into the hands of the Democratic party. But I could not under any circumstances or temptations say that I believed something about a candidate that I did not believe; and if I were to make speeches and say that I did not believe as to certain transactions, etc, or was, (so speaking) to refuse to answer questions on these topics, it would be worse for the party than stay at home. I knew therefore that I did the best thing that an honest could do.

The New York World, the leading Republican paper, thus raps Mr. Blaine on the knuckles for showing his resentment to Mr. Edmunds, on the occasion of the funeral of the late ex-President Arthur: "Distinguished men from all parts of the country met yesterday beside Mr. Arthur's bier. President Cleveland walked arm in arm with R. B. Hayes. It was a good place to sink personal feelings and bury animosities, but Mr. Blaine declined to accept the proffered hand of Senator Edmunds, of Vermont. This was one of the most noteworthy episodes of the solemn day.

The price of wool is much higher now than it was three years ago. A reduction of 10 per cent. duty was made on wool in 1883. Under a higher tariff in 1883 than in 1884, 1885 and 1886 the price of wool was lower than since that time. Why does wool sell for more under a low tariff, than under a high tariff? is the very plain question we ask.

Those who are occupied in speculating on the probabilities of the European war now have to consider what order commanding the Russian boats engaged in trafic with the ports on the Danube to sail for Odessa means. It may have the same meaning that the calling out of reserves by Great Britain had. It is probably a "bluff," and will not affect the price of wheat.

The New York Tribune twits a certain Frenchman for attributing the Balkan trouble to English intrigue and adds that "it is also a time-honored Gallic belief that the spots on the sun are the work of of perfidious Albion." Yes, it is almost as funny as attributing the movement for tariff reform in the United States to British gold.

It is a compliment Gov. Moody pays to Gov Pennoyer when he estimates that the incoming governor can conduct the State Government on a tax levy of one half as much as formerly.

It is very curious to note in this country that the men who pay the lowest wages are engaged in the protected industries.

A Disgraceful Occurrence.

The New York World, which we notice our Republican contemporaries are frequently quoting, gives the following account of the snub administered by Blaine to Edmunds.

When Col McMichael escorted Mr. Blaine into the parlor he came within six or seven feet of where Senator Edmunds and Mr. Miller were sitting. McMichael informally introduced Mr. Blaine to the other two gentleman. Both Edmunds and Miller rose to greet Mr. Blaine. Mr. Edmunds advanced towards Blaine and extended his hand. The latter paused, looked the Vermont statesman fair in the eye and turned quickly around and walked across to the rear of the room and took a seat beside a small table upon which were a number of books. Mr. Blaine took a book from the table and began turning the leaves and remained there until McMichael returned to the room and invited him to a seat in the front of the room, near the grate. It was not long after this until Senator Edmunds was taken upstairs to view the corpse. He had not been gone long when Mr. Blaine wished to be shown upstairs where the remains lay, McMichael then went up, and after Senator Edmunds had taken the last look at his dead friend, he was escorted to the library, immediately in the rear of the room. McMichael then sent a messenger downstairs to show Mr. Blaine up. McMichael himself kept guard on the library door to prevent Mr Edmunds from returning to the room during the time Mr. Blaine was at the casket, fearing, he said, that if the two came together again another scene might follow.

The World has an interview with Mr. Frank Hatton, Arthur's Postmaster-General, whose opinion that a funeral is the last place in the world to exhibit one's prejudices, must be the opinion of every moderate man. Mr. Hatton said:

I confess I was surprised at first when I heard of the incident, but it is not out of keeping with Mr. Blaine's character. I had only attributed more virtue to him than he deserved, a mistake Blaine's friends often make. One would naturally suppose that a man while in a house of mourning, although he cared very little for the memory of the dead would have decency enough to show some outward respect for him. But it seems to make no difference to Blaine whether he is at a feast or a funeral—he never loses an opportunity to advertise himself and vent his spleen. Mr. Blaine's whole course since the death of Gen. Arthur has been that of a hypocrite. He waited two days, until every one else had sent their messages of sympathy to the family, before he forwarded his effusive telegram. He invited himself to the funeral, which was proper enough, perhaps, but his experience in the past should have told him that he might meet some people at Mr. Arthur's bier that had not worked for his election to the Presidency. He knew perfectly whom he was likely to meet at Gen. Arthur's house, and if he did not care to meet them he should have remained away. If he had met Mr. Edmunds on the street or at a public reception and refused to speak to him, it would have been another matter; but under the circumstances I think his conduct indefensible from the standpoint of decency."

The Chairman of the Indiana Republican State Committee pays $4 per week for the board of his dog, and gives female employees $1.25 wages per week. Every Democratic paper in Indiana has published this statement, and the Indiana Democratic press we have never found anyway but truthful. Our soft headed friends who think we are weeping over the miserable pittance paid to the workingwomen are mistaken, we are harrowed because the dog has to subsist on the same sum that four girls live on.

It is very strange that Gov. Moody should spend five mills annually during all the years of his administration, and when he is going out should estimate that Gov. Pennoyer needs only 2 and 1-20th mills to conduct state affairs for the next year. There is a consuming curiosity among the people to know what became of the 2 and 19-20th mills difference.

The annual report of the Postmaster General shows among other things that we have three times as many post-offices as any other nation in the world and 125,000,000 more miles of mail transportation annually than any other.

We would like to say with emphasis that the Republican party of New York city needs reforming, instead of its reforming the city government. Still they have built no fish ladders in the nation's metropolis.

Wool sells for more to-day in England than in the United States. The advance in the price of wool there is always followed by a corresponding advance in this country. Why is this so, we would like to know.

The farmers of Lane county pay two cent a bushel extra on their wheat sacks because of a high tariff. They are very rich and can stand it.

The Bell telephone has, of late, become one of the worst monopolies in the country.—Albany (N. Y.) Journal, Republican.

A Backwoods Reformer.

Colfax Commoner.

Up in Beef Gap, Idaho, there is a new city marshal. He was "Onion Bill" before the election, but now they call him "Chief," and add respectfully his last name, Birdell. Here is a copy of a circular he posted in prominent places in the town and its outskirts. It has a good effect.

NOTICE!

This is to inform the citizens of Beef Gap and strangers sojourning therein, that on and after this date, Monday, October 20, 1886, it will be unlawful for anybody in this town to carouse! cuss! or whoop! On and after this date, also, there will be no more compelling men to drink when they don't feel like it! no more shooting of plug hats; no more short card games of chance; no more drinking of whisky out of bottles when the bars are open; no more noisy deviltry; any man riding or driving a horse into a public bar will be shot; any man or men compelling another man to dance will be shot; any man raking down the pot at poker without the cards up will be shot dead. Tramps, the tinhorn gamblers, back door lunchers, horse thieves, three-card men, swill pail scrapers and coffin paint demolishers are warned away from Beef Gap. It is the new determination to usher in an era of reform, and all good citizens will array themselves on the side of the law. All others will be turned over to the coroner.

BILL BIRDELL, Chief.

By the Mayor.

Superintendents W. C. T. U.

At a recent meeting of the W C T U the following named persons were elected Superintendents for the various departments to-wit:

Mrs Ina C Condon—Juvenile Work.
Mrs M C Wilson—Evangelistic.
Mrs J J Walton—Health and Hered'tary.
Mrs Sutherland—Scientific Instruction.
Miss Mary Spencer—Sunday School Work.
Mrs C J Condon—Higher Education.
Mrs E Hovey—Temperance Literature.
Mrs Skinner—Impure Literature.
Mrs S A Collier—Narcotics.
Mrs W M Geary—Bible Work.
Mrs Julia B McKinley—Social Purity.
Mrs Wm Pengra—County Fair Work.
Mrs S D Holt—Agt Union Signal.

Notice for Publication.

LAND OFFICE AT ROSEBURG, OR., October, 30th, 1886.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the following named settler has filed notice of her intention to make final proof in support of her claim, and that said proof will be made before the Clerk of the County Court of Lane County, Or, at Eugene City, Oregon, on Saturday, December 11, 1886, viz: Jean Morgan, Pre-emption D S No 5573, for the S W ¼ of N W ¼, and lots No 1 and 2, Sec 15, and lots No 1 and 2 Sec 22, Tp 18 S, R 12 West W M.

She names the following witnesses to prove her continuous residence upon, and cultivation of said land, viz: Chas F Cox, Miss Lilly Cox, of Acme, Lane County, Oregon; A Hurd, S W Foster, of Florence, Lane County, Oregon.

CHAS. W. JOHNSTON, Register.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned, G R Chrisman, W S Chrisman and N P Chrisman have been by the County Court of Lane County, Oregon, duly appointed administrators of the estate of C E Chrisman deceased and all persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present the same duly verified to said administrators at the law office of Bilyeu & Collier, over First National Bank in Eugene City, Oregon, within six months from the date of this notice.

Dated October 16th, 1886.

G. R. CHRISMAN,
W. S. CHRISMAN,
N. P. CHRISMAN,
Administrators.

L. BILYEU AND W. R BILYEU, Attorneys.

FINAL SETTLEMENT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undesigned administrator (with will annexed) of the estate of Andrew J Doak deceased, has filed his account for final settlement in the above named estate, in the County Court of Lane County, Oregon, and Monday, the 3d day of January, 1887, at the hour of 1 o'clock in the afternoon of said day has been set for the hearing of objections and the settlement of said estate.

THURSTON M. DOAK, Administrator.
BILYEU & COLLIER, Attorneys.

Notice to Creditors.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT J W Cherry was appointed administrator of the estate of Fred Dudley, deceased, by the County Court of Lane County, Oregon. All persons having claims against the said estate will please present the same to the said administrator, at his place of business, in Eugene City Oregon, within six months from the date hereof.

Dated October 23, 1886.

J. W. CHERRY, Administrator.
J. J. WALTON, Atty.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned has been appointed Administratrix of the estate of James Storment, deceased; and all persons holding claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same to her at her residence within six months from this date.

October 18, 1886.

AMANDA STORMENT,
Administratrix.

JOSHUA J WALTON, Att'y for Estate.

FINAL SETTLEMENT.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the undersigned, Executor of the estate of John Grubbs, deceased, has filed his account for final settlement in the County Court of Lane County, and that the 1st Monday in January, 1887, has been set for final hearing of the same.

October 23, 1886. F. H. GRUBBS,
JOSHUA J. WALTON, Att'y. Executor.