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BLAINE ON THE "MORMON QUESTION."

"RELIGIOUS liberty is the right of every citizen in the Republic. Congress is forbidgen by the Constitution to make any law respecting the establishas the foundation of all civil government and as the source of or-derly administration, and as a guaran-tee of moral purity. The claim of the Mormons that they are divinely au-thorized to practice polygamy, should no more be admitted than the claim of certain heathen tribes, if they should come among us, to continue the rite of human sacrifices. The law does not interfore with what a man helieves: it interfere with what a man believes; it takes cognizance of what he does as a citizen. The Mormons are entitled to Blaine or is mode familiar to his citizen. The Mormons are entitled to the same civil-rights as others, and to this they must be confined. Polygamy can never receive National sanction or toleration by admitting the commun-ity, that upholds it, as a State in the Un-ion. Like others the Mormons must learn that the liberty of the individual coases where the rights of society be-gin."

Republican nomination for Presi- liberty. Mr. Blaine does not consider In his letter of acceptance of the dent of the United States, Mrustha matter from that standpoint. But James G. Blaine inserts the para- before one can rationally censure any graph which we have given above. It contains nothing new on the the law, he must examine the law to "Mormon" question but simply see if it is prohibitory of "the free exexpresses the views of the party which has chosen him as its representative. The failacles it contains have been exposed many times, but since the gentleman has seen fit to repeat them as to be required, much less made the though they were indisputable axioms. plea for the oppression of an unorthoand to publish them to the country, it dox body, or the pretext of politicians will be in order for us to throw a little light on them once more.

Nobody disputes the statement that "religious liberty is the right of every citizen of this republic." The only point of dispute that can be interposed is as to how far this liberty may be properly extended. Mr. Blaine adopts

human life and consequently of a natural right. Plural marriage is the very opposite of this, for it is promotive of human life. If "Mormon" polygamy justified force or the stealing of one man's wife by another; it would properly come under the [ban of secular law to that extent. But while it inerferes with no man's rights and no woman's rights, and is regulated byand consequent upon a religious belief and establishment, it is beyond the constitutional sphere of congressional enactment.

Mr. Blaine says that "a religious sect," alluding to the "Mormon"

sect," alluding to the "Mormon" Church, "claims the right to destroy the great safeguard and monument of social order." This is untrue. That Church makes no such claim. It makes no such attempt. Its object, in its marriage regulations, is to strengthen and build higher "the safeguard and monument of social order." It aims to marry all the marriageable woman and leave no "surplus" as a, prey to lust and as an element of social disor-der. The system has been "an estabno such attempt. Its object, in its mariage regulations, is to strengthen and build higher "the safeguard and monument of social order." It aims ic, Jew and Gentilc, have worshipped God according to the dictates of con-science, but religions liberty must not be permitted to the justification of of-fences against the law. A religious sect strongly intreached in one of the Territories, claims the right to destroy the great asfeguard and monument of social or religion" long enough to they enalt to practice as a religious pri-vilege that which is a crime punishable with severe penalty in the other States of the Union. The sacredness and unity of the family" must be preserved as the foundation of all civil government and as the source of or-

justify encroachments upon religious

eratic religious action as an offense against ercise of religion." If it be found that a law is of that character, then an infraction of that law is not a crime, and the enforcement of the law ought not to pander to the projudice of an unre-

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flecting multitude. The "Mormons" have long since learned the lesson which Mr. Blaine assumes they have not studied, that the liberty of the individual ceases where the rights of society begin. There are no people who exhibit more the narrow view and copies the con- respect to the rights of society than mother was a Romanist. It tried hard to pit race against race and published bogus letters to this effect. It publishes one from a mythical Mr. O'Connor, of Sholto Street, ridiculing German's. A German replied and the war was likely to commence when the newstracted definition that religious lib-erty only extends to "what a man be-lieves." That is to say he is protected in his belief, by the Constitution, but viduals a little more. We have the right to our faith and the free ex-ercise of our religion so long as we do not interfere with the rights of other people. Under Mr. Blaine's own re-marks we are entitled to our "civil rights the same as others." But the party which he represents has been trying, particularly of late, to deprive us of our civil as well as religious rights. And this, mark it, spart from our practice of plural marriage against which it professes so much hypocriti-cal repugnance. It has sought to punish marriage is a divine institution and not interfere with the rights of other that-men are justified under certain people. Under Mr. Blaine's own reany other part of his religion, but if he trying, particularly of late, to deprive which it professes so much hypocriti-cal repugnance. It has sought to punish men and women because they are members of the "Mormon" Church, to take away to civil rights of "Mormons" who do not practice plurality of wives. To put the "Mormons," the monoga-mous majority as well as the polyga-mous majority as well as the polyga-mous minority, all and equally under the heels of an oligarchy and give them over, bound hand and foot, to an anti-republican power of local govern-ment worse than any monarchial form known to modern civilization. If Mr. Blaine should reach the goal of his great ambition it is to be expected that he will see to it that the "Mormons," in common with all other, citizens will be protected in their civil rights if his notions of religious liberty are not as broad as they appear to be in his letter accepting the Republican nomination. **OUR CHICAGO LETTER.** OUR CORRESPONDENT TURNS HIS freedom which is the boast of the the heels of an oligarchy and give ridiculous of shams. For, it is liberty anti-republican power of local governlief. That which appears correct to in common with all other, citizens will him he will believe in spite of all re- be protected in their civil rights if his

tin, a Hampton, a Dougherty Yoorhees, besides a host of ot and a they were slow in there is not due-tenth as much water that can be employed for irrigation purposes as in Colorado. In this re-spect the Gentules have an enormous advantage over the Saints, and yet with their very scanty water supply the Mormons manage to support in com-fort 150,000 people, and the population is still rapidly increasing. Just when it, will overtake the limits of subsis-tence in Utah cannot yet be stated." These are the 150,000 people whom Mr. Medill's long headed editor wants ex-terminated. Disfranchisement and and in statesmanship a, can tolerate such and irany and Irving, organizations without many and Irving, organizations without geographical identity or party, respon-sibility. It is to be hoped the Demo-cracy of New York will set to work and remedy this state of things. If John Kelly, or Irving Hall, or the Democratic phalanx want representa-tion in future conventions let them come as the accredited delegates of some organized geographical entity. The disgraceful spectacle should not be repeated of a man posing as the champion of labor, as the representa-tive of a gallant but misguided race, and making capital out of mistakes made by the party he pretends to esated. Disfrance petty persecution is not enough, he wants their hides too. What consi-deration for 150,000 comfortable people. During the last few weeks a host of MUSQUITOES, SCORPIONS AND BUZ-ZARDS *

have appeared clammoring about Utah. Among the musquitoes are Kate Field, Whiskerando Murray, the Utah. Among the musquitoes are Kate Field, Whiskerando Murray, the authoress of "Salt Lake Fruit," and a number of others whom a box of in-sect powder can annihilate. The scorpions are more formidable. They are the political hacks, newspapers, preachers, tramp lecturers, and they are legnou. They want blood, and blood they will have perhaps before they are awave of it. The buzzard is more dignified and feasts more com-placently on his carriou than the smaller fry. The Andover Revise, the Chicago Advance and a number of such heavy monthlies come under the buzzard class. They must have car-rion. Well, we can accommodate all. With insect powder we annihilate the mosquitoes, then the scorpions can have the blood, for our mosquitoes have blood, red blood but white livers, then the buzzards can have the car-rion, for our mosquitoes are fatted officials. This will suit all round, and next week we will have a talk with the buzzards. JUNIUS. MEN OF WORTH AND INTELLECT. In the party must assert themselves in guiding the primary and local organi-zations of the democracy. A con-vention can deliberate just as well without party clubs, personal follow-ings and factions for booming pur-poses. These look well on the street, but in the council chamber they pro-duce strife, inclination and conten-

Skull Fractured-A friend writes from Farmington under date of July ince strife, factionalism and contention. Let the party be fairly repre-sented at the National and State Con-ventions, and democracy with its broad principles of personal rights, popular liberties and patriotic im-pulses will never die. What a calami-ty it would be it men like Bayard and 20th, mentioning a serious accident which occurred there Saturday night between 7 and 8 o'clock. John Clawson, youngest son of George W. Clawson, was thrown from a horse. The next morning Dr. W. B. Parkinson, of Thurman were kept out of the admin-istration of national affairs by the mendacity or meretriciousness of such a miscrable organization as Tammany Coalville, who chanced to be there was called to see him and found the skull fractured on the right side near the base of the skull. The father de-The republican party hack organs affect great indignance at the demoeided to send for Drs. Ingraham, of Kaysville and Allen, of Ogden, who on arriving trephined the skull. The patient, is doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances.

The Chicago Tribune, John Kelly's paper, has an editorial that must have been dictated by a very long head, in fact a head as long as a donkey's. This facta head as long as a donkey's. This paper is also a Blaine and Logan organ, and if nothing else were at hand to con-domn them than the advocacy of this paper that alone would be sufficient. What John Kelly is to the Democracy, the Tribune is to the republicans. In 1850 this paper abused Blaine as only the proverbial fishwoman can abuse, in 1854 it holds him up as all that is pure and immaculate in American pol-itics. For the last quarter of a century AMATEUR THEATRICALS! THE VERDI CLUB Respectfully announce the performance, on the evenings of Tuesday and Wednesday, JULY 22ND and 23RD, itics. For the last quarter of a centur it has abused the irish citizens; and persistently advocated their disfran-chisement in this city, turning over the government of Chicago to a State Commission, now it bids for the Irish vote on the ground that Blaine's grand-mother was a Romanist. It tried hard At the Twelfth Ward Schoolhouse Of their own Musical Comedy, AUNTY WHIFFLES - AND THE -

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not in his actions based upon that belief. If his religion teaches him that conditions and restrictions in marrying more wives than one, he is guaranteed the liberty to believe that part or carries this belief into exercise he will not be protected in it, but may be punished for it by secular law.

This would open the way for the in-troduction of the worst formsof bigotry and intolerance. It would permit interferance withj any religious practice that the majority or that influential persons might see fit to denounce as To put the "Mormons," the monogaagainst the interests of society. It mous majority as well as the polygawould make the guaranty of religious mous minority, all and equally under American people one of the most them over, bound hand and foot, to an of action which needs to be protected. Freedom of belief needs no aid from known to modern civilization. If Mr. law. It is independent, of itself. You Blaine should reach the goal of his cannot chain a man's thoughts. You great ambition it is to be expected that cannot bend or break or limit his bestrictions, sometimes in spite of himself. A constitutional guaranty of broad as they appear to be in his letter freedom of belief would be a work of supererogation. "Thank you for nothing," would be the sentiment of every eltizen on reading it. The, First Amendment to the Constitution makes

dom is less than a shade; It is worth nothing because it is nothing.

In pursuance of his insubstantial notion, he agrees that "Mormon" polygamy should no more be tolerated than human sacrifice. He might just as logically have argued that baptism by immersion should no more be tolerated than widow burning, because both are claimed to be religious ordinances and both are against the opinious and customs of the majority in this land. His reasoning, to be worth anything, to prove anything, requires the establishment of a parallel between the two institutions which he tries to dispose of together in one sentence. If there was any likeness between numan sacrifice and plural

manie Mr. Blaine might have some ground for linking them together. But there is none. There would be more semblance of comparison between the cellbacy of nuns and the Suttee, than etween the customs that he brings together. But Catholic cellbacy is not under the popular ban as is "Mor-mon" polygamy, and the gentleman a mere co not under the popular ban as is "Mor-mon" polygamy, and the gentleman being after votes would not like to wex the Catholic citizen hor allenate Irish ballots. To link together as

Amendment to the Constitution makers no such mockery of freedom or pre-tense of protection. It is the "free exercise" of religion which is there upheld; and Congress is for-bidden to pass any law which would interfere with R. "Religion" and its "free exercise" are trated of in the belief is not touched upon or alladed to in that sacred instrument. He who would limit religious liberty to the simple right to believe as people choose, is a foe to the freedom speci-fied in the Constitution, and which alone is worth anything. He exalts an imaginary shadow and tramples upon the real substance. Mr. Blaine's theory of constitutional religious free-dom is less than a shade; it is worth auther is convention word, but and mere theory of constitutional religious free-dom is less than a shade; it is worth what democrats would saffer, from

heat during convention week, but the weather clerk was wiser. How these republicans suffer for the lils of others is something truly affecting. And their concern for the comfort and wei-fare of democrats is really philanthro-pic. The convention was a success in pic. The convention was a success in every sense of the word. Its harmony may have been marred considerably by the action of Tammany hall, but then where there is grandeur there too is meanness, and where there is sublimity sometimes the ridiculous is quite contiguous. But the party and the Nation will learn from John Kelly's action. The old Greeks made slaves drunk to show the children the enormity of the vice of drunkenness. So we have the John Kelly's to show the enormity of rascality and prostitution. trasting the In co

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