

Barnes-Duncan Divorce_Plain Dealer (Cleveland OH) 3 Dec 1887

Sensational Divorce Case at Millersburg.

MILLERSBURG, O., Dec. 2.—[Special.]—This city is all agog over the double divorce proceedings between Dr. E. P. Barnes and his wife, Hattie Barnes. It has been fancied for some time that the couple were living at loggerheads, and recently the doctor took his departure for Darke county, where he instituted proceedings for divorce from his wife, alleging that her whereabouts were unknown to him. Mrs. Barnes was accused in his petition of some very improper relations with a young man of this city, and the husband also alleges that she has attempted to poison him. Other charges of a serious nature are also made. The lady got wind of the petition for divorce and has filed a counter-petition in which she accuses her husband of several acts of infidelity and charges him with gross neglect of duty. The case is exciting much comment, because of the high standing of the parties. Dr. Barnes' first wife obtained a divorce from him some years ago, and the circumstances did not reflect much credit on the doctor.