FAIR PLAY.

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CURRENT TOPICS.

The News in Brief.

H. SIDNEY EVERETT, first Secretary of the American Legation in Berlin, has resigned.

THE condition of affairs in the cholera-stricken regions of Europe continues to improve.

F. B. HAYES, the Republican nominee for Congress in the Fifth Massachusetts District, died on the 20th.

THE Chinese have destroyed the Catholic chapels in the Province of Canton, and six thousand Christians are rendered homeless.

MR. J. I. CASE wants to match Phallas against any stallion in the country, to trot in October, on the course that may be decided upon.

A BAND of Mexicans crossed the Rio Grande at Presidio Del Norte on the 20th, killed three Mexicans and quickly returned into Mexico.

CHAS. H. WATERMAN, of New York, accepts the nomination for Vice-President by the American Political Alliance, and will make an extended canvass.

CAPTAIN W. L. ELLSWORTH, of Boston, has accepted the nomination for President from the American Political Alliance, and proposes to stump several States.

D. S. BENNETT, the Republican nominee of the First Assembly District of Pennsylvania and a member of the Governor's staff, died on the 16th at Wilkesbarre, Pa.

DURING the twenty-four hours ended the evening of the 16th there were 621 new cases of cholera reported in Italy and 219 deaths. The mortality in Naples was 167.

LIEUTENANT HURBARD of the British war ship Zephyr, wounded when the ship was fired on through mistake by the Chinese at the Kin Pai forts, died on the 16th.

THE President has appointed Harry Kislingbury, the son of the Late Lieutenant Kislingbury, of the Greeley party, to be a cadet-at-large at the Naval Academy at Annapolis.

TEN families were made homeless by a fire on the 21st, at Ashbury Park, N. J. During the fire a panic occurred at a Salvation Army meeting and many women were injured.

REV. DR. S. F. SMITH, known to fame as the author of the words of the National hymn "America," celebrated his golden wedding at New Center, Mass., the evening of the 16th.

THE failures throughout the country for the seven days, ended the 19th, numbered for the United States, 195; Canada, 23; total, 218, as compared with a total of 229 for the preceding week.

THE completion of the Arlberg Tunnel through the Rhaetica Mountains, establishing railway communication between Austria and Switzerland, was celebrated in royal style on the 20th.

THE United States training ship Jamestown went ashore in Gardiner's Bay on the 18th. Assistance was sent for, and the steamer Yantic of the North Atlantic Squadron, was dispatched to her aid.

MESSENGERS arrived at Cairo on the 20th bringing word that General Gordon had vanquished numerous tribes and their chiefs were begging for mercy. Many tribes have come in and laid down their arms.

CLEVELAND was visited by another fire on the 21st in the same locality, but on a smaller scale than the conflagration of two weeks previously. Circumstances connected with the fire lead to the belief that it was the work of incendiaries.

SURGEON-GENERAL HAMILTON, of the Marine Hospital Service, thinks that under existing quarantine conditions, which will be maintained indefinitely, all danger of yellow fever or cholera epidemic in this country has passed away.

IN the Blaine-*Sentinel* libel suit at Indianapolis attorneys for the plaintiff filed answers on the 20th to the interrogatories filed by defendant. Mr. Blaine says S. L. Blaine and Sarah Stanwood were witnesses to his "secret marriage" in Kentucky.

SECRETARY TELLER, at the request of the President, has written to Indian Commissioner Price urging him to reconsider his determination to resign his position. Mr. Price has decided to accede to the request, and will remain at his post in the Indian office.

A WARRANT was issued at the Treasury Department on the 18th for $166,666 in favor of the directors of the New Orleans Cotton Exposition, it being the second installment under the law loaning the Exposition one million dollars. The first installment was $333,333.

STATE Department officials say that the reported dispute about the Mexican boundary line can not lead to serious trouble. The stones marking the boundary have been destroyed at some points and will be replaced, and the boundary re-established without trouble or dispute.

ON the morning of the 19th the residence of John Bylow, East Toledo, O., was burned to the ground. His daughter, aged four, was burned to death. The mother and babe made a narrow escape with their lives. The mother was slightly burned, and the babe severely.

GEORGE W. BUCHANAN, an old pioneer of Washington Territory, died on the 20th at Chehalis at the advanced age of ninety years. He went to the Pacific Coast over thirty years ago. Buchanan was captain of the company that attacked and killed the Mormon Apostle Joseph Smith, at Carthage, Ill., in June, 1844. He also took a very active part in the Black Hawk War.

A TRAIN on the Indiana, Bloomington & Western Road was thrown from the track near Farmer City, Ill., on the 17th, and a number of people were severely injured. In one of the cars that rolled down the embankment was Hon. Thomas A. Hendricks, but fortunately he received only a few slight bruises. Mr. Shoemaker of the Indianapolis *Sentinel* was among the injured.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

RICHARD A. FLYNN, a twelve-year-old boy of Worcester, Mass., shot and killed Eddy Sheridan, same age, with a pistol on the 18th. He did not know it was loaded.

THE stability of a number of leading Liverpool firms is questioned, owing to the low prices of cotton, corn, provisions and sugar.

HENRY M. STANLEY, the African explorer, delivered a lecture in London on the 18th upon the Congo country.

HENRY IRVING and Ellen Terry sailed for Montreal on the 18th.

APPLICATION was made on the 18th for the appointment of a receiver for the Bankers' & Merchants' Telegraph Company.

PETER CLARK, a Marshal at Albany, N. Y., went to the house of John A. Hearn to serve papers on the 18th, when Mrs. Hearn threw him over a railing, which caused his death.

THE New Jersey Convention of the National Labor party was held at Newark on the 18th, and Butler was indorsed.

THE Illinois State Board of Agriculture has issued a call for a National Convention of those interested in the breeding and management of the various classes of stock, to be held at Chicago, November 13, 1884.

AN American schooner was seized at Vladivostok, Russia, recently, for having contraband goods on board; and an English schooner was also seized for illegal hunting.

THE Secretary of the Interior has rendered an important decision in reference to lands within the granted limits of the Northern Pacific Railroad released from reservation from the Indians.

THE new education bill in Belgium causes great dissatisfaction. A multitude gathered in front of the royal palace on the 18th, hooted at the king and shouted "Vive la Republique."

THE attorneys for the Indianapolis *Sentinel* filed a bill of discovery in the Blaine libel suit on the 18th. It is now claimed that all the paper stated was true, and that they want an order issued at once for the presence of the plaintiff before the court to answer the questions filed a few weeks since; and if that is not done they ask that further proceedings be perpetually stayed.

THE steamer Kansas, at Boston from Liverpool, reports that on September 14th, in latitude 47.37, longitude 49.39, she passed three large patches of floating ice, and on the same day, in latitude 46.33, longitude 52.4', she passed two large icebergs about 100 feet high.

CAPTAIN SIMPSON, the yellow fever patient, died at quarantine hospital, Gallopes Island, near Boston, on the 18th.

TEN deaths from cholera occurred on the 18th in the Department of Pyrenees Orientales, and ten at Marseilles.

JOHN BIGEN, of Kellogg, Ia., was murdered at Lake Mills the night of the 18th by his traveling companion, whose name is not known. The murderer escaped on horseback. The murder was committed with a spade. The two men had been employed as laborers on a new railroad, and quarreled while en route for Minnesota.

THE annual meeting of the United Presbyterian Synod was held in New York on the 19th.

FOREST fires were reported spreading in Michigan on the 19th.

A FUGITIVE from Dongola states that General Stewart has sacked and burned Berber.

GENERAL WOLSELEY is preparing to begin the ascent of the Nile October 15th.

ISAAC JACOBSON, who murdered George Beidell, his employer, was hanged at Chicago on the 19th.

WHILE feeding hogs on the 12th, Gid Henderson, a farmer near Hopkinsville, Ky., was assassinated.

IT is again reported that China wants to settle peaceably her little affair with France.

BREEDERS of fine cattle in the Blue Grass region of Kentucky are alarmed over pleuro-pneumonia.

AT Newbern, Tenn., on the 19th, an unknown man deliberately laid his head on the railroad track and allowed a train to cut it off.

DURING the twenty-four hours ended the evening of the 19th, there were 283 deaths from cholera at Naples and 437 fresh cases.

GENERAL GRANT and Blaine had a conference in New York on the 19th.

THE Austrian Consul at Khartoum has not been heard of since last April. It is thought he was killed.

SENATOR PENDLETON, of Ohio, is recovering from a severe siege of sickness.

RINDSKOFF BROS. & Co., clothing merchants, New York, made an assignment on the 19th. Liabilities reported at $900,000. The assets are in round numbers about $1,000,000.

PRIDDY, the Pittsburg oarsman, is almost paralyzed in the arms, and a report has been started that he was tampered with before his recent race with Norris the Bostonian.

GOVERNOR CHITTENDEN of Missouri has appointed Mr. S. D. Barlow, of the Iron Mountain Railway, agent of the State to make selections of and obtain patents for certain lands granted by Congress, July 28, 1866.

THE latest name proposed as the successor to the late Judge Folger is Thomas Hillhouse, of New York, President of a Trust Company. Gresham has declined, and it is said Morton will not get the appointment.

WIVES and sisters of the striking miners around Coal Centre, Pa., have organized a "tin-pan brigade," and propose to serenade the non-Union men every morning until they quit work.

A DISTINCT earthquake shock was felt on the 19th at Detroit and other points in Michigan; at Toledo, Cleveland, Cincinnati and various parts of Ohio, and also in many parts of Indiana and Kentucky. In some towns buildings were almost shaken down, and the greatest excitement followed.

THE Agricultural Bureau sends out a report in reference to "wheat in India," and endeavors to show that that country has no advantage over America.

DETECTIVES claim that they have discovered "Mollie Maguire" organizations in the coal and iron districts of Pennsylvania. A Hungarian miner was horribly murdered recently and hung up. The feeling against the Hungarians is intense.

UNITED STATES MINISTER FOSTER had a three hours' conference on the 19th with the Under Secretary of Foreign Affairs in Madrid, presumably upon the subject of the proposed commercial treaty between Spain and the United States.

JOHN LANGE, of Dubuque, Ia., shot his wife through the head on the 20th, and then killed himself.

GENERAL SCALES, the Democratic candidate for Governor of North Carolina, while crossing Cowee Mountain on the 19th, was thrown down a precipice by the upsetting of his buggy. The General caught in a tree, which saved his life, but the buggy was smashed to pieces and his horse killed.

MILTON, Ind., was almost totally destroyed by fire the night of the 18th. The Opera-house, drug-store, hotel, business houses, in fact, almost everything except the Wayne Agricultural Works was consumed.

IT is understood that the Porte has addressed a note to the powers protesting against England's action in regard to the Egyptian debt.

AT a political demonstration at Utica Ind., the night of the 18th Melvin Swartz, unmarried, was shot and killed by a bystander named James Clark. Swartz was taking part in the parade. No cause is assigned for the murder.

SIXTEEN frame residences and stores burned at Berlin, Wis., on the 19th. An hour after the flames broke out the buildings were consumed. It was feared the whole town would burn. All the inhabitants were out fighting the fire.

COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS DUDLEY has resigned to go into the banking business.

DR. WOLF, of Zurich, Austria, has discovered a comet.

BISMARCK is going to pay a visit to the Prince of Wales.

ROBBERS gagged a widow named Galt at Heath, Mass., on the night of the 20th and obtained a large sum of money.

THE French have destroyed the Chinese police junks in Min River.

CAPTAIN JAMES B. EADS arrived in New York from Europe on the 21st.

RUSSIA has concluded a treaty of commerce with Corea.

THE Anarchist murderer, Kammerer, was hanged at Vienna on the 20th.

THE 100-mile race at St. Louis, Mo., on the 21st, between C. H. Anderson, champion long-distance rider, and three Broadway mile drivers, was won by the latter by nearly three miles.

THE loss by the burning of the Grand Trunk shops at London, Ontario, on the 21st, is placed at half a million dollars. Five hundred men are thrown out of work.

BY the explosion of a boiler Emerson & Calendar's mill at Vincennes, Ind., was destroyed on the 22d, and one man was fatally injured.

THE Pope has granted $200,000 for the establishment of a hospital at Rome.

A MONSTER meeting in favor of the franchise bill was held at Dundee, Scotland, on the 20th.

THEODORE DWYER was killed by James Peterson in a saloon at Butler, Pa., on the 21st.

AN Irish Nationalist demonstration at Castle Moilan resulted in a riot in which many heads were broken.

A BOMB with lighted match was found at the door of a crowded synagogue in Pesth just in time to prevent terrible loss of life.

THE reported reorganization of the anthracite coal combination is denied.

AT a meeting of the National League in Dublin resolutions were adopted in favor of Irish independence and peasant proprietary.

ISAAC L. LANG, Grand Secretary of the Independent Order of Chosen Friends, of California, being $6,000 short in his accounts, swallowed a vial of laudanum on the 20th, and at last account was at death's door.

HENRY MARTIN, fifteen years old, of Youngstown, O., while running with an open knife in his hand on the night of the 20th, stumbled and fell. The blade penetrated his heart, causing instant death. Surgeons were called, and upon examination it was found the heart was nearly cut in two.

CONDENSED TELEGRAMS.

CAPTAIN W. P. CLARK, of General Sherman's staff, died at Washington, D. C., on the 22d.

THE report of the collapse of the siege at Khartoum is officially confirmed.

TAILORS of Davenport, Ia., and Rock Island and Moline, Ill., all left their benches on the 22d and went out on a strike.

A PANIC prevails at Shanghai in consequence of the Franco-Chinese difficulty.

RECEIPTS of wheat at Minneapolis on the 22d were over 300,000 bushels, the largest this season.

IT is reported that El Mahdi will increase his fighting forces in front of Khartoum.

JAMES GORDON BENNETT, of the New York *Herald*, was badly shaken up in a railroad accident near San Francisco, Cal., on the 22d.

GENERAL WOLSELEY telegraphed the British War Office on the 22d to stop sending troops to Egypt for the present.

HON. HARRY CLAY, of Kentucky, grandson of the illustrious Henry Clay, died from the wounds inflicted by Councilman Wepler of Louisville.

THE Chinese have blocked the mouth of the Woo Sung River, but have left a passage for neutral ships.

ONE of the finest business blocks in Portland, Ore., was destroyed by fire on the 22d. Eureka, Nev., was also visited by a disastrous conflagration.

THE owner of Maxey Cobb is willing to trot his horse against Phallas.

EDWARD CLAYTON, of Wheeling, W. Va., defeated Priddy, of Pittsburgh, in a three-mile scull race for $1,000 a side on the 22d.

DURING twenty-four hours ended the evening of the 22d, there were 149 fresh cases of cholera at Naples, and 226 deaths. In the province of Naples the condition of affairs was almost as serious.

OWNERS of Jersey cattle in Kentucky, infected with pleuro-pneumonia, have agreed to kill the stock if the Breeders' Association would reimburse them for the loss.

THE Assistant Adjutant-General of the Grand Army of the Republic has called the attention of the organization to an article in the rules which prohibits the organization being used for partisan purposes.

SADIE ROBINSON, a twelve-year-old girl of Farmingham, Mass., packed a valise with $60,000 worth of diamonds and negotiable bonds belonging to her mother and prepared to elope, but was arrested at Boston, on the 22d.

THE price of corn on the 22d was five cents higher at Chicago than was paid for No. 2 spring wheat—one of the features of modern markets when corners are constantly being made. The "squeeze" is one of the tightest in the history of speculation.

THE BLAINE-SENTINEL LIBEL SUIT.

The Interrogatories Recently Propounded by Counsel For the Defendant Categorically Answered by Mr. Blaine and Subscribed to Under Oath.

INDIANAPOLIS, IND., September 21.

Mr. Blaine's attorneys Saturday filed answer to the interrogatories of the *Sentinel*, which were filed September 5. These interrogatories were as follows:

1. What was the maiden name of your wife?

2. When and where did you make her acquaintance?

3. State whether you ever lived in the State of Kentucky. If so, in what employment you were there employed, and at what place and at what time you were so employed.

4. State whether the person whom you afterwards married lived in Kentucky at that time and in what employment she was engaged, and at what place she was so engaged.

6. State when you finally left Kentucky; if you at any time resided there; where you went therefrom; where you went therefrom; where you were next employed, and in what business or calling.

6. If you answer that the maiden name of your wife was Harriet Stanwood, state when she finally left Kentucky; where she went; with whom, and when and where you next met her.

7. When and where were you married?

8. Were you not married some time in the month of March, 1851?

9. Give date and place of your marriage and the names of the persons, besides yourself and wife, who were present on that occasion.

10. What acquaintance had you with Jacob Stanwood?

11. What relation, if any, was he to the person you married; and what conversation or interview did you have with him before said marriage concerning the same, and where did such interview, if any, occur, and what was said and done thereon?

12. Was not the first child of said marriage born on the 15th day of June, 1851?

13. What was the name? How long did it live, and with whom?

14. When did said child die? Where was it buried and if any cemetery, give the name of the cemetery?

15. Was any tombstone or monument erected at the grave of said child? Give date of its birth, and by whose direction was such tombstone erected.

16. Was there any inscription on said tombstone at the time of its erection, or shortly thereafter? If so, give said inscription in words and figures as the same was originally graven on said tombstone.

17. Did not said tombstone bear the following inscription relative to the birth of said child: "Stanwood Blaine, born June 15, 1851?"

18. Has any portion of said inscription said tombstone been erased since its erection? If so, what portion?

19. What acquaintance have you with the book called "The Life of James G. Blaine," written by Russell H. Conwell, with an introduction by Governor Robie of Maine, and published by E. C. Allen & Co., Augusta, Me., in the year 1884?

20. Were not the proofs of such work submitted to you for revision?

21. Is not the statement made upon the sixty-eighth page of said book as follows: "Miss Stanwood in March, 1851, became his wife at Pittsburgh, Pa." A correct statement as to time and place of your marriage?

22. Did not you communicate to the author of said book for his use in such work the time and place of your marriage aforesaid?

BLAINE REPLIES.

To these interrogatories Mr. Blaine responded as follows:

I, James G. Blaine, of Augusta, Me., on oath depose and say in answer to the foregoing interrogatories:

1. Harriet B. Stanwood.

2. In Georgetown, Ky., in the spring of 1848.

3. I lived in Kentucky as assistant professor or tutor in the Western Military Institute from January, 1848, to December, 1851. In 1848 and 1849 the institute was at Georgetown, in 1850 at Blue Lick, in 1851 at Decaumon Springs.

4. The lady I married lived in Kentucky from the Spring of 1848 to the Spring of 1851. She was engaged as teacher in Colonel T. F. Johnson's Female Seminary, the first two years at Georgetown, the last year at Millersburg.

5. I finally left Kentucky in the latter part of December, 1851; went to New Orleans on business, and thence directly to Augusta, Me., which place I reached February 2, 1852, and was next employed as principal teacher in the Pennsylvania Institution for the Instruction of the Blind in Philadelphia.

6. My wife left Kentucky in March, 1851, accompanied by her father to Pittsburg, Pa.; thence she travelled alone to New York, which place was met by her brother, Jacob Stanwood, and under his protection proceeded to her mother's residence in Augusta, Me., which she reached in February, 1852.

7, 8 and 9. I was married in Millersburg, Ky., on the 9th of June, 1850, in the presence of Sarah C. Stanwood and S. L. Blaine. The marriage was secret. Having a doubt subsequently of its validity under the laws of Kentucky, which then stringently required a license from the Clerk of the County Court, I had the marriage solemnized a second time in Pittsburgh, Pa., on the 19th of March, 1851, in the presence of John V. Lemoyne and Davis Bell.

10 and 11. Jacob Stanwood was the oldest brother of my wife. I had no acquaintance with him at the time of my marriage; had never seen him, nor heard from him in any way, directly or indirectly, before my marriage. I met him for the first time in February, 1852. I had two letters from him after my marriage, and before I met him. One warmly welcoming me as a member of the family, the other inquiring if he could promote my business interests by the loan of money. I had no other correspondence of any kind until after I had personally met him in February, 1852. My wife had two other brothers, neither of whom I had ever met, when I came to New England in February, 1852; nor did I ever meet any of the male relatives of my wife before my arrival in New England in February, 1852.

12, 13 and 14. My first child, a son, was born in the house of his grandmother on the 15th of June, 1851. His name was Stanwood Blaine. He lived with his parents in 1852 and 1851, and was buried in the Stanwood family lot in Forest Grove Cemetery, Augusta, Me.

15, 16 and 17. A monument was placed by my direction over his grave one year after his death, thus inscribed: "Stanwood Blaine, son of James G. and Harriet S. Blaine, born June 15, 1851, died July 31, 1854."

18. I have not myself seen the stone since the first week in July, but have reason to believe, and do believe, that since that date many letters and figures thereon have been defaced, and that the figure "1," in the year 1851, has been entirely removed. I have no means of ascertaining by whom this was done, but have reason to believe, and do believe, that a photograph was taken of the defaced stone by the procurement of one of the publishers of the Age-Age, a Democratic paper published in this city, and that copies of said photograph were sent to divers and sundry persons, including the publisher of the Indianapolis *Sentinel*, defendant of this suit.

19, 20, 21, 22.—I know the book referred to as the "Life of James G. Blaine." I did not revise the volume, nor become in any degree responsible for any statement made in it, though I saw parts of it before publication, but did not, and have not to this day seen page 68, to which the question refers, though the statement there made was doubtless derived by the author, Rodell H. Conwell, from a conversation with me, but not from any special authorization by me to make it.

[Signed] JAMES G. BLAINE.

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, } ss.
DISTRICT OF MAINE.

Before me Winfield S. Choate, Commissioner of the Circuit Court of the United States, in and for said district, personally appeared Jas. G. Blaine, and signed and made oath to the truth of the foregoing answers.

Witness my hand and official seal at Augusta, in said district, this 15th day of September, in the year of our Lord, 1884.

(L. S.) WINFIELD S. CHOATE,
Commissioner of the Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Maine.

DESTRUCTIVE BLAZES.

The Cleveland Flats Again the Scene of Costly Conflagrations—The Fires Evidently the Work of Incendiaries.

CLEVELAND, O., September 21.

Another fire broke out in the lumber yards on the flats at eleven o'clock today in the dry-house of Monroe Bros., above Jefferson Street. This fire was confined to the yards of Monroe Bros., although it continued to burn until night, at 3 p. m., when another alarm was given and it was found that another fire had broken out in the yards of Brown, Strong & Co., the next yard to Monroe Bros., but situated some distance from it. As the fire in Monroe Bros.' Yard was under control, it is not thought that the second fire in Brown, Strong & Co. was in any way connected with it, but that the fires are the work of an organized band of incendiaries. Fears are entertained of another conflagration, similar to that of two weeks ago, and neighboring towns have been called upon for assistance. Two engines, one from Elyria, and one from Akron, have already arrived, and others from Sandusky and Painesville are now on the way by special trains.

9 p. m.—The fire in Monroe Bros.' is under under control, but the one in the yards of Brown, Strong & Company is still burning fiercely, and has compelled the firemen to seek new locations for their engines. Steamers from Ashtabula and Painesville are just putting their first stream on the flames. The Connotton Valley Railroad Company have a large number of cars on a fireside track alongside of Brown, Strong & Company's yards, and which will probably be burned. The tracks of the Connotton are impassable, the rails having been badly warped by the heat. The lines of the Bankers' & Merchants' Telegraph Company are also caught in the fire. Two poles have already been completely burned down, and some of the wires broken.

Midnight—Although now under control, the fire is still burning in Monroe Brothers and Brown, Strong & Co.'s yards. Monroe Bros. & Co.'s loss will be $65,000, on which they have $150,000 insurance. Brown, Strong & Co. will suffer to the extent of $100,000, with insurance of $175,000.

There is no question but that there is an organized gang of fire-bugs, and that they are responsible for the fire of two weeks ago, as well as the one to-night. The police made a dozen arrests of suspicious characters to-night, and claim to have positive proof of the guilt of a number of them. Another alarm was sounded from the west side to which a portion of the department have responded.

A Grandson of Henry Clay Mortally Wounded.

LOUISVILLE, KY., September 22.

Henry Clay, grandson of the illustrious Kentuckian, who was shot early yesterday morning, did not recover consciousness until the afternoon, when he rallied a little. The wound is a peculiar and extremely dangerous one, and the physicians say that forty-eight hours must elapse before anything definite can be said as to the result. If in that time peritonitis sets in he can not live. His pulse has been very feeble, and respiration slow and labored, the nervous system having received a terrible shock. Following is particulars of the tragedy:

Clay had been drinking, an unusual thing, and as liquor went quickly to his head, was much excited. He went into the saloon and asked Wepler to lend him four dollars. He was Wepler's lawyer and regarded him as a friend. Wepler first refused, and told Clay to go home to bed, but finally gave him $2. Clay insisted on the $4 and took the refusal as an insult. He went home, got his revolver and coming back threatened the saloonist. A bystander took the revolver from Clay and gave it to Wepler. Clay continued to abuse Wepler and the latter becoming angry returned the weapon, stepped outside the bar and fired twice, inflicting a dangerous wound in the abdomen.

Shot Him Dead.

PITTSBURGH, PA., September 22.

A special from Elizabeth says: Four men visited the House of Theodore Dwyer, a few miles from here, at a late hour last night. After spending the greater part of the night drinking, they started to leave, when they began fighting over some dispute. The men then left the house, but one of them named James Peterson turned back, and after talking to Dwyer a few minutes, shot him dead. Peterson, who belongs to a good family, was arrested and lodged in jail, professing his innocence.

—A correspondent, writing from the Valley of the Amazon, says that stalks of fan-grass are found in that region which measure thirty-five feet from the ground.

THE MULLIGAN GHOST.

Like Banquo's Shade It Will Not Down.

Fisher and Mulligan Furnish a Batch of Letters Alleged to Be in Blaine's Finest Italian Hand—Appeals that Would Cause Stones to Weep.

Messrs. Warren Fisher and James Mulligan have furnished for publication the following, as appears from a Boston telegram of September 14:

To the People of the United States:

Believe me that it is my duty to lay before the fellow-countrymen the following documents which have come into our possession, we have placed the originals for safe keeping in the hands of Messrs. Shedd & Worth, counsellors of Boston, and herewith submit their contents without comment. The letters from Mr. Fisher are in his own copies of the originals.

The following are the principal portions of the letters referred to:

"AUGUSTA, Me., Oct. 4, 1880.—My Dear Mr. Fisher: Find inclosed $1,000 check in payment of A. A. P. Coburn's subscription. I presume you will receive the same until the twenty per cent. due on all the subscriptions already secured to you, and also on the following: Hale, $5,000; A. W. Johnson, $5,000; R. Cobb Johnson, $5,000; Nahum P. Morse, $5,000; C. B. Hamlin, $5,000—all of Belfast.

"This makes $25,000 in all I have disposed of. It is doubtful if I dispose of any more, but I shall know by to-morrow, so there will be no delay to embarrass you in any way. No one will ever know from me that I have disposed in a single day in Maine, so there need be no embarrassment in taking with Mr. Caldwell. I don't wish you to tell that matter with Mr. Caldwell till you hear from me again. Please send receipt to A. A. P. Coburn, Skowhegan, Me. Yours truly,

"J. G. BLAINE.

"W. Fisher, Jr., Esq."

"AUGUSTA, Me., Mar. 1880.—My Dear Mr. Fisher: I inclose you two thousand dollar check, balance of A. A. P. Coburn's subscription; two thousand dollars is part of Anson P. Morrill's subscription; one thousand dollars is part of Hiram M. Morrill's subscription. For N. Weston's subscription of $2,000 is additional to those already advised, making in all $7,000. There may possibly be $20,000 more, but $10,000 will be my limit.

"I have spoke very seldom about the importance of my keeping all quiet here. I fully appreciate it. I wished to see you before the session closed, but I know as you desire it the person does. The letter indicating the time for closing matters with this can be used by you to Mr. Caldwell if you think it necessary. I have endeavored in writing it not to be indefinite. Yours,

"J. G. BLAINE.

"W. F., Jr., Esq."

The above two letters are in continuation of the two letters of Oct. 4, 1880, which have been already published.

"AUGUSTA, Me., 10th Nov., 1880.—My Dear Mr. Fisher: It is quite evident to my mind that at the approaching session of Congress there will be an investigation of the currency to the amount of duty to convert five millions of dollars. The form it will take, I think, will be substantially as follows: National bank circulation West and South.

"My object in writing is to ask in season if your friends would desire to establish a bank at Little Rock.

"It will be to some extent a matter of favor given to other gets the banks in the several localities, and it will be in my power to render an answer to the westward in behalf of your friends. Please think over the matter, and confer with Mr. Caldwell, and let me know your desires as soon as you reach any conclusion. There is, of course, no special hurry, but I think it would suggest the matter to enlist the interest and secure your thoughts in good time. Yours very truly,

"J. G. BLAINE.

"Warren Fisher, Jr., Esq."

"FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS, U. S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 7, 1870.—My Dear Mr. Fisher: You have received Mr. Boutwell's answer. I presume you will deem it necessary to come on here, if so, let me know of it a day or two in advance.

"I have written Mr. Caldwell about the banks, to induce him to secure a bill of $50,000, and I think it will be in my power to place an amendment to the wind-sand