

FIRE WITH BOTH EYES SHUT.

As an American He Fought the Duel and Killed the Cuban.

Soon after the Cubans were compelled to surrender the Virginians to Uncle Sam I landed in Havana as the agent of an American agricultural works, says a writer in the Detroit Free Press.

I had been here about a week when an American named Charles Whitley, from Michigan, arrived with his wife.

"Havana is no place for such a man," said the gentleman in an invalid, "I replied.

"But he is also a Yankee," continued the Cuban. "Our Government should not permit them to even land on the island."

"Whitley's face grew paler, and he bit his lips to keep back the hot words which wanted to come, but he made no reply.

"All Yankees are cowards! I insult you! Demand satisfaction if you dare!" "I do demand it!" answered Whitley, in a low voice.

"Good!" lissed the other. "My friend here will arrange the details with your friend. You have more courage than I thought for."

"You can't mean to fight him?" I inquired of Whitley when we were alone.

"But I do. He insulted me as an American, hoping to provoke a duel, and as an American I will fight him."

"Never mind my health. All I want is to keep the affair from my wife until it is over with. Arrange to fight him tomorrow morning."

"With what weapons?" "I never had a sword in my hand, and I have had no experience with pistols.

There was no doubt that the man was an experienced duelist, but the more I argued with Whitley the more determined he was to fight.

I did not see Whitley again until we took a carriage in the morning to drive to the grounds.

The word was finally given—one, two, three, fire—and both pistols were discharged at once.

"I saw a piece of cloth from his shoulder fly in the air, and as I turned my gaze toward the Cuban I saw the latter sink down in a heap, as if he had been struck on top of the head.

"What spot did you aim for?" I asked as we rode homeward.

"None at all," he replied. "I had both eyes shut when I pulled the trigger."

Food Wanted in Texas. AUSTIN, TEXAS, August 11.—Governor Ireland to-day issued the following proclamation for the relief of the drought sufferers.

A homely woman has some advantage over a beautiful one. It is possible for other women to love her.

THE CIRCUIT JUDGES.

How the Supreme Court Have Treated Their Decisions.

The twenty-third volume of the South Carolina reports, which has just been published, contains a schedule of recent decisions of the Circuit Judges on appeal which have been passed upon by the Supreme Court.

Address—Affirmed, 5; reversed, 1; dismissed, 2; affirmed, 2; reversed, 1; affirmed, 1; affirmed, 4; reversed, 1; modified, 1.

A New Discovery by Which Rats Can be Turned Out. The rat terror in nearly every household is more to be dreaded than the rat terror.

Everybody who lives in a house, and especially those who own stores or warehouses, know too well the ravages and annoyances of rats.

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A desperate attempt was made by four Iowa convicts to escape from the penitentiary. One was killed outright and two badly wounded.

Congressman Beach, of the 15th New York District, died on Tuesday night at Cornwall, N. Y. He was a Democrat, and had served three terms in Congress.

The Catholics and Protestants are arrayed against each other in Belfast and the city is an armed camp, with innocent bystanders in great danger.

Arrangements are being made at the Treasury Department for a large call of bonds in addition to the usual monthly call of \$4,000,000, to meet the requirements of the sinking fund.

At a meeting in Philadelphia Thursday of the Chesapeake and Railroad Company the joint traffic contract between that road and the Baltimore and Ohio was formally approved.

The purport of the meeting of the Emperors of Germany and Austria at Gastein is to strengthen, by means of personal and cordial intercourse, the friendship of the two royal houses and peoples.

As the operatives of the Augusta Factory failed to return to work yesterday, all the mills were shut down, in accordance with previous notice. This takes \$50,000 per month out of circulation.

It is reported that a heavy force of Mexican revolutionaries crossed the Rio Grande into Texas on Thursday night, and a troop of the 8th United States Cavalry was ordered from Niggerd barracks to pursue and disarm them.

The latest news from Washington and Mexico does not indicate war. It is hoped and believed existing difficulties will be amenablely adjusted, but only by Mexico yielding to the demand of the United States.

The Jacksonville Herald says that Gen. J. B. Gordon has sold his railroad interests in Florida for \$2,000,000, and that \$2,000,000 has been paid in cash.

GENERAL NEWS ITEMS.

Facts of Interest Gathered from Various Quarters.

Forest fires are still raging in Michigan. The visible supply of cotton is 1,350,000 bales.

It is said that Minister Jackson has resigned. The first new rice has been received in New Orleans.

David, the Irish leader, arrived in New York Sunday. Fitz-John Porter has at last been placed on the retired list.

The first bale of new cotton has been received at Savannah. The New York banks now hold \$8,647,200 in excess of legal requirement.

A severe epidemic of cholera has broken out in Japan. A displaced teamster voluntarily starved himself to death in jail at Jersey City.

Gen. L. C. Ross has received the nomination for Governor of Texas. St. Louis and New Orleans companies won the prizes at the Galveston drill.

Edwin Alden & Bro., newspaper advertising agents, have made an assignment. Cholera is on the increase in Italy and Austria-Hungary.

Argument in the anarchist trials in Chicago was closed yesterday. Rev. Moses A. Hopkins, United States Minister to Liberia, is dead.

There were 182 new cases of cholera in Bardonia, Saturday, and 12 deaths. Cutting has been sentenced to one year's imprisonment at hard labor and \$500 fine.

The Duke of Argyll is prosecuting the miscreant Scotch crofters to the extent of the law. Texas is ready for war with Mexico, and public meetings favoring war are being held.

Volunteer companies are being raised in Georgia for service in case of war with Mexico. A railroad collision near Ashland, Ky., on Saturday killed four persons and fatally injured two others.

A great storm prevailed on the Jersey coast on Saturday, wrecking vessels and washing up railroad tracks.

It is reported that the Maryland tobacco crop will be cut short by half this year, in consequence of two mild rains.

Mrs. Robinson, of Boston, poisoned 11 relatives to get money from benefit associations. Robert L. Taylor was nominated on the 15th ballot as Democratic candidate for Governor of Tennessee.

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Suspension of the French revolutionaries, headed by 1,143 people in his official career, being 217 a year.

The World considers Samuel Washington, the brother of George, the bravest of the family; he was married five times.

Two men passed over the Niagara rapids safely in a barrel yesterday, in the presence of 15,000 spectators. The Pope had no more exhausted, but his physicians have no fear of a fatal result.

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BRIC-A-BRAC.

A foot race—Chicago girls. You can get your pliz at the photographer's or the soda counter.

The Mexican flea is becoming vicious and shows a decided inclination to bite. The sins an old man confesses with the greatest relish are those he never committed.

The candidates are abroad in the land. The woods in every county are full of them. Very possibly the child is born who will be the first President of the British republic.

Many a man is the architect of his own fortune, but never gets money enough to build. A puddle dog and a hoodlum husband are all that many young ladies require to make them happy.

The only time a young girl will excuse her lover for treating her coolly is when he sets up the ice cream. It is a curious fact that the sun never shines so hot on the base ball grounds as it does on the harvest field.

If fifty men in the United States engage in a violent outbreak it is called a local disturbance; in Mexico it is a revolution. The advocates of female suffrage are so consistent that at a recent banquet they laid their bill of fare headed "women."

Some darned Yankee has invented a new patent stocking garner. It can never take the place of a nice little woman, however. Some portions of South Carolina are now so rigidly temperate that they object to storms brewing in the neighborhood.

The Knights of Labor and Labor Unions are distinct bodies, but there is a "striking" resemblance between them. The boss painters have met in Philadelphia, but we presume there will be no change in style for coats of paint at present.

It is curious that a wrecked steamship is always in command of "one of the most experienced captains in the service. The difference between a buzz saw and a bull dog is that when the former is most dangerous it never shows its teeth.

We are never more deceived than when we mistake gravity for greatness, solemnity for science, and pomposity for erudition. A California woman while splitting wood bit her tongue in two. There is no moral to this. Women don't split wood this side of California.

Melocopee is the new name of a musical bicycle so fashioned that the rider can kick out melodies, waltzes and reels as he travels along the road. A pistol-carrying, threatening crank has become an adjunct of Gen. Logan's Presidential booming scheme. Anything for notoriety, you know.

The new \$1 silver certificate will bear a copy of the smart portrait of Martin Washington. A portrait of Gen. Hancock will adorn the \$2 certificates. Fortune is like a collar button; when it flies from you you have to get on your hands and knees and work hard to get it back.

"Harmonious coloring gives a feeling of repose in the home," says an art journal. Therefore if you have a red headed wife, furnish your house in the same tint. Women can talk a great deal with their eyes, but the trouble is in planning them down to anything they say in this rather vague and romantic form of expression.

French women consider carrots as a specific for the complexion, and good judges in such matters can tell at a glance how many carrots line a woman's complexion. Ah He was arrested in Portland on suspicion. Now if somebody would arrest "Ah there!" and keep it out of sight and hearing for a while it would be a rest for everybody.

An advertisement in a Western exchange reads: "How to act successfully on the liver." If the chap who put the ad. in would only produce a medicine that would teach people "how to act successfully" on the stage there would be some sense about him.

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