MAY 23, 188 EXTRAORDINARY BANKING.

GEN. GRANT'S partner in the banking business appears to be an extraordinary young man. A New York dispatch says:

Ferdinand Ward continued his testimony before the referee yesterday, and many times while speaking almost took away the breath of the lawyers and spectators. Bangs, of Ward, conducted the examination. Ward admitted that he never had a contract of any kind, and that he and his business were frauds from beginning to end. Bangs cross-examined

him as follows: Q .- How do you draw money, on your own check? A .- No sir; I draw money from Grant & Ward by their check, getting the money at banks.

Q.-How do you do it? A.-Well, Col. Grant might give me a check for this, we shoot him. \$50,000, and I would get the money. Q .- Then how would you pay Col. Grant? A .- I would give him my

Q .- How could you pay it? A .-

Q .- So the real nature of the business consisted in discounting a fanciful prospect of imaginary profits to be derived from fictitious contracts founded on manufactured and artificial contributions of altogether imaginary money? A .- I cannot answer it.

Q .- You made a banking business profits? A.-Perhaps so.

Q .- You credited Mr. Grant with an imaginary portion of imaginary profits, and then he would get it out by means of a check to your order, which you would deposit to your own credit? A .- I think that was

Q .- And then you would get the check of the firm to your order, which you would depost in a bank as eash? A.-Yes, sir.

Q .- Having thus got credit for so many dollars, you would give the firm of Grant & Ward your own check and deposit it in bank? A .-

Q .- And did you practice all this art and deceive all those people without the assistance of a single confederate? A .- I did; no one was in with

Q .- How can you find out what you did with the \$379,000 you had drawn out of the concern? A .- Perhaps by comparing the ledger account with my check-book.

It is expected that Ward will be criminally prosecuted and go to state prison for a long term.

THE Republican presidential candidate will be chosen on the 3d prox.; the following month the Democratic candidate will be selected, and these two will, from their nominunfortunate men in the country. The two reservoirs of malediction are gradually filling up, gallon above gallon, hogsheadful after hogsheadful, and about midsummer the two a hose will be attached to each of and they will have to stand and take China. it-the falsehood, the sarcasm, the caricature, the venom, the caterwauling, the anathema the fifth; and they will be thrown down into it and rolled over and choked and submerged and strangled, and at every sign of returning animation barked at by all the hounds of political party from the St. Lawrence to Mobile bay. To win the great privilege a hundred candidates to-day with their thousands of friends are struggling. And this is "polities."

THE country is all right. What if there is a small panic in Wall street? At Holden's Auction Rooms The wheat fields of the west are blooming. The juicy salmon are crossing merrily the Columbia bar. The cotton, the rice and the sugar are growing in all the southern states. The peanut vines are covering North Carolina. The peach trees are in blossom in the Delaware and on the eastern Maryland shore. The tobacco crop in Virginia and Connecticut promises to be larger than ever. The cranberries look well in New Jersey and Pacific county, and there is not the most remote prospect of a failure in applejack. The prosperity of the country does not depend upon the rise or the fall of half a dozen Wall street bulls and bears. There is no occasion whatever to be discouraged. The great majority of the banks are sound. The whole thing is an April financial shower in May.

THE delegates from the southern states will in all probability decide AT HOLDEN'S AUCTION ROOMS. the nomination at Chicago. Mr. Arthur has a large number of them at the present time, but the question is, will they continue loyal to him to the last? Should the first ballot show that Mr. Blaine is ahead in the race, will they have the Spartan firmness of the famous 306 and stand by their colors? Or, if Mr. Arthur should desire to transfer them to Mr. Edmunds, or any one else whom he may select, will they consent to the arrangement? Earnest efforts are, it is said, making to induce them to think that Mr. Edmunds is entirely too good a man to remove from the

FOOD AND GATLING GUNS.

A stort is going the rounds conoerning a quartermaster at a frontier reservation post who, it is said, after many fruitless applications for additional food for the Indians at the agency, at last put in a requisition for a Gatling gun. The commanding officer forwarded the application with this endorsement: "In my opinion the Indians at this agency are starying to death and I recommend that a Gatling gun be sent to compel them to starve peaceably." The gun was sent, so the story goes, and the Indians are now starving quietly.

The whole "Indian policy" of the counsel for the receiver of Grant & United States is summed up in this anecdote. It is in the natural and inevitable course of events that the Indian must disappear, but we do not even allow him the miserable privilege of looking out for himself. We have taken his hunting grounds, destroyed his game and confined him in reservations where it is impossible for him to find his own living in his own way; in short we compel him to starve and when he rebels against

If it is necessary to hasten the inevitable extermination of the Indians it would be much more humans to turn the Gatting guns upon them and kill them off outright and so put them out From what he and other people put of their misery. Starvation is the most cruel mode of death we could inflict and it is either that or war that we offer. Left to himself the Indian might get along; but we cannot leave him to himself. The white men want the best lands and it has become necessary to confine the Indians to reservations where they must either starve or be fed by the government and it is a disgraceful by imagining you were making fact that our machinery of government is not adequate to supply them with sufficient food.

While we are disputing over the best "policy" for the Indians the poor creatures are starving to death or else making desperate efforts to assert their right to live at the expense of the lives of our own people. The poor Indian is doomed. He can never do us any harm again. At least we might try to make him comfortable in his declining years. We have taken from him everything that was his; is it a great matter that he should ask us for food.

A LITTLE book of political recollections, just published in Kentucky, contributes a new story of President Lincoln, which is worth quoting. To a political opponent, who had taunted Lincoln with his youth, he replied: "Live long, or die young, I would rather die now than, like the gentleman, change my politics, and simultaneously with the change receive an office worth three thousand dollars per year, and then have to erect a lightning-rod over my house to protect a guilty conscience from an offended God."

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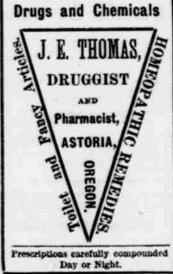
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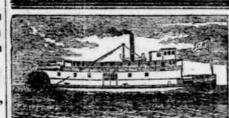
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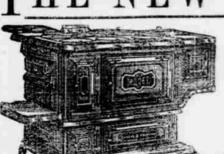
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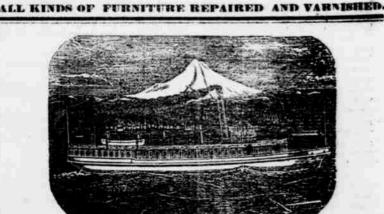
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