

AMONG the Asiatics studying at Oxford is an Afghan named Fida Mohammed Khan. He is the only Afghan in England, and intends to become a barrister before returning to his country. The Ameer takes an interest in Mr. Fida Mohammed Khan, and wishes, it is said, to secure his services on the completion of his studies in Europe. This is the first instance on record of an Afghan being called to the English Bar.—*Law Notes.*

A CLEVER and prolific legal author of the city of New York says: "Do you know that I once had an office boy who on a certain occasion, when an unoffending law publisher sent around a new book to my office for examination and for my possible purchase, scornfully rejected it, saying: 'When we want any law books in this office, we've got a man here that writes 'em. Get out!'" —*Albany Law Journal.*

JUDGE BIDDLE, the wit of Court-house Row, had before the bar of justice a woman who wept most bitterly over her misfortunes. Her sobbing shook the court-room, and her tears, of no mean size, coursed in a great stream down her cheeks to the floor. While she wept thus profusely, a prominent lawyer chanced in, who, seeing the prisoner and hearing her cries, asked of the bench, "What's the matter with her?" "I'm sure I don't know," was the judge's reply. "Apparently she's waiting to be bailed out."—*Ex.*

It seems a great pity that the Columbian Exposition at Chicago is not to be open after the first of May! It would seem difficult to have it ready to open by that time, to say nothing of closing. But such seems to be the edict of Congress, if one may credit the phraseology of the Act which is published in the newspapers. "The exposition shall be open to visitors not later than the first day of May." Such is the phraseology attributed to Congress. It is highly probable that this was intended as a provision for opening rather than for closing, but it exactly defeats that intention, and if language can be made clear it explicitly provides that the show shall not be open after May 1! These law-makers are very trying.—*Albany Law Journal.*

In the *Irish Law Times* appears the following announcement of a birth: "At Limerick, the wife of W. F. —, solicitor, of a son, who only survived his birth by a few minutes." Now, what we want to know is, who died? Our first idea was that the solicitor died a few minutes after the birth of his son. Our next was that it was the wife who had unfortunately become deceased. Then, thinking that perhaps the son also had died, or that *he only* had died, we endeavoured to ascertain who "survived his birth," and whose birth. Manifestly the son's, for even a Division Court would take judicial notice that it would be practically impossible for a son to survive his father's birth by only a few minutes. Then, assuming for the sake of argument that it was the son's birth, who survived, the father, the wife, or the son? We become more hopelessly entangled as we go on, but we still have an impression that some one must have survived to tell the tale; but *who did* we wot not.