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Literary Gossip. The Harpers have issued the sixteenth edition of Major Nichols' "Story of the Great March."

A. V. Loring, of Boston, has issued a fresh war story, entitled "Standish," the plot of which is located in Boston.

Martin F. Tupper writes to the London Athenaeum a protest against literary forgeries, instancing a poem entitled "Portrait of a Pusevite."

The London Athenaeum observes that "critics have long been at war with the power of the hand to baffle the power of sight."

Mr. H. W. Fricker has just published in London, a volume of poems, which he calls "A Quarter of a Century."

An international scholastic competition is proposed by the French Government. M. Duruy, Minister of Public Instruction, recently took occasion, while addressing the professors and pupils of the schools of Paris and Versailles.

A SINGULAR PROSECUTION.—Moses Hanger, a farmer in Tippecanoe County, Indiana, has been arraigned for giving employment to a negro in violation of the law.

hands for the genius of France. The sciences, arts and letters, recounting their progress and history for the last twenty years, showing what theories they have produced, what ideas they have given birth to, what facts they have discovered or explained.

National Bank Note Redemption. The following plan of National Bank note redemption was presented at a meeting of the banks of New York, Philadelphia and Boston.

The banks which are associated in the clearing houses of the cities of New York, Philadelphia and Boston, shall receive on deposit at par the bills of all the National Banks.

Each of said three cities shall, from time to time, notify the other two (by the clearing house or redeeming bank) of the names and location of all the banks which redeem their bills in said city.

Not less than forty days' notice shall be given (which notice shall be signed by the Committee of the Associated Banks of the three cities) of this plan of redemption.

After the expiration of the time allowed by the aforesaid notice, all national currency which may, in any manner, come into the possession of any bank in either city, for the redemption of which no provision shall have been made.

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THE Boston Post says: the General Post Office has abandoned the suit against the editor of the New York Tribune for defrauding the revenue by sending a letter to the negroes of North Carolina without a postage stamp.

We have recently, through the kindness of a friend, been favored with the perusal of a most interesting collection of papers relating to a secret society in this city.

The following extract from the minutes of a meeting of "the Ferrets," held on the 15th day of April, 1865, will give some idea of the character and designs of the secret order.

Another resolution provides for the appointment of a committee of "ferrets," and a publication of the names of said committee would produce much surprise and merriment.

From a hasty examination of the lists of these "over-faithful Union men," we fear that an alarming sprinkling of secession "black sheep" found their way into the company of the Union lymbs.

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THE undersigned, having leased the large and commodious building known as the "Columbia Methodist Female College," has opened it as a FIRST-CLASS HOTEL.

MRS. ADDIE DOUGAL informs the Ladies of Columbia that she has just returned from New York, with a small but very choice selection of BONNETS, RIBBONS, FEATHERS, etc.

LIQUORS, GROCERIES AND DRY GOODS. CONST. WHEAT, and at the LOWEST MARKET PRICES, a fine and varied assortment of LIQUORS, GROCERIES AND DRY GOODS.

J. F. EISENMANN, Merchant Tailor, CORNER LADY AND GATES STREETS. One Square in Rear of Hancock's Stables. BEGS to inform the citizens of Columbia that he has received, by late arrival from the North, a large and selected assortment of BROADCLOTHS, CASSIMERES, VESTINGS, &c.

The Rear House! CHOICE WINES, LIQUORS, SEGARS, & C. CRACKERS and CHEESE at 11 a. m. "D DROP IN," as you are on your way down town.

RESTAURANT. MRS. EMMA ROE has opened an EATING HOUSE, on Lincoln street, one door from Lady, where gentlemen can procure their REGULAR MEALS, LUNCHES, etc., at all hours.

MERCHANT'S HOTEL, CORNER KING AND SOCIETY STS., CHARLESTON, S. C. PROPRIETORS, S. E. LORING, CHAS. H. BENNETT.

A. L. SOLOMON, General Commission Merchant, Second Door from Shiver House, Plain St. COLUMBIA, S. C. DEALER in foreign and domestic merchandise. The highest market price paid for COTTON and COUNTRY PRODUCTS in gold or currency.

GEORGE W. WILLIAMS & CO., Merch'ts & Bankers 1 and 3 Hayne St., Charleston, S. C. ARE receiving the LARGEST STOCK OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC MERCHANDISE ever offered at the South.

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COPARTNERSHIP NOTICE. THE undersigned, having associated with him in business his son, EUGENE R. WALTER, the firm will hereafter be known as GEORGE H. WALTER & SON.

NEW GOODS. THE subscriber offers for sale, at the first store above the Court House, a splendid stock of goods, consisting as follows: Ladies' and Gentlemen's SHOES, Boys' and Misses' " Children's " Gentlemen's HATS, TEA, SUGAR and COFFEE, Soap, Starch and Candles, Spices and Preserved Fish, Butter and Soda Crackers, Wines and Liquors, Bagging and Rope, Whittemore's No. 10 Cotton Cards.

SELLING OFF, SELLING OFF! H. VAN PELT OFFERS to the citizens of Columbia the following articles at greatly reduced prices: GREEN TEA, BLACK TEA, BROWN SUGAR, CRUSHED SUGAR, RIO COFFEE, JAVA COFFEE, FINE TABLE SALT, FLOUR, CHEESE and CRACKERS, BOOTS and SHOES, HERRINGS and MACKEREL, CANDLES, SEGARS, CHEWING TOBACCO, SMOKING BLACKING, CANNED FRUITS, of all kinds, CONDENSED MILK, SARDINES, LEMON, HATS, SOAP, SODA, STARCH, WINES and LIQUORS of all descriptions, and various other articles.

New Store AND NEW GOODS. THE subscribers have just received, direct from New York, a full supply of Ladies' and Gent's FALL and WINTER GOODS, of all kinds, such as CALICOES, DELAINES, MERINOS, FLANNEL, Balmoral Shirts, Ladies' Cloaks, Long cloth Linen, Handkerchiefs and Fancy Dress Goods, &c. GENT'S WEAR—Clothing, Hats, Caps, Boots, Shoes, Under-shirts, &c.

NEW GOODS? NEW GOODS. JUST RECEIVED AND FOR SALE BY L. C. CLARKE. At his New Store, Washington Street, just opposite the Old Jail. DRESS GOODS, Colored and Mourning consisting of: Plain, Plaid and Striped ALPACAS, LUSTRES and DELAINES, Also, CALICOES, TWEEDS, &c. BROADCLOTHS and CASSIMERES. UMBRELLAS, BALMORAL SKIRTS, CRASH, for Taveling, LOVE VELS, LINEN SETTS, with and without Lace and Mourning Edges, Black Silk and Colored Silk Cravats, Elastic Garters, Men's Buck Gloves, Ladies' Gauntlets and Gloves, Embroidered Handkerchiefs, Linen Cambric Handkerchiefs, for Ladies and Gentlemen, Fancy Hair Nets, for Waterfalls, and plain Silk Nets, Hair Brushes and Combs, Gent's Linen Collars, Scent Papers, Irish Linen, of all qualities, Longcloths, Ladies' Undervests, Rubber, Coat and Vest Buttons, Gent's Half Hose, of excellent quality, Men's fine Felt Hats, black and colored, Colored Woolen Shirts and Drawers, Corsets, China Dolls of all sizes, Hoop Skirts, Perfumery, Castile Soap, Suspenders, Head Handkerchiefs, Fancy Dress Buttons, Belts of every variety, Belling Ribbons, Scissors, Tooth and Nail Brushes, &c.

GROCERIES. White and Brown SUGAR, Green and Black TEA, COFFEE, Starch, Soap, Candles, Molasses, Brooms, HERRINGS, Sardines, Matches, Blacking, Rata Raga Tamin Seed, &c.