THE WATCHMAN AND SOUTHRON.

Che Walaichman and Southren. WEDNESDAY, SEP'T 2, '91. GEMS IN VERSE.

Where Is the Fisg of England? And the winds of the world made answer, rth, south and east and west: Worm, some and case and west.
Wherever there's weath to covet, Or land that can be possess'd;
Wherever are arrage laces
To casen, corree and scare,
Ye shall find the vaunted ensign,
For the English flag is there!

"Are, it waves o'er the blazing hovels Are, it waves over the onizing noves Whence African victims fly, To be shot by explosive bullets, Or to wretchedly starve and die! And where the beachermiter harries The isles of the southern sea. At the peak of his hellish vessal The the English far, flics free.

"Tis Maori full oft bath cursed it With his buterest dying breath, And the Arab has hissed his hatred And the Arab has inside in haired As he spits at its folds in death. The hapless Felialt has feared it On Tel-el-Kebir's parched plain, And the Zalu's blocd has storned it With a deep, indedible stain.

"It has flaunted o'er scenes of pillage. It has flaunted o'er docis of shame, It has waved o'er the fell marauder As he came with sword and flame; It has looked upon ruthless slanghter, And massacree dire and grim; It has heard the shricks of the victims Drowneren the Jingo bymn.

Where is the flag of Fagland? Sock the lands where the natives rok Where decay and assured extinction Mast soon be the people's lot. Ge, search for the once giad islands Where disease and death are rife, And the greed of callous commorce New battens on human life!

"Where is the dag of Fagland? Gol sail where rich gallons come With shoddy and 'loaded' cottons, And beer and Bibles and ram. Go, too, where brute force has triumpher And hypocrisy makes its bair, And your question will find its answer, For the flag of England is there?" -London Truth.

The Flag of England.

LIPLING'S ANSWER TO LONDON THUTH.

Winds of the World, give answer! They are

whimpering to and fro-And what should they know of England who only England know?

The poor little street bred people that vapor and sume and lorag. They are litting their heads in the stillness to reip at the English Flag.

The North Wind blew: "From Bergen my steel shod vanguards go: I chase poor lazy whalers home from the Disko

By the Great North Lights above to I work the will of God, And the liner splits on the ice field or the Dog-ger fills with cod.

"The lean white bear hath seen it in the long,

bong Arctic night. The music of knows the standard that fouts

the Northern Light: What is the Flag of Lugiand? Te have but my bergs to dara. Ye have but my drifts to conquer. Go forth.

for it is there! The South Wind sighed: "From the Virgins

my midsea course was ta'en Over a thousand islands lost in an bile moin, here the sea egg flames on the coral and the

cannon, with the strongest harness and the | and then drew off toward Rome, where he | slave Athens, or, by assuring her freedom, best teams, and started on the morning of had sent a force to hold the bridge until the to win for yourself immortality of fame, the 29th in the direction of Moulton. He main body should arrive. Forrest bivouackwas about two days behind Streight, but | ed his men and awaited the couring of the the friendliness of the people aided him, party left behind at Gadsden. On the and by swift riding night and day he morning of the 3d the Confederates muscaught up with the raiders on the 30th at | tered 500 effective men, and at an early Sand Mountain, and at once pitched into hoar got under way to follow up the purtheir rear guard at the foot of the Mount- suit. The route lay along the west bank of ain Gap. The Confederates had a pre- the Coosa, and at the first crossing, which ponderance of force at this point, but the was Gaylesville, the bridge was found situation compelled their leader to divide in ashes. The raiders had passed over into two columns, one for direct pursuit in the night, and had done their best to cut and the other to look out for the flanks and the company of Forrest's zealous troopers. prevent Streight from tarning and doub- But rolling rivers had no terrors for these

ling. Forrest remained with the pursuing men. They stripped to the skin and car-party, which consisted of two regiments ried over the cannon and ammunition, and a battalion and one battery. Streight posted his men on a ridge cir-

cling to the rear and awaited the attack. march. Forrest moved up direct in front with two regiments, and personally led a flanking party to gain the rear of the raiders should they be driven back. The Confederate artillery advanced boldly, and Streight's forward companies retired before it. The Confederate infantry charged, but were met with a biting fire from concealed raiders and quickly fell back. Streight had' two mountain howitzers, also concealed, and, sending confusion into Forrest's ranks with these, he ordered a charge, which ef- force opposed to him was numerically fectually scattered the whole Confederate line. Two cannon, with caissons, and forty prisoners fell into Streight's hands. Thepluck of the raiders compelled Forrest to call in his flanking parties. Streight, however, did not wait to fight a battle, but took advantage of the hour to continue his ride southward. Forrest again sent out a

flanking column to watch for the return of the raiders, and with two regiments dashed on in pursuit. Col. Roddy, with one regiment and one battalion, was sent back to the Tennessee again. A running fight followed, and Streight finally stood at bay behind a creek near Blountsville. It was plain to the raiders that their trip to Georgia was not to be a holiday affair. Their pursuers showed a persistence and dash equal to their own, and charged the position again and again. The fight lasted from dusk until 10 o'clock p. m., and at

geiton have acquired; for never since the Athenians were a people were they in such danger as they are at this moment. If they bow the knee to these Medes they are to be given up to Hippias, and you know what they then will have to suffer. But if Athens comes victorious out of this contest she has it in her to become the first city of Greece. Your vote is to decide whether we are to join battle or not. If we do not bring, on a battle presently some factious intrigue will disunite the Athenians and the city will be betrayed to the Medes. But if we fight before there is anything rotten in the state of Athens, I believe that, provided swam the horses across, and in an hour the gods will give fair play and no favor, were in line on the east side ready for the we are able to get the best of it in an en-

gagement." Sircight had found himself bbliged to Callimachus was won, and theother genhalt his men for sleep and refreshment, and about 9 o'clock Forrest struck his erals elected Miltiades chief for the campaign and acced under his orders. bivouac. The raiders were so thoroughly

worn out by their hard ride that when The Persians meanwhile were doing formed in line of battle they lay down and nothing except to arge on Hippias in his slept in the midst of a heavy skirmish fire. schemes of fomenting treachery behind the Forrest closed in on both fianks and center, backs of the Greek soldiery. Miltiades and then demanded surrender "in order counted upon the superiority in organizato stop the further effusion of blood." tion and armor of his soldiery and upon Streight asked that proof be given that the their patriotic enthusiasny. . The situation demanded bold tactics. The custom of his equal to his own, to which Forrest replied time was to advance the whole line of batthat he would not humiliate his men by tle slowly and steadily in uniform phalanx. such a course, for they had been equal to But the field of Marathon was so broad as beating and driving the raiders in every to call for an extended line, and Miltlades engagement of the preceding three days. concentrated heavily on the wings and At the moment Streight saw a section of weakened the center. The formation of Forrest's artillery galloping up inside the the ground favored his movements of line established by the truce, and protested preparation, unobserved by the enemy, unagainst its further advance, casually intil all was ready. Then the trumpet soundquiring of his opponent how much artillery he had. "Enough to destroy your comed, hymns and exhortations were chanted, and 11,000 spearmen rushed down the slope mand in thirty minutes," answered Forupon the unsuspecting Asiatics. The rapidrest. After some further parley Streight ity of movement was also an innovation, consulted with his officers and decided to yield. He learned from the detachment that rode ahead to seize the bridge at Rome but the objections usually urged, that soldiers who go in on the run exhaust their wind before they get into action, would This left him completely powerless, as he had known not apply to Athenians, who were trained for some time that he would be, unless he runners from youth. Pompey in his time could beat Forrest in the race to Rome, cross the river there and leave his purbeld to this objection, but Cæsar believed that running excited the soldiers' courage and gave force to their blows.

suers in the lurch by destroying the bridge. He surrendered 1,466 officers and men and had lost about 150 killed and wounded in his ranning fight. Forrest received the thanks of the con gress at Richmond for the "daring, skill and perseverance" exhibited in this mad but successful pursuit. GEORGE L. KILMER.

WHEN GREEK MET MEDE.

that the scheme was a failure.

THE MARVELOUS DEEDS OF ONE DAY AT MARATHON.

The Men of Athens Led on by Miltiades Quickly Put a Persian Host to Rout and Founded the Glory of Greece-Marathon Saved European Civilization.

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5 954C The Persian army was composed of many mongrel hordes, nevertheless it had a sub-stantial force of disciplined men under able leaders. The rush of the Athenians took all by surprise, and the irregulars, who acted as mounted men, did not have time to get in line. The Greeks were heavily equipped, bearing spears, helmets, breastplates, shields, greaves and short swords. The Persians had no armor and only wicker shields, with short lances and cimeters for weapons. The shock of the first attack broke down the front line of Persians, but they rallied and set to work

to retrieve, individually and by weight of numbers, what they had lost in the surprise. The best Persian troops were in the center, and they succeeded in not only repulsing the Greek center, but in driving it back across the plain up a valley that divided the mountain side. The Greek wings,

placed at the head | was the turning point, and the faith of

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times the combatants were not over a hundred feet apart, and depended roon the fiashing of weapons for light to fire by. At last the Coafederates made a desperate charge, which Streight repulsed by using up all the ammunition belonging to his captured cannon. He spiked these guns and resumed his march forward toward Blountsville. Forrest's advance pursued Book rights reserved.] however, had been successful, and had routed everything opposed to them. This

of the great de Miltiades in the organization of his solcisive battles of diery was justified. the world because In ninety-nine cases out of a hundred it settled the quesvictorious soldiers rush wildly in pursuit tion whether Eu- and go too far. Such a mistake at Mara-

long backed breakers croon endless ocean legends to the lazy, locked "My bashing sunfish know it, and wheeling Where the lone wave fills with fire beneath the Cherra Cross What is the Flag of England? Ye have but my Ye have but my seas to farrow. Go forth, for

The East Wind coared: "From the Karlies, the Bitter Seas, I co And me men call the Home Wind, for I bring he English home. Look look well to your shipping! By the breadth of my mail typhon. I swept your close packed Praya and heached your best at Kowloon!

"The desert dust hath dimused it, the figing wild ses knows. The scared white leopard winds it across the

What is the Flag of England? Ye have bat my sun to dare, Ye have but my sands to travel. Go forth, for

The West Wind called: "In squadrons the thoughtless galleons fly That bear the wheat and cattle lest street bred people die. They make my might their porter, they make

my house their path, And I lose my neck from their service and whelm them all in my wrath.

"But whether in calm or wrack wreath, whether by dark or day. I heave them whole to the congerer rip their First of the scattered legions; under a shricking sky. Dipping between the rollers, the Bagiah Flag

goes by. The dead dumb fog hath wrapped it-the

on dews have kiesed. The maked stars have seen it a fellow star in What is the Fing of England? Ye have but

my breath to dare. Ye have but my waves to conquer. Go forth,

for it is there -Radyard Kipling.



FORREST'S PURSUIT AND CAPTURE OF STREIGHT'S UNION BAIDERS.

Streight Had Two Days' Start, but Forrest Bode Hard and Fast-Barricade and Ambash and Barned Bridges Did Not Thwart the Pursuers.

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C1 OLD troopers, booted and spurred, rode on many a wild raid in the southwest during the civil war, and many a wild ride in pursuit furnished adventure to the mounted men on the oppos-ing side. The king of the raiders in that region was Forrest, the Confederate. He always accomplished his parpose, and though taking risks that

fairly dazzle the agination, he never met with disaster. And if he could raid successfully he could also cope with raiders on the other side, as was shown in his ranoing fight with a superior force under Col. A. D. Streight. of Rosecrans' army, in the spring of 1863.

boldly, but was twice led into ambush. At 10 o'clock on the 1st of May Streight was in Blountsville, having accomplished half his march and fought two severe battles. In order to lighten his belongings he packed his ammunition upon mules and burned the wagons, and after gathering food supplies started for Gadaden on the Coosa. Forrest was about an hour behind, and between Blountsville and the east

branch of the Black Warrior river, the raiders ambushed their pursuers again and again. The latter were not to be rebuffed, however, and at the crossing of the river Streight found that he was so hard pushed that it required all his command at hand to cover the ford.

As on the morn to distant glory dear, After crossing the Black Warrior For rest weeded out his poorest animals, and sent them with their riders back to

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career: Roddy at Decatur. He also sent back all his caunon but two, and with about 600 The fiery Greek, his red pursuing spear. men in saddle spurred onward to gather

From Marathon, also, dated a new de in the raiders. Before setting out on this last attempt some of the Confederates were seen nodding in their seats as they rode. Their leader made them a little speech in the presence of a number of women who had assembled to greet the column, and ended by asking all who were willing to follow to the end or die in trying, to respond. They did so to a man with a ringing yell, and at a signal the sian king. The Athenians forgave him

cavalcade flew onward at a gallop. Tae raiders were making good speed, and the pursuers found no nobler game than the slender rear guard all the way to Gadsden and even beyond. At the crossing of Black creek, a small tributary of the Coosa, Streight's rear guard burned the bridge and planted themselves on the opposite bank to harass Forrest's men while crossing. It was broad daylight, the 2d of May. and the Confederate leader, anxious to be at it, but very cautious about exposing his men, was at a loss how to meet the difficulty. Finally one of a group of admiring women such as always hung about Forrest's ranks when halted-the men kept out of view for fear of being told to fall in and fight-offered to gaide him to an old ford where there was a chance of crossing. repay a similar service rendered some

When the Athenian generals saw Darius' host before them and beheld their own eral. When the borse began to descend weak muster a division of opinion showed the steep, rough bank of the ravine itself at once. The Persian troops up to the fair guide put her arms around this date had proved invincible in every-Forrest's waist and bravely held on, and contest waged against the Greeks, and the in every way played the role of a heroine. very name of Mede sent terror to the souls When some of the bullets of Streight's of the bravest son of Hellas. The Athenisharpshooters whistled around the daring ans, however, had immense advantages in couple, and even tugged at their clothing, spite of their weak battalions, and five the plucky miss laughingly said, "They've generals out of ten voted for an immediate only wounded my crinoline," and after a battle. The Persians had landed on a low dozen like episodes the ford was pointed plain but slightly elevated from the beach, and the Greeks were upon a height that

deep and rapid stream in a couple of hours. At Gadsden, three miles distant, Forrest found the debris of a-quantity of arms and other military stores that the raiders had destroyed, but the bold riders' themselves

reach, and made off in hot scamper toward Rome. Again Forrest divided his force, and taking 300 picked men and animals gave chase so rapidly that he caught up with Streight about 5 o'clock that day, after a fifteen mile race that startled the sleepy farming region as with a whirlwind. The raiders had formed in line of battle, and their skirmishers answered the Confederate challenges most gallantly, showing a bold front only to lead their hot



and widespread indolence, or be free to develop from the fresh and energetic seeds of Greek and Roman culture. It was there that 192 heroic Greeks yielded their lives to purchase a victory whose fruits have blessed a hun-

nated by ideas and

from the orient,

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rooted despotism

dred generations of European blood. The battlefield where Persia's victim hordo First bowed beneath the brunt of Hellas sword.

When Marathon became a magic word; Which uttered, to the hearer's eye appear The camp, the host, the fight, the conqueror's

The flying Mede, his shaftless, broken bow.

parture in the conduct of warfare, since of course a field so surprising in its results had its genius and its hero for the emulation of men who should come afterward. This was Miltiades, a citizen of Athens, who had been in the service of Darius the Mede, and had sharpened his wits as a soldier of fortune in some of the conquered colonies where he was a satrap of the Per-

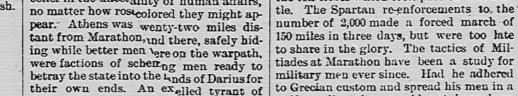
grave sins and elected him one of the ten generals of their army, when he returned to them with a price upon his head for an act of daring treachery to Darius. The Persian army set out in the year 490 B. C. to punish Athers for having assisted Ionia in its rebellion against Asiatic usurpation and tyranty, and having conquered the neighboring Euboea and razed its city, Eretria, as an example of what would befall Athens, they landed on the plain of Marathon with over 100,000 men, intending to march upon Athens. The Athenians went out to met them 10,000 strong, summoning their neighbors to lend a hand. The Spartans promised to do so, but religious scruples detained them, and the Platseans sent 1,000 men to

She was a comely young girl, and her years before. mother tried to dissuade her, but it ended in her climbing to a seat behind the gen-

out. A few Confederate shells quickly sent the Union guard a-flying, and Forrest with encircled the plain nearly from shore to much labor put his command across the shore. At the extremities of the height were marshes which at the season-au-

tumn-were impassable for troops. Five of the generals assumed that, as the Persins had come to fight, they should be alloved to take the initiative and butt their had impressed the fleetest horses they could heats against the Athenian spears that would await them at every turn. Besides, since the Spartans were coming up to aid their felnws, it would be best to postpone action unil their arrival at least. On the other hand, five colleagues voted

for immediae attack on the Persian camp. Miltiades hessed this party and founded his opinion on is knowledge of the Persian troops, whom h deemed inferior to Greeks when the latter vere well handled, and his belief in the uncerainty of human affairs,



WARRIORS OF KING DARWS. maintained perfect coolness, and when the work cut out for them was, done, wheeled and united, and Miltiades / placed himself at their head and led them upon the victorious Persian center. The discomfited Greek center, seeing this, rallied and renewed the fight. The compact formation was the one for the new emergency, and Greek discipline enabled Miltiades to vary his

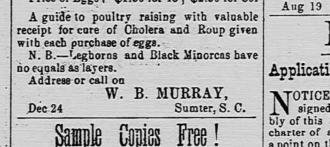
tactics in the heat of action. The solid ranks of the united columns of the Greeks and their heavy armor and superior equipment for fighting at close quarters defeated every effort of the Asiatics, and finally the whole Persian host was in a rout. And at this time, the proper moment, the spirit of carnage that had come upon the Greeks by reason of their successful blows was given full play, and they pursued the shattered masses to the water's edge, and cut them down in the ships drawn upon the beach for embarkation. Many ships were boarded and fired, and the Asiatics who had the temerity to offer resistance were drowned or shanghtered. The Greek loss was mainly sustained on the beach. Callimachus fell there, and also one of the ten generals. Seven Persian galleys were burned, and the rest quickly pushed off, bearing away a vast army, so far as numbers went, despite the

epormous loss in battle. But Miltiades' work was not ended.

Athens was still exposed to treachery, and E to the craft of Darius' able general, Datis. Hippias had been killed in the battle, but his emissaries might unwittingly betray the scantily garrisoned city to the Persians if summoned to do so while the Athenian army was at a distance. The hero of Marathon did not sit down on his laurels, but left a guard over the fabulous spoils of the field, and before daylight on the morning after the battle mustered his weary soldiers on the heights above the city, where, to the amazement of the Persian leader, L they lay in full view of his fleet as it en-S tered the harbor of Athens after a rapid night's sail.

The victory was complete. The Persians withdrew, and the moral effect was such A that Grecian courage never quailed and never yielded before the monster hordes of N the Crient.

The Persian dead on the field were over |D|six thousand, and great numbers were drowned in the sea or burned in the ships. C The Athenian dead, numbering only 192, were exceptionally honored by interment O upon the battlefield, where a mound was raised over their bones, and ten columns were erected to commemorate the fallen of the ten tribes which took part in the battle. The Spartan re-enforcements to the number of 2,000 made a forced march of 150 miles in three days, but were too late to share in the glory. The tactics of Milwere factions of schenng men ready to tiades at Marathon have been a study for betray the state into the Lnds of Darius for military men ever since. Had he adhered



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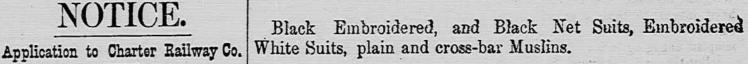
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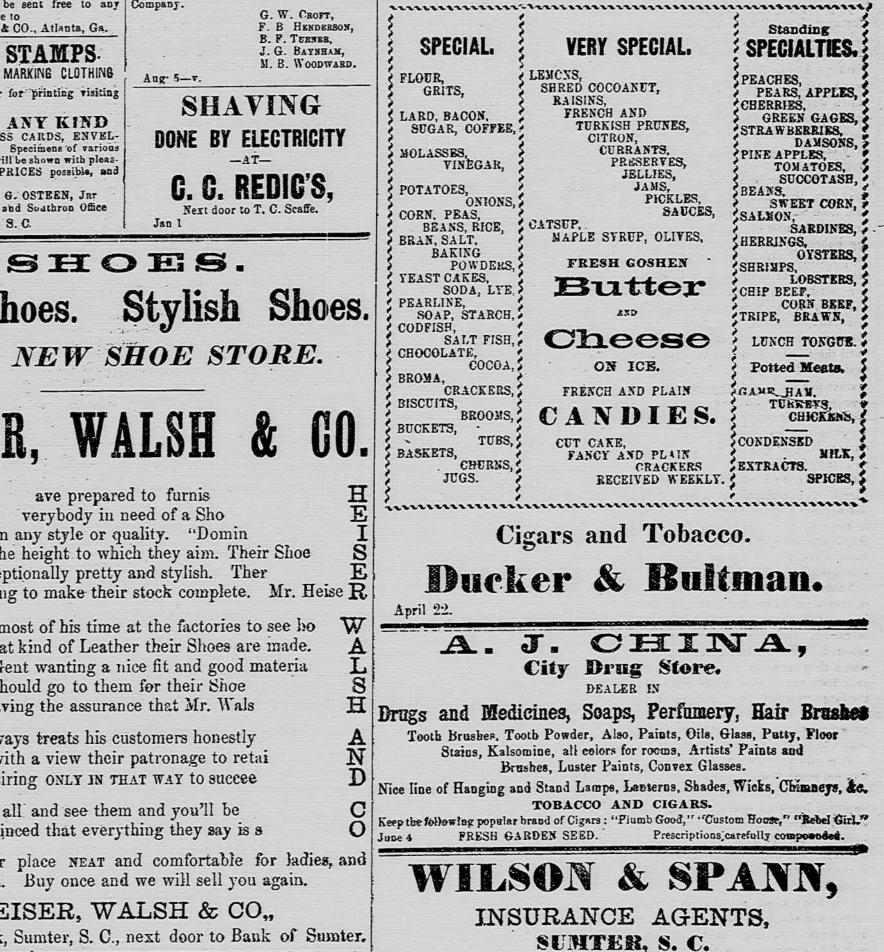
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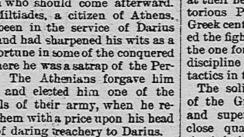
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Athens, Hippias, was in the Persian camp uniform live they would not have been reight's expedition was dash across the Tennessee river, in north instigating the warfare on is people in able to strike a telling blow at any given solicit a share of the patronage of our friends in these counties. western Alabama, reach the rear of Bragg's JAMES ALLAN & CO. point, and could have been broken with Confederate army, then stretched in form FRANK N. WILSON, Manning. ease. Had he sent them in at a slow pace of an arch in southern central Tennessee the Persians would have had time to form to cover Chattanooga, and there tear up, bein and otherwise destroy railways, ma-chine shops, factories and provision depots, J. M. SPANN, Sumter, S. C. Diamonds, Jewelry, Silverware, Spectaand offer stout resistance. The formation July 10-s in heavy wings and a weak center was better than a strong center and light wings, because the center, even though success-ful, could have been flanked by the Percles, Drawing Instruments. or whatever else could be used to make easy paths for the fighting men in gray. THE FINEST STOCK IN THE STATE. BELIABLE GOODS AT ROBT. F. EPPERSON. H. HARBY. It proved a stupendous contract. sians with their ample forces and the fa-REASONABLE PRICES. The Confederates had a force of cavalry vorable open ground on either side. Yet **CENTRAL LIVERY STABLE.** under Col. P. D. Roddy guarding the Ten-Watch Repairing a specialty. Chief Inspectors of Watches for South Caro-lina Railway, Atlantic Coast Line and Southern Division of Three Cs Rail Road. for all this it was the steadiness of the nessee where Streight was to cross over, Greek wings in stopping the pursuit at the and a heavy force of Union infantry and cavalry was sent to the region to clear the road for Streight. Roddy had about 1,500 proper time and in re-forming to assail the Persian center that carried the day. JAMES ALLAN & CO., 285 King St., Sign of Drum Clock. Charleston, S. C. The Persian cavalry, believed to have NEW been 10,000 strong, seems not to have put is a blow, although the Persians selected men. Streight's force numbered 1,700, and Feb. 8 his supports, under Gen. G. A. Dodge, about 8,000. In the emergency Bragg sent "ENOUGH TO DESTROY FOUR COMMAND IN the plains of Marathon as a spot especially THRETY MINUTES. LIVERY, FEED AND SALE STABLES. Forrest with his brigade to unite with adapted for this arm of service, of which They selected for the purpose a point where J. D. CRAIG, Roddy and take care of the plucky raiders. the road made a wide detour with a couple the Greeks had none. Streight marched from Tascumbia, Ala., of sharp bends to avoid the rich, level fields GEORGE L. KILMER. on the 26th of April, in a southeasterly GREEK FIGHTING MEN. of a plantation. The road was obstructed course toward Moulton. Gen. Dodge had the hope of being reinstated as a samp of by barricades well manned, but the fences We have opened at the shops formely occupied by R. W. Bradham, on LIBERTY STREET, a large and com-Be content with your lot, especially driven the Confederates beyond that point, but he told Streight that Forrest was across Furniture Dealer Undertaker the conqueror. Of course he had tots at alongside had been leveled for the convenif it's a corner lot. work in Athens, and hence Miltiades beience of Forrest's men in fianking the barhis path, and then left him to take care of ricades. Beyond the field Streight posted Reved that what might be gained by deay modius establishment which will be thoroughly equipped, so as himself as best he could. The raiders 500 men in a thicket to shoet down the | in the field would be lost in giving time in If food sonrs on the stomach, digestion is red on from Moulton toward Blounts-FULL SUPPLY OF defective. De Witt's Little Early Risers will Confederates, who it was supposed would plotters to get up a fire in the rear. to merit a share of public patronage. ville, on Black Warrior river, and not until The ten generals were evenly divided, and reachy this. The famous little pills that move with due caution and perhaps some the 30th, while passing through a gap in in such emergencies the war ruler had the never grine and never disappoint. W. H First Class Goods in all Departments Prompt and Courteous Attention Given to confusion. Sand Mountain, did they feel the presence But Forrest closed up his ranks and deciding vote. That office was filled by an Villiland & Co. charged with such celerity that he rode Athenian noble, Callimachus, who was listof any strong opposition. _____AT_____ all Customers. Dodge's movement in strong force had ening gravely to the discussion of the genoustipation, blood-poison, fever ! Docthrough the skirmishers and fell upon the held Forrest's attention along the Tennestor: bills and funeral expenses cost about men in ambush before they could arouse erals. Miltiades appealed to him with some-ROCK BOTTOM PRICES. EPPERSON & CO. two undred dollars; De Witt's Little Early see river until Streight was nearly a hunthemseives to do execution. The raiders what blunt, but forcible eloquence, to vote Riserscost a quarter. Take your choice. dred miles away, galloping on toward lost 50 men, and one of their best colonels for an offensive policy. "It now rests with Come and See, and Satisfy Yourselves. Rome, Ga. Forrest at once prepared for the was killed. Streight held on until dark, you, Callimachus," he said, "either to en-W. H. :illiland & Co. July