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T. H. BREM'S. Oct 9th. MEN'S AND LADIES HATS

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The subscriber offers for sale a Tract of Land lying on the Statesville Road, about one mile north of Charlotte, containing about one hundred acres. On the Tract is a valuable Gold Mine.

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### CHARLCTTE FEMALE INSTITUTE. CHARLOTTE, N. C.

REV. R. BURWELL. Principals. JOHN B. BURWELL, A. M., The current session commenced on the 1st September, and will close the 22d December, 1865. Pupils received at any time and charged from time of entrance to end of session. For circular containing full particulars as to

Terms, &c., address REV. R. BURWELL & SON. Oct 2, 1865 Charlotte, N. C.

#### MERCHANT TAILORING.

We are pleased to inform our former patrons and friends that we are once more on the market, with a nice lot of Cloths, Cassimeres, Vestings, and Tailors' Trimmings, together with

Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods, consisting of Shirts, Under Shirts, Drawers, Cravats,

Ties, Collars, Handkerchiefs, Gioves, Hosiery, Sus penders, &c. Also, a select stock of Cassimere and

We will be in receipt of our usual stock of CLOTHING, manufactured by ourselves, in a few days, when we

will be able to suit all sizes and taste. From our knowledge of the Clothing business, and facilities for manufacturing, induce us to believe that we will continue to merit the patronage heretofore so liberally given by the citizens of Western North Carolina and the upper Districts of South FULLINGS & SPRINGS,

Sept 18, 1865.

## New Goods.

Store under Democrat Office

C. M. QUERY,

[Next Door to Spring's Corner,] Has just received and opened an extensive assort-

DRY GOODS.

consisting of Calicoes, DeLains, Merinoes, Poplins, Flannels, Alpaccas, Cashmeres, Jacconetts, Lawns,

Balmoral Skirts, Hoop Skirts, Linen Handkerchiefs, collars, cuffs. Also, a complete assortment of Ladies, Gentlemen's, Misses', Boys', Youths' and childrens'

Boots, Shoes and Gaiters; together with a great variety of HATS, of all styles lets, Hoisery, Ladies Hats, Bonnet Ribbons, Linen and prices, all of which will be sold at extremely

low Prices. A few dozen Cotton Cards.

Please give me a call, as I charge nothing for showing my Goods, being determined to please and sell to the public.

#### C. M. QUERY. Sept 18, 1865 tf Gold and Copper Mines

FOR SALE.

The subscriber offers for sale that Tract of Land Charlotte, N. C., 4elonging to the estate of Dr. E. II. and take great pleasure in showing our Goods. Andrews, deceased, containing nearly two hundred acres. It has on it a small dwelling, some outhouses, a fine spring of water, and an orchard. also has a rich Gold Mine, and perhaps one of the richest veins of Copper ore at the South.

These Mines have been fully tested, and pronounced by experienced Miners capable of yielding a large amount of rich ore. For immediate purchasers liberal offers will be made. For further particulars address or call on my Agent, A. Bethune, Charlotte, N. C.

Oct. 2, 1865 Administratrix.

## CORN AND WHEAT.

I want to purchase Corn and Wheat at the Steam Flouring Mill in this place, for which the market JOHN WILKES. price will be paid. Charlotte, May 15, 1865.

#### Dr. J. H. Wayt, DENTIST,

Has resumed practice, and will be glad to see old customers and others at his Office, next door to Springs' corner, up stairs June 19, 1865,

NOTICE. ON TUESDAY, the 5th of December next, I will sell on the Public Square, at 11 o'clock, a. m., the highly desirable Residence of the late Wm. E. White. ises, or as to terms of sale, are referred to Joseph H. Wilson, Esq. JOHN M. WHITE, Oct 23, 1865

A CARD. We are gratified in being able to notify our friends and old customers, that we have resumed business, and opened in the store formerly occupied by Messrs. Brown, Tate & Co., where we are now

#### receiving and opening well selected stocks of DRY GOODS, HARDWARE, and Groceries.

A call from our friends is earnestly solicited. J. C. BURROUGHS & CO. P. S .- The notes and accounts of Fisher & Burroughs can be found at our store. Greenbacks taken at par. Oct 23, 1865.

#### STOLEN,

From my stables on the night of the 11th of October, a light colored bay STALLION, has white hind feet, the higher legislative bodies of the Church. blaze in face, right eye knocked out, steps short and quick when walking ..

I will give \$25 Reward for the delivery of the said Horse to me at Davidson College, N. C. J. S. JOHNSTON. Oct 23, 1865-1m

#### STOLEN.

From my stable on Saturday night last, two medium sized black MULES about 5 or 6 years old. One has a lump on the lower part of the breast, and is bran- A Price was located at his own request. W neck made with the collar. No other marks recollected. A liberal reward will be paid for their recovery, or any information that will lead thereto. JOHN WILKES.

FALL AND WINTER GOODS.

## BERNHEIM & SINCLAIR,

Corner, to which they have just removed, DRY GOODS

consisting of American, English and French Cali-coes, Poplins, Chintzes, Himalayas, French, English and American Merinos, Delaines, Debages, Alpacas, Coburgs, Ginghams, Flannels, Domestics, &c., &c. Fancy Goods, Notions, &c., a full assortment, MILLINERY,

Consisting of Latest Styles Ladies' Bonnets, Hats, Caps, Flowers, Ribbons, &c. Hoops, and Winter

BOOTS, GAITERS, Shoes and extra sizes Brogans, a full line.

GENTS' HATS. Clothing, Overcoats, Shirts and Drawers, a full line. LADIES' COATS.

For Fall and Winter; Shawls, Breakfast do., Hoods, &c., elegant and cheap HARDWARE To suit the market. Axes, Chain Traces, Spades,

Shovels, Coffee Mills, Sausage Cutters, Cotton Cards, Padlocks, Cutlery, &c.

WOODEN AND WILLOW WARE For Housekeepers.

GROCERIES. Coffee, Teas, Sugars, Spices, Chrese, Mackerel in kits, &c , &c. Cigars, Tobacco, Snuff. CROCKERY,

Quality and prices to suit. PETROLEUM OIL, and Lamps and Oil Cans, &c.

We invite our friends and the public generally to call and examine our new stock, at our new stand, SPRINGS' CORNER, where they will find Goods and prices which we warrant will give full satisfac-BERNHEIM & SINCLAIR.

BEF J. M. SAMPLE, (late of the firm of Cochrane & Sample.) is with Bernheim & Sinclair, where he will be pleased to receive calls from his friends, and serve them on the most favorable terms. Oct 23, 1865

#### NEW WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DRY GOODS AND CLOTHING STORE.

## A. WEILL & CO.

The subscribers respectfully call the attention of their friends and the public to the fact that they have fitted up the store room in Mr. David Parks. Building, on Tryon Street, opposite Mr. Beckwith's Jewelry Store, for the purpose of conducting the Wholesale and Retail Dry Goods

and Clothing Business, in all its branches. They have just received and offer for sale a large and extensive assortment of

Fall and Winter Goods, comprising every description of Cloths, Cassimeres,

Ladies Dress Goods, Shawls, Cloaks, Gloves, Gauntand Cambric Handkerchiefs, Balmoral Skirts, Hoop Skirts, Dress Trimmings, &c., &c.

Clothing and Furnishing Goods.

Our stock of Clothing and Gentlemen's Furnishing Goods is complete. As special and personal attention have been given to the selection of these Goods, and long experience in that line will enable us to give general satisfaction in price, quality and styles | Blackville-J W Coburn unsurpassed by any one.

We have Boots, Shoes and Hats, of every description and make, at very low rates. known as the "CATHEY MINE," 4 miles North of A call is solicited. We shall always try to please, Prince Williams-To be supplied

## WHOLESALE BUYERS

will find it to their interest to call and examine our Stock before making their purchases elsewhere, as | Aiken-A J Stokes. we have the facility to offer great inducements to that trade. A. WEILL & CO. ABRAHAM WEILL. Oct. 2, 1865.

## Merchant Tailoring.

The subscribers will confinue to carry on the Merchant Tailoring business as heretofore, at the store formerly occupied by Thos Trotter, Jeweler Fort Motte Mission-To be supplied Prices will be regulated according to the times on St George's-John A Mood the cash system. Country produce will be taken in payment for Cutting or work done. We hope our friends will not ask for credit, as we expect to do up work in the best style for CASH or its equivalent in something to eat or wear.

◆AS. A. CALDWELL & CO. P. S -Persons indebted to us will please call and settle by cash or note, as early as possible.

June 26, 1865. . tf J. A. C. & Co. NOTICE .- Obituary notices exceeding a few lines in length, are charged advertising rates, paySOUTH CAROLINA CONFERENCE. Darlington-W A Gamewell

The South Carolina Conference of the M. E. Church, South, commenced its annual session Persons desiring information concerning the prem- in Charlotte on Wednesday the 1st of November, and adjourned on Monday evening the 6th, Executor. after a very pleasant and harmonious session.

> We give a sketch of some of the most important business transacted :-

The following resolutions were introduced by Rev. J. W. Miller and adopted : Resolved, That our delegates to the ensuing Camden-T J Clyde General Conference be requested to use their Waterce Mission-J L Shuford influence and votes to promote the following | Chester-Samuel Leard

legislation: 1st. The material strengthening of our epis- Winnsboro'-A G Stacy copacy by largely increasing the number of Fairfield-A J Cauthen Bishops.

2d. The enlargement of the powers of the Richland Fork Mission-M Brown Bishops by rescinding the restriction upon their Rocky Mount-R P Franks authority which forbids them to send a preacher Bishopville-P F Kistler to the same pastorate for a longer period than Sumter-D J Simmons

J Stacy presented a Report from the Joint Board of Finance, showing that about one thousand seven hundred dollars was collected the preachers, and the widows and orphans of de-

ceased members of the Conference. H C Parsons was made supernumerary. E hed with the letter W. The other has a sore on the Smith, J S Nelson, and S B Jones were made

supernumerary. On motion, it was ordered that a collection be taken up in January and February next to de- Butler-P L Herman fray the expenses of the Delegates to the General Conference, the amounts raised to be for-

warded to the nearest Delegate The Church Extension Committee recom- Laurens-W A McSwain, J R Little, A W mended that \$30,000 be collected during the Are now opening at their new stand, Springs' present year, for the various purposes contem- Reedy River-F Auld

plated. The Report was adopted. On motion of Dr W Smith, the Conference Anderson-G F Round expressed its abiding concern for the spiritual welfare of the colored people throughout the Pendleton-T H Edwards Conference territory, leaving the matter of sup- Mt. Zion-J M Carlisle plying them with the Bishop and the Presiding Cokesbury School-To be supplied. Elders. The Quarterly Conferences are authorized to license colored men to preach and exhort, when such action does not conflict with the laws of the States in which licenses are

On motion, it was ordered that a brief Pastoral Letter be addressed to the colored people. Dr A M Shipp presented the Report of the Committee on Education. The institutions of learning under the care of the Conference are all in operation, excepting the Columbia Female

On motion of E J Meynardie, the Delegates to the General Conference are requested to consider the expediency of having prepared a catechism for the instruction of those who are on probation, and also a form for the reception of Bennetsville-T R Walsh, A McCorquodale, probationers into full connection. The following were elected Delegates to the

General Conference: W Smith, D D, A M Shelby-A P Avant Shipp, D D, W A Gamewell, H A C Walker, South Mountain-To be supplied S H Brown, R J Boyd, James Stacy, W H | Lincolnton-S Lander Flemming, and Charles Betts. Reserves: J W Kelly, J R Pickett, W P Mouzon.

The first Friday in April, and the first Friday in September, were set apart as days of Fasting, Humiliation and Prayer

W P Mouzon was re-appointed to preach the Annual Sermon before the Conference. The Conference Missionary Society held its annual meeting on Saturday evening. \$175 was collected for Missions. Speeches were made Newton-I P Hughes, J S Nelson, sup. by Rev Dr Whitefoord Smith and Rev W T Capers. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, Clas Betts; Vice-Presidents, W A Gamewell, Il A C Walker, H M Mood, Thos Raysor; Secretary, W G Connor; Treasurer, R | Burke Mission-To be supplied J Boyd. Board of Managers- 'linisters: J R Picket, J W North, J W Kelly, S Leard, O A Darby, W P Mouzon, W A McSwain; Laymen: Dr T R Tretborne, L Chassire, Dr A Jolly, J M Richardson, L M Stevenson, S M Carliton, W J Yates.

Resolutions of thanks to the citizens of Charlotte, for the hospitable manner in which the Ministers were entertained, were passed. APPOINTMENTS.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT .- F A Mood, P E.

Charleston-Trinity, E J Meynardie. Cumberland, to be supplied Bethel, J T Wightman Spring st., W A Hemmingway

Cooper River-Geo W Byrd Summerville-J L Stoudemire Waiterboro'-M L Banks Black Swamp-Abraham Nettles Hardeville-J W Coward.

BLACKVILLE DISTRICT-Thos Raysor, P E.

Bamburg-Chas Wilson St Bartholomew -- Alex B Stephens, J J Snow Allendale-J W McRoy Barnwell-A W Walker Silverton Mission-To be supplied

Graniteville Mission-J R Pickett ORANGEBURG DISTRICT-A M Creitzberg, P E. A. B. MAYR. Orangeburg-J L Sifley Upper Orange-L M Little

Eastern Orange-J D W Crook Providence-J S Connor St Matthews-Wm Hutto Edisto-W G Connor, R B Tarrant Lexington-W Carson, J K Tucker Edisto Fork-To be supplied.

MARION DISTRICT-John A Porter, P E. Marion-R J Boyd, Thos Mitchell, (sup.) Marion Circuit-S Jones, T W Munnerlyn Buck Swamp-D W Seal Brownsville-M A McKibben Liberty Chapel-J B Campbell Kingstree Circuit and Mission-Oliver Eaddy tion with the vessel has been forbidden,

Circuit-L M Hamer, J W Miller Black River-J C Stoll

Georgetown and Sampit Mission-J W Murray, A Erwin, (sup ) Conwayboro'—D J McMillan Circuit-Geo H Mills, J B Platt Waccamaw Mission-Charles Betts

CQLUMBIA DISTRICT-C H Pritchard, P E. Columbia-Washington st., W T Capers " Marion st., E G Gage

Sandy River -- E A Lemmond Columbia Circuit-H J Morgan

" Circuit-Chas Taylor, S J Hill, nom. 3d. The introduction of the lay element into Manning-W W Mood Santee-H A C Walker, J W Wightman, nom. Upper Santee-To be supplied

Chaplain to Lunatic Asylum-Wm Martin COKESBURY DISTRICT-S H Browne, P E. past year for the support of the superanuated Cokesbury Circuit-W P Mouzon, S B Jones, (nom)

Abbeville-T G Herbert, C Thomason, J E Penny, nom. Ninety Six-A L Smith Upper Saluda River Mission-W II Lawton Mapleton-T S Daniel, J Attaway, nom. Edgefield-J A Clark

Newberry-J W Humbert Circuit-J H Zimmerman, J B Tray-

·Moore Pickens-J H C McKinney " Circuit-W A Hodges

WADESBORO' DISTRICT-F M Kennedy, P E. Wadesboro' Circuit-E W Thompson, J C Hart-

sell, H C Pargons, sup. Ansonville-T A Boone Lanes Creek-Landy Wood Albemarle-J W Puett Concord-J T Kilgo, W S Haltum, nom Monroe-A J Stafford " Circuit, L Scarborough

Pleasant Grove-W W Jones Lancaster-J W Crider Hanging Rock-F M Morgan, G W M Creigh-Cheraw-M C Davis, R R Pegues, nom. Chesterfield-E. J Pennington

L Pegues. SHELBY DISTRICT-J W North, P E. " Circuit, John Finger Dallas-J C Randall Yorkville-L A Johnson York Circuit and Mission-M A Connelly

Rock Hill-J M Cline

Pineville-James Stacy, A N Wells, nom. Charlotte-W C Power Circuit-B G Jones, J W Abernathy, nom Happy Home-R R Dagnall South Fork-John Watts Lendir-G W Ivey Yadkin Mission-J C Crisp, one to be sup. Morganton-P G Bowman

Davenport Female College-S A Webber SPARTA SBURG DISTRICT-W II Flemming, P E Spartanburg-Whitefoord Smith Circuit-J B Massabeau Rich Hill-V A Sharp Unionville-O A Darby, C Murchison, sup. Cane Creek-J W Kelly Belmont-J S Erwin Fair Forest-N K Melton

Goshen Hill-Henry M Mood Pacolet-J Emory Watson Greenville-W S Black, R B Alston, nom. " Circuit-R C Oliver, A H Lester, sup. Reidville-W Bowman Columbus-John A. Wood Pickensville-J J Workman Keewee-D D Byars

Rutherford-D May, Jas P DePass

McDowell-J D Carpenter.

source of amusement, reading "Bancroft's History of the United States." By the way, the whole fort library has lately been opened to him; ing us

Mr Clay continues in the enjoyment of ex- was peopled with terror-stricken and agonized bosom companion, and directed him to the cellent health. He seems greatly at a loss to forms, mostly in their night-clothes, splashing widow. Going on, he called at a house to sell account for his prolonged imprisonment, and de- wildly about in the boiling water. fies, I am told, the possibility of proving his One man, in his agony, tried to pull me from widower, and would prefer a wife. He told him complicity, in the remotest degree, with the as- my perch, but, by repeated directions, I at if he would take a safe he would direct him sassination of President Lincoln. His anxiety length induced him to get upon a chair. I saw where he could get a woman. He took the safe, for speedy trial is as strong as ever.

New York, Nov. 3.—The quarantine Surgeon she would lift up her naked feet I could see late, the first having just secured the prize, reports that 15 fatal cases cholera occurred on that they were boiled to a crimson hue. Reach. The kind-hearted woman, however, sent him to board the steamship Atlanta. All communica- ing down I lifted one of the children to my side, a second widow, whom he secured, and both

STEAMBOAT EXPLOSION. Great Loss of Life.

Nineteen lives were lost by the explosion of the steamer St. John, near New York, on Saturday the 28th ult. The living and dead were robbed after the accident, during the passage of

the boat to New York. We take from a detailed account in the New York Tribune the following particulars of the terrible disaster :

of the starboard boiler, almost immediately the explosion, the ferryboat Morristown came above the fires, and about twenty-five feet for- alongside, and took off about two hundred and ward of the wheelhouse. The aperture in the fifty of the passengers. boiler is about eight feet long and two and a half feet in width, and is situated near the top of the boiler, but inclining toward the interior of the boat.

It is the opinion of Engineer Hook and others that the accident was occasioned by a defect in the boilers, the material of which, they say, was composed of what is called "sand iron"an inferior, brittle kind of iron, which is sometimes used in the manufacture of boilers on account of its cheapness. A scene of ruin and horror was presented, which can only be imagined by those who are familiar with battle-fields, and which cannot be described with accuracy. There, in the centre of the gorgeous saloon, surrounded by gilded walls, claborate chandeliers, and covered with velvet carpets of blue and crimson arabasque, still warm from the burning waves which flooded them but a few hours before, lay a number of corpses and writhing forms, from one of which, at almost regular intervals, issued those appalling blood-curdling

yells, from the poor baggage-master. It was a palatial charnal-a mansion gilded for the dead and dying. Here lay a mother and her two little children

-with only their cold dead faces visible. Next to this melancholy group, were the moonless forms of another mother and her sweet child; the husband and father lay at the other end of the saloon, suffering inexpressible tor-

silent pallid man, who, but a few hours before, was a happy husband of a living wife. Their little child was also alive, and now sat cowering at her father's knees, hardly appreciating the terrible loss which had befallen her. The corpse of a man also lay in this group .-Nine had already gone to their long home, and

a number of policemen and other persons were

By the head of another woman-corpse, sat a

busy carrying such wounded down stairs, that could bear removal. Thrilling Account by an Eye witness. A gentle:nan who was on board the boat at

thrilling account: from the east, and then opening the door, step-ped out into the saloon, which was dimly lit, Strange as t only one or two burners of the main chandelier

being lighted. I had hardly reached the centre of the saloon, on my way out to the open air, before I heard | teor which was visible in this section in Sepit was deep and terrible. I once heard some city by Colonel Bonneville. At Leavenworth gun cotton explode in a close apartment, and it was seen to separate in particles or explode. the present report resembled that nearer than anything I can compare it to. It was immediately followed by a terrible shock, which shook make up my mind what it meant, I saw the side wheel-house smashed in as if by a cannon shot, one wild yell which rings in my cars at this

moment with terrible distinctness. A great crowd of steam rushed through the aperture, speedily filling the entire saloon; but first I saw a shapeless mass flying across the cabin. This proved to be the corpse of a child, who had been sleeping in stateroom No. 123, I think, although I am not certain. I heard the engine stop. A great light illuminated the saloon through the drifting steam. I gave myself up for lost, and for a moment could not stir. The steam was almost immediately followed by vast bodies of hot water, which seemed to burst into the saloon in a perfect deluge. It covered the floor so rapidly that I had just time enough to spring and gain a hold on the main chande- between himself and the President are not favor-

lier before it was seething under my feet. JEFF DAVIS AND C. C. CLAY .- A corres- above the water, but I witnessed a scene of de- to browbeat the President have returned in a pondent of the New York Herald, writing from struction and horror which will abide with me great rage. to my dying day. The water did not spout nor Jeff. Davis shows pluck and lives hopefully. gush into the saloon-it absolutely poured in. His chief torments now are boils, and his chief Had it not had the appearance of being boiling

so he has all the reading, and good matter, too, Then there occurred a terrible scene among transaction took place a week or two ago in the he chooses. He expects soon to be called to the passengers, most of them were asleep in town of De Witt, Clinton county, Michigan, in trial, but no notification of the fact has reached their berths at the time of the explosion. The which love and business are so intermixed that him, nor has there been any late correspondence impulse, which nearly all of them obeyed, upon it requires an adept to distinguish between the with any of his coursel. He has a large, airy being rudely awakened and terrified by the two. A milk-safe pedler called at a house to sell room, good attendance, a good fire, and, with his shock, was to spring to the floor, and their a safe. The woman informed him that she was daily walks and privileges of reading and cor- screams and yells as their feet went ankle-deep a widow, and would much rather have a man, respondence, and the excellent meals furnished into the scalding flood are literally indescrib- The pedler informed her that if she would take him, fares more like a lord than a prisoner. able. Few of them had presence of mind a safe he would send her a man. She took it, There is now no guard stationed in his room as enough to climb again into their bunks, but in and the pedler went on his way rejoicing, and a few moments, or rather seconds, the saloon soon sent her a man who he ascertained had no

> a mother with a child on either arm, dashing and the pedler directed him to the same widow. frantically through the water, and every time When he reached her he was about an hour too but she let the other one fall into the water, loving couples were married that afternoon.

scalding it severely, but not fatally, I think, before I could also possess myself of it. I then seized her by the hair, and assisted her to a position on a chair, where she managed to stand

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until the water had subsided. I might relate numerous other instances; but in all conscience, the above are horrible enough. The water subsided very rapidly-it having all run out in a very few minutes after its first appearance. But the groans and shricks of the scalded and mutilated was the most dreadful experi-The accident was occasioned by the bursting ence of my life. In about fifteen minutes after

## A STONE FALLS FROM THE SKY WITH CHARACTERS ENGRAVED

UPON IT.

From the St. Louis Democrat, October 19. Mr James Lumley, an old Rocky Mountain rapper, who has been stopping at the Everett House for several days, makes a most remarkable statement to us, and one which, if authenticated, will produce the greatest excitement in

the scientific world. Mr Lumley states that about the middle of last September he was engaged in trapping in the mountains, about seventy-five or one hundred miles above the great falls of the Upper. Missouri, and in the neighborhood of what is known as Canotte Pass. Just after sunset one evening he beheld a bright luminous body in the heavens, which was moving with great rapidity in an easterly direction. It was plainly visible for at least five seconds, when it suddeny separated into particles, resembling, as Mr-Lumley describes it, the bursting of a sky-rocket in the air. A few misutes later he heard a. heavy explosion, which jarred the earth very. perceptibly, and this was shortly after followed: by a rushing sound, like a tornado sweeping: through the forest. A strong wind sprang up-The air was also filled with a peculiar odor of a sulphurous character.

These incidents would have made but slight impression on the mind of Mr Lumley, but for the fact that on the ensuing day he discovered, at a distance of about two miles from his camping place, that, as far as he could see in either direction, a path had been cut through the forest, several rods wide-giant trees uprooted or broken off near the ground-the tops of hills shaved off, and the earth plowed up in many places. Great and wide-spread havor was every where visible. Following up this track of desolation, he soon ascertained the cause of it in the shape of an immense stone that had been driven into the side of a mountain. But now comes the time of the explosion gives the following the most remarkable part of the story. An examination of this stone, or so much of it as was I think the accident occurred a few minutes visible, showed that it had been divided into before six in the morning. At least I remem- compartments, and that, in various places it was ber that it was just twenty minutes before six | carved with carious hieroglyphics. More than when I arose from my berth to dress myself, as | this, Mr Lumley also discovered fragments of a I thought we must be nearing the city, and I substance resembling glass, and here and there wanted to be on shore as soon as possible. My dark stains, as though caused by a liquid. He state-room was situated in the forward part of is confident that the hieroglyphics were the the cabin, on the port side. I looked out of work of human hands, and that the stone itself, the window and saw that the western sky was although but a fragment of an immense body, just brightening with the reflection of daylight | must have been used for some purpose by ani-

Strange as this story appears, Mr Lumley relates it with so much sincerity that we are forced to accept it as true. It is evident that the stone which he discovered was a fragment of the mea strange report which thrilled me with unac- tember last. It will be remembered that it was countable apprehension. It was not so loud as seen in Leavenworth, in Galena, and in this

Astronomers have long held that it is probable that the heavenly bodies are inhabitedeven the comets-and it may be that the moteevery plank in the steamer, and before I could ors are used as a means of conveyance by the inhabitants of other pignets, in exploring space, of the seloon, a short distance in front of the and it may be that hereefter some future Columbus, from Mercury or Uranus, may land on with a terrible crashing sound, accompanied by this planet by means of a meteoric conveyance and take full possession thereof-as did the Spanish navigators of the new world in 1492, and eventually drive what is known as the "human race" into a condition of the most abject servitude. It has always been a favorite theory with many that there must be a race superior to us, and this may at some future time be demonstrated in the manner we have indicated.

> WASHINGTON ITEMS -The Cabinet is getting close upon a unit in support of the Presi-

dent's policy of reconstruction. Those who have superior means of knowing at the War Office state that Mr Stanton may leave the Cabinet very soon. Sharp differences able to his remaining with honor. Sundry In a few seconds I was securely perched Northern representatives who have come here

> The ladies of Fayetteville, N°C, have petitioned President Johnson for the release of Jefferson Davis.

LOVE AND BUSINESS -- A rather laughable

a safe, and was informed that the man was a