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TERMS OF ADVERTISING. One Dollar a square for the first week, and Twenty-five Cents for every week thereafter...

Miscellaneous.

A More Excellent Way.

"Mother, mother," exclaimed Charley Morris, as he rushed into the house after school in great excitement, "what do you think we are going to do in school?"

"It is not necessary for us to settle the bearing of this on the question of prizes in school. But one question comes nearer to the case in hand. Do you think that in strict honesty the star would be your own, if you gained it, not by superior scholarship, but your more prosperous circumstances, and Henry's hindrance through his mother's necessities?"

The Maiden Warrior. A Tale of the Revolution. No struggle in the history of the world has produced nobler instances of heroism, than that of our own glorious Revolution. The achievements which light up the expanse of that deadly conflict, like the stars in the firmament, put to shame the melodramatic heroes of Greece; indeed it is not too much to say, that every mountain pass has been a Thermopylae, and every battle plain a Marathon.

Western Extension. There is no one question which seems, with such mental throes, to perplex some of North Carolina's statesmen, as the extension of the Central Road to the western limit of the State. And it is really amusing to know the subtleties, which men in different localities, avail themselves of. In the extreme East, where rail-roads and navigable streams have brought a market to every man's door, the plea is, there is no necessity for it. They do not remember that the Western people have invested thousands of dollars in the completion of their rail-roads, and are now helping to pay the public debt incurred for their benefit.

Paul Jones. The Virginia Index is publishing a series of interesting sketches by T. Jos. Chase, of Chesterfield, of "The Life, Character and Times of Paul Jones." They throw much light on the character of Paul Jones, and give, we doubt not, a most faithful account of the famous battle of his ship, the Bon Homme Richard, with the Serapis. After stating that the ships were locked together, which was effected by Jones, because he saw that to keep off at fair gun-shot, with a new and strong frigate like the Serapis, would never do, for such a crazy old hulk as the Bon Homme Richard, Mr. Chase proceeds;

Lesson for Girls. An intelligent gentleman, says the Bangor Whig, visited a country village in Maine, not far from Bangor, was hospitably entertained and lodged by a gentleman having three daughters, two of whom, in style, entertained the distinguished visitor in the parlor, while one kept herself in the kitchen, assisting her mother in preparing food and setting the table for tea, and after supper, in doing the work, until it was finally completed, when she also joined her sisters in the parlor for the remainder of the evening.

The University of the South. Many of our readers are aware that ten of the Southern Dioceses of the Episcopal Church have wisely undertaken to establish a first class University on a scale as extensive as the European institutions. The location selected is very eligible. A writer in the Journal of Commerce gives some interesting information concerning the site. It is on the Cumberland Plateau, Tennessee, and selected for its elevation and salubrity. A princely domain of 10,000 acres has been secured for the Institution which is traversed by the railway of the Sewanee Mining Company, and embraces every variety of scenery. More than a hundred springs have been discovered bursting from under the sandstone cap which overlies this part of the plateau.