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NOTICE. WE have one hundred town lots for sale in this town. Some of them are very desirable.

THE LOST CAUSE.

AN UNPUBLISHED POEM BY CECIL AFTON TO MINONA. O, thou art my inspiration and my all; Thou whom I've loved since merry childhood's day.

OUR LOUISVILLE LETTER—NO. 5.

ED. COMMONWEALTH: The Southern Exposition at Louisville (Ky.) was formally opened to the world on Wednesday, August 1.

Several days before the opening Hon. Charles D. Jacobs, mayor of Louisville, issued a proclamation declaring August 1st a holiday.

Shortly before 11 o'clock, the procession which was to escort the President and party to the Exposition grounds began to assemble at the Galt House, on Main street.

Several parties from North Carolina have applied for and secured space for exhibits, but there are as yet only three firms who have their exhibits in the building.

Mr. Davis, of Monroe, N. C., has on exhibition a cotton cleaner, which is his own invention. Other exhibits from North Carolina are here, but are as yet incomplete.

To win confidence we must be true to ourselves. Suspicion breeds the evil it fears. The gorge in the Yellowstone region, where, it is said, the atmosphere does not convey sound.

A WONDERFUL CLOCK.

THE APPARATUS CONSTRUCTED BY A SWISS WATCHMAKER OF NEWCASTLE, PA.

Theodore Rohrer, a Swiss watchmaker of this city, has just completed an automatic clock, which for intricate mechanism surpasses the celebrated timepiece at Strasburg.

During the entire day and night a sentinel walks to and fro along a gallery prepared for him, and halts and turns as natural as life.

At the close of his speech President Arthur reached out his hand and grasped a silken cord, and pulling it, he opened the throttle of the great Corliss engine.

At 12 o'clock large folding doors are opened and a sacred scene is presented, which is still more wonderful than those already mentioned.

The inventor of this wonderful timepiece was born in Baden, Germany, in 1846, and serving an apprenticeship to a watchmaker in his native place, went to London, where he remained six years.

Milan, Italy, recently became possessed of a treasure in the shape of a clock which is made entirely of bread.

Rarely, indeed, has one erring mortal the clear right to visit unmitigated censure upon another. As to culpability in morals, it requires omniscience to judge infallibly.

Let your wit be your friend, your mind your companion, and your tongue your servant.

THE SOURCE OF MATHEMATICS.

[Dr. G. Ebers, in Contemporary Review.] Algebra is an Arabic word, denoting the science of combining the separated.

The Rhind papyrus, preserved in the British Museum, may be termed a hand book of ancient Egyptian mathematics. It was written by a certain Aahmesu, under one of the last Hyksos kings.

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DOES THE WORLD MISS ANY ONE.

An exchange gives the following truthful and beautiful answer to the above question: Not long, the best and most useful of us will soon be forgotten.

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A medical man once told Voltaire that he had made one of the characters live too long after receiving a certain wound.

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HINTS TO SOUTHERN WOMEN.

Young ladies who wish to earn a support, let us urge you to learn to write neatly and plainly.

Some of the most talented correspondents in the South to-day, run through whole pages, with only a comma dividing the sentences.

SUDDEN DEATH OF BETROTHED LOVERS.

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ALEX. STEPHENS AND THE COUNTRYMAN.

[Atlanta, (Ga.) Post-Appeal.] Soon after the entrance of the train containing the Great Commoner a countryman was sighted on the rear end of the back car.

"Is that him?" "That is Gov. Stephens." "Well, I'll be darned!" "What did you remark?"

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