

Selections from the Christian Neighbor.

Random Thoughts on a Large Subject.

Our personality determines the good or ill we do. It is this personality rather than the absolute amount of virtue in us which causes us to attract or repel others.

It is said that certain public speaking is ineffective because the speakers utter truth as if it were untruth—rather as if belief in it were of no importance—while other speakers utter fiction as if it were truth.

We may say it should be matter rather than manner that moves us, but as long as we are open to any influences manner will take precedence of matter to a very large degree.

The International Congress of the Three Americas, North, Central, and South America, was formally opened in Washington, October 2.

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"Father" Boyle, the Romish priest convicted of assaulting one of his parishioners, Miss Whitaker, the organist of "the church" at Raleigh, N. C., has been sentenced to be hanged November 29.

An attempt was made October 2, in St. John's, N. B., to murder the protestant ministers of that place. Boxes of poisoned confectionery were sent to each of the three—only one death resulted, owing to the caution of the selected victims of this devilish plot.

Serious Accident to a Good Man.

In the evening of October 3, Capt. W. R. Hines, the efficient and accommodating freight Agent of the railroads at Florence, while superintending the transfer of a car of lumber, was struck by a heavy piece of timber which slipped off the car and crushed him to the earth.

Educational.

Columbia Female College, Williamson Female College, Leesville English and Classical Institute and Wofford College with its adjunct, The Fitting School, are reported as opening auspiciously.

HONOLULU, H. I.,

September 21, 1889.

Admiral Kimberly and staff arrived yesterday from Samoa, and will remain here awaiting the arrival of the U. S. S. Mohican, which is to be the flag-ship.

Returning to South Carolina.

Rev. P. B. Jackson, a minister of the Methodist denomination of South Carolina, about one year ago moved to California, going to Ukiah City, where he has been laboring.

South Carolina Peace Society.

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Dangers of Mob Law.

One of the signs of the times that forebodes evil to our country is the growing disregard of law and want of respect for authority as manifested in the frequent lynchings and outbursts of mob violence in different parts of the country.

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The protest of one hundred and four English ladies against women suffrage in the Nineteenth Century, has led to an almost overwhelming pressure upon the Fortnightly Review which opened its columns to signatures on the other side.

From among the two thousand names received, about six hundred were selected for publication. These are classified: (1) The general list, including a number of countesses and other ladies of title.

The list of ladies in favor of women suffrage is more representative than the list of those opposed, as well as much larger.

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Letter from Mr. Calhoun.

ABBEVILLE, S. C., October 1, 1889.

About two months since I gave to the public through the Augusta Chronicle a plan for colonizing the negro on the public lands in New Mexico.

These ideas have been pronounced impractical, while some express the opinion that the South cannot get on without negro labor, others ease their consciences by simply exclaiming that the negro is here to stay.

There is still another class, represented by the New Orleans Picayune, which, while admitting the fact that something must be done, reject my plan and fail to see how any practical plan can be proposed for deporting the negro.

Within the past six months the discussion as to what is to be done or what can be done with the negro has taken a wide scope, and many who six months ago opposed my position, are now on my side.

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be voted on and passed, he will be convinced of the fact and will gladly accept a home in the West and a free pass to it.

As proof of this and as showing my plan will work, I refer to a press dispatch of September 21, from Raleigh, N. C., which says that on that day five hundred negro families left that State for Southern points, and also stating that the exodus will continue till the first of next January from all over the State.

When the abolition of slavery was first undertaken it looked more impractical and less probable than does now the deportation of the negro from the South.

There are many ways in which a man can be unjust, without censure from the public, and without violating the laws, but there is no way in which he can be unjust without disregarding Christian benevolence.

To be worth anything character must be capable of standing firm upon its feet in the world of daily work, temptation and trial; and able to bear the wear and tear of actual life.

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